



Community Development Block Grant
Program Year 2019 Annual Action Plan
City of Joliet, Illinois

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

1. Introduction

The City of Joliet, Illinois is an entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The City also receives HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds under Will County's HOME Consortium Program. In compliance with HUD regulations, the City of Joliet has prepared this FY 2019 Annual Action Plan for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. The FY 2019 Annual Action Plan is a strategic guideline for the implementation of the City's housing, community, and economic development activities. This is the final Annual Action Plan under the City's FY 2016-2019 Consolidated Plan.

The FY 2019 Annual Action Plan is a collaborative effort between the City, the community at large, social service agencies, housing providers, community development agencies, and economic development groups. The planning process was accomplished through input received at public meetings, analysis of statistical data, and review of the City's Comprehensive Plan, as well as other community plans.

During the FY 2019 Program Year, the City of Joliet, IL will receive a CDBG FY 2019 allocation of \$932,157 and does not anticipate any CDBG Program Income. The City of Joliet proposes to undertake the following activities with the FY 2019 CDBG Funds:

- Community Facilities – Spanish Community Center \$125,000
- Community Facilities – Daybreak \$130,000
- Water Main Project Year 2 of 2 \$380,000
- Housing Safety Rehabilitation \$10,000
- Public Services – Riverwalk Homes \$90,000
- Public Services – Snow Removal \$49,823
- General Administration/Planning \$97,334

Total FY 2019 CDBG Funds for Project Activities = \$932,157

The City of Joliet's FY2019 HOME funds are included in the Will County Action Plan, but are briefly described here as well.

The City of Joliet is a member of the Will County HOME Consortium. The City of Joliet proposes to undertake the following activities with the City's FY 2019 HOME Fund allocation:

- CHDO Rental Housing Development \$105,200
- Down Payment Assistance \$100,000
- Acquisition/Rehabilitation of Rental Housing \$150,000
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance: \$100,000

Total FY 2019 HOME Funds for Project Activities = \$455,200

Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

During the FY 2019 CDBG Program Year, the City of Joliet proposes to address the following priority need categories identified in its FY 2016 - 2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan:

Housing Priority - There is a need to improve the quality of the housing stock in the community by increasing the amount of decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing for homeowners, renters, and homebuyers that is affordable to low- and moderate-income persons and families.

Goals/Strategies:

HS-1 Housing Rehabilitation - Continue to provide financial assistance to low- and moderate-income homeowners to rehabilitate their existing owner-occupied housing.

- Housing Safety Rehabilitation \$10,000 CDBG

HS-5 Home Ownership - Assist low- and moderate-income households to become homeowners by providing down payment assistance, closing cost assistance, and requiring housing counseling training.

- No additional funding this year

Other Special Needs Priority - There is a continuing need for affordable housing, services, and facilities for persons with special needs and the disabled.

Goals/Strategies:

SN-1 Housing - Increase the supply of affordable, decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing for the elderly, persons with disabilities, and persons with other special needs through rehabilitation of existing buildings and new construction.

- Public Services – Senior Snow Removal \$49,823

Community Development Priority - There is a need to improve the public and community facilities, infrastructure, public services, and the quality of life for all residents in the community.

Goals/Strategies:

CD-1 Community Facilities - Improve the parks, recreational centers, trails, libraries, and all public and community facilities in the municipality.

- Community Facilities – Spanish Community Center \$125,000
- Community Facilities – Daybreak \$130,000

CD-2 Infrastructure - Improve the public infrastructure through rehabilitation, reconstruction, and new construction.

- Water Main Project Year 2 of 2 \$380,000 CDBG

CD-3 Public Services - Improve and increase public safety, municipal services, and public service programs throughout the community.

- Senior Snow Removal \$49,823 CDBG
- Riverwalk Homes Public Service \$90,000 CDBG

CD-7 Clearance - Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions through demolition of vacant, abandoned and dilapidated structures.

- No additional funding this year

Administration, Planning, and Management Priority - There is a continuing need for planning, administration, management, and oversight of Federal, state, and local funded programs.

Goal/Strategy:

AM-1 Overall Coordination - Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of federal, state, and local funded programs, including planning services for special studies, environmental clearance, fair housing, and compliance with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

- General Administration/Planning \$97,334

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

In regard to CDBG, the City has made significant progress in accomplishing its goals. Riverwalk Homes (formerly Evergreen Terrace) has transitioned from substandard housing into a well-run community asset. The City was able to cancel the \$100,000 in CDBG funding for the Community Center as the property manager was able to rehabilitate the current space to accommodate services. This reprogramming was included in the 2018 substantial amendment. The City continues forward with the planned redevelopment of the project. In the

meantime, CDBG funds have been used to supplement social services offered onsite for residents aimed at improving the health, well-being, and self-sufficiency of residents. Given the success of this program, the City will continue to support this program.

Other successes include the implementation of a new senior snow removal program that served 291 households. This program allows for seniors to stay more active in the winter months and helps them maintain independent living. The City will continue to administer this program in the upcoming year. As part of the 2018 substantial amendment, the budget was increased by \$30,000.

Most of the capital improvement projects are nearing completion, including street improvements, the Bicentennial Fountain, and the acquisition of new fire equipment that will serve primarily low and moderate income neighborhoods. The street improvement projects are nearing completion and the fire equipment project should be completed within the calendar year. In the new program year, the City proposes to provide additional funding for the Water Main project in order to complete the project's budget. As part of the 2018 substantial amendment, \$70,000 was used to increase the Water Main project.

Some projects faced setbacks and resulted in cancellation. The planned remediation and development of new single family homes proved to be infeasible given the cost of remediation. As a result, the newly formed Community Based Development Organization (CBDO) was without a project. These funds were reprogrammed as part of a 2017 substantial amendment to street improvements. Funds from the prior year will remain budgeted to demolition and clearance.

The minor rehabilitation program for seniors has not been able to meet its proposed goals. The program will continue in the new year, but additional funds will not be provided. In the new year, the City will implement a new minor repair program aimed at increased homeowner safety.

In regard to HOME, the City is planning a shift of its resources to providing tenant-based rental assistance to households at risk of homelessness. The City will continue to support local CHDO developments, the down payment assistance program, and explore the acquisition and rehabilitation of a rental project.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City of Joliet follows its Citizen Participation Plan in the planning and preparation of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. The City will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 4:00 PM in the Joliet City Council Chambers, 150 W. Jefferson Street. The Joliet City Hall Council Chambers are accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements need to be made to accommodate citizens in order for them to participate in the public hearing, please call Mr. Jeffrey Sterr, Director, Neighborhood Services Division, City of Joliet, at (815) 724-4090 to make those arrangements, or for the hearing impaired call 7-1-1.

The purpose of the public hearing is to present the City's FY 2019 Annual Action Plan and to obtain the views of residents, public agencies, and other interested parties.

The FY 2019 Annual Action Plan on public display for a period of 30 days starting Friday, June 14, 2019 through Monday, July 15, 2019 at the following locations during normal operational hours:

- City of Joliet – City Hall: 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432
- City of Joliet Public Library: 150 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432
- City of Joliet Public Library: 3395 Black Road, Joliet, IL 60435
- On the website at <https://www.joliet.gov/departments/community-development/hudnotices>

A newspaper notice announcing that these documents were placed on public display was published on June 13, 2019. For a more detailed description of the citizen participation and consultation process, please refer to Sections AP-10 and AP-12.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

A summary of all accepted comments received through the public hearing and public comment process will be included in the City's submission to HUD. For a more detailed description of the citizen participation and consultation process, please refer to Sections AP-10 and AP-12.

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

All comments and suggestions that were received have been accepted and incorporated into the planning document as an attachment.

7. Summary

The goal of the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan is to improve the living conditions for all residents of the City, to create a suitable and sustainable living environment, and to address the housing and community development needs of the City. The FY 2019 Annual Action Plan details activities and programs the City will undertake during the program year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020. During the FY 2019 Program Year, the City anticipates the following federal financial resources: FY 2019 CDBG Funds \$932,157.

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

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	JOLIET	
CDBG Administrator	JOLIET	Neighborhood Services Division
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	WILL COUNTY	Land Use Department
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The City of Joliet’s Department of Community and Economic Development, through its Neighborhood Services Division, is the administrating agency for the CDBG program. The Neighborhood Services Division prepares the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Environmental Review Records (ERR’s), Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER), as well as handles the monitoring, processing of pay requisitions, contracting, and oversight of the programs on a day to day basis. The City is a member of the Will County HOME Consortium and receives an annual HOME allocation through the Consortium. In addition, the City of Joliet has a private planning consulting firm available to assist the City on an as needed basis.

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

1. Introduction

While preparing the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan, the City of Joliet consulted with the Joliet Housing Authority, Will County, social services agencies, housing providers, and members of the Will County Continuum of Care. Input from the meetings and consultations were used in the development of the specific goals and strategies to be addressed with FY 2019 CDBG funds.

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)).

The City of Joliet works with the following agencies to enhance coordination:

- Joliet Housing Authority – The City provides funds for improvements to public housing communities.
- Social Services Agencies – The City provides funds to improve services to low- and moderate-income persons.
- Housing Providers – The City provides funds to rehabilitate and develop affordable housing and provide housing options for low- and moderate-income households.

Each year, as part of the CDBG application planning process, local agencies, and organization are invited to submit proposals for CDBG and HOME funds for eligible activities. These groups participate in the planning process by attending the public hearings, informational meetings, submitting funding applications, and responding to requests for comments. Collaboration and coordination with these entities will continue throughout the remaining Consolidated Plan period in order to capitalize on potential future funding opportunities and collaborative efficiencies. Collaboration and coordination will take advantage of potential partnership opportunities that would result in increased benefits to low- and moderate-income households and persons.

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 City of Joliet is a member of the Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care. The Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care is administered by the Will County Center for Community Concerns. City staff represents the City on the Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care Leadership Committee as the Co-Chair and acts as the City's representative. The City coordinates its activities with the Continuum of Care and supports its applications for funding. The City helps the

Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care to address homelessness by working together to develop a framework to deliver housing and supportive services to the homeless.

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 Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care acts as the oversight and planning body for preventing and ending homelessness for the CoC general membership body. The Leadership Committee sets policy based on the knowledge and experience of its members. The Leadership Committee sets priorities and makes funding decisions on the eligible applications for funding.

Other members of the Leadership Committee consist of the social service agencies, shelter providers, housing providers, and the local representation of the IL Department of Employment Security, as well as additional representatives. Coordination of the programs and funds is accomplished by the CoC Leadership Committee for chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and unaccompanied youth, along with the administration of the HMIS System.

The Joliet/Bolingbrook/Will County Continuum of Care is comprised of four (4) other committees: the Housing/Plan to End Homelessness Committee; Education/Support Services Committee; Grants Funding and Ranking Committees; and Consumer Committee.

Housing/Plan to End Homelessness Committee: Strategically plan and coordinate CoC efforts relating to all housing issues which include: Coordinated Assessment, Point-In-Time Counts, Housing Inventory, Homeless Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, and access to affordable housing resources in the community. The Committee/members collaborate with advocacy organizations and other local, state, and national planning entities; oversee discharge planning and disaster preparedness initiatives; provide ongoing development of the 10-Year Plan; and plans interventions for chronically homeless persons.

Education/Support Services Committee: Strategically plan and coordinate CoC efforts relating to education or support service issues which include: access to mainstream benefits; planning/hosting the annual Mainstream Benefits Forum, Information Forum, and Education Symposium trainings; develop practices to ensure that all homeless children are enrolled in school and connected to appropriate services within the community; coordinate specialized education and training to clients in supportive housing; address employment and transportation related issues; and provide networking, general support, and/or technical assistance to direct client service staff or local homeless services providers, mainstream benefit providers, and school district homeless liaisons.

Grants Funding and Ranking Committees: The Grants Funding Committee is comprised of CoC-funding applicants, oversees CoC project and consolidated applications, identifies funding opportunities, and ensures equal opportunity of all organizations that wish to pursue funding opportunities. The Ranking Committee is comprised of objective, unbiased, third-party community members from non-CoC funded organizations; reviews projects for selection and prioritization in the CoC NOFA competition and other CoC funding opportunities (i.e., ESG program); systematically analyzes project performance; and reviews monitoring/auditing as is required or necessary.

Consumer Committee: The conduit by which homeless and formerly homeless persons participate in the community's planning efforts and take action to prevent and end homelessness in Will County. Acts as the medium between consumers of homeless services and CoC; reaches out to consumers and represents their needs to the CoC; advocates for the needs of consumers in the community; networks within the community and with other communities and provide and receive information on best practices and innovative solutions toward preventing and ending homelessness; and by being a resource for and advising other CoC committees in regard to their roles and tasks within the CoC.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF JOLIET
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the needs of the City of Joliet's public housing population during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET, INC. - JOLIET
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing

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	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Holsten Real Estate Development Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Business Leaders Civic Leaders Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - WILL COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development

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	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Will-Grundy Center for Independent Living
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Joliet Public Schools District 86
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Educational Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the educational needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Child Care Resource and Referral
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Child Welfare Agency

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	The Community Foundation of Will County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization Civic Leaders Community Development Financial Institution Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.

9	Agency/Group/Organization	WILL COUNTY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY CONCERNS, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the homeless needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Addus Health Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.

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11	Agency/Group/Organization	Prisoner Release Ministry, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	SOUTH SUBURBAN HOUSING CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Realty Executives Success
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the housing needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Cornerstone Services, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	MorningStar Mission Ministries
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the homeless needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.

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16	Agency/Group/Organization	Greater Joliet Area YMCA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Health Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	Joliet Junior College
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	Harvey Brooke Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Service-Fair Housing

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	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
19	Agency/Group/Organization	Unity CDC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Planning organization Community Development Financial Institution Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	Warehouse Workers for Justice
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy

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	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	RainbowPush Joliet
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the social service needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Will County Center for Economic Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Regional organization Planning organization Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was consulted through a combination of meetings, interviews, and phone calls to ascertain the economic development needs of the City of Joliet during the FY 2015 Program Year. The needs have not changed.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	Illinois Department of Public Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Lead poisoning prevention.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All known agencies, by types of services provided, were consulted and contacted during the planning 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	Will County Center for Community Concerns	The CoC is the primary provider of housing and supportive services for the area's homeless and at risk of being homeless population. The goals of the City and the CoC are complementary.
Housing Authority	Housing Authority of Joliet	The Housing Authority of Joliet is the lead agency providing public housing assistance and Section 8 vouchers in the City. The goals of the City and HAJ are complementary.
South Side Comprehensive Plan	City of Joliet	The goals of the City and the Comprehensive Plan are complementary.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

The vision of the City of Joliet's Annual Action Plan seeks to develop a viable community by promoting integrated approaches that provide decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expand economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. The primary means towards this end is the development of partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including for-profit and non-profit organizations. The Annual Action Plan is an application for FY 2019 CDBG funds under HUD's formula grant program. The Plans combined act as a strategic plan to be followed by the City in carrying out federal programs.

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 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.

The City of Joliet, in compliance with the City’s Citizen Participation Plan, advertised will hold a public hearing on the needs of the City of Joliet that provided residents and stakeholders with the opportunity to discuss the City’s CDBG and HOME Programs and to offer their suggestions on CDBG and HOME programs’ priorities. The public hearing and public comment period were advertised on June 13, 2019. The Hearing will be held on June 19, 2019 at 4:00 PM in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 150 W Jefferson Street. A “Draft Plan” was placed on display at the following locations from June 14 until July 15, 2019 for review and comment:

- City of Joliet, City Hall, 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432;
- City of Joliet Public Library, 150 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432;
- City of Joliet Public Library, 3395 Black Road, Joliet, IL 60435; and
- Online at www.cityofjoliet.info

Through the citizen participation process, the City used citizen input to develop how the plan will serve the low- and moderate-income population to reach the goals set forth in the Annual Action Plan.

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
1	Public Hearing	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	The City of Joliet held a Public Hearing on June 19, 2019.	Related Public Hearing documents can be found in the appendix section of this Plan.	All comments were accepted and incorporated into the Annual Action Plan.

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The City of Joliet will receive \$932,157 as its CDBG allocation for the FY 2019 Program Year and does not expect the receipt of any program income. The City’s FY 2019 CDBG program year starts on October 1, 2019 and concludes on September 30, 2020. The City’s HOME funds are included as part of the Will County Consortium.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available During Program Year				Remainder of Con Plan
			Annual Allocation	Program Income	Prior Year Resources	Total	
CDBG	public federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	932,157	0	0	932,157	0

Table 2 - 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

In addition to Federal funds, the City of Joliet plans on using state and local resources to address priority needs identified in this plan. The following programs will be utilized by the City of Joliet throughout the duration of this Consolidated Plan:

State Housing Trust Fund: The Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) has historically awarded the City of Joliet trust fund dollars to assist very low-income and low-income home buyers. Funding equal to \$20,000 or \$30,000, depending on the household income level, is provided, at a zero percent interest rate and amortized over a thirty-year period and due as a balloon payment at maturity. Down payment grants of \$3,000 or \$5,000 are available, depending on the household income level, and forgivable over a five-year term.

Volume Cap: Annually, the City of Joliet receives an allocation of “tax exempt private activity” bonds known as “Volume Cap” from the State of Illinois. In the past, the Volume Cap has been used to finance tax-free bond for various industrial and residential projects. Section 146 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “Code”), provides that the City of Joliet has a Volume Cap equal to \$95 per resident.

ASSIST Program: In 2014, the City of Joliet ceded \$8,000,000 of its bonding volume cap to the Assist/Mortgage Credit Certificate Program. This program provides 3% cash assistance to homebuyers at a low interest rate from local lenders. It also allows the homebuyer to obtain a Mortgage Credit Certificate of up to \$2,000 per year on their Federal Income Taxes, for the life of the loan.

The City has a 25% Match Requirement for the HOME Program which it will meet with the State Funds and other allowable match.

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

Public Land Auction: The City of Joliet has been acquiring vacant parcels through a public auction administered by the Will County Tax Agent. Many of these properties are used for the development of new single family homes on scattered sites. The homes are offered for purchase through the Local Homestead Program to low- and moderate-income families.

Discussion

The City of Joliet is a member of the Will County HOME Consortium. The City of Joliet proposes to undertake the following activities with the City's FY 2019 HOME Fund allocation:

- CHDO Rental Housing Development \$105,200
- Down Payment Assistance \$100,000
- Acquisition/Rehabilitation of Rental Housing \$150,000
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance: \$100,000

Total FY 2019 HOME Funds for Project Activities = \$455,200

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

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	HS-1 Housing Rehabilitation	2016	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Priority	CDBG: \$10,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated : 50 Units
2	CD-1 Community Facilities	2016	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$255,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities: 2 Facilities
3	CD-2 Infrastructure	2016	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$380,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities: 3,290 Persons
4	CD-3 Public Services	2016	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$139,823	Public Services other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,000 Persons Assisted
5	CD-7 Clearance	2016	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$50,000	Buildings Demolished: 4
6	AM-1 Overall Coordination	2016	2019	Administration, Planning, and Management	Citywide	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority	CDBG: \$97,334	Other: 1 Other

Table 3 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

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1	Goal Name	HS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Continue to provide financial assistance to low- and moderate-income homeowners to rehabilitate their existing owner-occupied housing.
2	Goal Name	CD-1 Community Facilities
	Goal Description	Improve the parks, recreational centers, trails, libraries, and all public and community facilities in the municipality.
3	Goal Name	CD-2 Infrastructure
	Goal Description	Improve the public infrastructure through rehabilitation, reconstruction, and new construction.
4	Goal Name	CD-3 Public Services
	Goal Description	Improve and increase public safety, municipal services, and public service programs throughout the community.
5	Goal Name	CD-7 Clearance
	Goal Description	Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions through demolition of vacant, abandoned and dilapidated structures.
6	Goal Name	AM-1 Overall Coordination
	Goal Description	Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of Federal, state, and local funded programs, including planning services for special studies, environmental clearance, fair housing, and compliance with all Federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Joliet proposes to undertake the following activities with the FY 2019 CDBG funds:

#	Project Name
1	Community Facility Improvements
2	Water Main Improvement
3	Demolition/Clearance
4	Public Services
5	Housing Rehabilitation
6	General Administration

Table 4 – Project Information

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

CDBG funds are intended to provide low- and moderate-income households with viable communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities. Eligible activities include community facilities and improvements, housing rehabilitation and preservation, affordable housing development activities, public services, economic development, planning, and administration.

The system for establishing the priority for the selection of these projects is predicated upon the following criteria:

- Meeting the statutory requirements of the CDBG program
- Meeting the needs of very-low, low-, and moderate-income residents
- Focus on low- and moderate-income areas or neighborhoods
- Coordination and leveraging of resources
- Response to expressed needs
- Sustainability and/or long term impact
- The ability to measure or demonstrate progress and success

The allocations and priorities were established through discussions with City and County decision makers, meetings with stakeholders, and public meetings. The largest obstacle to addressing the City's underserved needs are financial in nature; there is a need for additional federal, state, and local funding to undertake additional housing and community development projects.

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1	Project Name	Community Facility Improvements
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	CD-1 Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$255,000
	Description	City proposes to subsidize the rehabilitation of two non-profit facilities that provide services to low and moderate income persons. Funds will be provided to the Spanish Community Center and the Daybreak Shelter.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 5,000 low/mod persons will benefit from this activity. Daybreak is expected to benefit 2,500 persons. The Spanish Community Center is expected to benefit 2,500 persons.
	Location Description	Spanish Community Center: 309 N Eastern Avenue, Joliet Daybreak Shelter: 611 E Cass Street, Joliet
	Planned Activities	Spanish Community Center: Low-Mod Area (LMA), Neighborhood Facilities (03E) Daybreak Shelter: Limited clientele benefit (LMC), Homeless Facilities (03C)

2	Project Name	Water Main Project
	Target Area	4 th Avenue, Wilson to Rowell
	Goals Supported	CD-2 Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$380,000 (Year 2 of 2. Total CDBG budget \$600,000)
	Description	Funds will be used to make needed improvements to aging water main that runs along 4 th Avenue.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 3,290 people will benefit from this activity.
Location Description	4 th Avenue – Block Groups 8824.00 2 and 3, 8823.00 3	
	 <p>The map displays the project area for water main improvements along 4th Avenue. A legend indicates that blue outlines represent '2010 Census Block Group' boundaries and green shaded areas represent 'watermain2019' project zones. The project area is primarily centered on 4th Avenue, extending from approximately Wilson Street to Rowell Street, and includes several side streets such as Grant Avenue, Florence Avenue, and Lincoln Avenue. The map also shows surrounding streets like 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 6th Avenues, and various local streets including Bartleson, Fousher, Sherman, and Dear.</p>	
Planned Activities	The National Objective is Low/Mod Area Benefit (LMA) 570.208(a)(1). The Matrix Code is 03J, Water Improvements	

3	Project Name	Demolition/Clearance
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	CD-7 Clearance
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Removal of blighted properties contributing to the deterioration of a neighborhood.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that the City will demolish 4 properties.
	Location Description	Specific project locations to be determined.
	Planned Activities	The National Objective is Slum/Blight Spot (SBS) 570.208(b)(2). The Matrix Code is 04, Demolition and Clearance.

4	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	Riverwalk Homes Citywide
	Goals Supported	CD-3 Public Service
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	Holsten/Riverwalk Homes: \$90,000 Senior Snow Shovel Program: \$49,823
	Description	CDBG funds (\$90,000) will be used to support public service programs for residents of the Riverwalk Homes development. An additional \$49,823 will be used for a Snow Shovel Program that provides services for seniors and disabled adults.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1,000 persons
	Location Description	Riverwalk Homes Citywide
	Planned Activities	The National Objective is Low/Mod Limited Clientele (LMC) 570.208(a)(2). The Matrix Code is 05 Public Services.

5	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation – Safety Improvements
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	CDBG funds will be provided to income-eligible homeowners to install City-approved security devices on their homes.
	Target Date	09/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	50 income-eligible homeowners
	Location Description	Selected neighborhoods (to be determined). Services will be offered by Neighborhood Services Department.
	Planned Activities	The National Objective is Low/Mod Housing Benefit (LMH) 570.208(a)(3). Matrix Code 14A Single-Unit Rehabilitation.

6	Project Name	General Administration and Planning
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	AM-1 Overall Coordination
	Needs Addressed	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$97,334
	Description	Overall program administration of the CDBG Program and other Federal Grant programs, including (but not limited to) salaries, wages, and related costs of grantee staff or others engaged in program management, monitoring, and evaluation. Participating Jurisdictions are allowed to allocate 20% of its annual funding for this purpose.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not Applicable for General Administration.
	Location Description	This activity will take place throughout the City of Joliet.
	Planned Activities	The National Objective is not applicable. The Matrix Code is 21A, General Program Administration 570.206.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

The following information provides a profile of the population, age, and racial/ethnic composition of the City of Joliet. This information was obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau American Factfinder website (<http://factfinder.census.gov>). The 2007-2011 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates were used to analyze the social, economic, housing, and general demographic characteristics of the City of Joliet. The 5 year estimates are the most recent data available for the City. The 2010 U.S. Census data is included where possible.

Population (Key data):

- Between 1980 and 2010, the population increased by approximately 89.1%
- The City population was 146,820 in 2011

Age (Key data):

- Median age in Joliet is 31.5 years old
- Youth under age 18 account for 31.0% of the population
- Seniors age 62 or over are 10.2% of the population

Race/Ethnicity (Key data 2007-2011 American Community Survey Data):

- 16.2% are Black or African American
- 69.7% are White
- 2.3% are Asian
- 9.3% Some Other Race
- 2.4% are Two or More Races
- 27.1% are Hispanic or Latino

The Median Income for a family of four (4) in the Chicago/Joliet/Naperville, Illinois HMFA is \$72,375 for 2014. The following is a summary of income statistics for the City of Joliet:

- At the time of the 2007-2011 American Community Survey, median household income in the City of Joliet was \$60,528 which was significantly lower than Will County (\$76,453) but higher

than the State of Illinois (\$56,576).

- 20.9% of households have earnings received from Social Security income.
- 2.0% of households have earnings received from public assistance.
- 13.6% of households have earnings, received retirement income.
- 30.4% of female headed households were living in poverty.
- 13.3% of all youth under 18 years of age were living in poverty.

The low- and moderate-income profile for City of Joliet is a measurement of the area's needs. The City of Joliet has an overall low- and moderate-income percentage of 39.9%.

The following illustrates the economic profile for the City of Joliet as of the 2007-2011 American Community Survey:

- 25.6% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as management, business, science, and arts.
- 27.1% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as sales and office.
- 19.0% were in the service sector.
- The education, health, and social service industry represented 20.1% of those employed.
- 11.5 % of workers were considered in the government class.

According to the U.S. Labor Department, the unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted, for Joliet in April 2017 was 5.4% compared to 4.4% in Will County, 4.7% for the State of Illinois, and 4.1% nationally.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City has allocated its CDBG funds for FY 2019 based on which activities will principally benefit low and moderate income persons. The Community Development activities are either located in a low and moderate income census area or have a low and moderate income service area benefit or clientele. The Housing activities have an income eligibility requirement and will be awarded to qualifying low and moderate income households throughout the City.

Discussion

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

Introduction

HOME-funded activities are included as part of the Will County HOME Consortium. The City will undertake the following affordable housing activities with CDBG funds in the upcoming program year.

Housing Rehabilitation - Safety: 50 owner rehabilitations

The tables below only include affordable housing projects that satisfy the HOME definition of affordable housing. As such, the Housing Rehabilitation program listed above does not qualify and is not included.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

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

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

In 2013 the City of Joliet completed an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice as required by HUD. This document was the product of an analysis of the City of Joliet's laws, regulations, and administrative policies, procedures, and practices affecting the location, availability, and accessibility of housing, as well as an assessment of conditions, both public and private, affecting fair housing choice.

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

The City identified the following impediment in its AI:

The City's zoning ordinance should be reviewed and amended to remove burdensome regulations that may restrict group housing for people with disabilities. According to the City's zoning ordinance, stricter regulations are applied to community residential homes for groups of unrelated people with disabilities than are applied to single family dwellings for unrelated people without disabilities. Overly burdensome requirements, including distancing requirements between residential homes may have the effect of precluding such uses altogether from certain neighborhoods. The City's Department of Community and Economic Development, through its Neighborhood Services Division, will continue to work with the Zoning Board to update the City's Zoning Ordinance to be in compliance with the Fair Housing Act and to affirmatively further fair housing in the City.

Discussion

The City is using CDBG and HOME funds to address barriers to affordable housing through the following activities:

- Housing Rehabilitation \$50,000 CDBG
- CHDO Cornerstone \$105,200 HOME
- Down Payment Assistance \$100,000 HOME
- Acquisition/Rehabilitation of Rental Housing \$150,000 HOME
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$100,000 HOME

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

The City of Joliet has developed the following actions which address obstacles to meeting underserved needs, foster affordable housing, reduce lead-based hazards, reduce the number of poverty families, develop institutional structures, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Despite City and service provider efforts, there remains a significant number of obstacles to meeting underserved needs. The following are obstacles to meeting these needs in Joliet.

- Continued population growth creating a housing shortage
- Insufficient vouchers for very low-income residents
- Aging in-place population

The City will continue its administrative functions to encourage collaboration and cooperation efforts with the County and local stakeholders to address the underserved needs of the City.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

To foster and maintain affordable housing, the City of Joliet proposes to carry out the following activities:

- HS-2 Rental Rehabilitation – Provide financial assistance to landlords to rehabilitate housing units that are rented to low- and moderate-income tenants.
- HS-3 Housing Construction – Increase the supply of decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing that is affordable to owners and renters in the community through rehabilitation of vacant buildings and new construction.

During the FY 2019 program year, the City of Joliet will undertake the following activities with CDBG and

HOME funds to foster and maintain affordable housing:

- Housing Rehabilitation \$50,000 CDBG
- CHDO Cornerstone \$105,200 HOME
- Down Payment Assistance \$100,000 HOME
- Acquisition/Rehabilitation of Rental Housing \$150,000 HOME
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance \$100,000 HOME

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City of Joliet will undertake activities to reduce the number of lead-based paint hazards in residential properties. The risk of lead-based paint hazards is very high in the City of Joliet due to the number of housing units constructed prior to 1978. It is presumed that all housing units constructed before 1978 contain lead-based paint. 51.7% of houses in the City of Joliet fall into this category.

The City of Joliet provides purchasers of pre-1978 built city-owned houses with the lead pain pamphlet, "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home." The City also requires contractors to follow HUD's lead-based paint regulations for construction and rehabilitation projects funded through the CDBG and HOME programs. Work write-ups for projects include a section on lead-based paint testing and abatement when necessary under the current regulations. The City also includes a section on Residential Lead Paint Disclosure Requirements in the Landlord Conference. Staff continues to attend training on these requirements.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

According to the 2007-2011 American Community Survey, approximately 12.0% of Joliet's residents live in poverty. Female-headed households with children are particularly affected by poverty at 30.4%, and 13.3% of all youth under the age of 18 were living in poverty. This information is taken from the U.S. Census "2007-2011" ACS Five Year Estimates. The City's goal of reducing the extent of poverty is 5%, based on actions the City has control over, or actions in which the City will cooperate with outside agencies.

The City's anti-poverty strategy is based on attracting a range of businesses and supporting workforce development, including job-training services for low-income residents. In addition, the City's strategy is to provide supportive services for target income residents.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Will County area has long supported its homeless and at-risk population through a strong and committed service provider network. The Will County community continues to witness an increase in demand for services and with the implementation of new welfare reform legislation, the needs are

expected to increase. In 2014, Kendall and Grundy Counties joined the Continuum of Care and are included in the geographic service area.

The Will County Continuum of Care (CoC) is dedicated to streamlining and strengthening the current service delivery system through even greater collaborative planning, partnership and program execution. The CoC membership is made up of Government entities, elected officials, non-profit organizations, financial institutions, businesses, housing developers, churches, health care providers, neighborhood associations, educators, the media, homeless as well as formerly homeless persons and others. It is the vision of the Continuum of Care to create a seamless, comprehensive system of services that prevents and ends homelessness; supports the emergency as well as ongoing supportive needs of the homeless and at-risk population; provides the tools necessary to sustain needs of the homeless and at-risk population; and leads to permanent self-sufficiency. The Will County Center for Community Concerns is the lead agency for the Will County Continuum of Care and provides administrative support for its committees and functions.

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

The City of Joliet is a member of the Will County Continuum of Care. The Will County Continuum of Care is the network for all social service providers in the region. They include the housing authority, health department, and other social service agencies. The City of Joliet is an active participant in the Evergreen Terrace Redevelopment Plan that will create a mixed income community of homeowners and renters, including the development of a community center and a public park. This project is only possible through the coordination of public and private housing providers, as well as the support of social service agencies. This project will form the foundation of future collaborative efforts between public and private housing, as well as social service agencies.

Discussion

The Neighborhood Services Division (NSD) has the primary responsibility for monitoring the City's Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. NSD maintains records on the progress toward meeting the goals and the statutory and regulatory requirements of each activity. NSD has a monitoring process that is focused on analyzing and comparing projects and activities based on program performance, financial performance, and regulatory compliance. The accomplishments of the FY 2019 CDBG activities will be reported in the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report and be used as a basis for future funding decisions.

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

The City of Joliet will receive an annual allocation of CDBG funds in the amount of \$932,157 and does not anticipate any program income for the year. The City will receive an allocation of HOME funds through the Will County HOME Consortium. Since the City receives an annual CDBG allocation, the questions below have been completed as applicable.

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.

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| 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 | 0 |
| 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: | 0 |

Other CDBG Requirements

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| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 95% |