# City of Harrisonburg, VA

Community Development Block Grant

**CDBG** 

2025 Action Plan

## **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

The City of Harrisonburg has prepared a FY 2025 Annual Action Plan, as required under 24 CFR 91.220, in order to strategically implement the federal Community Development Block Grant program to fund housing, community development, and economic development activities within the city. The city has developed a Five Year Consolidated Plan (CP) for HUD FY 2022 - FY 2026 to encompass the needs of the city related to both housing and non-housing activities using the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

The FY 2025 Annual Action Plan will serve the following functions for the city:

- An application for federal funds under HUD's formula grant programs, and
- An action plan that provides a basis for assessing performance.

The national goals for the housing and community development programs covered by the Five Year CP and Annual Action Plan are:

Improve Access To & Quality of Affordable Housing

Improve Public Infrastructure

**Provide Public Services** 

Planning and Administration

It is these goals against which the CP and the City's performance under the CP will be evaluated by HUD. The FY 2025 Action Plan furthers the achievement of these goals through the implementation of a variety of housing and community development activities. The City anticipates that 100% of its FY 2025 CDBG funds will be expended for projects that benefit low- to moderate-income persons in the City.

#### 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.

The city's FY 2025 Annual Action Plan goals are based on the Five Year Strategy developed for HUD FY 2012-FY 2026. In addition, these goals represent activities that are expected to occur in FY 2022 -FY

2026. The city will monitor and modify strategy performance and set annual goals in future years accordingly.

The city's FY 2025 funding strategy for its CDBG activities consists of its estimated CDBG entitlement allocation of \$490,000 plus \$108,600 in rollover funding, bringing the total allocation amount to \$598,600. The following chart lists the city's FY 2025 CDBG activities.

Project Description	Amount
Habitat for Humanity/ Critical Home Repair	\$140,000.00
Administration	\$102,473.00
Meals On Wheels	\$25,000.00
The Arc: ARCessible Community Engagement and Autonomy	\$19,000.00
P&R - Hillandale Park Playground Replacement	\$125,000.00
P&R - Westover Park ADA Sidewalk	\$169,493.00
Ralph Sampson Park Basketball Goal Replacement	\$40,000.00

#### 2025 Projects

#### 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 Harrisonburg effectively achieved many goals and objectives set forth in the 2024 Action Plan. The Office of the City Manager implements the City's CDBG programs. Activities accomplished by other agencies under CDBG sub-recipient agreements also fall under the oversight of the City Manager's Office. In July of 2022, the City of Harrisonburg adopted the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2022-2026), which listed six goals. For the 2024 program year the City continued to support several activities which had been supported in previous years. These activities continue to provide supportive services to some of the most at need populations in the City while also meeting several goals of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.

Improve access to and quality of housing: The City provided \$139,700 to Habitat for Humanity for their expanding critical home repair program, enabling LMI households in the city to have access to affordable housing.

Provide Public Services: The five year strategic plan identified the provision of public services to LMI residents as a goal for the CDBG. During the 2024 plan year, five projects fulfilled this goal. The VPAS Meals on Wheels program delivered meals to many in the elderly population of Harrisonburg who would Annual Action Plan

not be able to remain in their homes without this basic assistance. The Harrisonburg Rockingham Child Daycare Center used funding to provide furnishings for their expanding care for younger LMI participants. The new Navigation Center that provides shelter and services for individulas experiencing homelessness in Harrisonburg was awarded funding for three projects: Commercial kitchen and laundry, their medical clinic, and furnishings for their guest area.

**Improve Public Facilities**: CDBG funding was allocated to the Parks and Recreation ADA sidewalk project at Hillandale Park, and the Ralph Sampson Park Walking Trail project.

**Improve Public Infrastructure:** CDBG was used to add and additional \$58,600 in funding to the E. Elizabeth St. Waterline project via amendment.

**Pursue Improved Utility of Public Transit**: Although CDBG funds were not used in direct support of this goal in program year 2024, the city's Public Transit department continues to consider and create routes with the transit needs of LMI individuals in mind.

**Strengthen Fair Housing Enforcement, Operations, and Education:** CDBG staff continues to educate city employees and city leaders about Fair Housing compliance on an annual basis.

**Planning and Administration**: CDBG funds were used to provide continuing administrative support to the grant, with unused funding from previous years transferred to other projects.

### 4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City of Harrisonburg conducted two public meetings during the Action Plan process to solicit additional public input. A public meeting was held on January 14, 2025 at the Harrisonburg City Council Chambers to explain the CDBG program and Action Plan process, and to get input on the types of projects to be funded. This meeting was publicized in the following ways: Advertised in the Daily News Record, listed on the City's website (www.harrisonburgva.gov), and public notices were posted in the Municipal Building and Public Library. The Public Notice can be found at the end of this section. The information solicited from the public meeting was incorporated into the Action Plan planning process.

A second public meeting was held on April 8, 2025. At this meeting, the draft HUD FY 2025 Annual Plan was presented to City Council. This meeting was publicized in the following ways: Advertised in the Daily News Record, Listed on the City's website (www.harrisonburgva.gov), public notices were posted in the Municipal Building and Public Library. The public notice from both public meetings can be found at the end of this section. A draft of the Action Plan was made available for public review and comment for 30 days beginning on April 8, 2025. The public comment period was closed on May 9, 2025, and at the May 27, 2025 council meeting the council unanimously approved the City's 2025 Action Plan.

Public notice of the first public meeting was published in the Daily News Record on 12/26/24.

Public notices of the draft Action Plan, as well as the second public meeting, were published in the Daily News Record on March 26, 2025.

In addition to publishing the notices advertising the public meetings and availability of the draft Action Plan for public review, the City also communicated information to key stakeholders and other interested parties. On January 6, 2025, an email was sent to 112 individuals and organizations in the Harrisonburg area, informing them of the CDBG application process, as well as the dates for public hearings. These organizations and individuals include all parties that have expressed interest in CDBG in the past, and include organizations that target populations of minorities, non-English speaking persons, individuals with disabilities, the Continuum of Care, housing development contacts, and resident representatives of organizations in targeted areas. Throughout the months of December 2024 through April 2025, CDBG staff met with and communicated with many agencies and organizations interested in applying for the CDBG and CDBG funding. These meetings helped organizations to understand the application process and eligibility requirements of the CDBG. CDBG staff also held a training session on January 16th for those interested in applying for the grant. CDBG staff also heard input from these organizations regarding needs within the City that helped inform funding recommendations.

The City made the draft 2025 Annual Action Plan available for public review on the City's website beginning April 8, 2025. The City anticipates submitting the City Council-approved FY 2025 Annual Action Plan to HUD on May 29, 2025.

#### Master Continued (ID 25-442)

There being no one desiring to be heard, Mayor Reed closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m., and the regular session reconvened.

No action required.

Text of Legislative File ID 25-442

**January Public Hearing Notice** 

## PUBLIC MEETING/COMMENT NOTICE CITY OF HARRISONBURG 2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Harrisonburg will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 409 South Main Street, in order to receive citizen input regarding the 2025 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Citizen participation is essential to the City's involvement in the Federal Department of Housing & Urban Development's (HUD) CDBG Program, Citizen participation and comments on the Annual Action Plan will assist the City in the finalization of this required document. The Consolidated Plan serves as the planning document for addressing overall community development and housing needs that will utilize the estimated \$490,000 annual entitlement of CDBG funding available to the City to meet those needs. Projects selected to receive funding will be included in the Annual Action Plan. If the actual CDBG allocation is more or less than \$490,000, funding will be increased or decreased from the following projects: Administration, Habitat for Humanity, and city departmental projects. Additionally, prior year resources of \$108,600 will be carried forward to current year public facility projects. These remaining resources were due to lower than anticipated project costs from previously completed projects. The total estimated total amount to be allocated is \$598,600.

Proposed funding categories include:

- Housing
- Public service activities
- Public facilities
- Program administration

None of the proposed categories of activities will result in displacement of residents. All citizens and organizations are invited to attend the public hearing to comment orally or in writing on the Annual Action Plan. The City of Harrisonburg will make reasonable accommodations and services necessary for sensory-impaired and disabled citizens at the public hearing. Additionally, translation services may be offered upon request and availability. Persons requiring such accommodations/services should contact the City at least three working days in advance of the hearing. Written comments may be mailed to Kristin McCombe, CDBG Program Manager, Office of City Manager, 409 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. Comments may also be submitted by calling (540) 432-8926 or emailing cdbg@harrisonburgva.gov.

In order to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties, the City will place its proposed FY 2025 Annual Action Plan on public display in the following locations during normal operational hours beginning on April 5, 2025:

- · City Manager's Office, City Hall, 409 South Main Street, Harrisonburg
- Massanutten Regional Library, 174 South Main Street, Harrisonburg
- Harrisonburg City website: www.harrisonburgva.gov

Public comment on the plan can be directed to: City Manager's Office, City Hall, 409 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. Public comments regarding this document will be accepted until 9 a.m. on May 9, 2025, the end of the 30-day public comment period.

The City Council is expected to act on the proposed FY 2025 Annual Action Plan on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at the regularly scheduled Council meeting at 7:00 in City Council Chambers. The final FY 2025 Annual Action Plan will be submitted to HUD for review and approval on or about May 15, 202

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## **April Public Hearing Notice**

## 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.

<u>Comments from the January Public Hearing and Public Comment Period:</u>

No public comments were received.

Comments from the March Public Hearing and Public Comment Period:

All comments were accepted and no other comments were received.



## City of Harrisonburg

City Hall 409 South Main Street Harrisonburg, VA 22801

#### Master

File Number: ID 25-442

File ID: ID 25-442 Type: Public Hearing - No Action Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1 Agenda In Control: City Council

Section:

File Created: 12/20/2024

Subject: CDBG PY 2025 Funding Priorities Final Action: 01/14/2025

Title: Consider CDBG PY2025 Funding Priorities

Internal Notes:

Agenda Date: 01/14/2025

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Agenda Number: 6.a.

**Enactment Date:** Sponsors:

Attachments: Memorandum, Schedule, Public Hearing Notice, **Enactment Number:** 

PowerPoint Presentation

Contact: Hearing Date:

Drafter: kristin.mccombe@harrisonburgva.gov Effective Date:

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01/14/2025 received and filed

Action Text: This Public Hearing - No Action was received and filed.

Kristin McCombe, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Coordinator, reviewed what the CDBG is, the history of how much funding the city has received, the goals of the strategic plan, and the tentative schedule.

Council Member Alsaadun asked if the city has any control over the funding amount that is received from HUD. Ms. McCombe stated no and explained how the funding is determined. Council Member Alsaadun asked about the 2020/2026 Strategic Plans. Ms. McCombe reviewed the progress of the goals within the Strategic Plan. Council Member Alsaadun asked if there are goals related to affordable housing. Ms. McCombe reviewed the funding used towards affordable housing and emergency rental assistance.

At 7:11 p.m., Mayor Reed closed the regular session and called the first public hearing to order. A notice appeared in the Daily News-Record on Thursday, December 26, 2024,

## **January Minutes and Public Comment (1)**

Master Continued (ID 25-442)

There being no one desiring to be heard, Mayor Reed closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m., and the regular session reconvened.

No action required.

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**January Minutes and Public Comment (2)** 



## City of Harrisonburg

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#### Master

File Number: ID 25-540

File ID: ID 25-540 Type: Public Hearing - No Action Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1 Agenda In Control: City Council

Section:

File Created: 03/27/2025

Subject: Final Action: 04/08/2025

Title: Public Hearing to Consider 2025 CDBG Action Plan

Internal Notes:

Agenda Date: 04/08/2025

Agenda Number: 6.a.

Sponsors: Enactment Date:

Attachments: Memorandum, Schedule, Funding Enactment Number:

Recommendations, Public Hearing Notice, Power

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04/08/2025 received and filed

Action Text:

This Public Hearing - No Action was received and filed.

Kristin McCombe, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Manager, presented the CDBG 2025 Annual Action Plan. She reviewed the following:

- 1. What the CDBG is and the process;
- Estimated allocation amount for FY 2025
- Applications and funding for the following categories:
  - (a) Housing and property improvements;
  - (b) Community & Public Facilities;
  - (c) Planning and Administration;
  - (d) Public Services:
- Schedule for the 2025 Action Plan.

At 7:07 p.m., Mayor Reed closed the regular session and called the first public hearing to order. A notice appeared in the Daily News-Record on

City of Harrisonburg Page 1 Printed on 5/27/2025

#### **April Minutes and Public Comment (1)**

Master Continued (ID 25-540)

Wednesday, March 26, 2025.

<u>Joyce Nussbaum,</u> program director for Valley Program for Aging Services (VPAS), thanked Council and Ms. McCombe for supporting Meals on Wheels, which provides 5,000 meals to 43 unique individuals in the city.

At 7:09 p.m., Mayor Reed closed the public hearing and the regular session reconvened.

Text of Legislative File ID 25-540

## **April Minutes and Public Comment (2)**

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

The City did not receive any comments on the plan that were not accepted.

## 7. Summary

The city of Harrisonburg looks forward to benefiting LMI individuals in the city during the 2025 grant period.

## 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	
CDBG Administrator	HARRISONBURG	City Manager's Office	

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

## **Narrative (optional)**

The lead agency for the Consolidated Plan is the City of Harrisonburg City Manager's Office which administers the CDBG program. Several city departments are active stakeholders in community development projects and improvements, including Community Development, Economic Development, Public Transportation, Parks and Recreation, Public Utilities, and Public Works. In addition, Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority (HRHA) will play a large role in providing and managing housing programs covered by this plan.

#### **Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information**

Kristin McCombe, CDBG Program Manager

City Manager's Office

409 South Main St Harrisonburg, VA 22801

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

#### 1. Introduction

The public participation process for the Analysis of Impediments and Five-Year Consolidated Plan were designed as one single, extended outreach process. The process involved many public meetings and stakeholder interviews. The City developed a coordinated outreach effort to maximize input from a large cross-section of stakeholders and to continue linking the AI with the Consolidated Plan. Individuals who participated during the AI planning process were afforded the opportunity to reflect and provide feedback on the final goals, milestones, and metrics included in the Consolidated Plan. Outreach initiatives included public meetings, published meeting notices, one-on-one and group interviews, group workshops, and two web-based surveys in both English and Spanish.

Many housing, social service agencies, and other organizations serving the Harrisonburg region were consulted during the development of this Consolidated Plan. They provided information and context that was invaluable to the planning process. Just like for all other CDBG-related activities, the City also strongly encouraged all known stakeholders to participate. A sample of the agencies and individuals from whom the City regularly solicits feedback is in the Citizen Participation Appendix of the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan.

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(I))

The City encouraged a high level of public communication and agency consultation when developing this plan to demonstrate its commitment to identifying priority needs and engaging the participation of citizens, public agencies, and nonprofit organizations in a positive and collaborative manner. A list of stakeholders and affordable housing providers was developed during the 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan process and included public agencies and private nonprofit organizations whose missions included the provision of affordable housing and human services to LMI households and persons. These stakeholders were invited to participate in group interviews held to develop the Consolidated Plan.

The City plans to continues to communicate extensively with all interested parties, enhancing general coordination of the service delivery system throughout the year and for each Annual Plan.

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 participates in the Western Virginia Continuum of Care (CoC). Members of the CoC were consulted during the development of the AI and the Con Plan to understand how to best address the

needs of homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness. Through its cooperation with the CoC, the City will seek to identify ways to enhance coordination among the assisted housing providers and governmental health, mental health, and service agencies.

The City is continuing its coordination of human service funding with other social service agencies and charitable organizations to better target the limited amount of human service dollars available in the community. The City is also continuing to coordinate its housing efforts with HRHA, which is a key member of the CoC.

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

Harrisonburg and HRHA staff continue to work with the CoC board to undertake the establishment of performance measurements for homeless programs and close coordination with the City Consolidated Plans. Members of the CoC provided valuable input during public outreach, plan drafting, and project selection process of the Con Plan. The CoC administers the local HMIS.

The City's Citizen Participation Plan allows for citizens, community agencies, and the local CoC the opportunity to provide input on the use of all funding. Notifications of the public hearings are published in Harrisonburg's newspaper of largest distribution, the Daily News-Record. Information is made available to current and previous subrecipients and is displayed on the City's website.

The City does not receive ESG funds.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Blue Ridge CASA	
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	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	This organization was consulted through a training	
	the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved	meeting and brought community needs to the	
	coordination?	attention of city staff.	
2	Agency/Group/Organization	HRHA	
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing	
		PHA	
		Services - Housing	
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs	
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are	This organization was consulted through a training	
	the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved	meeting and brought community needs to the	
	coordination?	attention of city staff.	
3	Agency/Group/Organization	SALVATION ARMY	
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless	
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless	
	·	Homeless Needs - Families with children	
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are	This agency was consulted through numerous	
	the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved	meetings and conversations through the fall and	
	coordination?	winter of 2022-2023.	
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4	Agency/Group/Organization	JMU IIHHS Suitcase Clinic
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
		Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
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	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are	This organization was consulted through a training
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	coordination?	attention of city staff.
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5	Agency/Group/Organization	VPAS
	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	This organization was consulted through a training
	the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved	meeting and brought community needs to the
	coordination?	attention of city staff.
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6	Agency/Group/Organization	Open Doors
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are	This organization was consulted through a training
	the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved	meeting and brought community needs to the
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7	Agency/Group/Organization	THE ARC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	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?	This organization was consulted through a training meeting and brought community needs to the attention of city staff.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Our Community Place
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization was consulted through meetings and brought community needs to the attention of city staff.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Services Board
	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?	This organization was consulted through meetings and brought community needs to the attention of city staff.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Northeast Neighborhood Association
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Neighborhood Association
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This organization was consulted through meetings and brought community needs to the attention of city staff.

11	Agency/Group/Organization	NEWBRIDGES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	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?	
12	Agency/Group/Organization	WAY TO GO
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	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?	This organization was consulted through meetings and brought community needs to the attention of city staff.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Harrisonburg - Parks & Recreation Department
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	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?	This organization was consulted through a meetings and brought community needs to the attention staff.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Harrisonburg - Planning & Community Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	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?	This organization was consulted through a meetings and brought community needs to the attention staff.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Harrisonburg - Public Transportation Department
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	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?	This organization was consulted through a meetings and brought community needs to the attention staff.

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

All entities were considered for consultation.

## 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	HRHA	The efforts to reach homeless individuals in Harrisonburg correlate with this plan.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

## **Narrative (optional)**

The City will continue to interact with public entities at all levels to ensure coordination and cooperation in the implementation of the Con Plan and thereby maximize the benefits of the City's housing and community development activities for the residents being served.

## **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

Public hearings were held on January 14, 2025, and April 8, 2025 to solicit input from the public. Both hearings were advertised in the Daily News-Record and on the City's website.

On January 16, 2025, CDBG staff held a training session for prospective CDBG applicants. During that meeting, participants were given an opportunity to learn more about the CDBG program, and CDBG staff heard community input regarding the needs of organizations in attendance. Many meetings and phone calls followed this training. Staff was able to gain insight into the work these organizations are doing, and the needs they see in the city.

## **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Non- targeted/broad community	The meeting was broadly attended by City officials and residents.		Not applicable	
2	Public Hearing	Non- targeted/broad community	The meeting was broadly attended by City officials and residents.		Not applicable	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach** 

## **Expected Resources**

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

#### Introduction

Harrisonburg receives only CDBG funds for housing construction, rehabilitation initiatives, public services, economic development, and other eligible activities. These funding sources are expected to be available over the next five years.

## **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Exp	ected Amou	ınt Available Ye	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	512,366.00	0.00	108,600.00	620,966.00	512,366.00	Prior year resources include the following funding that was unused in previous program years, totaling \$108,600:\$58,600 (2024 South Liberty Sewer Line)\$50,000 (2024 Administration)

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 non-profit organizations funded through the CDBG program have additional financial capacity through foundations, fundraising campaigns, and other grants. The City's allocation of federal funds provides these organizations with the opportunity to expand their services to benefit more low- and moderate-income persons.

Over the next three years, Harrisonburg will attempt to leverage its CDBG allocations with federal and other public resources, as well as private sector funding sources, to address the City's housing and community development needs. The City will continue to partner with other public agencies and non-profit organizations, when feasible, to leverage resources and maximize outcomes in providing the housing and supportive services needs of the community.

A very important local public resource is the City of Harrisonburg's General Fund. Each year, the City provides general funds to support organizations that provide housing and/or supportive services to area residents, including LMI households.

Annual Action Plan 2025 If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

## Discussion

These funding sources are expected to be available over the next two years.

## **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	Improve Access To &	2022	2026	Affordable	Citywide	Increase Access to	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing
	Quality of Affordable			Housing		Affordable	\$140,000.00	Rehabilitated: 30 Household
	Housing			Public Housing		Housing		Housing Unit
2	Improve Public	2022	2026	Non-Housing	Citywide	Improve Public	CDBG: \$.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Infrastructure			Community		Infrastructure		Activities other than
				Development				Low/Moderate Income Housing
								Benefit: 0 Persons Assisted
3	Provide Public	2022	2026	Homeless	Citywide	Provide Public	CDBG:	Public service activities other
	Services			Non-Homeless		Services	\$44,000.00	than Low/Moderate Income
				Special Needs				Housing Benefit: 129 Persons
								Assisted
5	Planning and	2022	2026		Citywide	Planning and	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	Administration					Administration	\$102,473.00	
6	Improve Public	2022	2026	Non-Housing	Citywide	Improve Public	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Facilities			Community		Facilities	\$334,493.00	Activities other than
				Development				Low/Moderate Income Housing
								Benefit: 51810 Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

## **Goal Descriptions**

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Improve Access To & Quality of Affordable Housing		
	Goal Description	Includes the rehabilitation and preservation of quality affordable housing as well as increasing access to homeownership through City initiatives and partnerships with HRHA or Habitat for Humanity.		
2	Goal Name	Improve Public Infrastructure		
	Goal Description	Improve and maintain infrastructure servicing households in low-income areas.		
3	Goal Name	Provide Public Services		
	Goal Description	Expand and continue non-housing community development supportive services.		
5	Goal Name	Planning and Administration		
	Goal Description	Planning and Administration		
6	Goal Name	Improve Public Facilities		
	Goal Description	The City will continue and expand public facility improvements in low-income areas.		

## **Projects**

## **AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)**

## Introduction

The following project information for FY 2025 provides a comprehensive overview of CDBG activities.

## **Projects**

#	Project Name
1	Administration
2	VPAS Meals on Wheels
3	The Arc ARCessible Community Engagement and Autonomy
4	Westover Park ADA Sidewalk
5	Ralph Sampson Park Basketball Goal Replacement
6	Hillandale Park Playground Replacement

**Table 7 - Project Information** 

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

## **AP-38 Project Summary**

**Project Summary Information** 

1	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Planning and Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$102,473.00
	Description	General project administration
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	General Planning and Administration
2	Project Name	VPAS Meals on Wheels
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Provide Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000.00
	Description	Food costs for meals delivered to home-bound seniors.
	Target Date	6/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	43 Elderly individuals
	Location Description	city-wide
	Planned Activities	prepare and deliver meals to home-bound seniors, enabling them to remain living in their homes
3	Project Name	The Arc ARCessible Community Engagement and Autonomy
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Provide Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$19,000.00

	Description	Program staffing costs and fuel, and costs associated with transportation for the ARCcessible program
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	86 individuals with developmental disabilites
	Location Description	City-Wide
	Planned Activities	program staffing and transportation costs for the job readiness training
4	Project Name	Westover Park ADA Sidewalk
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Improve Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Improve Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$169,493.00
	Description	Sidewalk, curb, gutter, intersection adjustments, bus stop improvements, and signage at Westover Park
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	51,810 LMI Inidivuals served in this city-wide park.
	Location Description	Westover Park
	Planned Activities	Install accesssible sidewalk
5	Project Name	Ralph Sampson Park Basketball Goal Replacement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Improve Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Improve Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000.00
	Description	Replace outdoor basketball goals at Ralph Sampson Park
	Target Date	6/30/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1020 indiviuals in census block group that is 62% LMI
	Location Description	Ralph Sampson Park
	Planned Activities	Install new Basketball Goals at Ralph Sampson Park
6	Project Name	Hillandale Park Playground Replacement
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Improve Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Improve Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$125,000.00
	Description	Complete playground replacement at Hillandale Park
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	City-wide
	Location Description	Hillandale ParkInstall playground, Harrisonburg
	Planned Activities	Install Playground

## 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

The City of Harrisonburg is using 93% of its FY 2024 CDBG funds for activities and programs that will provide a benefit to the entire City, which includes all areas of concentration of low/moderate income residents and minority populations.

7% of the funds are going to the Ralph Sampson Park Basketball Goals, which is in census tract 101.2, which is 64% LMI.

### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	93

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution** 

#### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Harrisonburg does not allocate funds by target areas. Rather, the City allocates funds based upon the priorities that have been identified by citizens participating in the public input process and through the regular planning contacts made with elected officials and staff. The City will use CDBG funds throughout the jurisdiction to serve low and moderate-income persons.

## **Affordable Housing**

## AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

The City will use its federal funds to provide affordable housing by funding the emergency home repair for LMI individuals in the city through the Habitat for Humanity project. This important piece in the affordable housing picture in Harrisburg will allow affordability for residents with acute needs to affordably stay in their homes and avoid mortgage default or unsafe and unhealthy living conditions.

The special needs population will be served through grants to local service providers. The homeless population will be served through assistance grants to local service providers. The following estimates have been based on the information in SP-45.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported		
Homeless	0	
Non-Homeless	30	
Special-Needs	0	
Total	30	

Table 9 - 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	30	
Acquisition of Existing Units	0	
Total	30	

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

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

#### Introduction

Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority's (HRHA) mission is "to promote adequate and affordable housing economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination; and to foster redevelopment of blighted areas to ensure the economic, social and housing vitality of our community."

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

As of 2009, HRHA converted all of its public housing units into project-based Section 8 units. HRHA currently owns and manages a total of 280 residential units including Harrison Heights; Lineweaver Apartments & Annex, two affordable apartment building for elderly and disabled individuals; Commerce Village; a new apartment complex for homeless individuals; and Franklin Heights, a property featuring 129 units including apartments, townhouses, and single-family homes, ranging in size from one to five bedrooms.

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

All HRHA tenants who are not elderly or disabled participate in a 5-year family self-sufficiency program designed to transition them out of HRHA managed units and into private sector housing. Those residents that do not graduate receive a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV). Through either outcome, HRHA residents are encouraged to more fully integrate into the community.

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

HRHA is not designated as troubled.

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

As a participant in the Western Virginia Continuum of Care (CoC), the City is a partner in addressing homelessness and the priority needs of homeless individuals and families, including homeless subpopulations.

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

Centralized Housing Intake (CHI) for the City of Harrisonburg, City of Winchester, and counties of Rockingham, Clarke, Frederick, Shenandoah, Warren, and Page offers a central point of entry for households experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness. During an initial phone call, a housing counselor asks questions that will help determine eligibility for services with local agencies.

Each January, the CoC conducts a Point-in-Time (PIT) count of the City's sheltered and unsheltered homeless to ascertain the number and characteristics of the homeless population and to assess their needs. Harrisonburg's continued participation in the PIT study will give the City the ability to collect information to be used in setting priorities, written standards, and performance measures for the area.

#### Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

During FY 2024, the City's federal CDBG funds supported the following shelter and transitional housing program:

Harrisonburg Homeless Services Center

Several other organizations in Harrisonburg were supported directly through the city's general fund, and will be supported in 2025.

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

The City will maintain coordination and collaboration with local non-profit agencies serving the

homeless population. The City will continue will use its entitlement grant funds to assist non-profit organizations that serve homeless individuals and families in Harrisonburg and to support the CoC and assist in coordinating homeless resources throughout the City.

During FY 2024, and 2025 the City's federal funds support the following affordable housing program:

• Habitat for Humanity Critical Home Repair

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 recognizes a need for neighborhood-based homelessness prevention programs, such as crisis response and stabilization, street outreach, housing search and placement specialists, and increased employment opportunities that provide temporary rental assistance and other services.

During FY 2024, the City's federal funds support the following supportive service programs:

- VPAS Meals on Wheels
- Harrisonburg Homeless Services Center
- Habitat for Humanity

During FY 2025 the following organization will be funded directly through CDBG: Meals on Wheels. Additionally, numerous other organizations will be funded directly through the city's general funds.

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

#### Introduction:

The City of Harrisonburg understands equal and unimpeded access to residential housing is a fundamental civil right that enables members of protected classes, as defined in the federal Fair Housing Act, to pursue personal, educational, employment, or other goals. The City is committed to furthering the federal Fair Housing Act, state and local Fair Housing Ordinance.

The City has identified several barriers relating to affordable housing in the City and formulated some remedies to remove those barriers. According to the most recent Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI), several impediments to fair housing choice were identified.

- A lack of affordable, accessible housing within high opportunity areas remains a barrier that disproportionately affects members of the protected classes.
- Members of the protected classes are more likely to have lower incomes, higher unemployment rates and higher poverty rates. Limited housing choice restricts access to community assets for members of the protected classes.
- Fair housing education and outreach efforts are not adequately meeting need.
- Members of the protected classes are underrepresented among homeowners.

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 following goals identified in the AI are intended to reduce the barriers to affordable housing:

- Maintain the creation and preservation of affordable housing development in higher opportunity areas as a City-wide priority.
- Remove barriers to accessing community assets for members of the protected classes.
- Increase the level of fair housing knowledge and understanding among housing developers, real estate professionals, elected officials, and the public.
- Strengthen fair housing education, investigation, enforcement, and operations.
- Increase homeownership among low-income households and members of the protected classes.

## **Discussion:**

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

#### Introduction:

The following information illustrates other actions that Harrisonburg will take to address its priority needs.

#### Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The primary impediment to the City's ability to meet underserved needs is the limited amount of funding to address identified priorities. The City will continue to seek public and private resources to leverage its entitlement funds in assisting with implementation of policies and programs.

## Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to support its goals of maintaining and expanding affordable housing. In FY 2025, the City will allocate \$140,000 of CDBG funds for Habitat for Humanity's Critical Home Repair project.

## Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will work with other parties to achieve cost effective methods for controlling these hazards through the following:

- As part of its code enforcement efforts, Harrisonburg's building code department will continue to educate City residents about lead paint hazards.
- Properties will be made lead safe during renovation of older residential units.
- Harrisonburg will continue to demolish pre-1978 nuisance housing, which often contains lead-based paint.
- The City will continue to monitor Virginia Department of Health reports regarding Harrisonburg children with elevated blood lead levels.
- The City may apply for a grant to combat lead-based paint hazards via public education, building code department staff training, and residential rehabilitation that controls or eliminates lead-based paint hazards.

## Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will collaborate with human service, social service, and economic development agencies and organizations to facilitate their efforts and maximize their resources to provide quality services to low-

income residents to help them improve their incomes.

## Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Although the City feels that the existing institutional structure is sufficient for carrying out activities to address identified community development needs, the City Manager's Office plans to continue to strengthen its working relationships with local social service agencies. Public and non-profit agencies that are critical to the institutional structure must work cooperatively, and agency staff have the ability and expertise to deliver services efficiently and effectively, often with years of expertise in their respective fields.

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

The City plans to improve coordination among its partners to promote a broadly shared understanding of community needs, collaborative, and complementary approaches to addressing needs, and responsiveness to changes in conditions.

The City will collaborate with numerous governmental entities to carry out the goals and objectives of Harrisonburg housing, homeless services, and community development activities. Implementation partners will include the Commonwealth of Virginia; regional bodies such as the Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission; the Harrisonburg Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization; Rockingham County; the Western Virginia Continuum of Care (CoC); Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority; and various City departments. Cooperation and coordination among these entities will be achieved through both fixed meeting schedules and as-needed consultation and communication.

The City anticipates continuing its coordination of human service funding with other social service agencies and charitable organizations to better target the limited amount of human service dollars available in the community. The City will also continue to coordinate its housing efforts with the Harrisonburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority (HRHA).

## **Discussion:**

# **Program Specific Requirements**

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

## Introduction:

# Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next	
program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	C
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to	o .
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 no	ot
been included in a prior statement or plan	C
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
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Other CDBG Requirements	
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	
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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant. I certify that the applicant:

- Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including finds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
- 2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to exemine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
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- 10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1989 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violeting facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to ED 11990, (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11965, (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1481 et seq.); (f) conformity of Pederal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5§7401 at seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 as amended (P.L. 93-
- Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1988 (19 U.S.C. §§1271 et sen ) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.

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- (4) Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1888 (P.L. 89-544, se amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) perfaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animats held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
- Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §34601 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of readence structures.
- Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1998 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Omanizations."
- Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
- 19. Will comply with the requirements of Section 105(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as emended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Produring a commercial sex act during the period of birne that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or aubawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE	
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APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED	
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#### CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing —The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Harform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan — It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential unti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobhying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on hehalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, tenewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loun, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- 3. It will require that the language of paragraph. I and 2 of this anti-fubbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction —The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is socking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOMB, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 – It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

Signature of Authorized Official

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#### Specific Community Development Block Granf Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation — It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan — Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both altern-term and long-term community development objectives that that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent bousing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan — It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

- 1. <u>Maximum Feasible Priority</u> With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or climination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).
- 2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG flands, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2024 2025, 2026 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at feast 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.
- 3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed fouds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

#### Excessive Force — It has adopted and is enforcing:

- A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
- 2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws – The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with litle VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

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Lead-Bused Paint – Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws — It will comply with applicable laws:

Signature of Authorized Official

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#### OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The course berefer certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG.

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular argency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

Signature of Authorized Official	Date	N/A
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#### APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

#### INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

#### Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required extification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.