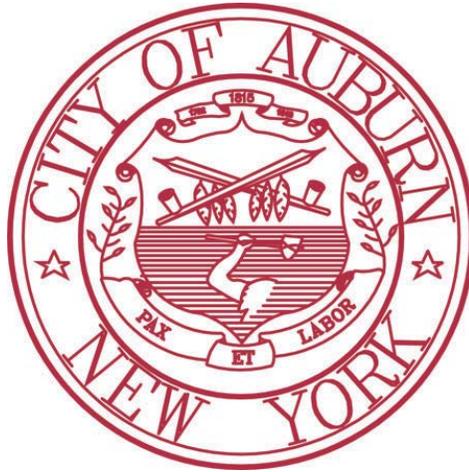


City of Auburn



Annual Action Plan 2016-2017 DRAFT

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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Auburn completed a 5-year Strategic Plan for the 2015-2019 program years that focuses on issues related to housing, homeless, community development (including facilities/public improvement), economic development and non-homeless public services. This Annual Action Plan is the second program year of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Strategic Plan and provides the framework for the 2016-2017 CDBG program year funds.

Two types of programming have been identified by the City of Auburn for CDBG funds – programs that will directly benefit low to moderate income residents and targeted neighborhood investments which will focus on particular low to moderate income neighborhoods based on current data provided by the 2010 American Community Survey (ACS).

Community Development Block Grant Funds have greatly impacted our community by rehabilitating houses for low to moderate income residents through the Home Repair Assistance Program, demolishing blighting structures through Clearance activities, improving neighborhood walkability with sidewalk replacement, enhancing low to moderate income area parks, utilizing 15% annually of entitlement funds for the purpose of funding human service agencies, and providing funding opportunities to promote and enhance the local economy.

The City is committed to using these funds to assist and improve the lives of the low to moderate income individual/family living in the City of Auburn. More specifically, the City will continue to utilize CDBG funds to improve and promote homeownership, home repair, public improvements, public services, and economic development.

This Annual Action Plan will further identify programs that will meet the needs of our community. Community needs were identified in the 5-year Strategic Plan but are expanded on annually through community meetings and public hearings.

The City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development is the coordinator of the Strategic Plan as well as Annual Action Plans. The Office of Planning and Economic Development will monitor the success of the program and manage the funding of the Community Development Block Grant from the office of Housing and Urban Development.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The City's Consolidated Strategic Plan is shaped around serving low to moderate income individuals, families and areas in the City of Auburn by meeting three basic goals established by HUD. These goals include:

Suitable Living Environment (SL): activities that are designed to benefit communities, families or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment

Decent Housing (DH): housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs

Creating Economic Opportunities (EO): activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization or job creation.

The chart below provides an overview of the objectives and outcomes for the goals identified in this Annual Action Plan. Funding identified for the goals highlighted in the chart are entitlement funds only. Please see the attached budget for past entitlement funds as well as revolving loan funds (RLF) available for goals.

GOAL	OBJECTIVE	FUNDING	OUTCOME
Home Repair, Home Access	DH	\$94,185	17 Household Units
Mortgage Assistance	DH	\$18,000	6 Households
Public Infrastructure	SL	\$186,974	455 Persons
Neighborhood Park and Playgrounds	SL	\$128,921	865 Persons
Clearance/Demolition	DH	\$50,000	5 Units
Public Services	SL	\$110,000	1,500 Persons
Economic Development	EO	\$0	5 Jobs retained/created
Special Development	DH	\$0	
Section 108 Loan	N/A	\$185,000	N/A
Administration	N/A	\$151,000	N/A
Homeless Prevention	DH	\$294,763(CoC)	40 Homeless Persons Assisted

3. Evaluation of past performance

In order to provide context for this Annual Action Plan, the City reviewed the first year of the 5 year Consolidated Plan (2015-2016 PY) accomplishments. Although some of these accomplishments are completed, a number of them are underway due to the program year ending March 31, 2016.

Housing Rehabilitation

- The Home Repair program rehabilitated 3 structures containing a total of 3 units.

- Emergency repair funds assisted two single family homes with furnaces.
- 1 low interest loan for a water line repair.
- One structure rehab currently underway not reflected in the totals. One structure ready to go to closing and start rehab and is not reflected in the totals.
- Home Access Program provided handicap accessibility structures to 5 units.

Remove the blighting influence of dilapidated structures

- Funds removed 1 dilapidated structure.

Encourage new homeowners for existing residential buildings

- The Mortgage Assistance Program provided 7 homebuyers with closing cost assistance.

Provide necessary public services

- CDBG funds assisted 11 non-profits to provide services to over 1,221 City of Auburn low to moderate income residents.

Support neighborhood revitalization efforts to improve public facilities and infrastructure, especially in targeted areas.

- Improved 2 parks and playgrounds in Census Tract 418 and 421.
- Replaced sidewalks along Arlington, Kensington, Englewood and Dunning Street located within census tract 418.

Improve program management and administration

- Homeless Task Force continues to be successful in increasing coordination efforts and training among homeless providers in the community
- Increased coordination among organizations and human services through trainings and information.
- Staff attended HUD trainings including TA Thursdays
- Staff attended Section 3 training and increased coordination efforts with Auburn Housing Authority, Homsite and Home HeadQuarters.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Federal regulations require the City to provide for citizen participation in the preparation of the Annual Action Plan. Although a regulation, the City values this as a tool for understanding the true needs of the community. The City of Auburn hosted one public open house style meeting and two public hearings to

solicit comments and participation from the public. These meetings were advertised in the written and online local newspaper editions, posted on the City's webpage, facebook, and twitter accounts, and emailed to nonprofit agencies.

The public meeting was held on November 10, 2015 at the Phoenix Building, a downtown location. This public meeting provided residents an open house style atmosphere to encourage residents to participate and let their voices be heard regarding neighborhood needs and priorities for the Annual Action Plan.

Public hearings were held on December 10, 2015 at City Hall and January 28, 2016 at a City Council meeting to discuss the PY 2016 Annual Action Plan. A draft of the Annual Action Plan is posted on the City's website, and was presented at a Public Hearing on January 28, 2016. A 30-day public comment period began on January 7, 2016 and extended to February 7, 2016 also provided citizens, public agencies, or other interested parties the opportunity to comment on the plan.

The public hearings and public meetings were conducted in handicap accessible locations. Times and locations of meetings varied in trying to accommodate work schedules and capture as many members of the public as possible. All meeting notices identified that the meetings were accessible to people with disabilities and that a language interpreter or materials offered in an alternate format could be present if notice was given to the Office of Planning and Economic Development ten days in advance.

A survey was located on the City's webpage and also distributed to varying agencies in the City. A total of 202 surveys were submitted. The data was summarized and used to prepare the plan.

5. Summary of public comments

The Annual Action Plan identifies the funding or projects that address the City's needs in economic development, neighborhood revitalization, housing development, and public services for low- and moderate-income households and individuals.

Comments included in the Annual Action Plan were received through community meetings, public hearings, e-mail and an online survey.

Housing:

Need more positive community events/ places for you and help for home owners not just renters

Tired of paying high rent prices for apartments that have multiple code violations. Also, there is only one women's domestic violence shelter in town, it has only ten beds. I ended up homeless for two months because there was no room, and social services didn't have room at any of the hotels. There is a seriously high homeless rate for our small town, and not enough resources to help.

There is too many "affordable housing" units in Auburn. Concentrate on rebuilding and selling rather than rebuilding and renting.

Using the block grant for cleaning up of the abandoned lots, (especially 120 Park Place) sewer replacement, and making park and playground improvements can help encourage citizens to start caring about where they live. Also invest some time into making citizens aware of what is being offered and encouraging them to use it. I am proud to say that I took advantage of the home repair assistance program, and the 1st time home buyer program. Without the help I would not have been able to replace all the windows in my home.

Affordable housing units should be built of funded for veterans - More homeless shelters should be available

Landlord training programs to increase access to affordable housing and reduce homelessness in the county.

The Human Services Coalition through the Adult/Community task group has begun to address housing concerns. - If the Coalition can assist in any way with the activities listed we would be willing to brainstorm and discuss with the Office of Planning and Economic Development how we can work together to address these concerns - It would be great to have a representative from Planning and Economic Development attend our task groups. Thank you for all your hard work.

Affordable housing - very few landlords can afford to rent for \$362 per month.

Funds are desperately needed for furnace repair and replacement when the HEAP HERR Program runs out. This is a constant need of low income households and people often use unsafe heating methods to stay warm.

More assistance for rent, sec dep., mortgage

Use incentives for good tenants as consideration for first time home buyers.

I am a renter, and would love to buy a good quality home here, but I don't think I will be able to find an affordable house with modern amenities. I wonder how many other people feel the same way and leave the city because of this.

Community and Neighborhood Development:

Love the transformation in downtown, would like that to continue and hopefully spread

Auburn, NY is a great place that needs work

Need to preserve (unreadable) and enforce zone laws appropriately

Add: Enforcement of codes w/ landlords

We need more law enforcement in Auburn

So many times I have been told that the Codes Department has their hands tied when it comes to slumlords in Auburn. I have seen deplorable living situations with no remedy.

An investment of CDBG funding into housing and neighborhood improvements (playgrounds) can also be seen as an investment in economic development. A vibrant community is one where homes are well maintained, blighting structures are addressed (removed through demolition or substantially rehabbed and sold to first time homebuyers), neighborhoods are safe and have positive amenities (schools, parks, neighborhood businesses) and there is adequate funding to assist those with limited means to maintain their home. The use of CDBG funds for these purposes is an investment in the future vitality of our City.

Public Services:

The addition of educational programs for children and their families that will enhance a "love for learning" in a comfortable, natural setting would potentially raise the confidence levels of younger parents

Child care service needs improvement and or more networking... Services for disabled and homeless and or drug addicts could be put out more of a welcoming for the people who need the services.

We need more activities/safe places for our children and teens to go for fun ex: rollerskating/ skate boarding

We need to look at life services for youths...We need to grant or establish a center that kids can learn how to take care of themselves...Cooking, Cleaning, Laundry...Things like this that will help them feel they are a part of society..

My selection of youth programs relates to at-risk youth programming.

There is a lack of connection in our culture. Use public lands to teach youth and folks in recovery to grow food and flowers (learn to nurture). Allow this to feed the hungry and bring care to elderly. Youth, elderly, and those in recovery are often on our sidelines. How can we bring them together in our culture?

I marked a lot of child and family services rather than things like sidewalk improvements and demolition of properties because I see too many instances of people that are not emotionally and financially able to support a family. This leads to behavioral and emotional issues for children who in better circumstances, would end up being upstanding citizens. Supporting programs that help these children become better citizens is ultimately what is best for our city and community.

Substance abuse and Mental Health illness plague this city.

We need to enlist people on social services that are healthy to get out & clean up the streets, etc. to clean up our city.

I've lived in Auburn my entire life and I have seen the changes that have come about. I've seen drug problems and poverty take a toll on this city.

I feel as though the city along with other organizations already has a wide variety of services established to help disabled, seniors, and child care

Domestic Violence Programs are #1. We need whatever it takes to have more police on our streets!

Substance abuse services that are progressive and creative. Traditional counseling is helpful, but not making a strong enough impact.

Public Infrastructure:

What Auburn desperately needs is to have lines painted on our streets. Visitors have no idea of lanes or turn lanes. It is especially difficult in the winter when lines would slow thru but there is nothing.

We are seeing more people walking in the roads and it is because so many sidewalks are beat up. We want people to be safe and also want more people walking around and being healthy but we do not want the walking wounded in our streets from killing themselves on the sidewalks

Our infrastructure is critical. Due to the negative publicity of water main breaks and ongoing street projects, I hear young people saying they are hesitant to buy homes in Auburn.

Economic Development:

Add Employment Services

Other:

Both presentations were well done and very informative. I appreciate the work the Planning Department does in securing and implementing CDBG funds

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

All comments were taken into consideration in preparing the PY 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan.

7. Summary

As noted above all comments from the public meeting, public hearings and the community survey were taken into consideration. Public participation provides the framework for the goals and projects and ultimately shape the funding decisions provided within this Annual Action Plan. The following list of priorities are CDBG eligible project/program areas that are ranked according to community input- 1 (being the most important) to 14 (being the least important). The list of priorities correlates to the Annual Goals and Objectives chart in AP 20 and the Projects Summary in AP38.

1. Affordable Housing
2. Youth Programs
3. Park and Playground Improvements/Cleanup of Abandoned lots (demolition
4. Homeless Prevention and Assistance
5. Assistance to the Hungry
6. Substance Abuse Services
7. Domestic violence Programs
8. Child Care Services
9. Sidewalk Improvements
10. Services to the Disabled
11. Small Business Assistance
12. Home Repair Assistance
13. Senior Services
14. Fair Housing Activities

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PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan as well as the Annual Action Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	City of Auburn	Office of Planning and Economic Development
Program Administration	City of Auburn	Office of Planning and Economic Development
Fiscal Management	City of Auburn	City of Auburn Comptroller's Office

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

Community Development Block Grant agreements are with the City of Auburn. The City of Auburn's Office of Planning and Economic Development (OPED) is responsible for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan, subsequent Action Plans and Annual CAPER's. Further, the OPED is also responsible for oversight of the program and monitoring sub- recipients.

Within City government, the OPED is able to draw on the expertise of other departments to help deliver programs and see the delivery of identified outcomes. The Engineering Department assists with the public infrastructure and demolition projects. The Department of Public Works assists with park improvements as well as the City's demolition projects. The Code Enforcement Office oversees the City's building codes and zoning. The Comptroller and Treasurer's office assists with the accounting of the CDBG Program. Further the City works with a variety of community based organizations to assist with the delivery of programs and services.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction’s activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

Our community’s Medicaid redesign led by the Director of Social Services and Mental Health has:

- Integrated planning with assisted housing providers, mental health and other rehabilitative services to identify strategies for individuals to maintain housing
- Supported projects that integrate a public/assisted housing with behavioral health services
- Addressed reports of lead in uninspected low income housing

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Executive Committee has representation from City government, County government, the Veteran’s Administration, Auburn Housing Authority, local non-profits and a formerly homeless person. All housing projects seeking letters of support (required in most federal and state grants) from the CoC must present in front of this body and projects must meet a need identified by our local 10 year plan to end homelessness and/or Gaps Committee.

Auburn Housing Authority Section 8 list opened on December 17, 2015 and by January 11, 2016 received over 200 approved applications. Vouchers will become available beginning in April 2016. The high number of approved applications was due in large part that the housing authority reached out to community stakeholders so that those households they served in need of safe, affordable housing would have an opportunity to receive a Section 8 voucher.

In addition every Monday morning the Department of Social Services (DSS) meets with homeless housing providers to review progress housing households and how DSS can low barriers to housing and services.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The CoC reallocated funds to create 8 new permanent supportive housing apartments for chronically homeless individuals. As of January 1, 2016 no chronically homeless individuals are living on the streets. In addition the CoC partnered with the Cayuga County DSS in writing a successful application to receive \$73,000 annually over 5 years in NYS Solutions to End Homelessness Program funding to rapidly re-house homeless single men and women. The funding has reduced the amount of time homeless individuals reside in emergency shelter or motels paid for by DSS. The CoC formed a committee to End Veteran Homelessness in Cayuga County. As of 1/20/16 three veteran households remain homeless. The Veteran’s Administration has provided VASH vouchers to eligible veteran households and Soldier On has

help prevent veteran households from becoming homeless. Chapel House started the Transitional assistance Program to provide transitional housing and supports for 16 homeless single men and women. The Auburn Housing Authority Development Corporation began construction on a 28 unit new housing complex (14 three bedroom, 10 two bedroom and 4 one bedroom) in October 2015 for homeless families with children and a community center to provide onsite supportive services. The project will be completed and operation by January 1, 2017. CSCAA has a transitional supportive housing Young Adult program for homeless youth ages 18-25 years of age that provides supportive services and stability for homeless youth.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City contracts with the Rescue Mission to facilitate Homeless Task Force Meetings, and provide technical support and grant writing for Continuum of Care (CoC) funding. The City of Auburn/ Cayuga County Homeless Task Force contracts with CARES to administer HMIS. CARES is responsible for managing HMIS software licenses, training all users, developing, implementing and enforcing security policies and data quality standards, and providing data reports to the City of Auburn/ Cayuga County Homeless Task Force. All agencies that are users of the HMIS system pay a user fee to CARES. Regional Policies and Procedures govern all the CoCs that partner with CARES. Two representatives from each CoC sit on an advisory board that reviews and makes changes. The City does not receive ESG funds.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

The City of Auburn Homeless Task force, Homeless providers, Human Service Agencies, Auburn Housing Authority Home Headquarters, and local housing service agency Homsite, Arise and Orchard Street Neighborhood Association were consulted during the development of the Annual Action Plan. These organizations and agencies provide services to the City of Auburn residents.

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated
Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

The City consulted a majority of local agencies, and did not deliberately omit any from the process.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care (CoC)	City of Auburn Homeless Task Force	-Homeless
City of Auburn Comprehensive Plan	City of Auburn	-Revitalizing Neighborhoods including protecting the quality of existing neighborhoods and protect neighborhood character-Shaping business growth across Auburn-Create a walkable communityRe-engage the Owasco River-
Owasco Riverfront Plan	City of Auburn	-Re-engage the Owasco River
Brownfield Redevelopment Plan	City of Auburn	-Identifying vacant or underutilized properties for redevelopment
Community Indicators Project	United Way Cayuga County	-Community Data
Orchard Street Neighborhood Plan	Home Health Centers	-Neighborhood revitalization in census tract 421 (fka 419)
Cayuga Economic Development Agency Strategic Plan	Cayuga Economic Development Agency	-Economic Development
10 Year Plan to End Homelessness	City of Auburn/Cayuga County Homeless Task Force	-Homelessness-Public Services
Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing	City of Auburn	-Fair Housing
Cayuga County Employment Plan	Cayuga County Department of Social Services	-Homeless
Cayuga County Local Services Plan	Cayuga County Mental Health	-Special needs and facilities
HealthCNY	Cayuga Community Health Network	-Data regarding the community
Parks Master Plan	City of Auburn	-Plan for the City Parks

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

Please note that the Parks Master Plan is not yet complete but is anticipated to be completed around June 2016. We will be using this plan as we move forward with park and playground improvements. It should also be noted that HealtheCNY is not a plan but a data and resource website which we can use to determine needs in the community.

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AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

- 1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

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Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
	Public Survey Targeted through Website and Community Meeting	General Public	202	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -More connectivity between activities -Rent and Mortgage Assistance -Progressive and creative substance abuse programs -More law enforcement -More homeless shelters -Urban Forestry -More support for child and family programs -Sidewalks that are more walkable -Street clean ups -Increase awareness about what programs are available around the City -Appropriate enforcement of zone laws and codes -Employment Services -Landlord Training Programs 	All comments were considered	http://www.auburnny.gov/Public_Documents/index

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
	<p>Community Meeting 11.10.15</p> <p>Targeted through Website, e-mail, Facebook, Flyers, Newspaper Ads</p>	General Public	15	<p>-Wall St. Playground needs Improvements (5 comments from Facebook)</p> <p>-handicap accessibility and walkability with sidewalks</p> <p>-Dunn and McCarthy area is in need of improvements</p> <p>-Landlord tenant trainings</p> <p>-Networking among agencies</p> <p>-Section 3 and WBE and MBE trainings for small businesses</p> <p>-Clifford Park Improvements</p> <p>-Farmers Market</p>	All comments were considered	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
	Public Hearing 12.08.15 Targeted through Newspaper Ads, e-mail, Website	General Public	5	-Revolving loan fund -Shorter term -Limit scopes of work -Need for public health and community wellness -Sherwood Park improvements -Housing handbooks -Transportation for seniors and disabled -Summer recreation program for youth	All comments were considered	
	Focus Group 11.09.15 Targeted through e-mail	Cayuga County Homeless Task Force (Meetings are open to General Public)	23		No comments were received at this time	
	Focus Group Targeted through email	Community Network Meeting			All comments were considered	
	Public Hearing 01.28.16 Targeted through Newspaper Ad, email, website	General Public				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c) (1, 2)

Introduction

The City of Auburn receives federal funds through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on an annual basis. During the second program year of this Five Year Plan the City anticipates receiving \$828,921.00 in CDBG entitlement allocations.

Priority Table

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	Public-federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	DRAFT					The City is anticipating being allocated \$828,921 for the 2015-2016 Program Year. There is \$180,275 expected in program income for the 2016-2017 program year. Program Income was estimated through 2019 and this year's allocation amount was used to calculate the expected amount available throughout the Consolidated Plan.
			828,921	180,275	83,659	1,092,855	2,933,430	

Continuum of Care	public - federal	Other							The amount expected for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is estimated by multiplying this year's grant by the remaining three years in the Consolidated Plan. This is assuming that funding levels remain the same.
			294,763	0	0	294,763	884,289		

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

Housing

The City of Auburn will continue to partner with Homsite Fund, Inc. and Home Headquarters. The following resources will be available to leverage the City’s Home Repair Assistance Program and Special Development Projects:

- RESTORE – Average of \$2,300 per case for emergency home improvement repairs (furnace, hot water tank, flooring, plumbing, etc). Currently have a \$25,000 grant that ends July 2016. Anticipating a \$50,000 grant which could serve 20 households in the County.
- AHC Home Improvement – Contract signed July 2015. The total contract is \$500,000 over a two year timeframe. The plan is to max the funds per unit at \$10,000, with half of the funds expended in the first year. All funds need to be deployed by June of 2017.

Homsite and Home Headquarters will also be making applications as outlined below. The following awards were applied for but have no status updates at the time of this Action Plan.

- AHC Home Improvement – The total application request is \$900,000. This would likely be awarded in 2016 (end of the calendar year). The plan would be to deploy \$300,000 in Cayuga County over a 2 year period, the majority of which would be deployed in the City in order to use CDBG for the match. This would provide \$10,000 per case.

- AHC Acquisition Rehab – This funding would be utilized to substantially rehabilitate 7 vacant/deteriorating properties in the City of Auburn. The total application request will be \$245,000, utilizing funds from the City of Auburn CDBG to leverage the project.

In addition, Home HeadQuarters, as a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) has lending capital, through a Revolving Loan Fund, available to lend in Cayuga County (Auburn). At this point, with limited marketing, Home HeadQuarters typically serves 10 homeowners a year in the City specifically with these funds, with capital of up to \$10,000-15,000 per property. There are no upper income limits; these funds are typically for those who have limited equity in their homes, so qualifying with a traditional lender is challenging. The homeowner needs to have the ability to pay back the loan. The Interest rate is 3.99%, and term is 7 years. HHQ is the only CDFI in Cayuga County.

Public Improvements

The City of Auburn secured a grant through the NYS Department of Transportation (DOT) Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP) in the amount of \$1,322,000 for the first phase construction of the Owasco River Greenway Trail. The City of Auburn CDBG Program would provide match in the amount of \$330,000 during the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Action Plans. In addition to the grant secured for the first phase construction of the Owasco River Greenway Trail, The City of Auburn has received \$35,000 of funding for a city wide Parks Master Plan which is currently underway.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The City of Auburn was awarded \$1,322,000 dollars in funding assistance from the New York State Department of Transportation Enhancement Program and will receive \$330,000 in support from US HUD CDBG entitlement funds to construct a 2.1 mile multi-modal segment of the Owasco River Greenway Trail. The construction of a 2.1 mile trail segment is the commencement of a 12 mile shared use trail system that extends from trailhead, Wadsworth Park in the northwest quadrant of the City southward along the Owasco River to Emerson Park at Owasco Lake. The trail consists of 14 major and minor trail nodes sited along the trail route for parking, seating, overlooks of the river, picnic facilities, interpretive and directional signage, trash receptacles etc . The off-road portion of the trail is located on publically owned property and will be constructed for continued connectivity and to allow trail users to get closer to the Owasco River.

The purpose and goal of the Owasco River Greenway Trail is to augment the existing non-motorized transportation system that connects the City's low-to-moderate income residential neighborhoods to Auburn's Central Business District, employment centers and recreational

opportunities. The 2.1 mile downtown trail segment is entirely located within Census Tracts 417 and 421 which are US HUD CDBG designated low-to-moderate income neighborhoods. Expanding the City's multi-modal system within these census tracts will allow for safe, reliable, affordable and alternative transportation choices to the motor vehicle. The trail will provide much needed designated pedestrian and cycling connections from homes and places of business and services.

In addition to the Owasco Greenway Trail the City of Auburn is committed to providing quality recreational opportunities and greenspaces within neighborhoods. Neighborhood parks are key to quality of life within a City; therefore public park improvements will include an assessment of the park including historical usage and community involvement. Playground and park improvements will be focused in US HUD CDBG designated low to moderate income areas. For the 5 Year Consolidated Plan the following public parks and playgrounds, located in the corresponding Census Tracts, will be improved:

Columbian Park- Census Tract 418

Sherwood Park- Census Tract 418

St. Francis Park- Census Tract 421

Casey Park- Census Tract 413

Owasco Riverfront Trail- Census Tract 417

Discussion

The estimated resources are as accurate as possible. These numbers may fluctuate if more loans are given out which would increase program income or if loans are paid off early. It is also assuming that our entitlement amount remains the same over 5 years which we understand may increase or decrease as well. The funding for goals may need to be adjusted in future action plans as we go through the community participation and action plan processes and see what the priority needs are each year.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Residential Rehab	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$78,000	Rental units rehabilitated:17 Household Units
2	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$18,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 6 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
3	Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Homeless Public Services	CDBG: \$116,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,300 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 200 Persons Assisted
4	Homelessness Prevention	2015	2019	Homeless	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Homeless	Continuum of Care: \$294,763	Homelessness Prevention: 48 Persons Assisted
5	Public Facilities	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Economic Development	CDBG: \$362,078	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1670 Persons

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
6	Clearance	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4, Census Tract 417	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$150,543	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 495 Persons Assisted
7	Public Infrastructure	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$186,974	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 495 Persons Assisted
8	Business Lending	2015	2019	Community Development	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	Community Development	CDBG: \$1,363,268	Jobs created/maintained: 5 jobs

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
9	Section 108 Repayment	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$185,000	Other: 0 Other

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Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	Administration	2015	2019	Administration	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1	Administration/Planning	CDBG: \$151,000	Other: 0 Other

Goal Descriptions

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Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Residential Rehab
	Goal Description	Residential Rehab includes the Home Access Program, which serves low to moderate income persons; Housing Program Delivery; and Home Access Program, serving low to moderate income individuals with a disability. Funds for the Home Repair Assistance Program are coming from the revolving loan fund and prior entitlement funds and are not reflected in the funding chart as it is not current entitlement money. These programs are available city wide for households that meet HUD’s low to moderate income guidelines.

2	Goal Name	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers
	Goal Description	Assists first-time homebuyers in the City of Auburn with down payment or closing costs. This program is operated on an individual's or family's income and assists low to moderate income persons City wide.
3	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Public Services for low to moderate income households in the City of Auburn. Public Services take place City-wide.
4	Goal Name	Homelessness Prevention
	Goal Description	The creation of homeless beds funded through the City of Auburn Continuum of Care and includes permanent housing projects that serve chronically homeless and supportive housing programs to serve individuals and families that are homeless. Programs assist low to moderate income persons City-wide.
5	Goal Name	Public Facilities
	Goal Description	Includes improvements and new construction of parks, trails and playgrounds.
6	Goal Name	Clearance
	Goal Description	Includes improvements and new construction of parks, trails and playgrounds.
7	Goal Name	Public Infrastructure
	Goal Description	Public infrastructure improvements, such as sidewalks, to low to moderate income neighborhoods.
8	Goal Name	Business Lending
	Goal Description	The small business assistance program provides "gap" financing to small businesses in the City of Auburn that will create and/or retain jobs for low to moderate income persons. Funding will be allocated through 2014 CDBG funds and Revolving Loan Funds. Allocated funds are also for program delivery. This program assists businesses City-wide.

9	Goal Name	Section 108 Repayment
	Goal Description	Section 108 repayment. A "0" is entered under other for Goal Outcome Indicator as this is non-applicable since it is the repayment of the City of Auburn's Section 108 loan. Please note that all target areas were included but that this is actually not applicable as it is a loan repayment.
10	Goal Name	Administration
	Goal Description	Administration costs for the CDBG program, the Homeless Task Force, Human Service Coalition, CNY Fair Housing and Community Health Network. A "0" is entered under Other for Goal Outcome Indicator as this is not applicable for Administration. Please note that all target areas are included but is also city-wide as administration also involves overseeing projects that are direct benefit based.

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

The City does not receive HOME funds.

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AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Auburn allocated its CDBG resources in a manner that addresses its identified housing and community development needs. The projects and programs selected for funding over the upcoming program year are ranked according to project number followed by the project's name and needs that are address. Funding for each program is also identified in the following table.

Table 8 – Project Information

#	Project Name
1	Home Repair Assistance Program
2	Mortgage Assistance Program
3	Home Access Program
4	Public Services
5	Homelessness Prevention
6	Park and Playground Improvements
7	Distressed Property Program
8	Sidewalk Replacement Program
9	Economic Development
10	Special Development Projects
11	Section 108 Repayment
12	Administration

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The Office of Planning and Economic Development considered all public comments submitted during the public hearings, meetings, surveys, and public comment period. The above priorities are a result of the public participation process for the PY 2016 Annual Action Plan and are meant to meet the community's needs. The greatest obstacle to meeting all of the community's underserved needs continues to be limited financial resources with which to finance programs and projects.

Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Home Repair Assistance Program
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Residential Rehab
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$56,185

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<p>Description</p>	<p>The HRAP will continue to focus on the rehabilitation of existing housing stock for occupancy by low and moderate income persons. The program has been re-evaluated on how to best assist our low to moderate income homeowners in the City and improve our neighborhoods and housing stock. The changes will reduce the amount of assistance per project to assist more property owners, address urgent needs to reduce deferrals because of job scope, create a sliding scale for payback and create a revolving loan program with a CBDO (Homsite). The program will address “urgent” repair matters such as roof repair/replacement, furnaces, sewer/water lines, electrical/plumbing, accessibility modifications, and health and safety matters. Other priorities of the program will be exterior improvements for city beautification, energy efficiency (partner with the Weatherization program at Cayuga-Seneca Community Action Agency when possible), and partner with Healthy Neighborhoods and Lead Education at the County Health Department regarding lead abatement in homes with children under 6. The City will be certifying Homsite as a CBDO, which will allow Homsite to manage the revolving loan fund. Homsite would continue to use the revolving loan fund to make additional loans meeting the same criteria.</p> <p>Approach on terms, conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max amount of assistance - \$20,000 (opportunities to go over on a case-by-case basis with approval from City) • Sliding scale for a payback based on income • Interest rate of 3.99% with a term of 7 years (10 years if needed to make payments affordable) • Intake process remains the same – pay stubs, tax returns, bank statements (for other Homsite funds), deed, homeowners insurance, current on taxes/water • customer’s risk rating (to be done by HHQ staff) • Eliminate abstract update • Note and Mortgage for full amount of assistance • Deferred portion becomes payable if homeowner moves within compliance period • Utilize HHQ staff to service the loans
<p>Target Date</p>	<p>3/31/2017</p>

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The program will provide low interest loans to 10 units of low - moderate income occupants.
	Location Description	All target areas are included but this can take place anywhere in the city provided that the applicant meet the low to moderate income guidelines as this is a direct benefit activity.
	Planned Activities	None at this time. Applications are reviewed upon submittal.
2	Project Name	Mortgage Assistance Program
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,000
	Description	The MAP will be used to assist first-time homebuyers with a grant of \$3,000 for down payment and closing cost assistance for income qualified, first-time homebuyers of an owner-occupied single-family, two-family, or three-family home. Participants must have gone through a certified homebuyers class or training and provide a certificate of completion. This program will benefit 6 households.
	Target Date	3/31/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Six low to moderate income households will benefit from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	All target areas are included but this can take place anywhere in the city provided that the applicant meet the low to moderate income guidelines as this is a direct benefit activity.
	Planned Activities	
3	Project Name	Home Access Program
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Residential Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: 20,000
	Description	The Home Access Program provides ramps and/or accessibility modifications for physically disabled low and moderate income persons living in the City of Auburn. The City of Auburn will contract with the local Independent Living Center, ARISE, as a Sub recipient to implement the HAP. This program will benefit 7 units.
	Target Date	3/31/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Seven low to moderate income households will benefit from the activities.
	Location Description	This is a direct benefit activity so it can take place anywhere within the City of Auburn provided that applicants meet the low to moderate income guidelines.
	Planned Activities	None at this time. Access structures are completed on an as need basis for low to moderate income persons.
4	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Public Services Homeless Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Community Development Non-Housing
	Funding	\$116,000
	Description	Public Service Agency Programs are designed to serve low to moderate income persons in the City of Auburn. Activities are City-wide.
	Target Date	3/31/2017

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Low to moderate income families will benefit from the proposed activities. Approximately 1,500 individuals will benefit from public service programs.
Location Description	City-wide

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<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>AURORA of CNY – Outreach to Seniors with Vision/Hearing Loss \$9,000. Funding was requested to provide 1:1 counseling to seniors with hearing and vision loss so that they can remain independent in their homes. The program will assist 10 persons</p> <p>Boyle Senior Center – Senior Center Programming \$10,000. This funding is used to provide health and social/recreational programming to seniors who live at the Boyle Center and within the community to decrease the rates of isolation and depression. Program will assist 200 persons.</p> <p>Calvary Food Pantry – General Support for the Purchase of Food \$10,000. Funds were requested for the purchase of nonperishable food items for the Pantry’s regular food basket give away. Program will assist 600 persons.</p> <p>Cayuga Counseling Services – Children’s Crisis Services Initiative \$14,000. Assist families with children between the ages of 5-18 years of age who have risk factors for out of home placement because of their emotional and/or behavioral difficulties. Program will assist 45 youth.</p> <p>Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency – Homeless Intervention Program \$8,000. This program is for the intervention of families and individuals who may find themselves homeless. Funds are used to pay first month’s rent and/or security deposit or motel stay if they are homeless. Program will assist 15 persons.</p> <p>Freedom Recreational Services – Freedom Camp \$7,500. Funding will support a summer day camp experience for special needs youth between the ages of 4-21 years of age who reside in the City of Auburn. Approximately 80 campers.</p> <p>Legal Aid of Mid-NY – Legal Services for Victims of Domestic Violence \$10,000. Funding for this program serves women who are victims of domestic violence and are in need of legal assistance and representation. 10 individuals.</p> <p>Rescue Mission - Family Transitions Program \$18,000. The program will provide transitional and permanent housing and ongoing case management to homeless families. Program will assist about 100 individuals.</p> <p>Chapel House Homeless Prevention and Assistance- Program will provide case management for homeless men being placed in permanent housing. Approximately 25 individuals will receive these services.</p> <p>Transportation of Cayuga County- SCAT Van \$9,000. Funding is for the SCAT Van which provides transportation to seniors and disabled individuals. Approximately 80 persons.</p> <p>Booker T. Washington- Summer Youth Program \$7,500. Funding will support a summer youth program for low to moderate income youth 5 to 12 years old. Approximately 75 youth.</p>
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5	Project Name	Homelessness Prevention
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Homelessness Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Homeless
	Funding	Continuum of Care: \$294,763
	Description	The creation of homeless beds is funded through the City of Auburn Continuum of Care and includes permanent housing projects to serve individuals and families that are homeless. This project is reported in HMIS, not IDIS. Although target areas are checked, this project is direct benefit based so it occurs on a city-wide basis.
	Target Date	3/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 40 individuals will benefit from the proposed funding. DRAFT
	Location Description	City Wide
	Planned Activities	Creation of homeless beds through programs administered by Arise, Cayuga Seneca Community Action Agency, Chapel House, and Auburn Housing Authority.
6	Project Name	Park and Playground Improvements
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1

Goals Supported	Public Facilities
Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
Funding	CDBG: \$128,921
Description	Neighborhood parks are vital to a City's quality of life and the City of Auburn is committed to providing quality green spaces within City neighborhoods. The City has funded a Parks Master Plan which will be completed in June 2016. The Office of Planning and Economic Development in coordination with the Department of Public Works and the Department of Engineering Services will work together to complete park and playground improvements or to create a new park specific to the neighborhood needs and priorities. Depending on the park or playground, improvements may include the installation of new playground equipment, replacing broken or unsafe equipment, rehabbing sports courts, and installing lighting, pathways, landscaping, etc. The parks and playgrounds targeted for improvements are located in low to moderate income neighborhoods. The Consolidated Plan established a general priority list based on Census Tracts. The City intends to address the following parks and playgrounds during this Action Plan: Columbian Playground, Saint Francis Park and Playground, The Owasco River Greenway Trail Project
Target Date	3/31/2017
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Park and Playground improvements will be completed in low to moderate income area neighborhoods and will benefit approximately 2,250 persons.
Location Description	City wide
Planned Activities	Columbian Playground Saint Francis Park The Owasco River Greenway Trail Project

7	Project Name	Distressed Property Program
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1 Census Tract 415, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Clearance Residential Rehab
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000

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<p>Description</p>	<p>The Office of Planning and Economic Development will provide more funding for clearance activities, in response to the need expressed in the community for more demolitions. In particular, the Mayor and City Councilors are referencing the need to address substandard and significantly deteriorated housing that are a blight on the City's neighborhoods. In his inaugural speech on January 1, 2016, Mayor Quill outlined housing as one of three major focus areas for the City to address. In addition, there has been significant development of new or rehabilitated housing units in the community within the last approximately 5 years. For affordable housing (ie. Housing that is available to low or moderate income tenants), the SE Payne Cornerstone Project rehabilitated or constructed 35 new units of housing, replacing deteriorated units and slightly reducing the density in the Orchard Street neighborhood. There is an additional 50 units of affordable housing that is being developed in the former West Middle School as part of an adaptive re-use project, which units will also be available to special populations. Middle income seniors now have the option of a market-rate housing facility, 110 units located close to many services in the community. High-end flats, lofts and upper-story residential units (approximately 75 units) have been developed in the downtown area to provide housing options for young professionals, young families and baby boomers. With these multiple options available in the community across diverse income ranges, the City should look to reduce density of units, especially in some of our older, more dense neighborhoods where there are significant issues of blight and deterioration.</p> <p>The Distressed Property Program will identify underutilized property in areas targeted for revitalization. The current target area is Census Tract 418, Census Tract 421 and areas adjacent. Combined with Housing Special Development Project funding and Home Repair Assistance Program funds, this fund will allow for the substantial rehabilitation and/or the demolition of housing that is deteriorating a neighborhood and that if not for this program the neighborhood could be faced with declining assessed values and depressed self-image. When appropriate the City of Auburn will work with Home Headquarters, Homesite, and/or the City's Department of Engineering Services to implement this program. The City has identified five sites, approximately 26 acres, in low to moderate income area Census Tracts 421, 413, and 417 that would benefit from Brownfield Cleanup funding. Identified sites were in the EPA Brownfields Assessment Program and have undergone Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments. Redevelopment Plans have been prepared for most of these sites. This funding is anticipated to be used from the City's healthy Revolving Loan Fund balance. Sites include City owned properties 55 Washington Street, 144 Clark Street, 1-15 Pulaski Street, 9 Owasco Street and privately owned (non-profit) 16 South Street</p>
<p>Target Date</p>	<p>3/31/2017</p>

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	These activities would take place in low to moderate income areas and benefit low to moderate income families in the City of Auburn.
	Location Description	<p>The City has identified five sites, approximately 26 acres, in low to moderate income area Census Tracts 421, 413, and 417 that would benefit from Brownfield Cleanup funding. Identified sites were in the EPA Brownfields Assessment Program and have undergone Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments. Redevelopment Plans have been prepared for most of these sites. This funding is anticipated to be used from the City's healthy Revolving Loan Fund balance. Sites include City owned properties 55 Washington Street, 144 Clark Street, 1-15 Pulaski Street, 9 Owasco Street and privately owned (non-profit) 16 South Street. The target areas are where we plan to concentrate our efforts but if there is a neighborhood safety issue, any location is eligible provided it is in a low to moderate income block group.</p> <p>Other sites selected will be deteriorated housing in low to moderate income block groups as well as areas that we deem blighted</p>
	Planned Activities	If the revolving loan funds are approved for the use of brownfield sites, cleanup activities for redevelopment of the Owasco Riverfront trail as well as the redevelopment of the Schines Theater will move forward.
8	Project Name	Sidewalk Replacement Program
	Target Area	Census Tract 413, Block Group 4, Census Tract 413, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$186,974

	Description	The City of Auburn will continue to implement a sidewalk replacement program in income eligible neighborhoods. The purpose of this program is to ensure that all residents, regardless of their ability, are provided with a safe and accessible pedestrian network of sidewalks within the City. In consultation with the City's Department of Engineering Services, sidewalks that are in poor condition will be replaced in the areas identified. All sidewalks will be reviewed and replaced on a comprehensive manner to ensure an interconnected network of sidewalks. The Consolidated Plan outlines Census Tract priorities for public infrastructure including sidewalk replacement. As part of 2015 Action Plan, it is the City's intent to continue following those priorities and address areas within Census Tract 413 in eligible block group areas. It is the City's intent to do sidewalk improvements on both sides of North Division Street from Aurelius Ave past Casey Park provided that an income survey of the service area proves that the service area is comprised of 51% or greater low to moderate income residents. If this is not proven, sidewalk improvements will only take place in the areas of North Division Street that are eligible according to ASC income data for block groups. Work will then continue in income eligible streets in Census Tract 413 such as Perrine, Union, Grant, Pulaski, Cottage, and Seymour. Work will not take necessarily take place in the order that streets are listed.
	Target Date	3/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Sidewalk replacement will take place in low to moderate income area neighborhoods and will benefit an estimated 455 persons. DRAFT
	Location Description	Sidewalk replacement will take place in Census Tract 413 in eligible block groups. If area is not in an eligible block group, a service area will be defined and a survey approved by HUD will be used to determine the low to mod percentage of the service area.
	Planned Activities	Sidewalk replacement to create a walkable community.
9	Project Name	Economic Development

Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
Goals Supported	Business Lending
Needs Addressed	Economic Development
Funding	CDBG: \$0

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<p>Description</p>	<p>The Office of Planning and Economic Development continues to make available the Small Business Assistance Program to support new business development and business retention/expansion. The overall business assistance strategy requires a pool of flexible funding that can be used to meet the needs of larger economic development projects that may develop at any time. This is accomplished through the continuation of the Special Development Projects (described in a later section).The SBAP provides a revolving loan fund that utilizes the revolving loan fund income as an ongoing funding source. This program line capitalizes the program at the anticipated levels required for the coming program year. The funding allocation will utilize revolving loan fund income (as opposed to Entitlement Funding) for the capitalization. Repayments from this loan program will be put back into a revolving loan fund and utilized for economic development activities. The SBAP will continue to offer flexible gap financing to small businesses and developers. The City has successfully administered the SBAP for nearly 20 years and the program often plays a catalyst role in the business community. Working cooperatively with local lending institutions, the City supports economic activity that would otherwise not occur without SBAP subordinate lending. SBAP loans are used to create or retain jobs with a required focus on job creation for low and/or moderate income individuals. Loan funds may be used for permanent working capital, inventory, property acquisition, and/or the purchase of machinery and equipment. Application intake and underwriting for the SBAP is performed under the direction of the Office of Planning and Economic Development. Potential borrowers must provide a complete application and supporting documentation including financials. Underwriting is completed to review each application for credit-worthiness, sufficient cash flow, and collateral coverage. A analysis of the application is done to facilitate a recommendation to the SBAP loan committee for approval as is, modification or denial. Following approval, closing documents, including the promissory note, HUD commitments, personal guarantees, and collateral security documents which may include collateral mortgages or UCCs, are prepared. Appropriate actions are then taken to record security documents, as necessary and loan payment coupons for the repayment of the loan(s) are generated. The City of Auburn has continued discussions with Cayuga Economic Development Agency (CEDA), the local one-stop economic development agency for Cayuga County, regarding the delivery and administration of the SBAP. The City anticipates a subrecipient agreement with CEDA during the 2015-2016 program year, continuing into the 2016-2017 program year, the scope of which would include the responsibilities as outlined above.</p>
<p>Target Date</p>	<p>3/31/2017</p>

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program will result in the retention and creation of new jobs for low to moderate income families. Estimated number of jobs is five during the 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan.
	Location Description	City wide
	Planned Activities	None at this time
10	Project Name	Special Development Projects
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Business Lending
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$0
	Description	Special Development Loan funding is through available Revolving Loan Fund (RLF).
	Target Date	3/31/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	None at this time.
	Location Description	City Wide
	Planned Activities	None at this time.
11	Project Name	Section 108 Repayment
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Section 108 Repayment
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$185,000

	Description	This allocation represents a mixture of anticipated revolving loan fund income (program revenue generated through the repayment of prior year project loans, mortgages and/or fees) and entitlement program funding (part of the annual grant award to the City from HUD). A portion of this, \$185,000, is allocated to the City's 108 Loan Repayment and the remaining portion of revolving loan fund income is allocated to Special Development Project loans. SDP: 108 Repayment- \$185,000The City of Auburn borrowed \$1,744,331 through a HUD Section 108 Loan allocation for comprehensive public improvements in the City's Downtown. This loan is to be repaid over 20 years at Treasury rates and is secured by future CDBG funds. This allocation is to provide for the loan payments during the program year. Projects related to the use of the funds were part of the Section 108 Loan application submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as identified in the Synthesis Auburn Downtown Design Study. If the full budget amount is not required for payment on the Section 108 loan during the 2015-2016 program year, remaining funds will be reprogrammed to an eligible activity. Since outcomes are not applicable a 0 was entered under other. Please note that all target areas were included but that this is actually not applicable as it is a loan repayment.
	Target Date	3/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable. DRAFT
	Location Description	Not applicable.
	Planned Activities	Not applicable.
12	Project Name	Administration

Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
Goals Supported	Administration
Needs Addressed	Administration/Planning
Funding	\$151,000
Description	<p>This budget allocation is used for the personnel and non-personnel costs associated with the administration of the CDBG Entitlement Program for the City of Auburn. The activities and staff functions covered under this allocation include: general administration; planning, including housing, economic development, public improvement, capital improvement, and neighborhood planning; performance reporting; fair housing and equal opportunity compliance and programming; the implementation of the public outreach and citizen participation for the 5 year Consolidated Plan planning process as well as the dissemination information and public participation needed to further the goals and objectives of Annual Action Plans. Additionally this allocation helps to cover costs associated with the Continuum of Care and other homeless services, as appropriate. All administration and planning activity costs are included within this line item. In addition to salary reimbursement for staff, this administration allocation also includes other costs related to the implementation of the CDBG program such as computer hardware/software, office supplies, support materials and staff training. The Human Services Coalition (coordinate the human service agencies), the Rescue Mission (lead of the Homeless Task Force and Continuum of Care), CNY Fair Housing (Fair Housing Activities), and Community Health Network (Fair Housing Activities) has also been funded through this budget line.</p>
Target Date	3/31/2017

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable.
Location Description	Not applicable.
Planned Activities	Planned activities for administration include administering the CDBG program including monitoring visits, monthly review of program reports and fiscal reimbursements, drawdowns, communication with agencies, RFP process, completing and executing contracts among other activities. Also funded through the administration budget is the Human Services Coalition, Homeless Task Force, CNY Fair Housing, and Community Health Network.

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AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Census Tract 421 is located on the western side of the City and is considered a financially distressed area. According to Census data there are 1,371 households in Census Tract 421 and of these households 389 own a home while 982 rent. Census Tract block group 421-3 has 75.6% LMI and been the focus of neighborhood revitalization efforts since 2010. During the next five years improvements including parks and playground will take place in the St. Francis Street neighborhood of Census Tract 421.

Census Tract 418 is located in the western side of the City and extends from Route 34 south to Clymer street and west to the edge of the City (before Bluefield Road). According to 2010 ACS data Census Tract Block groups 418-2, 418-4 and 418-5 range from 60%-88% LMI and encompass Genesee Elementary school, a free and reduced lunch school. Improvements in this census tract will focus on completing the Columbian Playground project with the installation of new landscaping.

Census Tract 413 is located in the City's north west quadrant including North Street and west to North Division Street. The Census Tract includes Auburn Housing Authority's public housing complex Olympia Terrace and Auburn Housing Development Corporation's Brogan Manor. Casey Park school, a free and reduced lunch school, as well as Casey Park are included in this Census Tract. According to 2010 ACS data Census Tract Block group 413-4 is 66% LMI. Sidewalk improvements will start in this census tract for PY 2016.

Census Tract 414 is spans along North Street, east to North Fulton Street and south to Franklin Street. Included in this Census Tract is Seminary Park, which is in need of improvements for neighborhood residents.

Census Tract 417 is located in the City's downtown and includes portions of the South Street Historic District, the Osborne Street neighborhood, downtown businesses, vacant and underutilized sites including identified brownfield sites and the Owasco Riverfront Trail.

Census Tract 415-4 connects the arterial in the City to City's downtown region. It has a high poverty rate of 85.8% LMI. Blighted structures in need of clearance have been identified in this census block group.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Census Tract 421	
Census Tract 418	
Census Tract 413, Block Group 4	
Census Tract 413, Block Group 1	

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Census Tract 417, Block Group 1	
Census Tract 415, Block Group 4	

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The investment in Census Tract 421, 418, 413, 414, 417, and 415 are based on the LMI or Low to Moderate Income percentage in a given census tract. However, the activities proposed for funding in this Annual Action Plan have not been specifically distributed on a geographic percentage basis.

The annual planning process gathered input from community members regarding housing, neighborhood improvements, including public facility and infrastructure improvements needed in specific neighborhoods. All comments were considered when prioritizing activities and improvements.

Discussion

As noted above, the activities proposed for funding in this Annual Action Plan have not been specifically distributed on a geographic percentage basis.

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Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	94
The Production of New Units	28
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	122

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The Auburn Housing Authority Development Corporation began construction on a 28 unit new housing complex (14 three bedroom, 10 two bedroom and 4 one bedroom) in October 2015 for homeless families with children and a community center to provide onsite supportive services. The project will be completed and operation by January 1, 2017.

Our community receives \$73,000 per year in New York State Solutions to End Homelessness money to rapidly re-house single men and woman and provide rental assistance. The City of Auburn, through CDBG Public Service, allocated \$18,000 to the Rescue Mission to provide rental assistance to homeless families. The Cayuga Seneca Community Action Agency Transitional Assistance Program provides rental assistance to households that have experienced domestic violence. Our CoC receives money through the annual application for homeless assistance that funds a number of permanent supportive housing programs (Chapel House 8 units, CSCAA 4 units, ARISE 17 units, Auburn Housing Authority 5 units).

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Auburn Housing Authority is the primary provider of housing for low to moderate income households in the City of Auburn. However, the City will continue to work with Auburn Housing Authority in collaboration and leverage funding for improvements.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

Auburn Housing Authority will undertake a comprehensive physical needs assessment of the 188-unit Melone Village apartment complex. Melone Village was constructed in 1955 and 1961, and the interiors of all of the units are in need of substantial rehabilitation. Using the data from the physical needs assessment, the Housing Authority will request Public Housing Modernization Program funding from New York State Homes & Community Renewal.

The Housing Authority also plans to install 5 new playgrounds at Melone Village with funding received via a Public Housing Modernization Drug Elimination Program award in 2015. Melone Village does not have any play areas to serve its 188 households at this time.

The Housing Authority will continue to make improvements at the 50-unit Olympia Terrace apartment complex. The Housing Authority will use Capital Fund Program funding to replace roofs on all buildings.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

Two of the seven seats on the Auburn Housing Authority's Board are reserved for tenants residing in the Housing Authority's public housing complexes. Tenants are elected every 2 years, both seats are currently occupied. Tenant commissioners play an integral role in policy formulation. Auburn Housing Authority has surveyed tenants regarding needed improvements at both public housing complexes, and the improvements that the Housing Authority plan to make directly reflect the priorities noted in the surveys, especially when it comes to lighting improvements and the removal of clothesline areas. While developing the Auburn Housing Authority's Five-Year Plan, tenants are consulted for feedback, comments and/or concerns.

Auburn Housing Authority works closely with Cayuga County Homsite and Home Headquarters to ensure that tenants are aware of their homeownership programs. Auburn Housing Authority frequently distributes marketing materials to their tenants, and have allowed Cayuga County Homsite and Home Headquarters to hold informational sessions/trainings on site.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

The Auburn Housing Authority is not designated as trouble.

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AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

The Continuum of Care has prepared a Ten Year Plan to end homelessness. This plan contains goals, outreach methods and how to address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of the homeless. The Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness can be accessed at the Office of Planning and Economic Development.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

The City of Auburn/ Cayuga County Homeless taskforce has identified Homeless Prevention as the number one priority. Great emphasis has been placed on stakeholders working together sharing information and limited resources to keep households in permanent housing.

- Implementation of Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order to ensure no homeless household would have to sleep outside in in climate weather began on January 5, 2016. Households sanctioned by the Department of Social Services (DSS) were allowed to remain emergency housed. CoC has received no reports of homeless persons seeking emergency shelter being denied since executive order went into effect.
- The Auburn Housing Authority Development Corporation began construction on a 28 unit new housing complex (14 three bedroom, 10 two bedroom and 4 one bedroom) for homeless families with children and a community center to provide onsite supportive services. A homeless coordinated assessment to reduce the duplication of services and create an easier pathway to services and housing homeless persons. The project should be completed and operational by January 1, 2016.
- Cayuga County Department of Social Services contracts with the emergency shelter, Chapel House, and Auburn Rescue Mission in rapidly rehousing men, women and families. DSS meets weekly with providers to measure progress assisting households find permanent housing and employment.
- NYS OTDA (Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance) Solutions to End Homelessness will rapidly rehouse homeless men and women including women from Domestic Violence shelters, homeless shelters, motels and places unfit for human habitation.
- The City of Auburn/ Cayuga County Homeless Task Force will work to update the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.
- Consider merger with Syracuse/Onondaga/Owego CoC

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The Auburn homeless outreach plan seeks to:

- Identify those who are homeless;
- Build relationships with those who are homeless;
- Meet people's basic needs such as food, clothing and shelter;
- Use outreach teams with knowledge of mental health and substance abuse issues and barriers to housing. Former homeless individuals often participate as a member of the team;
- Be flexible and creative not only in terms of where, when and how outreach is conducted but also in connecting households with needed services;
- Educate the community about homelessness and what can be done to end homelessness;
- Serve people who have difficulty accessing services such as the chronically homeless, individuals struggling with unmanaged mental health and/or substance abuse issues;
- End homelessness one person at a time and integrate people back into the community.

Chapel House, Auburn's emergency men's homeless shelter; Auburn Rescue Mission; Veteran's Administration social workers and community volunteers conduct monthly Street outreach throughout the City of Auburn and when we receive reports of people living outside. A "Help Now" map, Community Services Directory and "211" is widely available listing housing resources and other basic needs. The 24 hour Veteran's Call Center number has been a great resource for homeless veteran's usually receiving assistance within 24 hours of a call. The Auburn Police Department works closely with the local emergency shelter and homeless taskforce when homeless individuals are identified to secure emergency housing and services. School social workers coordinate efforts with homeless providers to identify homeless youth, provide housing and enable young people to continue their education.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Auburn has two emergency shelters one that serves homeless men and a Domestic Violence shelter for woman and households with children fleeing domestic violence. Both shelters can be accessed 24 hours a day. Veterans from an 18 county area may access the men's emergency shelter. The Cayuga County Department of Social Services (DSS) emergency houses individuals and families who cannot find shelter when they are homeless, therefore they do not have friends or family they can stay with and do not have the liquid resources to house themselves. DSS has an after-hours emergency number where those seeking housing can call for assistance. DSS also contracts with Catholic Charities to assist individuals that are unable to work apply for SSI/SSDI assistance to increase their income and housing options.

Chapel House is opened an 8 unit 16 bed transitional housing program for hard to serve individuals (i.e. high barrier parolees, chronically homeless, substance abuse, mental health) that provides supportive housing and aftercare along with a pathway to permanent housing.

The Auburn Rescue Mission and Cayuga/Seneca Community Action Agency (CSCAA) have transitional housing programs for homeless women and families with children. Both programs utilize trauma-informed care principles. CSCAA has a transitional supportive housing Young Adult program for homeless youth ages 18-25 years of age that provides supportive services and stability for homeless youth.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

Our community has placed great emphasis on ending an episode of homelessness as quickly as possible. The Cayuga County Department of Social Services (DSS) hired a Homeless Coordinator to track and assist all homeless households that the county is helping to pay for emergency housing find a pathway to permanent housing as quickly as possible. DSS contracts with Chapel House to fund a rapid re-housing case manager that assists homeless single adults with housing search and placement and follow up case management to increase housing stability. DSS was awarded \$73,000 a year for the next 5 years to rapidly re-house homeless single men and women from emergency shelters and motels. The monies may be used for rental assistance and security deposits. DSS also contracts with the Auburn Rescue Mission to fund a rapid re-housing case manager that assists households with children with housing search and placement and follow up case management. DSS often provides needed security deposits and starter furnishings. Homeless emergency motel length of stays have been reduced by weeks since DSS started its rapid re-housing initiative. (CSCAA) has a transitional supportive housing Young Adult program for homeless youth ages 18-25 years of age that provides supportive services and stability for homeless youth.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Every effort should be made to keep individuals and families in their existing housing. Our community has moved towards a Coordinated Assessment which has helped streamline paperwork and duplication of efforts. DSS will assist eligible households with assistance to prevent eviction if the household has the income to sustain such housing. The CSCAA, Catholic Charities, Auburn Rescue Mission and Salvation Army have limited resources which they often pool together to help prevent homelessness. Soldier On operates a homeless prevention rapid re-housing program for veterans and their families that have money for rental arrears and rental assistance.

One of the key components of our community's strategy to end homelessness is to grow more affordable housing. The number of people who rent in the City of Auburn is much higher than the national average and as a result rents are higher. The City of Auburn Homeless Taskforce created an affordable housing committee to identify opportunities to grow housing.

In October 2015 the Auburn Housing Authority Development Corporation began construction on a 6.4 million dollar grant to build 28 new housing units (14 three bedroom, 10 two bedroom and 4 one bedroom) for homeless families with children and a community center to provide onsite supportive services. The project will be completed and operational by January 1, 2017. Unity House and Two Plus Construction has applied for multi-layer funding to create 35 apartments for individuals with special needs.

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AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction

The City of Auburn will continue to work towards removing barriers to Affordable Housing. We will not be implementing all listed strategies in PY 2016. We will be prioritizing and concentrating on implementing the top priorities.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

Strategies to remove barriers to affordable housing recommended in the 2014 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing include:

- Commission the City Manager and/or City Office of Planning and Economic Development (OPED) to study a City Land Bank. On June 29, 2011 New York Governor Andrew Cuomo signed historic land bank legislation, allowing municipalities to take control of problem properties and then redevelop or dispose of them in a manner consistent with the public interest. By commissioning the City Manager and/or OPED to sustain the viability, sustainability and impact of a City Land Bank, the City of Auburn may gain a powerful tool to create or rehab the City's housing stock and potentially increase fair housing choice as well as foster economic development.
- Discrimination against people in protected classes by real estate and other housing professionals may go undetected and unaddressed if not adequately monitored and enforced. Considering the growing number of residents in protected classes, there is a greater need for fair housing awareness, education and enforcement opportunities.
- Track zoning variance and local permit applications as well as substantially adjusted residential permit applications to monitor any potential impediments to fair housing. According to the OPED within the next 24 months the City will have the capacity to be able to track zoning variance and local permit applications through computer software. An analysis of these factors may identify patterns, potential impediments to fair housing choice or a lack thereof to be included in the 2019 AI.
- Apply for New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance Solutions to End Homelessness Program (STEPH) funding in August 2014 to assist protected classes end homelessness and increase fair housing choice.
- Create City of Auburn Affordable Housing Fair by encouraging financial institutions to partner with realtors and public and private housing professionals to educate, prepare and equip renters for home ownership. This will help address the high renter rate in the City and increase minority and low income household home ownership.
- Create Centralized Intake and Assessment System for all Housing Vulnerable and Homeless Persons. Currently Housing Vulnerable and Homeless Persons go agency to agency in search of

assistance. This process is very timing consuming and frustrating for those seeking help and too often they are given a “referral” instead of housing assistance. The current system also promotes organization waste among agencies who ask similar questions to those seeking assistance. It is not uncommon for multiple agencies to be duplicating efforts to assist this population. A Central Intake and Assessment System will be more user friendly for consumers, streamline operations and prioritize those most at-risk.

- Track housing discrimination complaints in more detailed systematic manner. Complaints should be tracked not only by number but outcome and basis and an annual report should be provided to the Auburn City government executive branch.
- Establish Bi-Annual Fair Housing Work Group. The work group can review progress to plan action steps that remove impediments to fair housing choice as well as identify new or potential impediments.

Discussion

PY 2015 marked the beginning work on the City’s Code revisions. The Code is now being analyzed thoroughly for deficiencies. All deficiencies will be reviewed. It is expected that the Code will be revised and adopted during PY 2016.

We will be funding CNY Fair Housing, Inc during PY 2016 for enforcement and education regarding fair housing in Auburn. They will provide counselling, advocacy, and investigate complaints. CNY Fair Housing, Inc will also conduct two training sessions for human service providers who work with protected classes to educate them on how to recognize when their client’s may be experiencing discrimination. These services will also provide undercover testing to ensure discrimination is not occurring. A more robust enforcement system will serve as a deterrent for housing providers that may illegally discriminate against residents and will also decrease the number of illegal evictions.

We will also be funding Community Health Network, who will be organizing Renters Rights and Landlord Resource Workshops. The workshops will cover a range of topics: fair housing, legal issues, Section 8, public assistance, law enforcement, code enforcement, smoke-free housing, energy improvements, lead-based paint, and household pests such as bedbugs and mice. Much of the information from the workshops will translate into upgrades in housing from the program referrals during the workshops such as Weatherization, will assist tenants and landlords through disputes, and decrease lead cases.

Progress will be updated in the subsequent CAPER.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The greatest obstacle that the city faces to address all needs is the limited community development dollars available from federal, state, local, and private sources. To address this, the City is proactive seeking leveraging dollars and combining funds from various sources in order to achieve project goals and address community needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to collaborate with local housing and community development agencies to foster and maintain affordable housing. In addition the City has taken a comprehensive approach in revitalizing neighborhoods with existing housing and working with investors through the CDBG Home Repair Program. Zoning is a critical component of affordable housing. The City, as part of its Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA) grant, has begun updating its zoning code in the downtown district as well as some of the City's most vulnerable neighborhoods. It is expected that the zoning revision will be approved during PY 2016.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to fund the Home Repair Assistance Program and will test each property for lead-based paint hazards to comply with lead based paint regulations issued under Sections 1012 and 1013 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, which is Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. The City will continue to work with the Cayuga County Health Department on lead based paint hazards in homes. The Health Department has recently launched a Lead Advisory Task Force, which includes a City Councilor and a representative from the Office of Planning and Economic Development, to work on partnerships and collaboration around lead-based paint issues. The Health Department has expressed concern over recent data that shows increased instances of lead poisoning in children, which has resulted in required chelation in a couple of cases. The City is committed to providing assistance to this task force as members look for ways to combine resources and experience to address this issue. The City has also funded the Community Health Network tenant/landlord workshops which will be addressing lead based paint as one of the topics.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will continue to pursue an improvement in the local economy and employment opportunities. This includes brownfields remediation, workforce development and business development for the creation of low to moderate income jobs. In addition the City will continue to work with human service agencies that provide case management services and programming to poverty level families.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The current institutional structure is considered satisfactory however, the City will monitor and re-evaluate as necessary.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

The City will continue to be involved in the Homeless Task Force Committee (Continuum of Care) and the Executive Committee will continue to assist in the coordination of public and private housing and social service agencies. The City also attends and participates in Community Network Meetings which bring together the social service agencies and public housing agency together in the same room so that all parties will know what services are available and what changes may be occurring.

Discussion

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Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	180,275
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan.	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income	180,275

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
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Appendix

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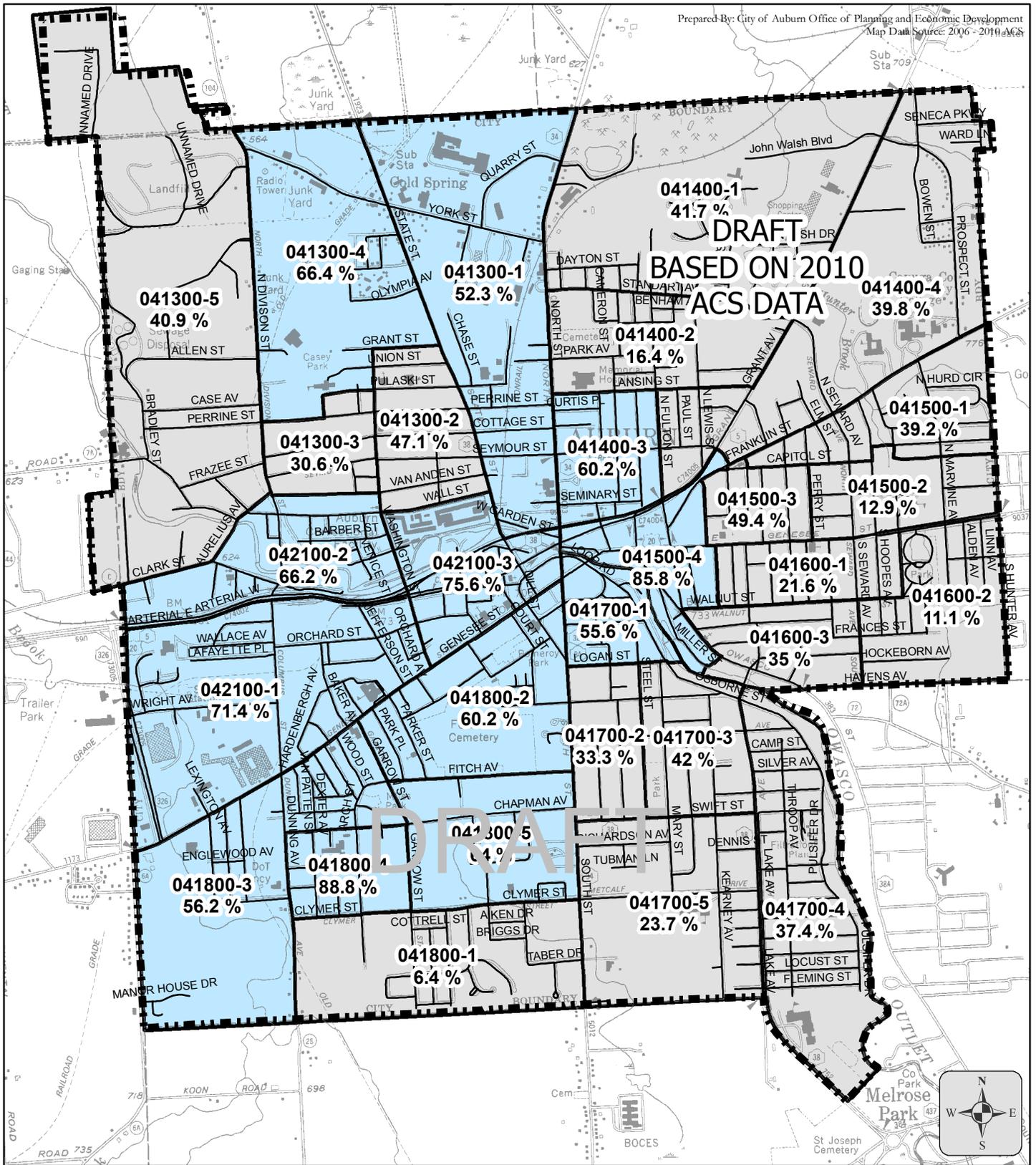
City of Auburn: Community Development Block Grant Program
 PY2016 Action Plan: Amendments to Prior Years Action Plans

The purpose of this amendment is to provide the public with notice of the proposed change. Approval for this change is anticipated to be obtained as a component of the approval of the 2016 Annual Action Plan. The following summarizes the changes necessary to make the funds available:

Account #	Title	Amount	To Project	Comments
CD8686.2330.2013	2013 CD Administration	\$50,000.00	Distressed Property Program	\$50,000 of funds to be added to the Distressed Property Program.
CD8686.2330.2013	2013 CD Administration	\$362.00	2016 Admin - CNY Fair Housing	Unexpended funds to be used for 2016 Admin to fund CNY Fair Housing
CD8686.2330.2014	2014 Administration	\$2,638.00	2016 Admin - CNY Fair Housing	Unexpended 2014 admin funds to be used for 2016 Admin to fund CNY Fair Housing
CD8686.2230.2014	2014 Administration	\$3,000.00	2016 Admin - Community Health Network	Unexpended 2014 Admin funds to be used to fund Community Health Network - Tenant/Landlord Workshops
CD8691.0010.0010	Sewer Laterals Revolving Loan Fund	\$16,185.00	Home Repair Assistance Program	Balance of funds to be added to the Home Repair Assistance Program budget as this program is no longer funded and sewer repairs can be funded by the City's program or the Home Repair Assistance Program
CD8686.2230.2014	2014 Administration	\$11,474.00	2016 Sidewalk Program	Unexpected 2014 Admin funds to be used towards the 2016 Sidewalk Program

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CITY OF AUBURN						
Community Development Block Grant Program						
2016 Annual Action Plan - Proposed Budget						
		Anticipated 2016 PY Ent.	Prior Entitlement Funds	2016 Revolving Loan Fund	Available RLF	Total
Housing & Neighborhood Programming						
H1	Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP)	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,000
H2	Home Repair Assistance Program (HRAP)	\$ -	\$ 162,614	\$ 56,607	\$ 545,571	\$ 764,792
H3	Home Access Program (HAP)	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000
H4	Distressed Property Program	\$ -	\$ 150,543	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,543
H5	Housing Programs Delivery	\$ 40,000	\$ 21,939	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,939
H6	Sidewalks Replacement Program	\$ 175,500	\$ 11,474	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 186,974
H7	Neighborhood Playground Improvements	\$ 128,921	\$ 234,057	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 362,978
Total Housing & Neighborhood Improvements		\$ 382,421	\$ 580,628	\$ 56,607	\$ 545,571	\$ 1,565,226
Public Services						
P1	Aurora of CNY	\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000
P2	Boyle Senior Center	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
P3	Cayuga Counseling	\$ 14,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,000
P4	Cayuga Seneca Community Action Agency	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000
P5	Rescue Mission	\$ 18,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,000
P6	Booker T. Washington	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,500
P7	Freedom Recreation	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,500
P8	Legal Aid	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
P9	Calvary Food Pantry	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
P10	Scat Van	\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,000
P11	Chapel House	\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000
Total CD Support Services		\$ 116,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 116,000
Business Assistance						
E1	Small Business Assistance Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 96,731	\$ 1,266,537	\$ 1,363,268
E2	Economic Development Program Delivery	\$ -	\$ 22,042	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,042
Total Economic Development		\$ -	\$ 22,042	\$ 96,731	\$ 1,266,537	\$ 1,385,310
Special Development Projects						
S1	SDP: 108 Repayment	\$ 185,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185,000
S2	Special Development Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,937	\$ 879,412	\$ 906,349
Total Special Development Projects		\$ 185,000	\$ -	\$ 26,937	\$ 879,412	\$ 1,091,349
Administration						
A1	Planning and Administration	\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000
A2	Homeless Task Force Administration	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000
A3	Human Services Coalition	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
A4	Community Health - Tenant/Landlord	\$ -	\$ 3,000			\$ 3,000
A5	CNY Fair Housing	\$ -	\$ 3,000			\$ 3,000
Total Planning and Administration		\$ 145,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 151,000
TOTAL ALL PROGRAMS		\$ 828,421	\$ 602,670	\$ 180,275	\$ 2,691,519	\$ 4,160,885



City of Auburn, New York

Census Block Groups

- Eligible Block Groups >51% LMI
- Ineligible Block Groups <51 % LMI