

CITY OF SLIDELL

2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN



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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Slidell receives annual grant allocations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The purpose of the CDBG program is to assist low to moderate- income families and households that earn less than 80% of the area median income.

The authorizing statute of the CDBG program (24 CFR part 570) requires that maximum feasible priority be given to funding activities, which will carry out one of three national objectives:

- Benefit LMI persons.
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.
- Meet a need having particular urgency due to an immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community

In order to access these federal funds, the City submits a Consolidated Plan every five years. The term of the most recent Consolidated Plan is from July 1, 2020 to June 20, 2024. As a planning document, the Consolidated Plan assesses local community development needs in the areas of affordable housing and non-housing community development. It serves as a local planning document and as an application for CDBG funds. In order to be eligible for CDBG funding, activities must achieve at least one of three national objectives defined by HUD:

- Aid in the prevention of slums and blight
- Be of primary benefit to low to moderate-income citizens
- Meet community development needs having a particular urgency

Each year, the City prepares an Annual Action Plan that describes the projects and activities it will undertake to carry out the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plan

This document is the second year Annual Action Plan, covering the period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

The City of Slidell 2020 - 2024 Consolidated Plan established priority needs that the City developed through public outreach, consultation with civic leaders in the target area and solicitation of projects from the City staff.

The general strategy of the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan is to target two of three HUD objectives identified in the Consolidated Plan. They are as follows:

1. Benefit to low to moderate-income persons
2. Aid in the prevention of slum or blight

The City of Slidell will target CDBG funds to an area of the City that has the highest concentration of low to moderate-income persons. This area generally coincides with three of Slidell's older residential neighborhoods located in Census Tract 409. It incorporates the subdivisions of Lincoln Park, Terrace Park and Roosevelt Park, and it is located just east of Third Street or Sergeant Alfred Drive. The City's Planning Department will direct and monitor the CDBG programs and activities included in the Consolidated Plan.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

In recent years, the City has completed sidewalk and drainage improvements along Cleveland Avenue, Terrace Ave, Second Street, and Guzman Street. The City also improved and elevated a park restroom at Veterans Memorial Park, constructed a basketball court and exercise path in Possum Hollow Park. The PY 2016 and PY 2017 Action Plans apportioned \$20,000 to support the Community and Economic Development priority needs established in the Consolidated Plan. The lack of a local eligible 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations and a lack of trained City personnel to oversee this type program hindered implementation resulting in these funds being unexpended. In addition, \$2,500 apportioned for Fair Housing Training remains unexpended.

In the final year of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, the City completed two new basketball courts in Ducksworth Park.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

In preparation for the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan, the City conducted two public meetings on TBD to

solicit public input, consulted with local civic leaders and non-profits. Furthermore, the Planning Department staff organized several meetings with the Mayor's office and other City departments to gain input on anticipated needs, priorities and to assess problematic areas of concerns.

5. Summary of public comments

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

A Response Summary is included as an attachment of this plan.

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

The City of Slidell considered all comments and views.

7. Summary

In analyzing the data, the City concluded that public facility are the best methods to utilize CDBG funding to achieve the CDBG objectives of benefiting low to moderate-income persons and aiding in the elimination of slums and blight. Assessments of future current needs will be conducted during the preparation of each annual plan and will addressed at that time.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator		City Planning Department

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of Slidell Planning Department is the lead agency responsible for the management and implementation of the CDBG program.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

The public email contact is cdbg@cityofslidell.org. The Slidell Planning Department phone number is (985) 646-4320 and correspondence may be directed to CDBG, City of Slidell Planning Department, P.O. Box 828, Slidell, LA 70459.

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

1. Introduction

In preparation for this Con Plan, the City of Slidell conducted extensive outreach to both citizens and stakeholders. These included people who work with low and moderate-income persons, persons with special needs, persons of protected classes, or those who work in low and moderate-income areas. Coordination and consultation with public and private agencies was essential when gathering information for this 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))

The City continues to promote affordable housing and supports the development of a region wide housing alliance. City staff participates in the Northlake Homeless Coalition and continues to seek out opportunities to strategize with a number of organizations that address short-term and long-term community needs through participation in local and regional meetings. These organizations include but are not limited to the East St. Tammany Habitat for Humanity, Northshore Housing Initiative and St. Tammany Parish Community Action Agency.

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

The City of Slidell supports the Region IX Continuum of Care (CoC), the Northlake Homeless Coalition (NHC). Its mission is to prevent and eradicate homelessness. Participation in this organization assists the city in providing information and referral services to other agencies actively engaged in providing homeless services.

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

The City of Slidell does not receive ESG funds. For those organizations that do participate in the ESG program, the Northlake Homeless Coalition determines which community programs to fund, and it also evaluates the outcomes of activities. The CoC plays a major role in the gathering and reporting of homeless data with the "Point-in-Time" count. The information gathered, which includes data counts

within the City of Slidell, helps create continuum-wide performance measures that are used to evaluate performance and determine resource allocations for the COC.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Northlake Homeless Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Regional organization Planning organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization, telephone consult and by attending in-person and virtual meetings with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Northshore Housing Initiative
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey and by consulting with board member concerning the need for affordable housing and housing services with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Council on Aging St. Tammany
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	United Way of Southeast Louisiana
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency was consulted by emailing needs survey to the organization, by telephone consult with the anticipation of information sharing.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Christian Concern
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy 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?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization, telephone consult and by attending in-person meeting with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Luke the Evangelist Good Sam's
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Slidell consulted by emailing the needs survey.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Safe Harbor
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization and by telephone consult with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA GREATER NEW ORLEANS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy 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?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization and by telephone consult with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	East St. Tammany Habitat for Humanity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Regional organization Planning organization
	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?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization and by telephone consult with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Slidell Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA Services - 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?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization and by telephone consult with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing.

11	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Tammany Community Action Agency
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Employment Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consultation by emailing the needs survey to the organization, by telephone consult and in-person meetings with the anticipation of improving networking and information sharing

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

The City contacted local social service agencies providing services within the community to provide consultation in all areas of the plan. The City actively pursued consultation with all agency types.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Northlake Homeless Coalition	Identifies gaps in homeless services and formulates initiatives to address gaps.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The City of Slidell recognizes that citizens form the nexus in the development and execution of the Consolidated Plan. The City of Slidell Citizen Participation Plan outlines the policies and procedures by which residents, public agencies, and other interested parties can actively participate in the development of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Substantial Amendments, and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). Following the CDBG Cares Act Waivers protocol and the City of Slidell Citizen Participation Plan, the City of Slidell posted a public notice soliciting public review and held a virtual public meeting, (TBD) to solicit public input. Together with the written survey posted on the City of Slidell website *myslidell.com* and distributed to local community organizations, the City gathered most of the public information it needed to form a basis to formulate projects and target anticipated project funding. The City Planning Department had several meetings with the Mayor's office and other city departments in order to gather their priorities and concerns. Various public and private non-profit groups were consulted through one on one meetings with representatives or by teleconference. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the Consolidated Planning process include those that responded to surveys, attended public meetings or contacted the City of Slidell Planning Department.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Notice: March 18, 2021	Non-targeted/broad community	A summary of the plan was made available for public comment pursuant to CV-19 Citizen Participation revisions.	No comments were received	All comments were accepted.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Non-targeted/ broad community	Non-targeted/ broad community	A virtual public hearing was held on April 8, 2021 to gather comments from the public	No comments were received.	Not Applicable	
3	Public Notice: May 5, 2021	Non-targeted/ broad community	A summary of the plan was made available for public comment on May 5, 2021 pursuant to CV-19 Citizen Participation revisions.	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	
4	Public Hearing: May 17, 2021	Non-targeted/ broad community	A virtual public hearing will be held on May 17, 2021 to gather comments from the public.	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	

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)
5	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Notification of the virtual meetings and summary of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan were published on <i>myslidell.com</i> . Links to the entire version of the plan were provided.	To Be Determined	To Be Determined	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The Community Development Block Grant will be the main source of funding for the projects discussed in the Consolidated Plan. Leveraging funds through public and private partnerships is a priority. Federal, local, and private funding opportunities are constantly being researched and explored to implement additional program funding. Previously, CDBG funds have been leveraged with municipal funds to create a greater impact and the City intends to continue this commitment on a project-by-

project basis as resources allow.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	184,548	0	0	184,548	543,000	CDBG funds allocated for the first year of the ConPlan are \$184,548.00. The City expects no program income or other types of HUD funding. CDBG funds will finance public facility improvements. CDBG funds are leveraged with other funding sources when possible.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

There are no matching requirements involved in the CDBG and additional program funding is constantly being researched.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that

may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Publically owned land dedicated for recreation/park facilities will be used to address the needs identified in the plan. In the event of infrastructure improvement such as sidewalk extensions publically owned street rights of way will be provided, and if road connection projects are proposed publically owned unopened street rights of way will be provided.

Discussion

CDBG resources are allocated to activities that address the needs of the low to moderate- income community. These needs would not be met without CDBG resources

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	Public Facility Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG Target Area CT409	Public Facilities Improvements	CDBG: \$147,638	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2041 Persons Assisted
2	Foster Coordination with Service Organizations	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG Target Area CT409	Increased coordination with service providers	CDBG: \$0	Other: 10 Other
3	Urgent Needs: Public Facility Improvements	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG Target Area CT409	Urgent Need	CDBG: \$0	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2041 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Urgent Needs: Public Service Activities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG Target Area CT409	Urgent Need	CDBG: \$0	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Persons Assisted
5	Administration and Planning	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG Target Area CT409	Public Facilities Improvements Increased coordination with service providers Urgent Need	CDBG: \$36,910	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Facility Improvements
	Goal Description	Provide public facility improvements within the CDBG target area.
2	Goal Name	Foster Coordination with Service Organizations
	Goal Description	Increase networking with the organizations that can assist the low to moderate-income community.
3	Goal Name	Urgent Needs: Public Facility Improvements
	Goal Description	Provide public facility improvements based on needs resulting from a declared emergency or declared disaster.
4	Goal Name	Urgent Needs: Public Service Activities
	Goal Description	Provide public service activities based on needs resulting from a declared emergency or natural disaster.
5	Goal Name	Administration and Planning
	Goal Description	Administration and planning for the CDBG program.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

CDBG projects will focus on public facility improvements in area parks located in the CDBG target area CT 409. Improvements will improve the quality of life of area residents by enhancing recreation opportunity. Projects related to Urgent Needs both public facility and public services are undefined and will be determined as need arises in the event of a declared national disaster or emergency. Limited resources are the primary challenges in addressing underserved needs.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Public Facility Improvements - Parks and Recreation
2	Foster Coordination with Service Organizations
3	Urgent Needs: Public Facility Improvements
4	Urgent Needs: Public Service
5	Administration and Planning

Table 7 - Project Information

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

The rationale in determining allocation of priorities stems from input received from the community. Limited resources are the primary challenges in addressing underserved needs.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Public Facility Improvements - Parks and Recreation
	Target Area	CDBG Target Area CT409
	Goals Supported	Public Facility Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$147,638
	Description	Improvements to area parks will improve the quality of life of area residents by enhancing recreation opportunity.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimates indicate that 586 low to moderate-income families will benefit from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	Activities will be completed within Census Tract 409.
	Planned Activities	CDBG funds will be used provide public facility improvements to area parks. Improvement will contribute to increased use and create a vibrant place for recreation and family gatherings.
2	Project Name	Foster Coordination with Service Organizations
	Target Area	CDBG Target Area CT409
	Goals Supported	Foster Coordination with Service Organizations
	Needs Addressed	Increased coordination with service providers
	Funding	:
	Description	Increase networking with organizations that can assist the low to moderate-income community.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimates indicate that 586 low to moderate- income families within the target area may benefit from interagency coordination.
	Location Description	CDBG Target Area CT 409
	Planned Activities	Increase networking with the organizations that can assist the low to moderate-income community.
3	Project Name	Urgent Needs: Public Facility Improvements
	Target Area	CDBG Target Area CT409

	Goals Supported	Urgent Needs: Public Facility Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Urgent Need
	Funding	:
	Description	To provide public facility improvements based on needs that may result from a declared emergency or natural disaster.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	To Be Determined
	Location Description	CT 409 or citywide as need is determined.
	Planned Activities	To provide public facility improvements based on needs resulting from a declared emergency or disaster.
4	Project Name	Urgent Needs: Public Service
	Target Area	CDBG Target Area CT409
	Goals Supported	Urgent Needs: Public Service Activities
	Needs Addressed	Urgent Need
	Funding	:
	Description	To provide public facility improvements based on needs resulting from a declared emergency or disaster.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	To Be Determined
	Location Description	CT 409 or citywide as need is determined.
	Planned Activities	To provide public facility improvements based on needs resulting from a declared emergency or disaster.
5	Project Name	Administration and Planning
	Target Area	CDBG Target Area CT409
	Goals Supported	Administration and Planning
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities Improvements Increased coordination with service providers Urgent Need

Funding	CDBG: \$36,910
Description	Administration and Planning activities
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimates indicate that 586 low to moderate- income families may benefit from activities administered through the CDBG program.
Location Description	250 Bouscaren Street Slidell, LA
Planned Activities	Administration and planning of the CDBG program.

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 CDBG target area is Census Tract 409.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
CDBG Target Area CT409	

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

CT 409 has been the target area in previous years and needs have been identified in various public meetings in preparation for previous plans and this current plan. This area has the highest concentration of low to moderate-income households.

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

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

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

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

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

Discussion

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Slidell Housing Authority was established pursuant to the U. S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended. It provides safe, decent and affordable housing to low-income families.

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

The City will coordinate with the public housing authority concerning information sharing of their respective programs.

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

The housing authority sponsors resident council meetings and encourages active participation from residents.

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

The Slidell Housing Authority is not a troubled PHA.

Discussion

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

Introduction

The City addresses homelessness through its participation in the local Continuum of Care (CoC). This organization consists of agencies and service providers that provide a unified approach to serving the homeless in Region IX.

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

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

The City of Slidell plans to coordinate with the Northlake Homeless Coalition. Staff will attend meeting and keep current on issues that address homeless persons. As need arises, the City may provide information and referral to help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless. This includes and is not limited to the following:

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

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will continue to participate in the Continuum and coordinate with those organizations that provide emergency shelter and transitional housing needs.

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

Local resources from various non-profit organizations provide homeless prevention. They provide a wide range of services address transitional housing, rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing and

supportive services to prevent the recently homeless from becoming homeless again. The CoC member organizations utilize HMIS.

To overcome the gaps in delivery of homeless services, or other Community Development services, the City will strive to work together with homeless prevention organizations, other service providers and their planning networks.

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

The member organizations of the CoC address the needs of low-income households to avoid becoming homeless. Information and referral between organizations guides those who contact organizations for assistance. The City will continue to attend the local CoC, Northlake Homeless Coalition meetings to stay current with homeless resources and help address issues that face low-income individuals, families and the homeless.

Discussion

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

Introduction:

Public and private residential investments are the key in providing and furthering affordable housing.

The **2017 Assessment of Fair Housing** that was a joint venture between the City of Slidell and St. Tammany analyzed fair housing and fair housing choice. The primary goals presented in this document include but are not limited to:

Support credit counseling and homeownership

- Educated the public about NIMBYism
- Continue efforts to ensure that renters and homeowners have access to healthy housing
- Provide social services to assist low and moderate income residents
- Lessen and prevent environmental issues that disproportionately affect low income and minority residents

The recent pandemic is expected to tighten credit for homebuyers. This will restrict the home buying market for low to moderate-income buyers. The City of Slidell does not have any specific public policy that affects the home buying market other than those costs associated with regulatory building codes established for the overall public good.

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

The City of Slidell will continue to coordinate with public and private social service organizations to foster affordable housing including the Northshore Housing Initiative and East St. Tammany Habitat for Humanity to address the obstacles that block affordable housing. It will will inform the public and educate developers about the need for affordable housing in an effort to eliminate the barriers and stigma associated with this issue.

Discussion:

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Described below are "Other Actions", as required by federal mandates.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved include but are not limited to the following:

- Foster affordable housing
- Evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to encourage affordable housing by collaborating with public and private housing organizations including East St. Tammany Habitat for Humanity and the Northshore Land Trust. Staff will stay up-to-date on issues that affect affordable housing.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to educate the public about the dangers of lead based paint. It will provide educational information available to the public and local organizations.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will institute the following strategies and actions to help families achieve financial stability:

- Coordinate with businesses to increase the number of jobs available, especially higher waged jobs, for low- and moderate-income persons
- Coordinate with other City officials and departments to increase financial awareness, homebuyer counseling information, and information about general financial literacy

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of Slidell is the lead agency for the development and administration of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, and its funded CDBG projects. A number of non-profit organizations,

contractors, and other public agencies contribute to the success of the CDBG program.

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

Reaffirming relationships with community organizations in the areas of affordable housing, community development, and homeless prevention will enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. Over the course of the program year, the City will seek to build on existing relationships and establish new connections with community partners.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

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

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

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income.	
Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

