



City of Rochester, NY

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CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT PLAN
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2016-2017
Annual Action Plan
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City of Rochester



Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Rochester, New York, submitted a Five Year Strategic Plan for the program years 2015-16 through 2019-20. This is the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan as part of the Consolidated Plan that guides the allocation of federal entitlement funds available through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs.

The Annual Action Plan serves the following functions:

- A planning document that enables the City to view its HUD funding, not in isolation, but as one tool in a comprehensive strategy to address housing, community development, and economic development needs.
- An application for CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA Program funds under HUD's formula grant.
- A strategy document to be followed in carrying out HUD programs.
- An action plan that provides a basis for assessing performance in carrying out use of CDBG Program funds.

The Consolidated Plan is guided by three overarching goals that are applied according to a community's needs as follows:

- Provide decent housing by preserving affordable housing stock, increasing the availability of affordable housing, reducing discriminatory barriers, increasing the supply of supportive housing for those with special needs, and transitioning homeless persons and families into housing.
- Provide a suitable living environment through safer, more livable neighborhoods, greater integration of low- and moderate-income residents throughout the city, increased housing opportunities, and reinvestment in deteriorating neighborhoods.
- Expand economic opportunities through more jobs paying self-sufficient wages, homeownership opportunities, development activities that promote long-term community viability, and the empowerment of low- and moderate-income persons to achieve self-sufficiency.

The CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA programs are the primary federal funding resources in the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan. A brief overview of each program is as follows:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): The primary objective of the CDBG program is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, principally for persons with low- and moderate-incomes. Funds can be used for a wide array of activities, including: housing rehabilitation, homeownership assistance, lead-based paint detection and removal, construction or rehabilitation of public

facilities and infrastructure, removal of architectural barriers, public services, rehabilitation of commercial or industrial buildings, and loans or grants to businesses.

- HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME): The HOME program provides federal funds for the development and rehabilitation of affordable rental and ownership housing for low and moderate income households. HOME funds can be used for activities that promote affordable rental housing and homeownership by low and moderate income households, including reconstruction, moderate or substantial rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, and tenant-based rental assistance.
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): A federal grant program designed to help improve the quality of existing emergency shelters for the homeless, to make available additional shelters, to meet the costs of operating shelters, to provide essential social services to homeless individuals, and to help prevent homelessness.
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA): HOPWA funding provides housing assistance and related supportive services. Grantees are encouraged to develop community-wide strategies and form partnerships with area nonprofit organizations. HOPWA funds may be used for a wide range of housing, social services, program planning, and development costs. These include, but are not limited to, the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units; costs for facility operations; rental assistance; and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. HOPWA funds also may be used for health care and mental health services, chemical dependency treatment, nutritional services, case management, assistance with daily living, and other supportive services.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment Overview

The Needs Assessment identified significant needs for:

- Affordable housing
- Housing rehabilitation
- Economic development
- Safe neighborhoods
- Job and employment training
- Services for youth and persons with special needs.

3. Evaluation of past performance

According to the City's 2014-15 CAPER, the following grant funds were received and expended:

GRANT	FUNDS RECEIVED	FUNDS EXPENDED
CDBG	\$7,963,860.00	\$9,902,813.88
HOME	\$1,978,236.00	\$1,697,837.60
ESG	\$666,000.00	\$636,067.88
HOPWA	\$687,700.00	\$915,158.12
Total	\$11,295,796.00	\$13,151,877.48

In addition, \$16,585,000 in HUD 108 Loan funds were expended.

Notes: Grant funds received include program income. Funds expended may include prior year balances. Additional funds will be expended as invoices continue to be presented and processed.

In summary, the program accomplished the following during the 2014-15 program year:

Summary of Objectives, Outcomes and Results

OBJECTIVE	OUTCOME	MEASURE	RESULT
Suitable Living Environment	Accessibility for the Purpose of Creating Suitable Living Environment	Number of Persons Assisted	175,320
Decent Housing	Affordability for the Purpose of Providing Decent Housing	Number of Housing Units and Households Assisted Number of First Time Homebuyers	465 101 (included in number above)
Economic Opportunity	Accessibility for the Purpose of Creating Economic Opportunities	Number of Jobs Created/Retained Number of Businesses Assisted	192 82

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The citizen participation and consultation process included the following components for the 2015-19 Five Year Strategic Plan:

- Four public meetings, one in each quadrant of the City, to obtain input from residents, neighborhood representatives and stakeholders
- A public survey, available on-line in both English and Spanish, and distributed by mail to more than 900 residents and stakeholders
- A survey of business needs, available on-line and distributed by mail to more than 900 residents and business representatives
- Ten focus groups with representatives of agencies, organizations and stakeholders on the following topics:
 - Public Housing
 - Fair Housing
 - Affordable Housing Development/ Homeownership
 - Housing Rehabilitation
 - Homelessness Prevention and Services/ Supportive Housing
 - Youth and Health Services
 - Seniors and Persons with Disabilities
 - Public infrastructure and facilities
 - Large employers and manufacturers
 - Small business

The Annual Action Plan Citizen Participation included public meetings held on March 7, 2016, and **May 12, 2016**.

5. Summary of public comments

For the Five Year Strategic Plan, the needs mentioned most often were:

- youth employment and the high rate of youth poverty
- housing rehabilitation
- homeownership
- economic development
- infrastructure and facilities

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

All comments received were accepted.

7. Summary

The needs of the community are varied and many. Funds will be used for a variety of goals including promoting economic stability, improving the housing stock and general property conditions, and addressing general community needs. Some funds will be used for planning and administration of the grant programs.

The Process

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies 24 CFR 91.200(b)

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

The City of Rochester's Department of Neighborhood and Business Development is responsible for preparing and submitting the Consolidated Plan and for administering funding.

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	City of Rochester	NBD-Admin & Finance
CDBG Administrator	City of Rochester	NBD-Admin & Finance
HOPWA Administrator	City of Rochester	NBD-Business and Housing Dev.
HOME	City of Rochester	NBD-Business and Housing Dev.
ESG Administrator	City of Rochester	NBD-Business and Housing Dev.

Table – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The City of Rochester is designated the HOPWA grant recipient for the five county metropolitan area that includes Monroe, Livingston, Orleans, Wayne, and Ontario counties.

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

1. Introduction

Citizen Participation and Agency Consultation

For the Five Year Strategic Plan, the City of Rochester made the decision to encourage extensive agency consultation in (a) identifying priority needs and (b) engaging the participation of public agencies and nonprofit organizations in a positive and collaborative manner.

The City of Rochester engaged a consulting firm, LaBella Associates, D.P.C., to assist in the preparation of the plan and facilitate the consultation process. City staff worked with the consultants to develop a list of stakeholders, which included public agencies and private nonprofit organizations that provide affordable housing and human services to LMI households and persons as well as business and other community stakeholders. These stakeholders were invited to participate in a series of focus group sessions held for the purpose of identifying needs for the CP and the Annual Plan. During the consultation process, a wide range of organizations provided input on the City's housing and community development needs.

Additionally, public and private agencies which were identified as stakeholders in the process were asked to complete written questionnaires to provide data on special needs populations such as the elderly, youth, persons with HIV/AIDS, public housing residents, persons with disabilities and the homeless.

In an effort to solicit broader citizen participation, the City of Rochester conducted an online survey. The online survey was developed and registered at www.zoomerang.com for a period of approximately one month and was placed prominently on the City of Rochester's web site. Based on the focus group sessions, comments received at the public meetings, the online survey, and input from agencies and organizations, a set of priorities was established by the City of Rochester for the next five years.

In addition, quadrant meetings were held in January 2015 in each of the four quadrant areas of the city. These meetings were designed to gather input from area residents on neighborhood issues of concern. The meetings were held on January 14, two on January 20, and January 22, 2014. The City Council held a public hearing on the draft CP on May 19, 2015. It is the City's practice to advertise meetings in the Democrat & Chronicle. There were no speakers.

For the Annual Action Plan there were meetings held with community partners on housing related and the Analysis of Impediments issues. In addition, the City held a public meeting held on March 7, 2016 to gather community input. **A public hearing was held on May 12, 2016 regarding the Annual Action 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)).

Rochester staff meets periodically with representatives of the Rochester Housing Authority to coordinate in planning housing projects and providing employment training to public housing residents. The City of Rochester, Monroe County and the Rochester Housing Authority also jointly prepared a Community-wide Section 3 Plan to expand economic opportunities for low income persons.

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

Rochester participates in the Rochester/Monroe County Continuum of Care (CoC). City staff currently serve as Chair of the CoC Board of Directors Committee. The CoC coordinates the allocation of federal funding to facilities and programs within the CoC’s service area. City staff consult on a regular basis with the organizations that participate in the CoC and the Homeless Services Network. City staff also serve on the Chronically Homeless Work Group that plans, coordinates, and implements activities and strategies for servicing the chronically homeless.

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

City staff work closely with the CoC and other agencies to develop funding applications and determine the best use of ESG funds. By working with the CoC, City staff are involved in improving coordination among agencies, facilitating data collection through HMIS and allocating funds. The CoC Coordinator also serves on the ESG proposal review team along with staff from Monroe County and the City of Rochester.

Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdictions consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 1 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Neighborworks Rochester
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, Public Meeting on Con Plan
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Council in the Monroe County Area, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, Public Meeting on Con Plan
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Center for Disability Rights
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Individuals with Disabilities
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, Public Meeting on Con Plan

4	Agency/Group/Organization	Action for a Better Community
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Empire Justice Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, Public Meeting on Con Plan
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Ibero-American Development Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Unity NE Block Club
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
8	Agency/Group/Organization	NENCC Northeast-
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
9	Agency/Group/Organization	PLEX
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
10	Agency/Group/Organization	EMMA Business Association
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan

11	Agency/Group/Organization	Beechwood
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
12	Agency/Group/Organization	RSEHI
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Maplewood Neighborhood Association
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan

14	Agency/Group/Organization	Trillium Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health Service-Fair Housing Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting, Public Meeting on Con Plan
15	Agency/Group/Organization	Rochester's Cornerstone Group
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Scrantom Street Block Club
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan

17	Agency/Group/Organization	Vineyards
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting on Con Plan
18	Agency/Group/Organization	Monroe County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
19	Agency/Group/Organization	PathStone Corp
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

20	Agency/Group/Organization	Rochester Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Rochester Area Community Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Enterprise Community Partners
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

23	Agency/Group/Organization	North East Area Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
25	Agency/Group/Organization	The Rochester/Monroe County Homeless Continuum of Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
26	Agency/Group/Organization	Ibero American Action League
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

31	Agency/Group/Organization	Urban League of Rochester Economic Development Corp.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
32	Agency/Group/Organization	Greater Rochester Association of Realtors
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
38	Agency/Group/Organization	Regional Center for Independent Living
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

39	Agency/Group/Organization	Greater Rochester Housing Partnership
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
40	Agency/Group/Organization	Sector 4 Community Development Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
41	Agency/Group/Organization	South Wedge Planning Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

43	Agency/Group/Organization	Northwest Community Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
45	Agency/Group/Organization	Catholic Family Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
46	Agency/Group/Organization	Flower City Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

47	Agency/Group/Organization	South West Area Neighborhood
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
48	Agency/Group/Organization	YWCA of Rochester and Monroe County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting
49	Agency/Group/Organization	Veteran's Outreach Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

50	Agency/Group/Organization	Landmark Society of Western NY, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting

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

Rochester compiled an extensive list of agencies and organizations and requested their input into the Consolidated Plan. A list of agencies contacted and those who participated in focus group meetings is an appendix to the Five Year Strategic Plan for 2015-16 through 2019-20.

No agencies or organizations were deliberately excluded from the consultation process.

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

The preparation of the Consolidated Plan was coordinated with several other local, regional, state and federal planning efforts. The strategies in the Consolidated Plan align with those of the Rochester-Monroe County Anti-Poverty Initiative, which is supported by Governor Cuomo’s Opportunity Agenda and involves numerous private and public organizations.

In its emphasis on homelessness prevention, housing and services for homeless and persons at risk of becoming homeless, the Consolidated Plan advances the recommendations of:

- Homelessness Resolution Strategy for Rochester and Monroe County , prepared in 2012
- Housing Options for All: A Strategy to End Homelessness in Rochester/Monroe County (2007)
- Continuum of Care Plans (2010 and 2011) prepared for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (2010 and 2011)
- Quadrant Strategic Plans for each of the four quadrants (Southwest, Southeast, Northeast, Northwest)
- Findings from charrettes and retreats facilitated by neighborhood associations and Neighborhood Service Centers
- Housing Market Study and Housing Policy

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Coordinated Care Services, Inc.	See above

Table – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(l))

Representatives from Monroe County participated in focus group meetings and agency surveys for the Five Year Strategic Plan. Monroe County and adjoining municipalities were notified of the availability of the draft Consolidated Plan prior to the public hearing.

Rochester works with Federal and New York State agencies involved in funding and regulating affordable housing, services and infrastructure improvements. This coordination helps to leverage the limited funding available through HUD programs to meet the needs of Rochester’s population.

AP-12 Citizen Participation

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

The City of Rochester did extensive community outreach for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 strategic plan. This included meetings in the four quadrants, focus groups, and surveys. For the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan, a public input meeting was held on March 7, 2016. A public hearing on the Annual Action Plan was held on May 12, 2016. There were ___ speakers.

Public Notification

Notification of the meetings were placed in the Democrat and Chronicle and posted on the City website.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of Comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If Applicable)
	Public meetings (2)	Agencies Neighborhood Groups Businesses City Residents Minorities (Hispanic) Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	24 participants from outside at the March 7, 2016 meeting. ___ speakers at the May 12, 2016 meeting.	Participants provided input their thoughts on programs such as rehabilitation/ demolition, recreation/youth services, economic development, neighborhood/ quadrants, housing, and infrastructure		

Table – Citizen Participation Outreach

Efforts Made to Broaden Citizen Participation

Efforts to broaden citizen participation included:

- Spanish survey for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 Strategic Plan
- Outreach by Neighborhood Service Center Administrators to Neighborhood groups
- Outreach to Rochester Housing Authority

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Rochester has identified a wide range of resources that may be used to support the City’s affordable housing initiative. A summary of these resources, focusing on housing, is as follows:

Federal Resources: Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership, Emergency Solutions Grant, Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers, Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly, Public Housing HOPE VI Grants, Public Housing Capital Funds, Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP)/ Credit Exchange Funds, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, New Market Tax Credits, Economic Development Administration Public Works Program, Empowerment Zone Bonds, Lead Hazard Control, Neighborhood Stabilization Program Funds

State Resources: Housing Trust Fund Program Homes for Working Families Program, State Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Affordable Housing Program State of NY Mortgage Agency, Homeless Housing Assistance Program, NY State Empire Zone, Metropolitan Transportation Authority Capital Program.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	\$7,692,971	\$750,000	\$0	\$8,442,971	\$25,175,154	Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): The primary objective of the CDBG program is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, principally for persons with low- and moderate-incomes. Funds can be used for a wide array of activities, including: housing rehabilitation, homeownership assistance, lead-based paint detection and removal, construction or rehabilitation of public facilities and infrastructure, removal of architectural barriers, public services, rehabilitation of commercial or industrial buildings, and loans or grants to businesses.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership	\$1,882,494	\$250,000	\$0	\$2,132,494	\$5,576,367	HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME): The HOME program provides federal funds for the development and rehabilitation of affordable rental and ownership housing for low and moderate income households. HOME funds can be used for activities that promote affordable rental housing and homeownership by low and moderate income households, including reconstruction, moderate or substantial rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, and tenant-based rental assistance.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities Short term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMU) Supportive services Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$689,637	\$0	\$0	\$689,637	\$2,041,812	Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA): HOPWA funding provides housing assistance and related supportive services. Grantees are encouraged to develop community-wide strategies and form partnerships with area nonprofit organizations. HOPWA funds may be used for a wide range of housing, social services, program planning, and development costs. These include, but are not limited to, the acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing units; costs for facility operations; rental assistance; and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. HOPWA funds also may be used for health care and mental health services, chemical dependency treatment, nutritional services, case management, assistance with daily living, and other supportive services.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, HMIS, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing	\$701,419	\$0	\$0	\$701,419	\$2,130,488	Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): A federal grant program designed to help improve the quality of existing emergency shelters for the homeless, to make available additional shelters, to meet the costs of operating shelters, to provide essential social services to homeless individuals and to help prevent homelessness.
Other	public - local	Acquisition Economic Development Financial Assistance Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$450,000	City Development Funds

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

Rochester will provide matching funds as required and will continue to seek funding from other Federal sources as well as State, County and private funding.

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

Rochester may make publicly owned land available for construction of new housing and public facilities where it would meet the goals of this plan.

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	Promote Economic Stability	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	City-wide Targeted Area-La Marketa	Brownfield Remediation Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Commercial Nodes and Corridors Economic Development Technical Assistance	CDBG: \$1,670,000 CDF: \$300,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 60,000 Persons Assisted Rental Units Rehabilitated: 4 Households Housing Units Businesses Assisted: 76 Businesses Jobs Created/Retained: 215 Jobs
2	General Community Needs	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	City-wide	Street Improvements Sidewalk Improvements Streetscape/ROW Improvements Youth Recreation and Empowerment Employment/Job Training Services Family Support and Skill Development Housing Services Tenant/Landlord Mediation, Education & Counseling Landlord Education	CDBG: \$1,030,000	Public Service Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3,115 Persons Assisted

3	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Con	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	City-wide Targeted Area for Targeted Rehab Program	New Affordable Housing Housing Condition Homeownership Lead Paint Hazards Accessible Housing Tenant/Landlord Education and Counseling Mixed Income Housing Homelessness-Homelessness Prevention Homelessness-Rapid Rehousing Homelessness-Emergency Shelter & Shelter Diversion Homelessness-Transitional Supportive Housing Homelessness-Coordinated Access Housing & Supportive Services-People with HIV/AIDS Non-Homeless Special Needs-Home Safety Tenant/Landlord Mediation, Education & Counseling	CDBG: \$4,678,471 HOME: \$2,132,494 CDF: \$175,000 ESG: \$701,419 HOPWA: \$689,637	Public Service Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1,267 Households Assisted Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 149 Household Housing Units Homeowner Housing Added: 25 Household Housing Units Rental Units Constructed: 18 Household Housing Units Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 70 Households Assisted Tenant-Based Rental Assistance/Rapid Rehousing: TBD Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: TBD Homelessness Prevention: TBD Persons Assisted HIV/AIDS Housing Operations: 170 Household Housing Units Buildings Demolished: 24 Buildings Other: 0
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4	Other	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless Non- Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	City-wide	Citywide Planning and Studies	CDBG: \$1,064,500 CDF: \$25,000	Other: 0 Other
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Table 5 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Promote Economic Stability
	Goal Description	Projects funded under this goal work towards promoting economic stability. Programs include the Business Development Financial Assistance Program and the Neighborhood Commercial Assistance Program.
2	Goal Name	General Community Needs
	Goal Description	Funds will be utilized to support and meet a variety of general community needs. Among these are residential street rehabilitation, job creation and youth development, youth empowerment and engagement, family support, landlord/tenant services, and foreclosure prevention.
3	Goal Name	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Goal Description	Funds will be used for a variety of activities that will improve the housing stock, provide for affordable housing opportunities as well as homeownership opportunities. Also included under this goal is providing services to the homeless and those with HIV/AIDS.
4	Goal Name	Other
	Goal Description	Projects funded under this goal are for program management, planning, and indirect costs.

Projects

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Introduction

The projects included in the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan are listed below. Funds will be used for a variety of activities that work towards the goals of promoting economic stability, improving the housing stock, and providing for general community needs. In addition, some funds will be used for other activities such as program management.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Business Development Financial Assistance Program
2	Neighborhood Commercial Assistance Program
3	Targeted Commercial Corridor Program/La Marketa
4	Neighborhood and Business Program Delivery
5	Homeownership Fund-Foreclosure Prevention
6	Rental Market Fund-Landlord/Tenant Services
7	Manufacturers Job Training Incentive Program
8	Job Creation/Youth Development
9	Demolition-Commercial/Industrial
10	Parent Leadership Training Institute
11	Residential Street Rehabilitation
12	Employment Opportunity Job Training Support
13	Youth Leadership and Civic Engagement (YVOV)
14	Housing Development Fund-Targeted Housing Repair Program
15	Housing Development Fund-Lead Hazard Control Program
16	Housing Development Fund-Aging in Place
17	Housing Development Fund-Demolition
18	Housing Development Fund-Emergency Assistance Repair Program
19	Housing Development Fund-Community Housing Development Organization
20	Housing Development Fund-Housing Development Support
21	Housing Development Fund-New Housing Construction
22	Housing Development Fund-Affordable Housing Fund
23	Homeownership Promotion Fund-Buyer Assistance
24	Homeownership Promotion Fund-Homebuyer Training
25	Homeownership Promotion Fund-HOME Rochester
26	Housing Choice Fund-Emergency Solutions Grant
27	Housing Choice Fund-HOPWA
28	Other-Planning Staff

#	Project Name
29	Other-Indirect Costs
30	Other-Program Management
31	Fire Department Small Equipment
32	Seniors Program/Legal Services
33	STEAM Engine
34	Project Development
35	Celebrate City Living
36	Staff Support for CoC

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

The needs of the community are varied and many. Funds will be used for a variety of goals including promoting economic stability, improving the housing stock and general property conditions, and addressing general community needs. Some funds will be used for planning and administration of the grant programs.

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Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Business Development Financial Assistance Program
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Brownfield Remediation Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$950,000 CDF: \$100,000
	Description	The programs provide loans, grants, and interest rate subsidies to city businesses which are expanding and creating jobs. Funding can be used for purchase and renovation of real estate, purchase of machinery and equipment, predevelopment services including environmental testing, and targeted support to MWBEs.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The assistance provided to businesses are expected to assist 25 businesses, creating or retaining 125 jobs.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	All activities focus on facilitating business growth for established and new businesses which are creating and retaining jobs. Funds for building construction, expansions and facades improve the appearance of neighborhood commercial corridors and industrial parks. Funds are utilized to recruit a diverse set of new businesses and increase the number of entrepreneurial firms.
2	Project Name	Neighborhood Commercial Assistance Program
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Streetscape/ROW Improvements Safe Neighborhoods Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Commercial Nodes and Corridors
	Funding	CDBG: \$350,000

	Description	This program supports three activities: small business matching grant program for essential neighborhood service businesses and micro-enterprises, and businesses that create jobs for low and moderate income individuals, business association support, and the street manager program.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The programs will assist 50 businesses. In addition, approximately 60,000 people will be assisted through the business association support program and the street manager program.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	All activities focus on facilitation of business growth for established and new businesses which are creating and retaining jobs. Funding for this program is aligned with the strategic plan to facilitate business growth and enhance neighborhoods by retaining anchor businesses, growing existing businesses, increasing the capacity of business associations, and creating and retaining new jobs.
3	Project Name	Targeted Commercial Corridor Program/La Marketa
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Streetscape/ROW Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$170,000
	Description	The funds will be used to provide financial assistance to develop two projects that will support the La Marketa Revitalization Plan. Expected projects include development of space for utilization by retail, and goods and services businesses.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	15 jobs are expected to be created.
	Location Description	The program is available for projects located in the La Marketa Urban Renewal District.
Planned Activities	Grants for development of parcels within La Marketa Urban Renewal District.	

4	Project Name	Neighborhood and Business Program Delivery
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Housing Services Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$2,000,100 HOPWA: \$20,689 HOME: \$188,249
	Description	The allocation provides funds for the development of overall economic development policies and provides support services, coordination of real estate development, management of feasibility and consultant studies, monitoring of legal and professional service agreements, preparation of site and financial analyses, performing market research, outreach to businesses, preparation of loan packages and support, pre-development services, outreach, financial, technical and site selection assistance to businesses, organization of neighborhood commercial business assistance programs. HOPWA funds are used for the administration of the HOPWA program. Funds are used for staff involved in the planning, coordinating, and monitoring of the City's housing initiatives. Funds also support the goal of Promote Economic Stability. ESG funds for staff are included in the project titled Housing Choice Fund-Emergency Solutions Grant as only one activity can be listed for this funding source.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	Not applicable
	Planned Activities	
5	Project Name	Homeownership Fund-Foreclosure Prevention
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Homeownership Cost-Burdened Homeowners Housing Services

	Funding	CDBG: \$200,000
	Description	Two projects work interdependently to assist low to moderate income households to avoid foreclosures due to mortgage default predatory loans, or tax default. The Housing Council program analyzes the financial and household situation and work with the client, mortgage lender, realtors, lawyers, and other appropriate parties to prevent the loss of the property to foreclosure. Strategies include budget restructuring, forbearance options, reinstatement, sale, and bankruptcy, and assistance related to New York State mandated settlement conferences. Empire Justice helps households avoid foreclosure with direct legal services and/or representation for mandatory settlement conferences or to combat predatory/unfair lending and servicing practices. Additional households receive expert advice on loans and referrals to appropriate agencies.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The number expected to be served is 142 households.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Funds go to a HUD-certified counseling agency (The Housing Council) or statewide legal agency (Empire Justice), both with decades of experience, to provide direct counseling services to households at risk of mortgage or tax default.
6	Project Name	Rental Market Fund-Landlord/Tenant Services
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Tenant/Landlord Education and Counseling Housing Services Tenant/Landlord Mediation, Education & Counseling Landlord Education
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000

	Description	Services to low/mod income tenants who face eviction due to improperly issued eviction notices, loss of income, or warrant habitability issues receive legal representation, workshops proactively educate tenants on rights and responsibilities. Landlords seeking immediate assistance regarding their rental property and tenant management receive counseling on a one-on-one basis to maintain their properties and businesses to the highest standards.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 225 households will be assisted.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Legal advocacy, assistance in avoidance of immediate eviction, alternative dispute resolution and counseling to landlords and tenants, tenant workshops, landlord assistance including the housing hotline.
7	Project Name	Manufacturers Job Training Incentive Program
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$200,000
	Description	The program responds to requests by manufacturers for help in finding and training employees for existing positions. Funds would be provided to employers who hire low-to-moderate income city residents; provide on-the-job training or employer-sponsored training off-site; retain the new employee for 12 months; provide at least 50% of the cost of the employee training.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program is expected to create or retain 75 jobs.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Grants to businesses for partial reimbursement for training costs.
8	Project Name	Job Creation/Youth Development

	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Youth Recreation and Empowerment Employment/Job Training Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$350,000
	Description	Funds will be used to lend support to programs or activities that are identified as providing an integrated environment for the provision of job readiness, work awareness, and basic occupational skills development for low/mod income city residents seeking employment or vocational or career exploration services. It will also provide asset development opportunities for youth and skills development for adults.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This activity will serve 400 people.
	Location Description	The activity is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	The activity will include programs and activities that provide job readiness, work readiness, basic occupational skills development, asset development opportunities and skills development. Both youth and adults may be served by the activity.
9	Project Name	Demolition-Commercial/Industrial
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Clearance and Demolition
	Funding	CDBG: \$659,371
	Description	Demolition of privately owned large vacant industrial/commercial buildings.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	4 structures
	Location Description	The activity is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Demolitions of blighted properties.

10	Project Name	Parent Leadership Training Institute
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Family Support and Skill Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	Parents are trained through a 20 week curriculum, which includes child and adolescent development, public speaking, civics, policy development and budgeting skills. The program teaches parents how to become involved in the civics process, thereby increasing their involvement and engagement in their child's academic and development process. This project is a joint effort with the Early Childhood Development Initiative (ECDI) and will be housed at Rochester's Child.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	25 people will be served. This program's purpose is to increase involvement of parents in the school system to enhance and facilitate both their child's achievement and the achievement of other children, thus working toward the goal of better schools from the bottom up.
	Location Description	City-wide.
	Planned Activities	Parents participate in a 20 week curriculum in order to better support their children's academic success and become more involved in the civics process. Each parent will also develop and implement a community service project addressing an identified need in the community.
11	Project Name	Residential Street Rehabilitation
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Street Improvements Sidewalk Improvements Streetscape/ROW Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$400,000
	Description	This project will support residential street rehabilitation in low/mod areas of the city. These include but are not limited to street reconstruction and rehabilitation, new curbs, sidewalks, water, receiving basins, and street lighting improvements for residential streets.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The number of people to benefit is to be determined. The census tracts that will benefit from these activities will be identified.
	Location Description	The activities that are funded through this project will be available city wide.
	Planned Activities	The activities funded through this program include but are not limited to street reconstruction and rehabilitation, new curbs, sidewalks, water, receiving basins, and street lighting improvements.
12	Project Name	Employment Opportunity Job Training Support
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Youth Recreation and Empowerment Employment/Job Training Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$48,600
	Description	This program will fund staff to coordinate employment readiness and career awareness training to city students, ages 14-20, as well as leadership skills development including social and interpersonal skills, conflict resolution, team building, and decision making. Additionally, students will participate in internships with the City and/or local employers. Funding will provide workforce development support to low/mod income city youth participating in the program in the form of resume consultation and development, interview skills development, and job placement assistance.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	80 people
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	The focus for the program is to train youth ages 14-20 on the soft and hard skills needed to obtain and maintain a job, exposure to community members who can talk to the importance of education and how it is a direct link to picking a career, and moving out of poverty and giving back to the community through community service. The youth who participate in the program move on to apply for the Youth Employment Training and/or Summer of Opportunity Program for job placement.

13	Project Name	Youth Leadership and Civic Engagement (YVOV)
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Youth Recreation and Empowerment
	Funding	CDBG: \$51,400
	Description	Provide youth-led civic engagement support to low/mod income youth ages 10-25 participating in DRYS leadership training and youth development programs. Funding will support staff to coordinate youth civic engagement and entrepreneurship opportunities and leadership skills development including social and interpersonal skills, conflict resolution, event planning, service learning, team building, decision-making, and work readiness. It will support the “Youth Voice, One Vision” (YVOV) Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council and other youth development programming. Each R-Center will have its own YVOV council of at least 10 members.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The program will serve 60 people.
	Location Description	The program is available to youth city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Youth engaged in this program will work to alleviate problems within their neighborhoods. Youth learn life skills by attending workshops and by developing positive peer relationships and mentoring relationships with adults. Youth members learn concrete skills related to marketing and media production, civic engagement and advocacy, politics and government, and producing community events that prepare them for planning for future life events, college and careers. They see real improvements to their communities as they carry out community service projects thus gaining confidence in their personal efficacy.
14	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Targeted Housing Repair Program
	Target Area	Targeted Area for Targeted Rehab Program
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition Lead Paint Hazards
	Funding	CDBG: \$550,000

	Description	This program provides financial assistance to eligible owners of single family, owner occupied housing located in an identified target area to make home repairs and to control lead-based paint hazards.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 23 households housing units will be assisted with funding through this program.
	Location Description	This program will be located in a target area that is to be determined.
	Planned Activities	This program will provide 23 owner-occupants assistance to make repairs and control lead hazards. Funding will be provided in the form of a forgivable loan of approximately \$25,000 per property.
15	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Lead Hazard Control Program
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition Lead Paint Hazards
	Funding	CDBG: \$300,000
	Description	This program provides financial assistance to eligible owners of single 1-4 unit privately held housing units to control lead based paint hazards.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 66 household housing units will be assisted.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	This program will provide lead-safe housing for child occupants and will work to reduce the incidence of child lead poisoning. The benefit of the program is providing lead-safe housing for child occupants which assists with the overall effort of reducing the incidence of child lead poisoning. The activity is lead hazard control on city homes.
16	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Aging in Place
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions

	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition Non-Homeless Special Needs-Home Safety
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,000
	Description	This program provides support services to keep elders productive in the community. This project offers a safety assessment of the home environment and makes a variety of minor improvements and repairs such as bathroom grab bars, stairway hand rails and door grips, all designed to avoid accidents and maintain household safety. In addition, Lifespan provides consumer education sessions and if necessary, consumer support case management around home repairs.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 100 households will be surveyed and one or more minor modifications will be made per household.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Households for elderly are surveyed and minor modifications are made. Consumer education sessions are held and cases involving consumer support for home repair problems are conducted and closed.
17	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Demolition
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Clearance and Demolition
	Funding	CDBG: \$500,000
	Description	Funds will be used to perform demolitions of properties.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated number of demolitions is 20.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Demolitions of blighted properties.
18	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Emergency Assistance Repair Program
	Target Area	City-wide

	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition
	Funding	CDBG: \$153,000
	Description	This program will provide relief to owner occupants that have an emergencies concerning heat, hot water, or running water. Funds will also be used to pay an agency for intake services for the program. There will also be funds set aside for this program for contingency.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 60 household housing units will be served by the program.
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Repair/replacement of furnaces, hot water heaters, and water service lines for low/mod owner occupants.
19	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Community Housing Development Organization
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition
	Funding	HOME: \$282,375
	Description	Subsidy funds for development and rehabilitation assistance for property owners.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	7 household housing units
	Location Description	The program is available city-wide.
	Planned Activities	Development and rehabilitation assistance.
20	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Housing Development Support
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions

	Needs Addressed	Housing Condition Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$186,000
	Description	Funds provide operating support to facilitate development (RHDFC).
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The funds provide operating support to facilitate development.
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	RHDFC will operate Home Rochester and facilitate development.
21	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-New Housing Construction
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	New Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$100,000
	Description	Provides infrastructure subsidies for Habitat and other developers of affordable housing.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	6 household housing units
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Development of affordable housing.
22	Project Name	Housing Development Fund-Affordable Housing Fund
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	New Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$886,427
	Description	Provides gap financing for the development of affordable housing.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	22 Household Housing Units-18 Rental, 4 Homeowner
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Gap financing for the development of affordable housing.
23	Project Name	Homeownership Promotion Fund-Buyer Assistance
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$327,000 CDF: \$98,285
	Description	Provides down payment and closing cost assistance of up to \$6000.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	70 households will be assisted, 54 HOME funded and 16 CDF funded.
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Down payment and closing cost assistance
24	Project Name	Homeownership Promotion Fund-Homebuyer Training
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$50,000 CDF: \$58,715
	Description	Provides pre- and post-purchase training for first time homebuyers to the city.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The households that are assisted with funds from this program are already counted in the homeownership program.

	Location Description	Services will be provided at various locations throughout the city of Rochester.
	Planned Activities	Pre- and post-purchase training for first time homebuyers in the city.
25	Project Name	Homeownership Promotion Fund-HOME Rochester
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$298,443
	Description	Provides subsidy funds for the development of homeownership opportunities through the acquisition and rehabilitation of vacant properties.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	8 household housing units
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Acquisition and rehabilitation of vacant properties for home ownership opportunities.
26	Project Name	Housing Choice Fund-Emergency Solutions Grant
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness-Homelessness Prevention Homelessness-Rapid Rehousing Homelessness-Emergency Shelter & Shelter Diversion Homelessness-Transitional Supportive Housing Homelessness-Coordinated Access
	Funding	ESG: \$701,419
	Description	Street outreach, rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention, operational support to shelters, support services to low-income at-risk households, coordinated access.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The number of people assisted is to be determined. (For 2014-15, the number of people served was 3,802.)
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Street outreach, rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention, operational support to shelters, support services to low-income at-risk households, coordinated access. \$52,606 of the funds will be used for the City's administration of the Emergency Solutions Grant Program. That amount is included in this project as only one activity can be listed for this funding source.
27	Project Name	Housing Choice Fund-HOPWA
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Non-Homeless Special Needs-Perm Supportive Housing Housing & Supportive Services-People with HIV/AIDS
	Funding	HOPWA: \$668,948
	Description	Provides rental assistance and other supportive services to low income households where a member of the household is diagnosed with HIV/AIDS.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	170 household housing units
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Rental assistance and other supportive services to those with HIV/AIDS.
28	Project Name	Other-Planning Staff
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Other
	Needs Addressed	Citywide Planning and Studies
	Funding	CDBG: \$249,000
	Description	Funds are used for Planning staff.
	Target Date	6/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	City-wide planning
	Planned Activities	Planning staff
29	Project Name	Other-Indirect Costs
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Other
	Needs Addressed	Citywide Planning and Studies
	Funding	CDBG: \$450,000
	Description	This program provides funds for City services such as legal and financial services that benefit more than one activity.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	Not applicable
	Planned Activities	Indirect costs
30	Project Name	Other-Program Management
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Other
	Needs Addressed	Citywide Planning and Studies
	Funding	CDBG: \$365,500
	Description	This program provides funds to partially finance the cost of planning, management, coordination, contract development, and monitoring of federal programs.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
	Location Description	Not applicable

	Planned Activities	Provides funds to partially finance the cost of planning, management, coordination, contract development, and monitoring of federal programs.
31	Project Name	Fire Department Small Equipment
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Fire Stations/Equipment Non-Homeless Special Needs-Home Safety
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	The RFD provides and installs free smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to low and moderate income families living in residential properties. The RFD coordinates and implements fire prevention and education programs to reach at-risk target populations.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2,000 people
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Distribution of smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors
32	Project Name	Seniors Program/Legal Services
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Non-Homeless Special Needs-Home Safety
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,000
	Description	Provides assistance with legal services for the elderly that would improve their quality of life. This includes but is not limited to wills and estates, elder abuse, consumer fraud, home repair complaints, accessing medical services, and foreclosure prevention.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	50 seniors will be assisted

	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Services will include identifying the best approach to assisting this vulnerable population and engaging the most appropriate service provider(s).
33	Project Name	STEAM Engine
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	General Community Needs
	Needs Addressed	Youth Recreation and Empowerment
	Funding	CDBG: \$90,000
	Description	The S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) Engine is a mobile education and recreation program that will engage youth in free, high quality STEM and visual/performing arts activities in parks, playgrounds, recreation centers, and cultural art institutions. The program will be delivered using the Rec on the Move model, which brings activities, equipment, staff, and all of the benefits of R Centers right to youth and families in their neighborhoods.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	500 youth
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	The program will make scheduled visits to a variety of neighborhoods providing STEM and arts activities.
34	Project Name	Project Development
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Promote Economic Stability
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Assistance to For-Profit Businesses Economic Development Technical Assistance New Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDF: \$200,000
	Description	The project provides assistance in the form of low interest loans, grants and land assembly activities for mixed-use, commercial, retail, industrial and housing development.

	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 business, 4 household housing units
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Assistance in the form of low interest loans, grants and land assembly activities.
35	Project Name	Celebrate City Living
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Improve the Housing Stock & General Property Conditions
	Needs Addressed	Housing Services, Safe Neighborhoods, Homeownership
	Funding	CDF: \$18,000
	Description	City-Community partnership that promotes a range of housing opportunities to a diverse universe of residents. Provides information on purchase and rental opportunities throughout the city's neighborhoods and including downtown, financial services, grant programs, and nearby amenities and businesses unique to Rochester, all with the goal of encouraging financial stability, community engagement, and neighborhood revitalization.
	Target Date	6/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	800 households of all types, including single people, households with children, and senior citizens.
	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	Year-round website and social media campaign to describe and promote city neighborhoods, housing options, and community events. One signature city-wide housing expo and 3-4 neighborhood-level events to provide an in-person opportunity to highlight the new for-purchase and rental opportunities downtown and the near-by stable, diverse, mixed income neighborhoods with long-time residents and solid businesses and services.
36	Project Name	Staff Support for CoC
	Target Area	City-wide

Goals Supported	Other
Needs Addressed	Non-Homeless Transitional Supportive Housing
Funding	CDF: \$25,000
Description	Supports the salary of the CoC Coordinator and/or program assistant.
Target Date	6/30/2017
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable
Location Description	City-wide
Planned Activities	Supports the salary of the CoC Coordinator and/or program assistant.

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 generally targets community development activities in census tracts where 51% or more of the households have incomes that are 80% or less of the median family income.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City-wide	94.2%
Targeted Area for Targeted Rehab Program	4.5%
Targeted Commercial Corridor Program-La Marketa	1.3%

Numbers above are rounded.

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The funding priorities and decisions for the City of Rochester are based in a process of neighborhood engagement that provides the basis for funding. The Quadrant Team approach was developed, in part, to assist in the process of identifying neighborhood issues and responding through a cross-functional team approach. The Quad Team approach is threefold: communication, short-term problem-solving, and prioritization of longer-term projects. The long-term goal is to create a process of ongoing issue identification, resource allocation, and prioritization that continually informs the City on economic development, housing, and social issues.

The City consults with community groups, nonprofit groups and City department staff on an ongoing basis in the preparation of the Annual Action Plan. The City used statistical data compiled from a variety of sources to prepare a community profile, housing market analysis, and housing needs assessment that is included in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

The City's federal funding priorities will also adhere to the following guidelines:

At least 70% of CDBG expenditures will be for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income families.

- The amount of funds proposed for public service activities will not exceed 15% of the annual CDBG amount, including program income.
- The amount of funds proposed for planning and administration activities will not exceed 20% of the annual CDBG amount, including program income.

The City's federal CDBG funds are intended to provide low- and moderate-income households with viable communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities. Eligible activities include community facilities and improvements, housing rehabilitation

and preservation, affordable housing development activities, public services, economic development, planning, and administration.

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

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

The City of Rochester also utilizes economic development tools to promote revitalization and growth. These include the Empire Zone Tax Incentive. Although this program expired June 30, 2010 for new entrants into the program, the current zone certified businesses must comply with program requirements to assure continuation of their benefits.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	300
Non-Homeless	64
Special-Needs	170
Total	534

Table - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	170
The Production of New Units	36
Rehab of Existing Units	14
Acquisition of Existing Units	14
Total	234

Table - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

As previously discussed in the strategic portion of this document, RHA is in the process of developing its Five Year and Strategic Plan. As the strategic plan is developed, new action items will be identified and become part of the overall plan.

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

RHA will continue to provide quality affordable housing and services for its residents. RHA meets with our resident councils, resident Commissioners, staff and neighborhood associations to address needs and discuss upcoming projects. We take all suggestions and recommendations from these sources into consideration when preparing the five year Capital Improvement plan. Due to ever changing conditions, items are prioritized and can fluctuate within the plan from year to year. There are currently multiple projects in place and more are being planned for the upcoming year. Projects include continuing the renovation of the sixteen units at our housing complex located on Federal Street. Renovations are scheduled to begin shortly at the four unit building on Garson Avenue. RHA is in the process of replacing tubs at our Kennedy Tower location. We will also undertake multiple roof replacement projects several of our properties. RHA is planning a renovation project at the Atlantic Townhouse complex. RHA is also in the process of reviewing and assessing our energy performance and may be entering into a contract to upgrade some of our mechanical and other energy use items/systems. RHA is working with HUD to convert three properties as part of the RAD (Rental Assistance Demonstration) program.

The RHA Resident Service Department is also working hard to partner with other agencies that can assist our residents in self-sufficiency initiatives and goals. Training, employment, and life skills are a focus in the upcoming year. (Please reference Activities to Increase Resident Involvements and Self Sufficiency above.)

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

RHA will continue to develop and promote its Section 3 program, resident councils and advisory board. RHA's Resident Services department will continue to assist with resident needs and actively engage in homeownership opportunities and program development. RHA is committed to improving communication between management and its residents and program participants and continues to work with area partners to provide services.

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

RHA has never been nor plans on being a troubled housing authority.

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

Introduction

Rochester will continue to work with the Continuum of Care to coordinate services to the homeless and to provide outreach and other services, emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent supportive housing to persons with special needs.

The CoC has incorporated the goals of Opening Doors into its strategic planning. To end chronic homelessness, the CoC is obtaining commitment from PSH providers to give chronically homeless persons priority when a unit vacancy occurs. It is also supporting the Housing First model. To end veteran homelessness, the CoC is partnering with the Veterans Administration and supporting housing targeted to veterans. To end homelessness for families and dependent children, the CoC is emphasizing a rapid rehousing approach. To end homelessness for unaccompanied youth, the CoC is stressing outreach.

The Coordinated Access system implemented in 2014 will aid in reaching these goals by employing diversion and screening to ensure that the homeless are referred to the appropriate programs. The CoC's timeline is as follows: End chronic homelessness by 2017; End homelessness for veterans by 2017; and End homelessness for families, youth, and children by 2020. Setting a path to ending all homelessness has begun.

Consistent with the 2012 Homelessness Resolution Strategy, Rochester will:

- Continue to implement diversion as the first response to a housing crisis
- Emphasize a rapid exit/housing first approach for the entire system
- Increase Rapid Rehousing
- Use Progressive Engagement in Providing Services
- Implement a Housing Stabilization Case Management Approach using Critical Time Intervention (CTI)
- Improve practice and capacity in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) model by targeting PSH to people with the highest need, building PSH provider capacity, integrating supported employment in PSH programs, and implementing "Moving on from PSH" interventions
- Implementing data-driven decision-making and evaluation
- Ensuring leadership and accountability

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

The Rapid Engagement Demonstration (RED) Team will continue to identify and engage the unsheltered homeless are identified and engaged by using outreach conducted one to two nights a month. Veteran and mental health case managers will visit soup kitchens, libraries, and public places that unsheltered homeless adults frequent. Youth street outreach workers will continue to regularly engage homeless and at-risk youth. The objective is to link the unsheltered homeless with housing, services, and mainstream benefits.

Youth service providers will continue to utilize street outreach workers who use a mobile unit to conduct ongoing, regular outreach efforts with homeless and at-risk youth, including LGBT youth. Services include medical screenings (including HIV testing), condom distribution, and linking youth to community-based services and income streams. Homeless youth who agree to placement are transported to youth emergency shelters. Veterans outreach workers visit shelters, soup kitchens, and other locations in an effort to identify homeless veterans and link them to the VA and community-based services. Street outreach “sweeps” are conducted bi-monthly to engage the unsheltered homeless in the locations where they are known to congregate (e.g., parking garages). Specialized Office of Mental Health outreach workers connect with homeless persons experiencing serious mental and/or substance abuse issues. Outreach workers who speak Spanish and other languages participate in all of these efforts.

Addressing the emergency and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Rochester will work with the CoC and its members to carry out outreach and services to homeless persons and to provide transitional housing to youth, veterans, victims of domestic violence, persons with drug or alcohol additions and other homeless individuals and families.

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.

To end homelessness among households with dependent children, the CoC is investing in rapid rehousing so that those who enter emergency shelters exit quickly. It is also providing diversion assistance for those who have a viable alternative to a shelter, but require some support. In 2011, Rochester Housing Authority implemented a “Moving On” preference for its Housing Choice Voucher program. This allowed families that no longer need case management to transition to the Voucher (Section 8) program, freeing up PSH units for homeless families. The CoC will be intensifying its outreach efforts to identify and provide support for unsheltered families with dependent children.

The CoC plans to increase the number of homeless households with children assisted through RRH projects by working with TH projects serving families to help them restructure using a RRH model and by soliciting housing organizations without such programs to create new RRH projects. ESG funding supports a new Rapid Rehousing Partnership (RRP) that includes Coordinated Care Services Inc, Alternatives for Battered Women, Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach, Center for Youth Services, Housing Council, Monroe County DHS, and YWCA. RRH responds quickly, secures appropriate PH, and uses an array of mainstream benefits and supports to maximize resources. The RRP is being expanded to serve as a forum for the broader implementation of a local RRH system. Training/published tool kits will help agencies, including those with EH, to understand the RRH approach and best practices. RRH projects have sought and been awarded funding from other sources (e.g., NYS OTDA, DOJ), and this effort will continue.

The needs of domestic violence victims, including their families, will continue to be broadly addressed. Alternatives for Battered Women (ABW) serves women who are victims of domestic violence (or at risk) along with their children, offering counseling, education, and a secure shelter, whose location is not publicly identified. A 24-hour hotline provides information on housing and services for domestic violence victims. ABW has stringent policies to ensure the safety and privacy of its clients, and names and other identifying data are not entered into HMIS. ABW and the YWCA recently received New York State funding for a joint program. Monroe County Department of Human Services has a Domestic Violence Liaison, and the Rochester/Monroe County Domestic Violence Consortium, with 50 member organizations from human services and the legal system, promotes a coordinated community response to domestic violence. In addition, staff of housing providers who serve domestic violence victims are trauma trained.

The Center for Youth Services, Hillside Children's Center, Salvation Army, and Monroe County Youth Bureau will continue to provide housing and services for unaccompanied homeless youth. CoC will continue to offer a range of outreach, emergency and transitional housing and support services are available through CoC and other funding resources. Outreach and drop-in center activities focus on diverting youth from the homeless system. Youth providers have a common intake form, work together closely, and meet on a monthly basis to ensure that homeless youth have access to safe housing and services. In all cases, before a youth leaves a program, he/she is linked to a family member or other responsible, supportive adult. Youth providers will continue to work with Monroe County OMH to ensure access to mental health services and ease transition from the youth to the adult mental health system. Youth ages 16-17 and 18-24 will be targeted separately and offered age-appropriate services, while youth as young as 12 will also be served.

The Veterans Administration (VA) and the Veterans Outreach Center (VOC) will continue to exclusively serve veterans in the CoC geography. The VA and Rochester Housing Authority (RHA) are partners for the HUD VASH program and have developed the local VASH referral/application process and coordinated support services. The VA also partners with two Salvation Army programs (Booth Haven and Safe Haven) that have beds for veterans through the Grant and Per Diem program. The VOC was awarded a SSVF grant to provide prevention and rapid re-housing services to veterans and their families.

The VOC and the VA will continue to operate programs for returning veterans (Iraq and Afghanistan) to welcome them back and link them with employment and mainstream resources to stabilize their income. The YWCA has a MOU with the VOC to provide services to female veterans, and a TH program for female veterans (Zion House) that operates in a neighboring county will serve female veterans from Monroe County.

The average length of time that participants remain in Emergency Shelter (ES) is 17 days, in Transitional Housing (TH) is 121 days, and in Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is 63 days. To reduce this time of homelessness, the CoC has encouraged PSH providers to adopt a Housing First approach, which has resulted in many eliminating preconditions (e.g., sobriety, minimum income threshold) that are barriers to housing entry. In addition, ESG funds have been used for rapid rehousing efforts, especially for families, to keep them from becoming homelessness. Data on the length of time that homeless

individuals and families spend in CoC and ESG-funded ES, TH, and SH programs are included in HMIS and will be used to track changes over time. Non-HUD funded projects are represented among the over 70 community agencies in the Housing Services Network, where members are educated on best practices and tools that can be used to reduce the length of time individuals stay homeless.

To reduce the extent to which individuals and families leaving homelessness experience additional homeless episodes, the CoC will utilize prevention, diversion, and short-term rental assistance, and arrears payments. The Monroe County Department of Human Services Diversion Unit will continue to assist those at risk of homelessness with payment for such costs as back taxes, mortgage payments, auto repairs, and tools/uniforms for jobs. Returns to homelessness are also decreased as the result of less stringent compliance demands for participants, automatic renewals of leases, and ensuring that discharges are in accordance with fair housing requirements. Data in HMIS can be used to determine if and when individuals and families leaving TH, RRH, and PSH experience another episode of homelessness in those cases where either (1) they exit to homelessness or (2) they exit to permanent housing, but subsequently re-enter the homeless system in the CoC geography.

To improve the housing stability of persons in permanent supportive housing, the CoC will utilize the local Coordinated Access System, implemented in 2014, to improve the likelihood of placing individuals and families in housing where they would either stay longer or move more quickly to self-sufficiency. Special attention will be given to increasing access to mainstream supportive services and enhancing case/care management options to ensure effective integration of homeless housing and community-based services and supports. In addition, agencies will be encouraged to adopt a housing first model, which would allow more participants to remain in their units and reduce the number exiting a project because of alcohol- or drug-related noncompliance. The CoC will use HMIS data each quarter to monitor the number of participants who remain in PSH or exit to a PH destination.

To increase participants' non-employment income, the CoC will continue to educate providers and supporting community outreach efforts. SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) program training is offered several times a year to provider staff members so that they are knowledgeable about the disability benefits programs administered by the SSA (e.g., SSI, SSDI) for eligible adults who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have a mental illness or other qualifying disability. Staff is then prepared to assist participants navigate the complex application system, ensure that the application is complete before submission, and make it more likely that disability benefits are approved.

In addition, the CoC will work to increase the percentage of all participants who increase employment income through individual-level and systemic change. The City will increase use of Section 3, in cooperation Monroe County, and Rochester Housing Authority, the Urban League of Rochester Youth Build Project, Rochester Works, and other local training providers. Employment services for those with disabilities (e.g., East House, DePaul) are highlighted at Homeless Services Network meetings, and Rochester Rehabilitation has a New York State-funded Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-Vocational Rehabilitation (ACCESVR) will continue to provide vocational training and employment readiness program to persons with disabilities.

Help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families who are likely to become homeless after being discharged from a publicly funded institution or system of care, or who are receiving assistance from public and private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education or youth needs

Youth being discharged from foster care or other institutional settings typically return to their family of origin or another responsible family member or adult. When no such adult can be located, the youth is placed in a community program specifically designed to prepare youth for independent living, such as The Villa of Hope or Hillside Children's Center. The CoC will continue to educate homeless providers about the importance of ensuring that youth are not discharged into homelessness. Shelters have been instructed to immediately contact the Monroe County Department of Human Services to report the failed discharge plan if a youth is attempting to access homeless services. The youth is then connected to a caseworker who attempts to re-unite the youth with his/her family or other responsible adult and link him/her to appropriate services. If such a re-uniting is not possible, the youth is referred to a community program that prepares youth to transition to independent living.

Through the Homeless Services Network (HSN), the CoC will continue to work with hospital staff to develop protocols for those occasional times when appropriate stable housing cannot be located at discharge from the hospital. Hospital social work staff have been provided with information on local emergency shelters (e.g., physical layouts, staffing, hours open) so a referral is made to the shelter that can best meet the person's needs. Hospital staff calls the shelter to confirm a bed is available, any required follow-up care is communicated to shelter staff, and the patient is provided with a sufficient supply of medication.

Inpatient facilities licensed or operated by the New York State Office of Mental Health are encouraged to refer individuals to housing consistent with the level of care required by the patient and to not discharge patients until a comprehensive discharge plan is in place. Prior to discharge, individuals in need of supervised housing, and who agree to a referral, are referred to the Monroe County Single Point of Access (SPOA). The SPOA facilitates housing assistance for eligible individuals and connects persons to mental health care coordination services.

Through the Homeless Services Network (HSN), the CoC will continue to educate stakeholders about the primary providers of licensed mental health residential beds (DePaul Community Services, East House, Housing Options Made Easy, Rochester Psychiatric Center), intensive case management programs (Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester General Health System, Unity Health System), and care coordination services (ACT Team, Project Link, MICA Net).

Ex-offenders are most frequently discharged to their families or to independent living under the supervision of parole. New York State Parole has contracts with several community agencies to place ex-offenders when no other housing can be located (e.g., Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center, Altamont House, Grace House, DuBois Re-Entry Program). The State is implementing a pilot project in Monroe County for effectively linking eligible individuals from this population to Health Homes, which will provide enhanced care management, ensuring that enrollees are linked to housing and social services supports. The CoC Team and the Monroe County Re-Entry Task Force will continue to work

closely together, utilizing common members, to assist ex-offenders to successfully transition back into the community. Linking ex-offenders to mainstream resources will reduce the number of ex-offenders from entering the homeless system.

AP-70 HOPWA Goals - 91.220 (I)(3)

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:

Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance payments	65
Tenant-based rental assistance	55
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	50
Total	170

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

Introduction:

The barriers to affordable housing include:

- Insufficient income to purchase a home or rent a suitable housing unit.
- Cost of safe, decent housing may not be affordable
- Housing that is affordable may require significant rehabilitation
- Poor credit, lack of financial literacy
- Lack of savings for down payment and closing costs for house purchase
- Expensive and complex process faced by affordable housing developers
- Discriminatory practices from lenders and providers in the housing market on the basis of race, ethnicity, or familial status
- High rates of home purchase loan denials for Black and Hispanic applicants, despite documented instances of Black and Hispanic applicants having similar financial qualifications to non-minority applicants that were approved

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

Rochester will pursue the following strategies to ameliorate barriers to affordable housing.

- Job training/employment assistance
- Financial literacy counseling and training
- Training in home maintenance and minor home repairs
- Homeownership counseling and assistance
- Housing rehabilitation assistance
- Weatherization/energy conservation assistance to reduce utility costs

In addition, the City will:

- Expand the supply of affordable rental and home ownership housing, including mixed-income development whenever possible;
- Increase homeownership among low and moderate income prospective home buyers;
- Preserve and improve the existing stock of affordable housing;
- Ensure equal access to housing;
- Assist in designing a more dynamic and strategic outreach campaign that educates city residents, landlords, developers, lenders, insurance providers, and other housing professionals about fair housing rights and obligations and the continued existence of certain forms of discrimination

- Support enhanced outreach, education, and enforcement efforts related to fair housing requirements, compliance, and best practices to lenders, landlords, property owners, tenants, etc.
- Work with the County and State to explore the feasibility of raising the shelter allowance rate provided to tenants through the County's Department of Social Services
- Develop a program for rehabilitating homes to bring them up to RHA standards, enabling these homes to be eligible for RHA's Section 8 vouchers
- Support the efforts of the Rochester Land Bank Corporation to acquire properties that may be developed into affordable units

To implement these objectives, the City will offer first time homebuyer assistance, housing rehabilitation, tenant-landlord counseling, fair housing programs and develop new affordable housing. The City will continue to make capital improvements in low and moderate income areas.

The Department of Neighborhood and Business Development will continue to monitor the following policies to and practices to identify and remove those that are a barrier to affordable housing:

- Tax policies affecting land and other property;
- Land use controls
- Zoning Ordinance
- Building Code
- Fees and Charges
- Growth Limits
- Restrictions on the return on residential development.

Building and zoning codes will be evaluated to remove barriers to the development of alternative housing types such as micro-units and modular construction.

To ensure that rental units remain affordable to residents, Rochester will continue to offer property tax exemptions and payments in lieu of taxes to ensure that rental units remain affordable and to support applications by property owners who are seeking state and federal assistance to improve rental properties.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs for affordable housing in the city of Rochester is the gap in what households can afford to pay for housing and the price of housing. The City has a significant affordable housing stock, yet the income level for individual households such as single parent, elderly, disabled, or others of limited economic means, is insufficient to afford even the lowest of the market rate units. The City will continue to work on economic development to provide better job opportunities and with social service providers to assist such households. In addition, the City will work with for-profit and non-profit developers to create more affordable housing.

Another obstacle to meeting the needs of underserved households is the limited amount of funding received by the City. The City of Rochester will partner with other public agencies and nonprofit organizations, when feasible, to leverage resources and maximize outcomes in housing and community development.

A primary obstacle to meeting underserved economic development needs is the ability of developers to secure the necessary financing to undertake and complete projects. It is typically the role of the public sector to fill the gaps of these financing needs. However, on occasion, these gaps exceed the assistance capabilities of the City. Another obstacle is the ability to secure inexpensive and convenient parking options for Center City businesses and development projects.

Crime has been a major obstacle to the continued revitalization of neighborhood commercial areas. This Annual Action Plan contains funding for projects that provide security cameras and exterior lighting to help address the obstacles.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The Housing Needs Assessment documents a large percentage of households that experience one or more housing problems in 2000, including housing cost burden, overcrowding, and inadequate housing. A significant amount of the City's housing funds are directed toward addressing underserved needs.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to manage its Lead Hazard Control program with funding received from HUD's Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, and CDBG. As at-risk children primarily reside in rental housing built before 1978, the City will continue to target this housing stock as it carries out its lead hazard control efforts.

Rochester's Lead Hazard Control Program will continue to proactively respond to lead paint hazards in the city. The program includes window, entry doors, porch repair or replacement, paint stabilization, bare soil treatment and general rehabilitation for both landlords and owner-occupants. Eligible property

owners may receive assistance of up to \$14,000 for a single-family to correct lead-based paint hazards, with an additional \$6,000 to be made available for each additional unit. Landlords are required to contribute 10% matching funds. Owner-occupants are required to occupy the home for at least five years.

Through the Lead Hazard Control Program, property owners receive a combined lead-based paint inspection/risk assessment. The City has partnered with several lead hazard evaluation firms for these services. The assessment identifies lead hazards throughout the unit(s), a report is produced identifying the hazards, and cost estimates are included for remediating the hazards. Based on the completed report, a City Rehabilitation Specialist develops a scope of work, which is bid out to lead-certified contractors. All assisted units must pass a clearance examination before the unit can be occupied. It is a requirement of the Lead Hazard Control Program that all assisted property owners attend a one-day leadsafe work practices/property maintenance course. This requirement helps to educate property owners on how to undertake lead work using work safe practices and also helps to ensure long-term lead safety of the assisted unit.

In addition, the City will undertake an outreach and education programs designed to reach at-risk populations. This program focuses on reaching populations least likely to have access to media and other resources that provide awareness.

Rochester's local "Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention" law, which took effect July 1, 2006, requires inspections for lead paint hazards as part of the City's existing housing inspection process.

In addition, the City will undertake the following activities:

- Continue to integrate a "Healthy Homes" intervention for units served through the lead hazard control program;
- Continue in partnership with the Monroe County Department of Public Health to identify and enroll families with lead-poisoned children; and
- Seek non-traditional funding for lead hazard control

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Rochester will focus on economic development, job creation, youth service and supportive services to reduce the number of families in poverty. Programs to ensuring safe neighborhoods and improve public facilities will help to create economic opportunities for residents.

Consistent with the work groups formed to carry out the Rochester-Monroe County Anti-Poverty Initiative, Rochester's Anti-Poverty Strategy will address:

- Education and training, particularly for youth
- Job retention and creation
- Decent, affordable housing

- Health and nutrition
- Safe neighborhoods
- Improving public policy and the systems dealing with poverty

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

To enhance the City's housing systems, staff will work with internal departments to streamline and increase efficiencies by reviewing current procedures compared to best practices and implement changes where necessary.

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

Plans to coordinate between public and private housing social services agencies is a high priority. To this end, Housing staff will participate with the County, local and state housing and social service agency networks to ensure housing programs for the homeless and non-homeless populations are well coordinated to help ensure their success.

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-\$150,000
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-\$600,000

Total Program Income-It is expected that \$750,000 in CDBG Program Income will be received during the 2016-17 program years. The expected program income has been programmed in this annual action plan.

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities-0

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:
The City's investment of HOME funds is consistent with the forms of assistance included in 24 CFR 92.205(b). The City leverages its HOME funds with other funding secured by its housing partners to develop affordable homeownership and rental housing. Community Development Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) and other non-profit housing developers apply for and receive funding from state and local resources to support the City's housing programs, projects and goals.
2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

HOME PROGRAM-HOMEBUYER RESALE AND HOME SUBSIDY RECAPTURE GUIDELINES

The City of Rochester will comply with the following HOME regulations (24 CFR Part 92.254(a)(5) regarding resale and recapture of HOME subsidies. In addition, prescribed language for both resale and recapture provisions is also provided below.

It should be noted that the City of Rochester operations regarding Resale and Recapture are as follows:

The chart below delineates the programs for Resale and Recapture and provides the tools to be used including the mechanisms for affordability.

Home Rochester	Write-down subsidy for the acquisition/rehabilitation for owner occupants	X	
Community Development Organization, CHDO	Write-down subsidy for the acquisition/rehabilitation for owner occupants	X	
New Construction	Infrastructure for Habitat for Humanity and other developers of affordable homeowner-housing	X	
Employer Assisted Housing Initiative	Provides a match of up to up to \$3,000 of down payment and closing cost assistance to employees of participating employers purchasing homes.		X
Home Purchase Assistance	Provides up to \$3,000 of down payment and closing cost assistance to buyers purchasing homes on the private market.		X
Homebuyer Assistance	Provides up to \$6,000 of down payment and closing cost assistance to buyers purchasing CHDO/Home Rochester homes.		X

RESALE-The City shall use the Resale option for the Home Rochester CHDO and Affordable New Construction (Homeownership) programs. The City shall not use a presumption of affordability but instead use an enforcement mechanism to meet the resale requirement. The following deed restrictive covenant below shall be used. Also, see attached copy of deed restriction that is recorded.

Restrictive Covenant-Title to this property (the "Property") is conveyed subject to the following restrictions:

The Grantee has acquired this property with the assistance of funds from the City of Rochester provided under 24 CFR Part 92, the HOME Investment Partnership Program (the "Regulations"). As a condition of the subsidy, the Grantee agrees:

The Property must be the Grantee's principal residence for ten (10) or fifteen (15) years dependent on HOME investment from the date of this deed.

If the above ten (10) or fifteen (15) year period has not expired and the Grantee sells the Property, the Grantee agrees to sell the Property to a low-income family as defined in the Regulations that will use the Property as its principal residence for the duration of the ten (10) or fifteen (15) year period. Documentation must be provided to the City of Rochester verifying the prospective buyer's income eligibility. The price at resale must: (1) ensure that the Property will remain affordable (as defined in the Regulations) to a reasonable range of low-income homebuyers, and (2) provide the Grantee a fair return on investment (including the Grantee's investment and any capital improvement).

Notwithstanding the aforementioned provisions, the affordability restrictions and residency requirement shall terminate upon occurrence of any of the following termination events:

Foreclosure; Transfer in lieu of foreclosure; or Assignment of an FHA insured mortgage to HUD.

However, the affordability restriction and residency requirement shall be revived according to their original terms if, during the original residency period of ten years, the Grantee before the termination event, or any other entity that includes the Grantee or those with whom the Grantee has or had family or business ties, obtains an ownership in the project or property.

In the event that the HOME-assisted Grantee wishes to sell the assisted home, the City of Rochester shall be afforded the right of first refusal to purchase the subject property.

Fair Rate of Return-The rate of return will be based upon the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index over the period of ownership plus the owner's down payment and any capital improvements. Capital improvements would include window replacement, major system replacement such as roofs, plumbing, updated electrical, bathrooms and kitchens, additions and porches and central air conditioning. If the property depreciates in value there may not be a return on investment.

Reasonable Range of Low-income Buyers-The City will continue make the home affordable to buyers within 48 to 80% of buyers the Area Median Income (AMI).

Affordability: During the affordability the City would help market the home through the affordable housing network which includes pre purchase counseling agencies, housing maintenance organizations and local associations dedicated to promoting affordable housing. The City will also make available down payment and closing cost assistance to new, eligible, homebuyers of HOME assisted house to assist with affordability.

RECAPTURE -The City uses the Recapture option for all of its down payment and closing cost assistance programs; Employer Assisted Housing Initiative, Home Purchase Assistance Program and the Homebuyer Assistance Program.

The homeowner shall be required to repay a portion of the HOME funds used to assist the homeowner with the original purchase of the home on a pro-rated basis in accordance with the following schedule, per the Note and Mortgage securing the HOME subsidy:

Time Elapsed	Repayment Percentage	5 Year
1st month through 24th month	100%;	25th month through 36th month 75%;
37th month through 48th month	50%;	49th month through 60th month 25%
61st month-	0%	

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:
See above
4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

At this point there is no plan to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds. All of our funds will be used for acquisition, construction, and permanent financing.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Reference 91.220(l)(4)

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)
The City, Continuum of Care (CoC) and HSN (a collaboration of more than 50 local homeless services legal, primary care, mental health, substance abuse, re-entry providers and community stakeholders) have met throughout the 2011 -12 and 2012-2013 program years to jointly plan for ESG. All sessions contained updates on participant qualifications, and other ESG directions. In keeping with the City's past practice of providing the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program Desk Guide March 2001 to all sub-recipients, the City has provided sub-recipients and community providers that coordinate with them the Emergency Solutions Grant Rules and Regulations, and tools available to date including Definition of Homelessness (Criteria for Defining Homeless and Record Keeping Requirements), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program Components and Activities December 15th, 2011. The City provided sub-recipients with information about the new homeless definition and eligibility, documentation and record requirements and HMIS participation. The CoC provides technical assistance and licenses to the City's sub-recipients.

A. Written Standards for Provision of Assistance

Policies and Procedures for Evaluating Those Eligible for Assistance

Each household will receive an initial consultation and eligibility assessment with a case manager or other authorized representative who can determine eligibility and the appropriate type of assistance needed;

- The household's total income must be at or below 30 percent of Area Median Income (AMI);
- The household must be either homeless (to receive rapid re-housing assistance) OR at risk of losing its housing (to receive homelessness prevention assistance); AND must meet the following circumstances:
- No appropriate subsequent housing options have been identified;
- The household lacks the financial resources to obtain immediate housing or remain in its existing housing; and
- The household lacks support networks needed to obtain immediate housing or remain in its existing housing.
- Documentation requirements:
 - Verification/proof of income
 - SSN for head of household
 - Verification of address/current living situation
 - Verification of household size
 - Some documentation of the problem(s) that led to the need for assistance as determined by the case manager (i.e.; proof of medical bills, loss of income, etc.)

Standards for the City/County prevention and rapid rehousing program operated by Coordinated Care Services and Wilson Commencement have been developed in accordance with "Eligibility Determination and Documentation Guidance- Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP), HUD, revised March 17, 2010." These standards include:

- Eligibility requirements: Initial consultation/assessment and determination of income and housing status; access to alternative housing options
- Documentation: written or oral third party verification; applicant self-declaration

Performance Standards for Heading Home eligibility are as follows:

- Initial Consultation and Eligibility Determination: each applicant household must receive at least an initial consultation and eligibility assessment with a case manager or other authorized representative who can determine eligibility and the appropriate type of assistance needed
- Income: the household total income must be at or below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI)
- Housing Status: the household must be either literally homeless or at risk of losing housing within 14 days AND must meet the following circumstances: no appropriate subsequent housing options have been identified; the household lacks the financial resources to obtain immediate housing or remain in its existing housing, and the household lacks a support network needed to obtain immediate housing or remain in existing housing

Performance Standards for Documentation are as follows:

- Housing status: written verification of sleeping in a shelter, sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation, being a patient in a hospital or other institution, being a participant in a transitional housing program, being a victim of domestic violence
- Homelessness prevention eligibility: written verification of potential loss of housing due to non-payment of rent and/or other lease violations, utility non-payment, non-payment of hotel/motel charges, foreclosure on rental or owner-occupied property, eviction of host family/friends, uninhabitable conditions, or discharge from an institution
- Housing options/resources: written documentation must be provided for other subsequent housing options, financial resources (e.g. wages and salary, self-employment/business, interest/dividend, pension/retirement, unemployment/disability, TANF/public assistance, alimony/child support/foster care, armed forces income) and support networks

Policies and Procedures for Coordination among Providers

Staff meetings will be held on a monthly basis to discuss program logistics and processes. Periodically, meetings of all participating agencies will be held to ensure effective ongoing management and provide updates on any new program developments, including HUD regulation updates.

Meetings with the City, County, and CoC will take place on a monthly basis. These sessions are intended to provide for oversight as well as updates on project status, outcomes to date, and to allow for discussion and resolution of any project issues.

Additionally, case managers will be meeting clients weekly in community-based organizations (CBO) sites, as well as in shelters. CBO and shelter staff will be routinely engaged in conversations and will be requested to participate in any process to assist the program in meeting the needs of the people and families it served.

Policies and Procedures for Determining and Prioritizing Type of Assistance

Below are detailed the procedures for determining and prioritizing eligible families and individuals by the type of assistance requested.

Prevention High Priority Risk Factors

- Eviction within two weeks
- Sudden and significant loss of income
- Sudden and significant increase in utility costs
- Severe housing cost burden (greater than 50% of income)
- High overcrowding
- Recent traumatic life event (loss of spouse, or recent health crisis)
- Significant medical debt

Rapid Re-Housing High Priority Risk Factors:

- Sleeping in an emergency shelter
- Sleeping on the streets, etc.
- Graduating from a transitional shelter
- Victim of domestic violence

Standards for Determining Share of Rent and Utilities Each Participant Must Pay

Under the ESG Heading Home Program, participants will not be required to contribute toward payments provided by the program. Counseling and case management services will focus on maintaining stable housing after program financial assistance ends.

Standards for Determining How Long Rent Assistance and How Amount is Adjusted Over Time

In order to avoid excessive funding of individual households, (thus limiting the number of households that can be served by the program), and in order to respond to the variety of circumstances that may create or threaten homelessness, and in order to emphasize serving those most in need of assistance, it has been determined that this program would benefit most from limiting the services provided to one-time only.

ESG funds for Heading Home Program do not support the long-term maintenance of any person or family. It will be the procedure of the ESG-funded Heading Home Program to provide short-term assistance for these individuals and families to help them obtain/maintain housing until a longer-term or even permanent subsidy becomes available.

Total benefit amounts will be made on a case-by-case basis. However:

- Payments cannot duplicate other subsidy programs
- All other sources of assistance in the community must be exhausted

- Potential DHS recipients will be referred there prior to acceptance in the program

Standards for Determining Type, Amount and Duration of Stabilization and/or Relocation Assistance

The types of assistance provided will be determined on a case-by-case basis by the case manager with consultation with the program manager under the guidance of the director of finance and will reflect program dollars available, number of clients served to date, and will recognize the established program end date.

Specific guidance and details are offered below by type of assistance:

- Rental Assistance: amount of rent assistance cannot exceed the actual amount of rent and must comply with the HUD rent reasonableness and affordability standards
- Short term rental assistance: cannot exceed 3 months
- Medium term rental assistance: cannot exceed 18 months and must be reviewed every three months. This option will be used in extraordinary circumstances only.
- Financial Assistance:
- Security Deposits: cannot exceed rent reasonableness standards as established by HUD
- Rental Arrears: cannot exceed rent reasonableness standards.
- Utility Payments: will follow local DHS/HEAP guidelines
- Moving Cost Assistance: will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis - A local moving company partnership has been established and estimates are provided prior to move
- Storage Fees: maximum of 3 months

Process for Making Sub-Awards

The City of Rochester will receive and utilize Emergency Solutions Grant funds to help address the needs of homeless individuals and families and to prevent homelessness. All funds will be used in collaboration with the local Continuum of Care, Monroe County, the Homeless Services Network priorities, the City's Housing Policy and the recently completed Homelessness Resolution Strategy Report. The Homelessness Resolution Strategy Report completed by Housing Innovations of New York City in conjunction with Dennis Culhane of the University of Pittsburgh is a comprehensive report with several key recommendations. The report included an assessment of the Rochester Monroe County Continuum of Care, recommendations for the elimination of hotel placements and how to move forward with a coordinated access system. The report also included other relevant suggestions to improve the overall homeless system. The City, County, CoC, Homeless Service Network endorsed and support these recommendations.

Based on the input of the CoC and other stakeholders, the City of Rochester and the County of Monroe issued a joint RFP for the 2013/14 Emergency Solutions Grants funding. In the RFP the following services were solicited to receive funding and this is the plan for how the ESG funding will be used: Homelessness Prevention/Rapid Rehousing Services, Emergency Shelter and Shelter Diversion, and Essential Services.

Homeless Participation Requirement

In compliance with Section 576.405(a) of the Interim Rule, the City and County have engaged persons who are currently or formerly homeless in their planning process. Four formerly homeless individuals have participated in our planning process. The Co-Chair of the Rochester/Monroe County CoC is a formerly homeless individual.

In addition to serving as CoC Co-Chair, he has been substantially involved in planning for the use of ESG funding. Additionally, there is a second formerly homeless individual on the CoC Team, as well as another member of the Homeless Services Network, who have also been consulted in the planning process for ESG funding.

Performance Standards

Performance standards for ESG recipients are required by HUD and have been developed in consultation with the CoC. The purpose of performance standards is to provide a measure for the ESG recipient and the CoC to evaluate each ESG service provider's effectiveness. It is anticipated that the City and County's performance standards for ESG activities will continue to evolve over time and will be developed to complement the CoC program performance measures.

1. Specific performance standards that will be applied to the ESG Heading Home Program are based on the proposed accomplishments of:

- Increase the range of housing options and related services for program participants
- Increase knowledge of rights and responsibilities through Tenant Education for 70% of program participants
- Increase the number of program participants stably housed at 12 months to 75%
- Reduce participant transiency by providing opportunities for safe and affordable housing
- Reduce the number of participants who have received rapid re-housing services from entering or re-entering local shelter programs to 20% or less
- Prevent rapid re-housing participants from re-entering shelters

The City and CoC will continue to distribute and provide technical assistance for the tools as they are available, and to incorporate the community's development of Single Point of Access (SPOA) that is underway. See 2. Below.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

A coordinated assessment system is in its fledgling stage. ESG funding in 2015 supported a Coordinated Assessment System with Coordinated Care Services, Inc., Lifeline, 2-1-1 Call Center, and Catholic Family Services. This group of providers began an approach to overcome barriers for clients by systematically communicating, coordinating, and collaborating in the area of front door services

(at the Monroe County Department of Social Services, Department of Human Services (homeless intake) during the daytime hours and by phone at 2-11 on weekends and evening hours. High needs cases and non-HMIS agency support was provided by Catholic Family Services. The Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) was implemented and is now utilized at all emergency shelters and involves their input at Emergency Shelter team meetings coordinated by CCSI, Inc. via ESG support. The system may be further clarified in future cycles to use a “no wrong door” approach rather than a “front door” approach since Coordinated Access in the Continuum already has separate entrances to services for specialized clients (e.g. experiencing domestic violence, unaccompanied youth, transitioning age youth, re-entry populations). The Homelessness Strategy study completed by Housing Innovations and the University of Pennsylvania, the City and County and the CoC was the evidence basis of the Coordinated Access system. CoC members (including the City) participated in community discussions led by consultants Dennis Culhane (University of Penn.) and Suzanne Wagner (Housing Innovations) who engaged stakeholders in implementing plans to 1) reduce the number of homeless families referred to hotel/motels for shelter without on-site supportive services; and 2) develop a coordinated access system for homeless services.

By centralizing intake and utilizing the VI-SPDAT tool to inform program admissions decisions, a coordinated entry process makes it more likely that families will be served by the right intervention more quickly. (*One Way In: The Advantages of Introducing a System-Wide Coordinated Entry for Homeless Families* - National Alliance to End Homelessness) The City engaged the services of the consultants, identified above, to assist the community in developing and implementing a single point of access system (SPOA) for homeless services. The consultants have worked with the CoC, providers and stakeholders to develop a system based on the specific needs of the Rochester/Monroe County community. The focus of the Coordinated Access system will be to ensure that eligible persons and priority groups are served, clients’ needs and the services received are consistent and stewardship of community resources and exceptions for victim service providers are accommodated. Common elements of the CA will include an application/assessment process, eligibility/intake standards, an eligibility determination process, prioritization of needs, a housing referral process and oversight to ensure compliance. The providers, stakeholders, the CoC, HMIS, City and County continue to work with the consultants to develop a system tailored to community need.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

Awards for 2015-16 are based upon a 2015 Request for Proposal (RFP) process in which the City published by Legal Notice in The Daily Record; announced availability on its established website for Proposals; distributed via networks including those of the CoC, Homeless Shelter Network and Housing Choice listserve. Awardees were chosen by a committee of City, County, and CoC administrative board. Services under this proposal cycle will run through June 30, 2016.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly

homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

In compliance with Section 576.405(a) of the Interim Rule, the City has engaged persons who are currently or formerly homeless in their planning process. Four formerly homeless individuals have participated in our planning process and continue to be engaged.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The City utilizes the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) to document program progress and monitor program performance on an ongoing basis. The City requires all ESG sub-recipients to submit data to HMIS as required by HUD. The CoC began participation in the HUD PULSE system, which provides point-in-time shelter counts of homeless persons on a quarterly basis, in the 4th quarter of 2012.

A Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is prepared annually by the City. It contains a summary of resources and programmatic accomplishments, the status of actions taken in concert with the CoC to implement the strategies contained in the Consolidated Plan, and evaluation of progress made in addressing identified priority needs and objectives.

Performance Standards are in alignment with the new measures implemented with the HEARTH Act including:

- reducing the duration of homelessness
- reducing recidivism
- reducing the number of people who become homeless
- increasing employment and income
- ending homelessness

6. Describe the consultation with each Continuum of Care that serves the jurisdiction in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards, evaluate outcomes of activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding policies, and procedures for the administration and operation HMIS.

The City's ESG funding has been coordinated with the CoC. The CoC Team has 18 ex-officio members appointed by public and private organizations deemed necessary to develop, maintain, monitor and continuously improve a comprehensive, coordinated and flexible system of homeless housing and support services. They represented the City, Monroe County, Greece, Rochester Housing Authority, the Homeless Services Network (the Continuum's Stakeholder Group), three formerly homeless community members, a domestic violence advocacy organization member, and a health system representative. In addition, there are elected general members from both public and private groups from the community, i.e. business sector, legal field, faith-based organizations, veteran organizations, schools, advocacy groups, etc. This diverse team is the primary planning and coordinating body for homeless housing and services in this community. The CoC recently became a 501©3 not-for-profit organization that was approved by the IRS in 2015 to enable it to move towards greater autonomy and potentially a Unified Funding agency and a High Performing Community.

The CoC has been a long-time participant in the ESG planning process for the City and County. Proposals in response to the CoC annual NOFA are reviewed by the CoC team that includes City/County representation as well as the CoC Coordinator. ESG community priorities and planning have been discussed at both CoC and HSN meetings, especially in terms of policy priorities and community objectives. The CoC staff also analyzes the ESG proposals for fidelity to the ESG requirements and new information set forth by HUD via policy briefs (e.g. evolving chronic homeless definition as it impacts ESG delivery of prevention services).

ESG funding continues to be a critical issue for local homeless service providers. Facilitated discussions of ESG community priorities are held at the HSN meetings. CoC members and community stakeholders are strongly encouraged to participate. Significantly, CoC members have participated in community discussions led by consultants Dennis Culhane and Suzanne Wagner, who are engaged stakeholders in implementing plans to 1) reduce the number of homeless families referred to hotel/motels for shelter without on-site supportive services; and 2) develop Single Point of Assessment and Access systems for homeless services.

The CoC, members of HSN and housing staff from the City and County have also collectively participated in planning for the allocation of 2016-2017 ESG funding. The Co C also created matrices of funding sources, housing and service needs/gaps, and best practices with the input of the community via Homeless Services Network meetings and made it available to the ESG priorities planning committee members to inform the allocation of ESG funding.

Consolidated Community Development Plan

Citizen Participation Plan

Background

In 1995, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) consolidated into a single submission the planning and application aspects of the following four HUD community development formula grant programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter (now Solutions) Grant (ESG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The reporting requirements for these programs were also consolidated.

The Department of Neighborhood and Business Development (NBD), Office of the Commissioner is the lead agency responsible for the consolidated plan submission and reporting to HUD. NBD's Bureau of Business and Housing Development is responsible for CDBG and the HOME Programs housing activities, ESG and HOPWA programs, and manages CDBG assisted business development activities. NBD's Bureau of Neighborhood Preservation assists CDBG public service and public improvement projects. The Department of Recreation and Youth Services administers CDBG assisted public service projects. The Department of Environmental Services is responsible for CDBG assisted public facilities and improvements.

The City of Rochester encourages citizens to participate in the planning and implementation of the Consolidated Community Development Plan. Public meetings are held at times convenient for citizens, and at locations within the program target areas that are accessible to the disabled. In addition, the City provides opportunities for citizens to submit written comments, proposals, and recommendations. It also publishes and distributes material in both English and Spanish upon request.

HUD requires the City to adopt a citizen participation plan for the consolidated planning, application, and reporting processes. The Plan also covers the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program.

Purpose

The Citizen Participation Plan establishes policies and procedures to encourage citizen involvement in planning for the use of federal funds that are available under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The City promotes citizen participation in the following activities:

- Development of the Consolidated Community Development Plan which contains a five-year strategic plan that outlines strategies and goals for use of federal funds;
- Development of each Annual Action Plan, which describes specific projects and activities that will be undertaken during the year with federal funds to address priority needs;
- Review and comment on substantial amendments to the Consolidated Community Development Plan and/or Annual Action Plan;
- Review and comment on the annual Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report which describes the process of implementing the Plan through the proposed actions identified in the Annual Action Plan; and,
- Review and comment on substantial amendments to the Citizen Participation Plan.

The City of Rochester encourages participation by low- and moderate-income persons, particularly those living in slum and blighted areas, and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and by residents of predominantly low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. Predominantly low- and moderate-income neighborhoods are defined as those where 51% or more of the residents have incomes that are 80% or less of the median family income. Actions are taken to encourage participation by minorities, non-English speaking persons and persons with disabilities. Residents of public and assisted housing and other low-income residents of targeted revitalization areas in which public and assisted housing is located are also encouraged to participate.

Consolidated Community Development Plan and Action Plan

The City submits a Consolidated Community Development Plan every five years and an Action Plan each year to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The Consolidated Community Development Plan consists of a strategic plan and an annual action plan. The strategic plan contains a community development needs assessment, a housing market analysis, and long term strategies to meet priority needs. The annual action plan describes specific projects and activities that will be undertaken in the coming year with federal funds to address priority needs. The Consolidated Plan covers the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020.

The City of Rochester may also participate in the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program. Under the program, the City of Rochester may borrow from the federal government an amount equal to five times its annual Community Development Block Grant, using the grant as security. The City may then utilize these funds for eligible activities such as acquisition, rehabilitation, and economic development.

Among other input, the development of strategic plans for the four quadrant areas provides context and direction to the Consolidated Community Development Plan.

The Goals and Policy Priorities adopted by the Administration also guide the development of the plan. The Mayor's goals are to improve educational outcomes for city students, increase economic development, improve public safety and community/police relations and address the stark economic disparities that plague many parts of the city.

The City consults with local public agencies that assist low and moderate income persons, including City staff, State and federal agencies, and neighboring local government and regional agencies. The City also consults with private agencies, including local nonprofit service providers and advocates such as the local public housing agency, health agencies, homeless service providers, non-profit housing developers, social service agencies (including those focusing on services to children, the elderly, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS, and persons with substance abuse problems).

There are also opportunities for citizens, nonprofit organizations, and other interested parties to review and comment on a draft Annual Action Plan before its implementation.

The City's Housing Policy guides the allocation of CDBG and HOME resources available to the City of Rochester to address priority housing needs and specific objectives.

The City will hold a general meeting to provide information on the plan and solicit input on community development and housing needs. The meeting will be held on March 7, 2016 6-7:30 PM in City Council Chambers, 30 Church Street.

A Draft Annual Action Plan will be prepared and published on or around April 12, 2016. In addition to the activities proposed to be undertaken, the Plan will detail the amount of federal assistance expected to be received (including grant funds and program income) and the range of activities that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low and moderate income and the plans to minimize displacement of persons and to assist any persons displaced.

If, as a result of a program activity, any residential displacement and relocation must occur, the City of Rochester ensures that it will develop an Anti-Displacement and Relocation Plan in connection with that project in accordance with federal regulations. Specifically, the City will comply with the anti-displacement and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Act and the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and implementing regulations of 24 CFR Part 42.

The City will publish a notice in the Democrat & Chronicle which will summarize the Consolidated Community Development Plan/Annual Action Plan. It will contain a description of the contents and purposes of the Plan and a list of locations where copies of the entire proposed Plan may be reviewed.

The Plan will be available at public libraries and copies will be available in the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development, and the Bureau of Communications in City Hall, which are accessible to the disabled. It will also be posted on the City's website. The City will make a reasonable number of free copies of the Plan available to citizens and groups that request it. The Plan will be available for 30 days for comment.

The Draft Plan will be submitted to City Council for its consideration. The City will hold a public hearing on the draft Consolidated Community Development Plan. At this hearing, the public is invited to comment on all phases of the Plan, including housing and community development needs, proposed activities, and program performance. The City will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at public hearings in preparing the final Plan.

After the City Council adopts the Plan, it will be submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval. Copies of the adopted Plan will be available in the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development, and the Communications Bureau in City Hall. A summary of all comments received within the 30-day comment period will be included in the Final Plan that is submitted to HUD.

Submission of Comments and Proposals

The public is invited to make its views on needs and priorities known, as well as proposals for specific activities. These can be submitted in writing to Attention: Mary Kay Kenrick, Associate Administrative Analyst, Department of Neighborhood & Business Development, Room 224B, City Hall, 30 Church Street, Rochester, NY 14614. Responses to written submissions will be provided.

Technical Assistance

City staff is available upon request to help citizens and groups adequately participate in all aspects of the planning of the Consolidated Community Development Program. All requests for technical assistance should be directed to Attention: Mary Kay Kenrick, Associate Administrative Analyst, Department of Neighborhood & Business Development, Room 224B, City Hall, 30 Church Street, Rochester, NY 14614.

Bilingual Services

This year, as in the past, bilingual services will be provided to the Hispanic community. Information handouts will be made available in Spanish, if requested. Bilingual assistance is also available upon request to help interpret information.

Comments and Complaints

The City will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing or orally at public hearings in preparing the final Consolidated Community Development Plan, amendments to the Plan or the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. A summary of these comments or views and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons will be attached to the final Consolidated Community Development Plan, amendments to the Plan or Performance Report.

Any complaints regarding this Citizen Participation Plan or the development or implementation of the Consolidated Community Development Plan should be addressed to Attention: Mary Kay Kenrick, Associate Administrative Analyst, Department of Neighborhood & Business Development, Room 224B, City Hall, 30 Church Street, Rochester, NY 14614. The City will make every reasonable effort to provide written responses within 15 days.

Publicity

The meetings and public hearings will be publicized through the use of newspaper ads, press releases, posting on the City's website, or direct mailings to sector committees. Adequate advance notice with sufficient information about the subject will be provided to permit informed comment.

2016-17 Consolidated Community Development Plan/Implementation Phase

The implementation phase of the Plan will begin on July 1, 2016. There are also opportunities for participation in the implementation and evaluation of the Plan's performance.

Plan Implementation and Community Involvement

The first step in implementing the various activities funded by the Consolidated Community Development Plan is appropriation of funds by City Council. Such action will take place throughout the program year.

Amendments

The need may arise during implementation to modify or amend the approved Annual Plan. Certain changes will be minor in nature and will not require public notification or citizen participation prior to the implementation of such changes. Other changes, defined as substantial, will require public

notification and public review. The following changes are considered substantial amendments to the Consolidated Community Development Plan/Annual Action Plan:

- To make a substantial change in its allocation priorities or a substantial change in the method of distribution of funds;
- To carry out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income) not previously described in the action plan;
- Increasing or decreasing an activity's budget by more than 25%;
- Providing interim financing such as a "float loan";
- Transferring funds from a contingency;
- To change the purpose, scope, location or beneficiaries of an activity; or
- A Section 108 Loan that was not described in the Plan.

The City will publish a notice which will inform the public of the proposed changes and locations where a copy of the draft amendment may be reviewed. Interested parties will have 30 days to provide written comments on the proposed amendment. The City Council will hold a public hearing prior to considering amendments to the Plan. A description of the amendment(s) will be available at the hearing. A summary of all comments received within the 30 day period will be included in the substantial amendment to the Consolidated Community Development Plan/Annual Action Plan that is finally submitted to HUD.

Program Performance

The City of Rochester converted to the Integrated Disbursement and Information System in December 1996. The system enables the City to review a program's progress and monitor its performance on an ongoing basis.

A written Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report will be prepared annually. The report will contain a summary of resources and programmatic accomplishments, the status of actions taken to implement the strategy contained in the Consolidated Community Development Program, and evaluation of progress made during the year in addressing identified priority needs and objectives.

The City will publish a notice in the Democrat and Chronicle which will inform the public of the availability of the CAPER for review and comment and the locations where a copy of the draft document may be reviewed. Copies of the report will be available in the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development and the Communications Bureau in City Hall.

Interested parties will have 15 days to provide written comments on the report. A summary of all comments received within the 15-day period will be included in the CAPER that is finally submitted to HUD.

Records

The City of Rochester will provide reasonable and timely access to information and records relating to the Consolidated Plan and use of funds during the preceding five years, if available. Due to staff limitations, the City may not be able to analyze information and prepare specialized reports.

Copies of the following documents pertaining to the Consolidated Community Development Program and Annual Action Plan will be on file as they become available for public examination during regular

business hours at the Rundel Library (Local History Division) located at 115 South Avenue and the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development (City Hall, Room 224 B, 30 Church Street, Rochester, NY):

1. Citizen Participation Plan
2. Draft Consolidated Community Development Plan
3. Final Consolidated Community Development Plan
4. Performance and Evaluation Report

Copies of these documents are also available by request.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2016-2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

3/7/2016 at 6:00 PM to 3/7/2016 at 7:30 PM [See All Events](#)

Description: The purpose of the hearing is to obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations relative to housing and community development needs that may be addressed by CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds during the next year.

[Click here to view the Hearing Notice](#)

Location: City Hall
Council Chambers
Rochester, NY 14614

Contact: Please click the Hearing Notice link above to find appropriate contact.

Cost: There is no fee associated with this event.

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Roof Repair Program - Owner Occupants

Market Matters Newsletter

Biz Kids

Bike Week in Rochester 2015

Pillars of Hope

Girls Coalition - Positive Girls Doing Positive Things

Genesee Valley Park Sports Complex

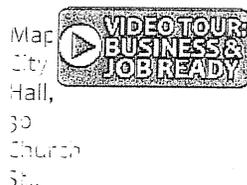
Home Purchase Assistance Program

Special Events

Sponsorship of City of Rochester Events

SEE ALSO

Community and Youth Programs



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE CITY OF ROCHESTER 2016-17 ANNUAL
ACTION PLAN FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, HOME, ESG AND
HOPWA FUNDING**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Rochester is currently preparing its 2016-17 Annual Action Plan. The City will apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing (HUD) for 2016-17.

In accordance with the Final Rule for revised program regulations, 24 CFR, Parts 91, et. al. and the City's citizen participation plan, the City intends to conduct a public hearing to address housing and community development needs for the Annual Action Plan. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations relative to housing and community development needs that may be addressed by CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds during the next year. Individuals and organizations may recommend specific activities to be carried out with 2016-17 CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds, and may also comment on the City's performance in carrying out CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA activities.

**PUBLIC HEARING
Monday, March 7, 2016
6-7:30 PM
City Hall, Council Chambers**

The City expects to publish a summary of its 2016-17 Annual Action Plan on or about April 12, 2016. A copy of the document will be placed on public display for a thirty day review period beginning on or about April 12, 2016. A final public hearing will be duly advertised and conducted to present the proposed plan to the public. The City will consider comments on the proposed plan prior to adoption by the governing body of the City of Rochester in mid-May, 2016. The City will then submit its Annual Action plan to HUD for approval.

Information relative to the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan is available during normal business hours of 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday through Friday in the Department of Neighborhood and Business Development, 30 Church Street, Room 224B, Rochester, NY 14614.

Assisted listening devices and/or alternative formats are available upon request: American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters; other auxiliary aids and services, or reasonable modifications to City meeting policies and/or procedures such as to assist members of the disabled community who would like to request a disability-related accommodation in addressing the City, are available if requested at least 3 business days prior to the meeting. Later requests will be accommodated to the extent feasible. Any person with a disability requiring special accommodations to attend one of the public meetings should notify Maria Oliver at (585) 428-6579. Every effort will be made to provide reasonable accommodations. The telephone number for the hearing impaired is TTY (800) 662-1220.

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NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY

(Please post at all Public Housing Developments)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF ROCHESTER IS CURRENTLY PREPARING ITS 2016-17 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN. THE CITY WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL FUNDS: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG), HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME), EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG), AND HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. THE CITY INTENDS TO SUBMIT ITS 2016-17 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO HUD ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2016.

THE CITY WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO OBTAIN PUBLIC INPUT RELATIVE TO HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS FOR THE 2016-17 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.

THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON

DATE: **March 7, 2016**

TIME: 6-7:30 PM

LOCATION: City Council Chambers

City Hall

30 Church Street

Rochester, NY 14614

THE PURPOSE OF THE CITY'S ANNUAL ACTION PLAN IS TO ADDRESS THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER, ESPECIALLY THE NEEDS OF VERY LOW AND LOWER INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, THE HOMELESS AND PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

ALL INTERESTED RESIDENTS OF THE ROCHESTER HOUSING AUTHORITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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Legal Notices LLC & PLC

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Flanagan Mills Insurance Agency, LLC of org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) January 6, 2016. Office Location Rochester, NY Monroe County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC. SSNY shall mail a copy of process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail copy of process 620 Titus Ave., Rochester, NY 14617.
Purpose: Any lawful activities. 00001015094.01

Legal Notices LLC & PLC

Notice of Formation of Excel Managed Services, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the NY Secretary of State (SSNY) on 11/05/2015. Office Location: Monroe County. The SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to: 3111 Rivermill Dr. Columbus, OH 43220. Purpose of LLC: Any lawful act or activity. 0000993044.01

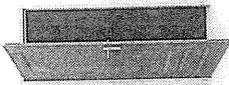
LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF Freight Taxi, LLC of org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) December 1, 2015. Office Location Rochester, NY Monroe County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process, 141 Avenue B, Rochester, NY 14608.
Purpose: any lawful activities. 00001015265.01

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF TRUPIN TAYLOR HOLDINGS LLC

TRUPIN TAYLOR HOLDINGS LLC filed Articles of Organization with NYS on December 8, 2015. (1) Its principal office is located in Monroe County, New York. (2) The Secretary of State has been designated as agent for service of process and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process is The PLLC 1080 Pittsford-Victor Road, Suite 2J, Pittsford, New York 14534. (3) Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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