



Community Development Block Grant Program
FY 2023-2024
Annual Action Plan- **FINAL**



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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Perris's One Year Action Plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 includes the activities the City will undertake to address its priority needs and local objectives as outlined in its approved 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan. These activities will be addressed using funds received for the FY 2023-2024 program year under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and General Funds. This Action Plan is a yearly funding plan.

The primary purpose of CDBG funds is to benefit persons who earn up to 80% of the area median income (AMI) or reside in an eligible area. Eligible low to moderate-income areas were determined by the 2010 Census and updated per the FY 2020 ACS 5-year 2011-2015 Low-and-Moderate-Income Summary Data. Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, public service activities, infrastructure improvements, park improvements, code enforcement, and housing improvement programs.

Activities detailed in the Plan meet one of the following objectives:

1. Benefit low to moderate-income persons;
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight;
3. Meet community development needs having a particular urgency;
4. Create or preserve affordable housing; and
5. Provide services to the homeless and aid in the prevention of homelessness.

Additionally, activities meet the following goals and objectives for Community Planning and Development (CPD) Programs of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

1. To ensure decent housing;
2. To create and maintain a suitable living environment; and
3. To expand economic opportunities.

2. 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.

GOAL 1: DECENT HOUSING

HOUSING STRATEGIES

Objective 1: Rehabilitate and Preserve Homeownership

- Minor Home Repair Program

Outcome: Sustainability of decent housing to low-income persons

Objective 2: Expand Affordable Housing

- Affordable Housing Development through new construction, acquisition and/or rehabilitation.

Outcome: Affordability of decent housing to low-income persons

Objective 3: Increase affordable housing opportunities to first-time homebuyers

- Homebuyer Assistance Program

Objective 4: Increase affordable rental and mortgage opportunities for those financially affected by COVID-19

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Outcome: Affordability of decent housing to low-income persons

FAIR HOUSING STRATEGY

Objective 1: Affirmatively Further Fair Housing

- Fair Housing Services

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of decent housing for low-income persons

GOAL 2: SUITABLE LIVING ENVIRONMENT

HOMELESS STRATEGY

Objective 1: Improve access to homeless services through street outreach

- Homeless Outreach Program

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of services for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

Objective 2: Improve access to homeless services through the hotel voucher program

- Homeless Services Program

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of services for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

PUBLIC SERVICE STRATEGIES

Objective 1: Provide Community and Support Services for the Elderly, Youth, Veterans, and Special Needs Populations

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of services for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

Objective 2: Provide support services for those financially affected by COVID-19

Outcome: Support activities that assist with basic needs and provide quality services

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Objective 1: Public Infrastructure Improvements in Eligible Areas

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of improved public infrastructure/facilities for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

Objective 2: Improve recreational and community facilities located in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of improved parks/neighborhood facilities for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

Objective 3: Public Facilities Improvements in Eligible Areas

Outcome: Availability/accessibility of improved public infrastructure/facilities for a suitable living environment for low-income persons

GOAL 3: ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Objective 1: Expand Economic Development Opportunities

- Small Business Assistance Program
- Commercial Façade Improvement Program

Outcome: Availability/Accessibility of economic opportunities for low-income persons

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The City of Perris is in the fourth year (FY 2022-2023) of its current Consolidated Plan period (2019-2024). The COVID-19 pandemic affected the delivery of services to residents in the past year through delays in global supply chains and shipments resulting in shortages affecting construction and housing rehabilitation project implementation. Below is a summary of activities reported in the City’s 2021 Consolidated Annual Performance Report (CAPER):

| FY 2021-2022 Results At A Glance | | | |
|---|--|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Activity | Goal | Assisted | Percentage Attained |
| Fair Housing Council of Riverside County: Fair Housing Services | 1,660 | 1,227 | 84% |
| Boys & Girls Club of Menifee Valley: Afterschool program | 55 | 41 | 75% |
| Life Lifters International: Youth Art Program | 10 | 30 | 300% |
| Love 4 Life Association: Youth Anti-bullying & Suicide Prevention Program | 30 | 31 | 103% |
| Family Service Association: Senior Nutrition Program | 106 | 178 | 168% |
| Housing Rehabilitation and Capital Improvement Projects | | | |
| Habitat for Humanity: Senior Home Repair | Completed three (3) properties which included termite repairs, exterior home painting, replacement of HVAC system, and installation of new smoke/carbon monoxide detectors. Agency was affected with SHPO review approval delays from the State. | | |
| CDBG-CV | | | |
| Rental & Mortgage Assistance | Provided rental & mortgage assistance for up to six (6) months to 18 low-to-moderate income households. | | |

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|--------------------|--|
| Utility Assistance | Provided gas, water, electrical utility assistance for up to three (3) months to 21 low-to-moderate income households. |
| Homeless Services | Provided hotel vouchers for up to ninety (90) days for sixty two (62) homeless individuals. |

Annually, public meetings were held, along with other outreach activities in an effort to assist the city in choosing goals or projects that would best meet community needs. Projects funded included public service activities that focused on the youth and seniors, both of which were identified as high priority needs. In addition, non-public service projects which addressed high priority infrastructure needs.

The City continues to carry out its programs as identified in its approved Consolidated Plan (2019-2024). To date, the city has allocated all funding sources to complete programming outlined in Annual Action Plans. The City has provided all requested certifications as required by HUD and have been fair and impartial to entities applying for federal funds to assist in program implementation. The City has not hindered Consolidated Plan implementation through either willful action or through inaction.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

In accordance with Federal regulations at 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.200, the City implemented a citizen participation process during the development of the Action Plan. In an effort to broaden public participation, the city encouraged residents and community-based organizations to provide input on community needs.

The following is a summary of the Citizen Participation Plan Process for development of the Action Plan:

Action Plan Development

Citizens and stakeholders were invited to provide input into development of the Annual Action Plan, through one or more of the following mechanisms: community meetings/stakeholder focus groups, community needs survey, public comment period and public hearing process.

Community-Based Service Providers provided input through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process with high priority funding requests. In addition, to ensure citizen participation in the

development of the FY 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan, on October 1, 2022, a Community Needs Survey was made available to Perris residents to solicit community input. The survey was placed on the City’s website for online completion. In addition, the survey was made available at the virtual and in-person community meetings held on November 9, 2022 and December 7, 2022, in addition to advertising and linking the survey on the City of Perris website, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram social media accounts. With COVID-19 restrictions lifted, the City was able to administer the survey at the End of Summer Splash, Veteran’s Day Parade, Harvest Festival, City of Perris Trunk or Treat, Christmas Day Parade, and Christmas Tree Lighting events, which comprised the majority of completed surveys in the past. A total of 405 survey responses were received.

| Surveys by Neighborhood | | Resident Type | | Survey Access | |
|-------------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|----------------------------------|-----|
| Avelina | 20 | Renter | 38 | End of Summer Splash 9/16/22 | 9 |
| Classic Pacific | 5 | Homeowner | 51 | Harvest Festival 10/14/22 | 100 |
| Downtown | 121 | Resident | 266 | Trunk or Treat 10/28/22 | 87 |
| Enchanted Hills | 23 | Other | 36 | Veterans Day Parade 11/5/22 | 122 |
| Green Valley | 3 | Skipped question | 14 | Tree Lighting 12/2/22 | 34 |
| May Ranch | 42 | Survey Format | | Christmas Day Parade 12/10/22 | 53 |
| Monument Ranch | 30 | Online | 139 | | |
| Villages of Avalon | 8 | Paper | 266 | | |
| Other | 127 | | | | |
| Skipped Question | 26 | | | | |

Public Hearings and/or Meetings

Public hearings provide a major source of citizen input on proposed programs and activities. The City will conduct two public hearings and public Council meetings in order to address housing and community development needs. Both will be held before the proposed Annual Plan is adopted.

Public Notification

All notices regarding such hearings, including the date, time and location, were published in a local newspaper of general circulation at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the public hearing.

Evaluation/Review and Comment

Citizens were given the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft Annual Action Plan from March 10, 2023, through April 11, 2023. The city published a public notice in an English and Spanish language local newspaper informing interested persons about the Draft Annual Action Plan review/comment period (see appendices for a copy of the public notice).

Access to Information/Availability to the Public - As required by Federal regulations the Action Plan was made available at the City of Perris Housing Authority.

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.

Public comments will be inserted here after comment period.

November 9, 2022, Stakeholder Meeting

- Department of Rehabilitation - Proposed a program inspired by an existing program in LA – IPS along with rapid engagement to help individuals with mental health and disabilities. Would suggest a wraparound service, helps homeless individuals get a job quickly. Would like to help transitional age groups. A different agency can help with the mental health component (a psychiatrist) and D.O.R can help with the job aspect of the program.

November 9, 2022, Community Outreach Meeting

- More programming for young adults 18-25. Things to do so that we don't have to go to other cities.
- Job training and job placement. jobs to be able to work in Perris and not have to commute.
- Programs to fix up your home.
- Better transportation options. Bus schedule hours are not the best and stops are far apart or there are no stops in some places.
- Affordable housing is important. Rent is not affordable. Need more homes and apartments.
- More sit down dining options. We have to go to other cities to eat at a nice restaurant. We have too many fast food places.
- Help the homeless.
- Amusement options for kids and families.

December 7, 2022, Stakeholder Outreach Meeting

- Habitat for Humanity provided the following feedback:

The agency has provided a lot of roofing repairs and HVAC systems repairs through their minor home repair program. They have seen a need for homebuyer assistance and are launching a program that will provide homebuyer assistance and a pathway to homeownership in six months. They've had some virtual homebuyer education workshops which had great attendance. They also provided a financial wellness workshop with 60 participants.

- Voices for Children indicated their client needs included affordable housing, financial wellness education, guidance on applying for social service assistance programs, affordable mental health services, a big need for domestic violence services and parenting classes.

December 7, 2022, Community Outreach Meeting

No community members attended.

April 11, 2023, Public Hearing

Insert comments here

Comments Received During 30-Day Comment Period

Insert comments here

May 9, 2023, Public Hearing

Insert comments here

Comments Received During 30-Day Comment Period

Insert comments here

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

All comments were accepted.

7. Summary

In conclusion, the Citizen Participation component of the Consolidated Plan requires major outreach to citizens and other stakeholders. The City of Perris made every effort to reach the greatest number of people possible to solicit input on community development and housing needs. All public comments received will be incorporated into the Action Plan.

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

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

Describe the agency/entity 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 | PERRIS | |
| CDBG Administrator | Sara Cortés de Pavón | Perris Housing Authority |
| HOPWA Administrator | N/A | |
| HOME Administrator | Rebecca Rivera | Perris Housing Authority |
| HOPWA-C Administrator | N/A | |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

A completed Annual Action Plan describes the lead agency responsible for overseeing the development and implementation of the plan. It also includes a summary of the citizen participation process, public comments, and efforts made to broaden public participation in preparing the plan. The Perris Housing Authority along with the Lead Agency, the City of Perris, administers the City’s CDBG programs.

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

1. Introduction

Development of the City of Perris' FY 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan is a result of consultation with a wide spectrum of public and private agencies. The city conducted outreach to consult and coordinate with nonprofit agencies, affordable housing providers, and government agencies to determine community needs and gaps in resources. A public notice was published informing Citizens, Community-Based Organizations, City Departments and the business community of the Annual Action Plan Development process and requirements for submitting project proposals and requesting comments on community needs. A Community Needs Survey was also distributed to residents to receive community input. The city also held public hearings for input on community development and housing needs from residents and stakeholders.

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))

In order to perform outreach to various agencies and organizations, the city compiled an outreach list consisting of agencies, including:

- Nonprofit service providers that cater to the needs of low- and moderate-income households and persons with special needs, including persons with disabilities;
- Affordable housing providers;
- Housing advocates;
- Housing professionals;
- Public agencies;
- Economic development and employment organizations; and
- Community and neighborhood groups.

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 Perris is within the County of Riverside Continuum of Care (CoC). The County of Riverside Continuum of Care (COC) is the lead agency. The city attends regular Continuum of Care meetings and Board of Governance meetings that are conducted by the COC. The meetings are specifically designed to link communities and coordinate the efforts addressing the needs of homeless persons and those at-risk of homelessness.

The Continuum of Care Strategy was consulted to provide information on homelessness and resources available. Agencies that provide housing and supportive services for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless were invited to attend the Stakeholder Meeting and Community Meeting. These include The Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, City Net, and Family Service Association.

The city participated in the 2013, 2015 thru 2019, 2022, and 2023 Homeless Point in Time (PIT) Counts to conduct complete counts of every census track within the City boundaries for Homeless Counts. Data from the count was provided to the County of Riverside Continuum of Care. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to ensure staff and volunteer safety, the City of Perris did not conduct a PIT Count for 2020 and relied on the observational count that Riverside County conducted.

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

Not applicable. The City's HUD allocation for entitlement grants currently does not include 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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

| | | |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | Agency/Group/Organization | FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, INC., |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Public Housing Needs 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on community needs and create partnerships with agencies to meet those needs. Agency attended the application workshop on November 10, 2022. |
| 2 | Agency/Group/Organization | FAMILY SERVICE ASSOCIATION |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Elderly Persons |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on needs for elderly persons in the community. Agency attended the application workshop on December 13, 2022. |
| 3 | Agency/Group/Organization | LIFE LIFTERS INTERNATIONAL |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education Services-Employment |

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| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on community needs and create partnerships with agencies to meet those needs. Agency attended the stakeholder meeting and application workshop on December 1, 2022. |
| 4 | Agency/Group/Organization | BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF MENIFEE VALLEY |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Children |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings, and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on needs for children in the community. Agency attended the application workshop on November 10, 2022. |
| 5 | Agency/Group/Organization | GRID ALTERNATIVES |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Housing Solar |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings, and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on the housing/solar needs for low-income persons in the community. |

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| 6 | Agency/Group/Organization | VOICES FOR CHILDREN |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services- Children |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on the foster youth needs in the community. Agency attended the stakeholder workshop on December 7, 2022, and the application workshop on November 10, 2022. |
| 7 | Agency/Group/Organization | LOVE 4 LIFE ASSOCIATION |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Children |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on needs for youth and children in the community. Agency attended the application workshop on December 13, 2022. |
| 8 | Agency/Group/Organization | HABITAT FOR HUMANITY INLAND VALLEY |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs |

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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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings, and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on community needs and create partnerships with agencies to meet those needs. Agency attended the stakeholder meeting on December 7, 2022, and the application workshop on November 10, 2022. |
| 9 | Agency/Group/Organization | CITY OF PERRIS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPT. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services- Broadband |
| | 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 agency was consulted through workshops, meetings and survey. The anticipated outcome of the consultation is to garner feedback on broadband service and accessibility for the community. |

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

The city strived to conduct a comprehensive outreach program. The city utilized a variety of outreach methods to solicit participation from a wide range of agencies and organizations involved in providing housing and community development services. No specific types of relevant agencies were excluded 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 | County of Riverside | Through the outreach process, the City has identified homelessness and homelessness prevention services as a priority for the CDBG program. These services will complement the Continuum of Care Strategy. The COC homeless services goals and initiatives coincide with the City Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan goals. |

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

No additional narrative.

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

The following is a summary of the Citizen Participation Plan Process for the development of the Annual Action Plan:

Annual Action Plan Development- Citizens were invited to provide input into development of the Annual Action Plan, including identification of priority needs and setting goals and objectives, through one of more of the following mechanisms: community/stakeholder meetings, community needs survey, requests for funding proposals (RFPs), public comment period and public hearing process.

Community Needs Survey- A Community Needs Survey was made available to Perris residents to solicit community input. The survey was placed on the City’s website for online completion and advertised on all City of Perris social media platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The City was able to administer the survey at the End of Summer Splash, Veteran’s Day Parade, Harvest Festival, City of Perris Trunk or Treat, Christmas Day Parade, and Christmas Tree Lighting event, which comprised the majority of completed surveys in the past. A total of 405 survey responses were received.

Public Hearings and/or Meetings- Public hearings provide a major source of citizen input on proposed programs and activities. The City will conduct two public hearings in order to address housing and community development needs on April 11, 2023 and (tentatively) on May 30, 2023. Public hearings will be held before the proposed Annual Plan is adopted.

Public Notification- All noticed regarding such hearings, including the date, time, and location, were published in an English and Spanish language local newspaper of general circulation at least ten (10) days prior to the date of public hearing.

Evaluation/Review and Comment- Citizens were given the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft One-Year Action Plan from March 10, 2023, through April 11, 2023. The city published a public notice in an English and Spanish language local newspaper informing interested persons about the Annual Action Plan review/comment period.

Access to Information/Availability to the Public- As required by federal regulations, the Annual Action Plan was made available at the City of Perris Housing Authority.

Citizen Participation Outreach

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| 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) |
|------------|---------------------|---|--|---|--|---------------------|
| 1 | Stakeholder Meeting | Community Stakeholders | A total of two (2) agencies attended the stakeholder meeting. | A summary of the comments received is included in Appendix: A | All comments were accepted | |
| 2 | Community Meeting | Minorities Non-English Speaking-Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of public and assisted housing | A total of four (4) community members attended the community meetings. | A summary of the comments received is included in Appendix: A | All comments were accepted. | |

| 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) |
|------------|------------------|---|--|--|--|---------------------|
| 3 | Survey | Minorities Non-English Speaking-Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of public and assisted housing | A total of 405 community needs surveys were received from residents. | A summary of comments received is included in Appendix: A. | All comments were accepted. | |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

This Annual Action Plan for FY 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024) is the fifth year of the implementation for the five-year Consolidated Plan (2019-2024). Several housing and community development resources are currently available to the City of Perris,

and are indicated below:

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
|---------|-----------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------|---|--|
| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| CDBG | Public-Federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Econ. Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services | TBD | 0 | TBD at close of current FY | TBD | TBD | Admin and Planning Econ. Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services |
| ARPA | Public-Federal | Econ. Development, Public Improvements, Public Services | \$11 mil | 0 | \$11 mil | \$22 mil | TBD | Econ. Development Public Improvements Public Services |

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

The City and HUD share an interest in leveraging resources to the maximum extent feasible in order to deliver high-quality, creative and efficient housing programs, neighborhood improvement programs, supportive services and economic development programs. The city will continue to pursue opportunities to obtain additional funding which can help leverage internal resources with other federal,

state and local funding sources. The following represents descriptions of the Federal and State resources available during FY 2023-2024:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)- CDBG funds are awarded to cities on a formula basis to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities to low-moderate income persons.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)- ARPA funds were awarded to assist the city respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts. Approved uses of ARPA funds include public health, revenue loss recovery, water/sewer and broadband infrastructure. Within those approved uses, the City of Perris' awarded funds are being used for public services, administrative costs, economic development programs, infrastructure projects, and enhancement of public facilities.

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

Not applicable.

Discussion

See discussion above.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------|---|---------------------|--|---------|---|
| 1 | Suitable Living Environment | 2023 | 2024 | Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | CDBG-eligible Areas | Rehabilitate and Preserve Homeownership Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Improve Access to Homeless Services Provide Community and Supportive Services Provide Infrastructure Improvements Provide Public Facility Improvements Planning and Administration | CDBG: | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 17,730 Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,750 Persons Assisted Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 4 Households Assisted Businesses assisted: 30 Businesses Assisted |

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

| | | |
|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | Goal Name | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Goal Description | <p>Promote Fair Housing through Fair Housing services including tenant/landlord mediation services and anti-discrimination;</p> <p>Preserve affordable housing through minor home repair;</p> <p>Provide social public services, including but not limited to recreational, educational and health services;</p> <p>Improvements to public infrastructure and facilities such as sewer project, sidewalk projects, and</p> <p>Provide planning and administration of the CDBG program.</p> |

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

This Action Plan outlines the steps that the City of Perris will use to address housing and community development needs in the city. The plan includes a listing of activities that the city will undertake during FY 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024) using CDBG funds. The following represents a summary of the projects/activities to be undertaken during FY 2023-2024 utilizing CDBG.

Projects

| # | Project Name |
|---|---|
| 1 | 2023 Planning and Administration |
| 2 | 2023 Court Appointed Special Advocate |
| 3 | 2023 Fair Housing Services |
| 4 | 2023 Unbreakable Project |
| 5 | 2023 More than a Meal |
| 6 | 2023 Before & After School Program |
| 7 | 2023 Homebuyer Assistance Program |
| 8 | 2023 GEAR Bike Lane Expansion III |
| 9 | 2023 “A” St. Corridor Sidewalk Improvements |

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Approximately thirty-eight percent (38%) of CDBG funds will be targeted to construction projects that are within target areas/CDBG-eligible areas such as the “A” St. Corridor Sidewalk Improvements and GEAR Bike Lane Expansion III. The remaining funds will benefit low-income residents city-wide. One hundred percent (100%) of CDBG funds will be dedicated to projects that will benefit low-moderate income residents citywide. One of the greatest challenges in meeting the underserved needs of low- and moderate-income households is having limited financial resources. The city will continue to use CDBG funding to support public service agencies that address the special needs of the underserved, including those at risk of homelessness, seniors, youths, and low-income families. The city also proactively seeks additional resources to better meet the underserved needs.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

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| 1 | Project Name | 2023 Planning & Administration |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Planning and Administration |
| | Funding | \$177,821 |
| | Description | Provide general CDBG program oversight and management. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The CDBG Program will be administered from Perris City Hall and will support the CDBG Program citywide. |
| | Location Description | Citywide- City of Perris |
| | Planned Activities | CDBG Program management and oversight. |
| 2 | Project Name | 2023 Fair Housing Services |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Provide Community and Supportive Services |
| | Funding | \$32,500 |

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| | Description | Provide fair housing services. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | An estimated 1,500 persons may be assisted. |
| | Location Description | 3933 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501 Monday-Friday 8 am – 5 pm 23890 Alessandro Blvd. Moreno Valley, CA 92553 Mon. - Fri. 8 am to 5 pm 100 N. D St. Perris, CA 92570 First Tuesday of March, June, September, and December 1 pm to 5 pm |
| | Planned Activities | Provide fair housing services which include counseling, tenant/landlord mediation and anti-discrimination services. |
| 3 | Project Name | 2023 Boys & Girls Club: Before & After School Program |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Community and Supportive Services |
| | Funding | \$15,000 |
| | Description | This program will provide financial assistance to youth to pay for discounted programming. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 50 low-moderate income children will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 904 South D. Street, Perris, CA 92570 |

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| | Planned Activities | This program will provide financial assistance to youth to pay for discounted programming. |
| 4 | Project Name | 2023 Unbreakable Project |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Community and Supportive Services |
| | Funding | \$26,492 |
| | Description | Provide after school activities on bullying and suicide prevention, self-esteem, spreading kindness, giving resources, creating friendships and more. Provide parent component to educate them on identifying signs and provide resources. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 45 low-moderate income youth and parents will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 100 North D. Street, Perris, CA 92570 |
| | Planned Activities | Provide after school activities on bullying and suicide prevention, self-esteem, spreading kindness, giving resources, creating friendships and more. And parent education component and resources. |
| 5 | Project Name | 2023 More Than a Meal |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Community and Supportive Services |
| | Funding | \$20,000 |

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| | Description | This program will provide nutritious meals to senior citizens, ages 62 and over, at the City of Perris Senior Center. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 112 senior citizens, ages 62 and over, will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 100 North D. Street, Perris, CA 92570 |
| | Planned Activities | Provide nutritious meals to senior citizens, 62 years of age and older, in a group setting at the City of Perris Senior Center. A registered dietician regulates nutrient value of each meal that will be served. The meals are provided in a setting to help encourage socialization among seniors to support their physical, social, spiritual, emotional, mental and economic well-being. |
| 6 | Project Name | 2023 Court Appointed Special Advocate |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Community and Supportive Services |
| | Funding | \$16,000 |
| | Description | Provide a court appointed special advocate to 5 foster youth who will advocate on their behalf in court, at school, and in the community. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 8 low-moderate income individuals will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 11870 Pierce Street, Riverside, CA 92505 |

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| | Planned Activities | Advocates for foster youth. |
| 7 | Project Name | 2023 GEAR Bike Lane Expansion III |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | \$210,200 |
| | Description | Install 4.8 miles of Class IIIB and Class III bike lanes on selected CDBG target areas. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 9,515 low-moderate income persons will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 227 North D. Street, Perris, CA 92570 |
| | Planned Activities | Installation of bike lanes. |
| 8 | Project Name | 2023 “A” St. Corridor Sidewalk Improvements |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Provide Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | \$127,720 |
| | Description | Construction of new sidewalk, curb, gutter, and ADA ramps. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 8,215 low-to-moderate income persons will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 24 South D. Street, Perris, CA 92570 |
| | Planned Activities | Construction of new sidewalk, curb gutter, and ADA ramps. |
| 9 | Project Name | 2023 Homebuyer Assistance Program |
| | Target Area | CDBG-eligible Areas |
| | Goals Supported | Suitable Living Environment |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | \$240,000 |
| | Description | Provide principle reduction and closing costs assistance to qualified low-moderate households as they secure permanent affordable homeownership. |
| | Target Date | 6/30/2024 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Approximately 4 low-moderate income households will benefit from this program. |
| | Location Description | 27475 Ynez Road #390 Temecula, CA 92590 |
| | Planned Activities | Homebuyer Assistance |

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

100% of the funds are allocated to projects that meet the low-moderate income clientele, low-moderate housing, or low-moderate area national objective. A summary of the proposed projects indicates that thirty-eight percent (38%) of the funding will be distributed to projects in low-moderate areas, while the other sixty-two percent (62%) will be distributed to projects based on low-moderate clientele.

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| CDBG-eligible Areas | 100 |

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The priority needs identified in the City’s FY 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan are in line with the City’s FY 2019-2024 Consolidated Plan and form the basis for allocation investments geographically within the jurisdiction during FY 2023. The established priorities are:

High Priority

- Rehabilitate and Preserve Homeownership
- Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
- Provide Community and Supportive Services for the Elderly, Youth, Veterans and Special Needs Population
- Provide Infrastructure Improvements in Eligible Areas
- Provide Public Facility Improvements in Eligible Areas
- Planning and Administration

Low Priority

- Expand Affordable Housing
- Improve Access to Homeless Services Through Street Outreach
- Create Economic Development Opportunities

Discussion

The Priority Level is relevant only for the use of CDBG funds. A Low Priority need does not necessarily mean the City will not address that need with other funding mechanisms or activities. The City will use CDBG funds to fund activities that address High Priority needs. As funding

permits during the Consolidated Plan period, the City may also pursue activities that address the Low Priority Needs.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
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| Homeless | 10 |
| Non-Homeless | 10 |
| Special-Needs | 0 |
| Total | 20 |

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
|--|-----------|
| Rental Assistance | 10 |
| The Production of New Units | 0 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 10 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 0 |
| Total | 20 |

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

Discussion

No further discussion.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

There is no public housing in the City of Perris.

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

Not applicable- The City does not have public housing.

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

Not applicable- The City does not have public housing.

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

Not applicable- The City does not have public housing.

Discussion

No further discussion.

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

Introduction

The needs of homeless and chronic homeless persons range from outreach, case management and referral services to transportation and rental assistance among the many essential services needed to assist with permanent shelter. The City of Perris is a part of Riverside County's Continuum of Care for the homeless. The Continuum of Care is the region's plan for supporting and providing needs and services for homeless individuals and families in Riverside County. The City supports all agencies that address homelessness in the community.

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

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

The City of Perris is currently partnering with City Net for mobile homeless street outreach services to homeless persons. This includes case management, counseling and outreach to the homeless to encourage and recommend shelter facilities to those in need. Other outreach and assessment are provided through several of churches. The City of Perris is a participant in Riverside County's Continuum of Care for the homeless. The Riverside County Homeless Program Unit's primary purpose is to develop and maintain an effective county-wide Continuum of Care, which is the region's plan on organizing, delivering supportive social services, and providing outreach and assessment that meet the specific needs of homeless individuals and families. The goal of the Continuum of Care is to support homeless individuals move toward stable housing and maximum self-sufficiency.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will continue to participate in the County of Riverside's Continuum of Care and support non-profit agencies who address homeless and other special needs populations. Agencies that undertake activities to address homeless prevention, emergency shelter, transitional housing and supportive housing include, but not limited to, Lutheran Social and Welfare Services, U.S. Veterans Initiative and Riverside County Department of Social Services.

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

Chronically homeless individuals are those who have lived in a place not meant for human habitation for a year, or for three or more times within four years. Additionally, chronically homeless individuals have the barrier of living with a disability. These combined factors often lead to isolation and a survival mentality. Moving people from chronic homelessness to living in and maintaining permanent housing requires multi-level efforts.

The City's partnering agencies address reducing homelessness through outreach efforts to persons in need, assessments for medical and essential service needs, options for permanent housing and other needs. The City's partnership with City Net provides:

Supportive services include providing access to and assistance obtaining: Medicaid/Medi-Cal, Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), Food stamps/Cal-Fresh/EBT, Federal-State Unemployment Insurance Program, Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), General Relief (GR), Other mainstream resources such as housing, health, social services, employment, education services and youth programs that an individual or family may be eligible to receive.

Street Outreach

Street outreach is service delivery for the specific purpose of reaching out to unsheltered homeless neighbors; connecting them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and providing urgent, non-facility-based care. These activities are intended to help homeless neighbors to begin the process of obtaining appropriate supportive services, including assistance in obtaining permanent housing, medical health treatment, mental health treatment, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living.

Engagement Services

Engagement Services are activities to locate, identify, and build relationships with unsheltered homeless people to offer immediate support, intervention, and connections with homeless assistance programs and/or mainstream social services and other housing programs. Specific activities include:

- Conducting an initial assessment of client needs and eligibility
- Providing informal crisis counseling
- Addressing urgent physical needs, such as providing meals, blankets, clothes, or toiletries
- Actively connecting and providing information and referrals to needed services

Case Management

Case management activities to assess housing and service needs and arrange, coordinate and/or monitor the delivery of individualized services. Specific activities include:

Assessment and intake using HMIS

- Conducting initial evaluations including, verifying and documenting eligibility counseling

- Developing/securing/coordinating services
- Helping obtain Federal, State, and local benefits
- Monitoring and evaluating program participant progress in particular programs
- Providing information and referrals to other providers
- Developing an individualized housing stabilization plan that leads to the attainment of stable permanent housing

Emergency Health

City Net will refer homeless neighbors to emergency health services to the extent that other customary emergency health services and treatments are unavailable or inaccessible to the homeless neighbor. An example of emergency health services to which City Net will refer homeless neighbors is outpatient treatment of urgent medical conditions by licensed medical professionals in community-based settings (e.g. streets, parks, and campgrounds) to those eligible participants unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter or an appropriate healthcare facility. City Net may assist healthcare professionals in the case management aspects of the following activities:

- Assessing health problems and developing treatment plans
- Assistance in understanding health needs
- Providing directly or assisting to obtain appropriate emergency medical treatment
- Providing medication and follow-up services

Emergency Mental Health

City Net will refer homeless neighbors to emergency mental health services to the extent that other customary emergency mental health services and treatments are unavailable or inaccessible to the homeless neighbor. An example of emergency health services to which City Net will refer homeless neighbors is outpatient treatment of urgent mental health conditions by licensed professionals in community-based settings (e.g. streets, parks, and campgrounds) to those eligible participants unable or unwilling to access emergency shelter or an appropriate mental health care facility. City Net may assist mental healthcare professionals in the case management aspects of the following activities:

- Crisis intervention
- Prescription of psychotropic medications
- Explanation about the use and management of medications
- Combinations of therapeutic approaches to address multiple problems

Transportation

Occasionally, City Net may engage in transportation activities, including:

- Transporting unsheltered people to emergency shelters, emergency health, emergency mental health, or other service facilities
- Provision of public transportation for participants

- Transportation costs (bus tickets, gas, minor car repairs, etc.) to assist homeless neighbors to relocate out of the region, provided they have permanent housing there.
- Assisting program participants to use public transportation

Services for Special Populations

Services for special populations are essential services that have been tailored to address the special needs of homeless youths, victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including connections to services offered by rape crisis centers, domestic violence shelters, and other organizations that serve persons who meet the HUD homeless definition and have special needs.

Food and Emergency Services

Food and other emergency services will be given to clients primarily as they first move into housing and for emergency circumstances. During the duration of their tenancy, clients will be connected to food banks and service agencies in the community as their primary resource for emergency needs.

Point In Time Count

Besides being the primary contractor with the County of Orange to conduct its Point In Time Count for both 2019 and 2022, we also had staff participate, support, and coordinate with the County of Riverside and the County of Santa Barbara in their own Point In Time Counts. We have a deep knowledge of, understanding, and experience of the administration, mapping process, and coordination it takes across multiple agencies and the community at large to pull off a successful and timely Point In Time Count, and it is something we are completely comfortable in participating in for the City of Perris as well.

HMIS

All clients in this proposed project will be entered into/screened through the local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and, as appropriate for prospective candidates, the Coordinated Entry System (CES). City Net staff are trained in these systems, and our written policies and procedures state their work must be coordinated through these systems.

In addition to assuring that resources flow to the most vulnerable homeless individuals (through CES), these systems also provide a safeguard against duplication of services because we can see in HMIS what other services and benefits the client is receiving, as well as the agency who may be providing these services. Our case managers and housing navigators are trained to reach out to their counterparts at these other agencies to confirm provision of services, to case conference, and to clarify any questions around potential duplication.

City Net is accountable to our HMIS Data-Sharing partners, to the Riverside County Continuum of Care, and to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to maintain the privacy and security of the personal information collected about clients. Aside from these legal and funding-related obligations, City Net also has an ethical responsibility to clients to not share their personal data in ways to which they have not

agreed. To ensure our commitment to excellent data collection, privacy and security, analysis and reporting practices, we do not authorize external agencies to complete these functions on behalf of the agency except in very limited circumstances and only with prior written approval and City Net's full participation.

Permanent Housing/CES

Case managers link clients to the Coordinated Entry System (CES) to provide ongoing engagement, document collection, and case management services to facilitate a match to an appropriate permanent housing resource. Case managers also provide services in the context of CES, which is voluntary and client-centered, with the goal of identifying strengths and client-directed goals, while promoting health, recognition, and well-being with a focus on linking the client to a permanent housing resource and providing the necessary services needed to promote housing stability.

Coordinated Entry System Integration

City Net will include in its staffing plan designated staff to conduct Diversion screening and prevent those with other resources from entering the homeless shelter system. Additional staff will be trained to complete on-site VI-SPDAT assessments. Case managers will also assist clients in obtaining the necessary documentation to move forward in their housing connection process, once matched to permanent housing opportunities by the Coordinated Entry System.

City Net Case Managers are oriented to and trained in resources, homeless services, and organizations for collaboration and referral. They are highly trained to connect clients to shelter and housing resources, including in case managing clients from the streets into permanent supportive housing through CES. Staff representatives attend the local Continuum of Care meetings-- Homeless Provider Forums, Case Management Forums, Implementation Committees and the like. Resource lists are updated regularly and kept on-site. Protocols for offering and accepting referrals from other agencies are reviewed by staff, updated, shared and kept in a manual in the City Net offices.

City Net will refer homeless neighbors to emergency health and/or emergency mental health services to the extent that other customary emergency health services and treatments are unavailable or inaccessible to the homeless neighbor. A referral example is outpatient treatment of urgent medical conditions by licensed medical professionals in community-based settings (e.g., streets, parks, and campgrounds) to those eligible participants unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter or an appropriate healthcare facility.

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.

The City will continue to participate in the County of Riverside’s Continuum of Care and support non-profit agencies who address homeless and other special needs of the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless.

Many local non-profit faith-based organizations and those partnering with the Riverside County Continuum of care provide essential services such as: food, clothing, infant supplies, and utility assistance to extremely low, low- and moderate-income families and individuals. The City of Perris also has a Family Resource Center which offers basic needs, shelter, utility assistance, childcare, health, and rental housing assistance.

Discussion

No further discussion.

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

Introduction:

One of the largest barriers to affordable housing in the City is the lack of affordable units. While all segments of the low- and moderate-income population need more affordable housing, the greatest need is affordable units for families. The availability of funding for affordable housing has also been severely affected by the dissolution of Redevelopment in the State of California. Different types of housing funds such as Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, HOME, CalHOME and the Multifamily Housing Program are not sufficient to finance an affordable housing project alone.

Barriers to affordable housing include:

1. The reluctance of builders to invest in affordable housing projects.
2. The lack of sufficient financial resources for development of affordable units.
3. The overall relatively slow growth of income versus the rapid increase in population growth and relative increase in housing prices.

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

Keeping housing affordable by providing owner-occupied minor repair services is an effective way to reduce barriers to affordable housing. The Senior Minor Home Repair Program will target low-income senior households and provide repairs to their homes including condominiums, mobile homes and single-family homes, preserving the affordable housing stock.

Discussion:

No further discussion.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The following proposed actions will be undertaken to address the areas indicated below:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

One of the greatest challenges in meeting the underserved needs of low- and moderate-income persons is having limited financial resources. The City will continue to use CDBG funding to support public service agencies that address the special needs of the underserved, including those at risk of homelessness, youths, seniors, and low-income families. Such programs include homeownership assistance, housing rehabilitation, rental assistance, health and public services, and fair housing services. The City also proactively seeks additional resources to better meet the underserved needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will contribute to the preservation of the existing affordable housing stock through the Minor Home Repair Program. In FY 2023 rolled over CDBG funds from FY20, 21, and 22 will be used to assist homeowners address minor repairs to the interior and exterior of their homes.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The city continues to work to reduce lead-based paint (LBP) hazards to comply with 24 CFR Part 35. While the number of units considered to contain lead-based paint is relatively low, the City will address the problem of LBP hazard with inspections and risk assessments in conjunction with all housing programs.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

While the City has no control over the majority of the factors affecting poverty, it may be able to assist those living below the poverty line. The City supports other governmental, private and non-profit agencies involved in providing services to low- and moderate-income residents and coordinates efforts with these groups where possible to allow for more efficient delivery of services.

During FY 2023-2024, the City will continue to implement its strategy to help impoverished families achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency. The City will allocate 15 percent of CDBG funds to public service agencies that offer supportive services in the fight against poverty.

The City will fund public service programs that assist extremely low and low-income persons.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City has an inclusive institutional structure approach that uses a variety of organizations and departments within the City to carry out its housing, homeless, and community development plan. The City continues to streamline and to make improvements to the delivery system to best serve the community through activities and services. As the needs of low to moderate income residents change, the demand for types of services and programs will also change. This may result in future revisions to the Annual Action Plan through amendments as necessary.

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

The City coordinates with non-profit providers, community and faith-based organizations, public institutions and City Departments in the development of the Action Plan. The City will continue to coordinate in the future to ensure quality services are being made available to low-income persons.

Discussion:

See discussion above.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

The following describes other program-specific requirements.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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 |
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The City does not anticipate generating any program income during the FY 2023-2024 planning period.

Of the City's FY 2023-2024 CDBG allocation, 20 percent is being allocated for eligible planning and administration activities. These activities are not subject to the low- and moderate-income benefit requirements. Of the remaining 80 percent, 100 percent will be used to benefit low- and moderate-income persons.