NASSAU COUNTY

OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

FOR THE HUD CONSOLIDATED STRATEGY AND PLAN

December 1994
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Revised March 2005
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Revised June 2015
I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development (OHCD) is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions (ESG) Grants Program, which are all funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These programs are intended to support the goals of providing decent housing, providing a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate income people.

Starting in 1995, HUD is requesting grantees, such as Nassau County, to consolidate the submission requirements for all of the above formula grant programs in order to promote coordinated neighborhood and community development strategies to revitalize communities. The requirements of the Consolidated Plan submission also create the opportunity for citizen participation to occur in a comprehensive context. As required by 24 CFR Part 91, in the development of its Consolidated Strategy and Plan, the Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development will follow a detailed Citizen Participation Plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan was made available for citizen comment during the Consolidated Plan comment period. All comments received regarding the Citizen Participation Plan will be summarized and included in the final Consolidated Plan submitted to HUD.

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN OBJECTIVES

The Citizen Participation Plan incorporates the following major provisions:

A. Provides for and encourages citizen participation, with particular emphasis on participation by persons of low and moderate income who are residents of slum and blighted areas and of areas in which Federal housing and community development funds are proposed to be used;

B. Provides citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information, and records relating to the amount of funds available to Nassau County, and Nassau County's proposed use of funds;

C. Provides for technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals with the level and type of assistance to be determined by the Nassau County OHCD;

D. Provides for public hearings to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions at all stages of the community development program, including at least the development of needs, the review of proposed activities, and review of program performance, which hearings shall be held after adequate notice, at times and
locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for the handicapped;

E. Provides for a timely-written answer to written comments, complaints and grievances, within 20 working days where practicable; and

F. Identifies how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the case of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate.

III. PLAN ELEMENTS

A. Participation

To encourage citizen participation, the Nassau County OHCD will hold two public hearings. The first public hearing will be a needs hearing to provide information about the consolidated planning process, the funding anticipated to be received by Nassau, and past performance. A summary of fair housing issues and affordable housing needs would also be discussed. Attendees will be encouraged to provide testimony regarding housing and community development needs. A second public hearing will be held to present the proposed strategy and use of funds. As with the first hearing, attendees will be encouraged to comment and provide input on the consolidated strategy and plan and the County’s fair and affordable housing programs. The OHCD will distribute information to agencies, organizations and groups that are involved with housing and community development, encouraging them to participate. The OHCD will also encourage participation by public housing residents through contact with public housing management and/or public housing tenants associations.

Announcement of the Draft Consolidated Plan will be published in *Newsday*, a newspaper of general circulation, as well as on the OHCD website, providing for a 30 day comment period. The Draft Consolidated Plan will be made available at Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development and on the OHCD website for review by Consortium Communities, County and local agencies and the not-for-profit sector. Reasonable opportunity to comment on substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan will be provided. Substantial amendments will be defined as changes in use of funding from one eligible activity to another; and addition or deletion of an established Consolidated Plan strategy. Substantial changes shall not include: transfers of a modest amount of funds from an existing line to another existing project line without material changes to either project in terms of beneficiaries or locations; or transfers of left-over funds from a completed project to an existing project without material change in terms of beneficiaries or locations. Notices will be published in *Newsday* providing for a 30 day comment period.

HOME and Emergency Solutions Grants activities will be selected based on an annual competitive funding round. Projects will be selected based upon the capacity
of the organization to carry out the activity; the extent the project benefits low income persons; matching contributions available; market and financial feasibility; and site and design factors. Other rating factors and weighting criteria will be outlined in a Notice of Funding Availability published at the start of the Annual Plan coordination process or when such funding might become available.

The County’s overall approach toward selecting Community Development projects is to permit each Consortium community to define its own needs, delineate its own target improvement area, and to develop programs to meet the target area needs, within the context of an overall Countywide approach for the entire Consolidated Plan.

As an additional method of encouraging citizen participation, the 8 larger consortium members, which include the towns of Hempstead, Oyster Bay and North Hempstead, the cities of Long Beach and Glen Cove, and the villages of Hempstead, Freeport, and Rockville Centre, will hold public hearings where citizens are provided information concerning the CDBG program and are given the opportunity to comment and express their views on the program.

In addition, the OHCD distributes information to agencies, organizations and groups that are involved with housing and community development encouraging them to participate.

B. Consolidated Plan Coordination

To further coordinate County efforts on the Consolidated Plan, a team will be established, including representatives from the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless (Continuum of Care), Nassau County Planning Department, and various County health and human services departments, as well as representatives from public housing authorities. These representatives will provide input to County Staff and consultants in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan and will help coordinate information gathering.

C. Access to Meetings and Information

The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development will provide reasonable and timely access to meetings, information, and records relating to the Consolidated Plan. All notices for public hearings will be published at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing in order to provide a reasonable notice period. Where feasible, 14 days notice will be provided, however HUD does not establish a required notice period. Notices will be published in the Nassau County Newsday, a publication of general circulation and Nassau County’s official newspaper. Said notice will be placed in a prominent section of the newspaper.

As part of the citizen participation process, the larger consortium member communities will conduct public hearings regarding their individual CD programs.
Public notices will be published by each community at least 10 days prior to hearings; notices will be published in local newspapers or newspaper of general circulation, and copies of the notices will be posted at City/Village/Town Halls, community development offices, libraries, post offices, local schools, places of worship, community centers, and/or other public gathering places, as appropriate.

Public hearings conducted by the County will provide the public with more detailed information on CDBG, HOME and Emergency Solutions Grants Programs including: the amount of funds available, types of eligible and ineligible activities, proposed programs/projects, and the percentage and dollar amount of the programs' estimated benefit to low and moderate income persons.

Records relating to the County's use of funds will be available to the public in the form of the Consolidated Plan, Grantee Performance Report (GPR), and other documents submitted to HUD upon grant close-outs. As previously indicated, the Nassau County OHCD will publish announce that the proposed funding allocations are available for review at OHCD in Newsday, a newspaper of general circulation and on the OHCD website. The Draft Consolidated Plan will be made available at Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development for review, so that citizens are afforded sufficient opportunity to review and provide comments on the document. Citizens will be provided a period of not less than 30 days to review the document and make comments. A summary of comments and responses will be incorporated into the Consolidated Plan document.

Nassau County OHCD will also publish summaries of substantial amendments to the Plan, and performance reports, in Newsday. A 30 day comment period will be provided for substantial amendments, and a 15 day comment period will be provided for performance reports. Should a citizen or interested party seek information on other program records not covered by the above, the Nassau County OHCD Director will determine whether the request is appropriate in accordance with County policy and/or the Freedom of Information Act. Information and records will be available for inspection at the Nassau County OHCD, or at the local City Hall, Village Hall, Town Hall, or CD Office, Monday through Friday, during normal work hours.

D. Technical Assistance

The Nassau County OHCD will be responsible for providing technical assistance in developing proposals to groups representative of low and moderate income persons. In providing such assistance, the Nassau County OHCD Director will consider the scope of the group's proposal; the need for the project; the proposed beneficiaries; the group's past experience and background; and the group's ability to undertake the activity. Technical assistance may take the following forms, depending on the project scope and its impact on the community or identified need:

- application or proposal development
- concept and/or site planning
E. Public Hearings

Prior to the submission of the Nassau County Consolidated Plan, two public hearings will be held by the Nassau County OHCD, and one by each of the larger consortium members. The purpose of the hearings will be to obtain views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties, and to respond to proposals and comments at all stages of the consolidated submission process by identifying housing and community development needs, reviewing the proposed use of funds, and reviewing program performance.

Public hearings will be held at convenient times and locations. The locations will be accessible to actual or proposed beneficiaries, including the elderly and handicapped. Program amendments will also be subject to the public hearing process; this aspect will be undertaken by the OHCD.

F. Grievances/Comments

The Nassau County OHCD Director will be responsible for responding to all written comments and grievances. Every effort will be made by the Director to respond in writing within 20 working days from the date of receipt of the written complaint or comment. In cases where additional information is required in order to properly respond to the complaint or comment, this will be documented in writing to the complainant or commenter, and a full response provided at a stated later date.

In the event that a grievance or dispute cannot be satisfactorily resolved by the Nassau County OHCD, a copy of all correspondence regarding the grievance shall be forwarded to the New York Area Office of HUD for further guidance and resolution.

G. Needs of Non-English Speaking Residents

In cases of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate, efforts will be made by the Nassau County OHCD to distribute public hearing material in the needed language. Said material would cover a description of HUD's Consolidated Plan process, a list of the types of eligible and ineligible CDBG, HOME and ESG activities, the amount of funds available to the County, the County's past accomplishments, and the proposed programs of the community or the County overall, depending on the circumstances.
H. Displacement

It is the policy of the County of Nassau in formulating and carrying out its Community Development Block Grant and HOME Programs to include projects which will minimize, to the greatest extent feasible, the direct, permanent, involuntary displacement of households. Projects which are deemed beneficial but which may cause such displacement may be included in the program only if it has been demonstrated that such displacement is necessary and vital to the project and efforts have been taken to reduce the number of households required to be displaced. Further, it is the policy of the Nassau Urban County Community Development Program to include such projects which may cause displacement only when it has been clearly demonstrated that the goals and anticipated accomplishments of the project clearly outweigh the adverse effects of displacement imposed upon households who must relocate.

It is the policy of the Nassau Urban County Community Development Program to provide relocation assistance to all households permanently displaced by the acquisition of real property as required and in compliance with HUD regulations implementing the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-646), and Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Further, it is the policy of the Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development to provide relocation assistance to all low and moderate income households who are directly, involuntarily, and permanently displaced by, or for, the assisted activities of code enforcement, demolition or rehabilitation; or, who are displaced by the acquisition of real property which is excluded from HUD regulations implementing Public Law 91-646. This assistance will be provided expressly for the purpose of mitigating the adverse effects to low and moderate income households who must be displaced in order to carry out an approved project. This assistance will include the following:

a. The provision of housing counseling and referrals to comparable housing as necessary prior to displacement;

b. The issuance of priority status for the Housing Choice Voucher Program for households income qualified and relocating within the jurisdiction of Nassau County; and

c. The provision of relocation benefits and moving expense payments for each household displaced.
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Notice of Public Hearing
Nassau Urban County Consortium Annual Action Plan
Federal Fiscal Year 2019

The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development (NC OHCD) is the administering agency for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program, collectively known as HUD's Consolidated Program. These programs are intended to support the goals of providing a suitable living environment, decent housing, and expanding economic opportunities for low to moderate income persons.

As a condition of receiving the above noted federal funds for federal fiscal year 2019, HUD requirements stipulate that the Nassau County OHCD must adopt an Annual Action Plan describing how each year’s expected funding will be used to further the goals established in the Nassau County Five Year Consolidated Plan. The FY2019 Action Plan must outline proposed activities that the County and its sub-grantees and sub-recipients will carry out during the County’s 2019 Program Year, which begins on September 1, 2019. Nassau County anticipates receiving approximately $44,000,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Funds, $2,000,000.00 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds, and $1,100,000.00 in Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program funds.

To initiate the process, the Nassau County OHCD will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 6:00 PM. The meeting will take place at the Theodore Roosevelt Executive and Legislative Office Building, Legislative Chambers, 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, NY. The purpose of the hearing is to identify housing and community development needs in the County, review past program performances and proposed program amendments, and to identify anticipated sources of funding for FY2019 program year. All citizens, non-profit organizations and other interested parties are invited to attend and provide input and comments. Written comments should be forwarded to the address provided below or by electronic mail to Kevin Crean at kjcrean@nassaucountyny.gov. Formal Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) will be published when HUD makes the official funding announcements.

A link to the online CDBG, HOME and ESG funding applications will be available by the day of the public hearing February 13, 2019 at this site: http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1524/Office-of-Housing-and-Community-Development. Paper applications will no longer be available.

For further information, please contact the Office of Housing and Community Development, 40 Main Street, Hempstead, New York 11550, (516) 272-1524. Sign language interpretation and language translation services will be available upon request seven days prior to the hearing. Persons who require interpretation or language translation, must specify the language of preference including Spanish, Chinese, Haitian Creole, or other languages.

For more information or to receive these services, please contact the Office of Housing and Community Development at (516) 272-1524.

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LAURA CURRAN, COUNTY EXECUTIVE

LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice # 31438166

In accordance with the provisions of State Law, there is hereby Notice of Intention of the Board of the County of Nassau, County Executive, to sell at public auction, on the 29th day of August, 2019, at 10:00 A.M., at the County Executive Office Building, Legislative Chambers, 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, Nassau County, New York, all real property located at 240-67 64th Street, Elmont, in the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York, where the same is levied upon by the Nassau County Receiver for past due taxes, as required by Law.

Legal Notice # 31457920

Notice is hereby given that the County of Nassau, County Executive, will hold a public auction at the Nassau County Executive Office Building, Legislative Chambers, 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York 11501, on the 29th day of August, 2019, at 10:00 A.M., for the purpose of selling the following property located in the Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York: the parcel of real property described as: L:\Geology\Nassau\Properties\Auction\Hempstead\Auction\515926\Lot7.pdf

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Nassau County Urban Renewal and Development Corporation Annual Action Plan Federal Fiscal Year 2019

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As a condition of receiving the above noted federal funds for federal fiscal year 2019, HUD requires agencies that the Nassau County OHCD must submit an Annual Action Plan describing how each year’s proposed funding will be used to further the goals established in the Nassau County Five Year Consolidated Plan. The FY2019 Action Plan must outline proposed activities that the County and its sub-grantees and sub-recipients will carry out during the County’s 2019 Program Year, which begins on September 1, 2019. Nassau County anticipates receiving approximately $14,000,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds, $1,000,000.00 in HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds, and $1,100,000.00 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program funds.

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To All Interested Parties:

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The Hearing will take place on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 6:00 pm at 1550 Franklin Avenue – Legislative Chambers. We hope to see you there.

Thank you.

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Presiding Officer Nicoletto:

I am forwarding to you an email sent out yesterday that was returned as undeliverable. It relates to an upcoming public hearing to solicit needs in advance of preparing our next Annual Action Plan for HUD’s Housing and Community Development Programs. Funding applications will also be made available at the Hearing.

Thank You

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Municipal members of the Consortium are required to hold their own local public hearings as well. As we are informed of the dates and locations of these Hearings you will be notified.

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FY 2019 PUBLIC HEARING ON
CD & HOUSING NEEDS

Wednesday, February 13, 2019
Laura Curran
Nassau County Executive
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Director of Community Development

Nassau County Urban Consortium

♦ Entitlement community under the U.S.
  Department of Housing and Urban
  Development’s Consolidated Programs

♦ The Consortium receives annual allocations of
  funding under the following programs:
  ♦ Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
  ♦ HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
  ♦ Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)

Five-Year Consolidated Plan
HUD Merged Separate Application/Funding Cycles
into a More Coordinated Process

1st - FFY 1999 - 2004
2nd - FFY 2005 - 2009
3rd - FFY 2010 - 2014
4th - FFY 2015 - 2019

NASSAU COUNTY CONSORTIUM MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

TOWNS (3)
Hempstead
North Hempstead
Oyster Bay

CITIES (2)
Glen Cove
Long Beach

VILLAGES (26)
Bayville
Bellmore
Cedarhurst
East Rockaway
Farmington
Floral Park
Freeport
Garden City
Great Neck Plaza
Hempstead
Island Park
Lynbrook
Malverne
Manorhaven
Maspeth
Massapequa Park
Milford
New Hyde Park
Rockville Centre
Roslyn
Sea Cliff
South Floral Park
Stewart Manor
Valley Stream
Westbury
Willis Park
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Today will begin the public participation process
in the development of the:

Annual Action Plan for FFY2019

2019 Formula
Funding Outlook

2019 Anticipated *
Available Funding

♦ CDBG Program - $12,795,000
  ♦ Assumes 10% cut from PY 2018

♦ HOME Program - $2,244,000
  ♦ Assumes 10% cut from PY 2018

♦ ESG Program - $1,056,000
  ♦ Assumes 10% cut from PY 2018

CDBG Eligible Activities

CDBG

♦ Eligible activities under the CDBG Program can be found in the regulations at 24 CFR 570.201.
  These activities include:
  § 570.201
  • Acquisition of Real Property for an eligible purpose
  • SUBJECT TO HUD REVIEW RE: EMINENT DOMAIN
  • Disposition of Real Property for an eligible purpose
  • Public facilities and improvements
  • Clearance activities
  • Public Services
  • Payment of non-Federal share
CDBG Eligible Activities

- 570.201 contd.
  - Urban renewal completion
  - Relocation
  - Housing services
  - Construction of housing
  - Homeownership assistance
  - Micro enterprise assistance
  - Technical assistance
  - Assistance to institutions of higher learning

CDBG Eligible Rehabilitation and Preservation Activities

- 570.202 Eligible Rehabilitation and Preservation Activities include:
  - Residential Rehabilitation
  - Commercial Rehabilitation
  - Code enforcement
  - Historic Preservation
  - Renovation of closed buildings
  - Lead-based paint activities

Special Economic Development

- 570.203 Special Economic Development
  - Direct Assistance to Businesses
  - Job Creation and/or Retention
    - Primarily Benefit Low/Mod Persons
  - Leveraging of CDBG funds

National Objective Compliance

- Every activity under the CDBG Program must meet one of the three broad national objectives of the program
  - Benefit to low and moderate income persons
  - Prevention or elimination of slums and blight
  - Meet a community need having a particular urgency
National Objective Compliance

Current income limits became effective in June 2018.

New income limits will be distributed when received.

All CDBG grantees must use the new income limits when qualifying an individual or household for CDBG assistance.

Activity Timeliness & Targeted Completions

In an effort to reduce the number of open activities, HUD is requiring more detailed project descriptions, project timelines, & completion date targets.

Funding applications request this information.

Any activity type that is currently flagged by HUD will not be awarded 45th program year funds unless a detailed remediation plan acceptable to HUD has been submitted.

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

FY2018 Funding Increased 38% Over FY2017

Even with increase FY2018 funding the allocation was still only 38% of FY2010 allocation level

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

Final Rule Published July 24, 2013

Emphasis on:

- Assessing risk of activities and projects;
- Monitoring performance and compliance;
- Stricter Subsidy Layering and Underwriting Guidelines;
- Assessment, at minimum, of:
  - market conditions of the neighborhood where project will be located;
  - housing development experience and financial capacity of developer;
  - firm financial commitments for the project.
HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Final Rule Published July 24, 2013

Project Completion Deadline
◆ Any project that has not been completed within 4 years of date of commitment will be considered terminated before completion and HOME funds invested must be repaid
◆ New Requirements to Ensure Timeframes for Initial Occupancy of Rental Units Are Met

HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Final Rule Published July 24, 2013

Project Completion Deadline
◆ Units that are acquired, rehabilitated or newly constructed with HOME funds for homeownership purposes must be sold to an eligible buyer within 9 months of completion
◆ § 92.254 Amended to require that:
  • "If there is no ratified sales contract with an eligible homebuyer for the housing within 9 months of the date of completion of construction or rehabilitation, the housing must be rented to an eligible tenant in accordance with § 92.232."

HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Final Rule Published July 24, 2013

CHDO Capacity Requirements
◆ To qualify as a CHDO, organization must have paid staff with housing development experience
◆ "Demonstrated Capacity" requirement cannot be met through the use of consultants and a plan for staff to be trained, by volunteers, or by person whose services are donated by another organization.
◆ NC OHCD must certify that the organization meets the definition of a CHDO & has capacity to own, develop or sponsor housing each time it commits funds

HOME Eligible Activities
◆ Eligible activities under the HOME Program can be found in the regulations at 24 CFR 92.205. These activities include:
  ◗ Incentives to develop and support affordable rental and homeownership through:
    ◗ Acquisition
    ◗ New construction
    ◗ Reconstruction
    ◗ Rehabilitation of non-luxury housing
HOME Eligible Activities

- Tenant-based rental assistance
- Payment of reasonable administrative and planning costs
- Operating expenses of community housing development organizations (SEE ABOVE)

HOME Eligible Housing Must Be Permanent or Transitional

- Need for Workforce, Senior, & Disabled Housing
  Priority will be given to projects that:
  ✓ Result in increased ownership and rental housing units
  ✓ Are located in high opportunity areas according to HUD indices and in existing downtowns
  ✓ Result in increased number of units accessible to disabled populations
  ✓ Can demonstrate firm financial commitment of other funding sources

Criteria for HOME selection process

Program Benefit
- Leveraging of other public and private funding and the level of commitment of the other funding.
- Project will create or preserve affordability and result in increased housing opportunities for Nassau County residents.
- Number of housing units that will be handicapped-accessible at the completion of the proposed project.
- Number and location of new housing units created or preserved by the proposed project.
- Compliance with Nassau County’s homebuyer income eligibility guidelines;
- Degree of low-income benefit that will be derived from the proposed project.

Criteria for HOME selection process

Project Design
- Proximity of project to Long Island Rail Road stations and/or Long Island Bus stops.
- Proximity of project to defined “downtown” and/or local Central Business District.
- Inclusion of green rehabilitation or green development standards including meeting national standards such as LEED or Energy Star rated.
- Project design that incorporates national standards for “Healthy Homes”.
- Incorporation of universal design principles and provision of “visability” standards for the physically challenged.
- Architectural design that is attractive throughout and consistent in style with the surrounding community.
- Compliance with Digital Divide Legislation – “Broadband Access”
Criteria for HOME Selection Process

**Community Outreach and Support**
- Consistency with local visioning and other neighborhood development plans
- Evidence of required local municipal approvals
- Evidence of outreach, involvement and cooperative intent with residents or organizations representative of the residents within the target neighborhood(s)
- Proposals that include a well designed and implemented affirmative housing marketing plan for initial and ongoing occupancy.

**Organizational Capacity**
- Proven experience in developing housing and organizational capacity to undertake proposed development.
- Financial capacity to complete the proposed project including existing funding commitments.
- Readiness to proceed, including evidence of site control.
- Experience with the HOME Program and/or other public housing grant programs.
- Applications that are thorough and demonstrate the ability to complete the project within 24 months of award.

Emergency Solutions Grant Program

Interim Rule Published December 5, 2011
HUD Re-Opened Comment Period on the Interim Rule Comment Period Closed August 3, 2015

"The key changes that reflect this new emphasis are the expansion of the homeless prevention component of the program and the addition of a new rapid re-housing assistance component." - Interim Rule

ESG Eligible Activities

- **Street Outreach**: Funds may cover costs related to essential services for unsheltered persons (including emergency health or mental health care, employment, case management, child care, education, employment assistance and job training, legal, mental health, substance abuse treatment, transportation, and services for special populations).
- **Emergency Shelter**: Funds may be used for operation of emergency shelter to: (1) house and the expansion of these facilities, as well as services for the residents including case management, child care, education, employment assistance, and job training, legal, mental health, substance abuse treatment, transportation, and services for special populations.
- **Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing**: Funds may be used for operation of emergency shelter to: (1) house and expand these facilities, as well as services for the residents including case management, child care, education, employment assistance, and job training, legal, mental health, substance abuse treatment, transportation, and services for special populations.
- **HMIS**: Funds may be used to pay the costs for contributing data to the HMIS designed by the Continuum of Care for the area. Eligible activities include: computer hardware, software, or equipment; technical support; office space; salaries of operators, staff and support personnel; costs, and participation fees.
Emergency Solutions Grant Program

Numbers Show Increasing Homelessness on Long Island

Need for Programs that move people from Emergency Shelters to Permanent Housing

NC OHCD is coordinating with NC DSS to determine the causes of the increase and identify solutions.

Comment is welcome on this issue.

Five-Year Consolidated Plan

Collaborative Process aimed at identifying a unified vision for community development actions to be undertaken during the Five Year Period

Includes:
1. Strategic Plan
   - Analysis of data and needs
   - Establishes priorities and goals for Five-Year Period
2. Fair Housing Plan/Analysis of Impediments
3. Annual Action Plan
   - Activity/Project Information for Year 1

Five-Year Consolidated Plan

HUD Merged Separate Application/Funding Cycles into a More Coordinated Process

1st - FFY 1999 - 2004
2nd - FFY 2005 - 2009
3rd - FFY 2010 - 2014
4th - FFY 2015 - 2019

Five-Year Consolidated Plan

Identified HIGH Priority Needs

Housing Needs
- Renter
  - Small Households – Very Low; Low; & Moderate Income
  - Elderly Households – Very Low & Low Income
- Owner
  - Small & Large Households – Moderate Income
  - Special Needs Housing
    - Elderly & Victims of Domestic Violence
Five-Year Consolidated Plan
Funding Priority

Housing
Applications for funding that will result in new rental housing for
Very Low; Low; & Moderate Income Households in High
Opportunity Areas & Transit Oriented Development

High Opportunity Areas Are Based on HUD Scoring Indices:
1. School Proficiency; 2. Labor Mix Index; 3. Low Poverty;
4. Environmental Hazards; 5. Job Proximity; 6. Access to Transit

Five-Year Consolidated Plan
Identified HIGH Priority Needs

Community Development Needs

- Property Disposition
- Clearance of Contaminated Sites
- Code Enforcement
- Senior Center Improvements
- Parks & Recreational Facilities
- Street & Sidewalk Improvements

Five-Year Consolidated Plan
Identified HIGH Priority Needs

Community Development Needs CONTINUED

- Public Services
- Senior Services
- Employment Training Services
- Fair Housing Activities
- Tenant Landlord Counseling
- Micro-Enterprise Assistance

Fair Housing

- Subrecipients and Contractors are responsible for
  implementing their projects in compliance with all
  local, state and federal laws and regulations
  regarding civil rights, fair housing and equal
  opportunity.
- Subrecipients or Contractors are required to
  actively enforce the provisions of such statutes and
  regulations and develop strategies for addressing
  the requirements.
- Subrecipients and Contractors must take
  affirmative steps to promote fair and equal access
  to housing without regard to race, color, religion,
  gender, age, national origin, disability, or familial
  status
The AFFH rule sets out a framework for local governments, States, and public housing agencies (PHAs) to take meaningful actions to overcome historic patterns of segregation, promote fair housing choice and foster inclusive communities that are free from discrimination.

For purposes of the rule, meaningful actions means significant actions that are designed and can be reasonably expected to achieve a material positive change that affirmatively furthers fair housing by, for example, increasing fair housing choice or decreasing disparities in access to opportunity.

The rule is designed to help programs participants better understand what they are required to do to meet their AFFH duties and enables them to assess fair housing issues in their communities and then to make informed policy decisions.

New Rule requires the production of an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) which will replace the Analysis of Impediments (AI).

HUD recently extended the submission deadline for the Initial AFH for the Nassau County Consortium

Nassau County significantly updated its existing Analysis of Impediments in FFY 2016.
Fair Housing

CDBG, HOME & ESG Funding Applications
Have Been Revised to Collect Information
Related To Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

Fair Housing

Application Questions
Does the proposed activity?
1. Support and promote integrated communities and
   improve integrated living patterns?
2. Reduce racially and ethnically concentrated areas of
   poverty?
3. Respond to identified disproportionate housing
   needs of persons protected under the Fair Housing
   Act?
4. Foster and maintain compliance with civil rights and
   fair housing laws?
5. Address disparities in access to key community
   assets which may provide greater mobility and
   access to vital assets including economic
   opportunities, employment, health, transportation
   and quality education?

Section 3

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act
of 1968, requires that when HUD financial assistance
is provided to housing and community development programs
results in the generation of economic opportunities in
a community, such opportunities should be directed
toward low and very-low income persons.

The Subrecipient or Contractor shall ensure that new
job opportunities for training and employment arising
in connection with funded projects are given to low
and moderate income persons residing within the
Nassau County Consortium.

Other Federal Requirements

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
Davis-Bacon Wage Rates
Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real
Property Acquisition Policies Act
HUD Lead-Based Paint Regulations
PY 2019 Application Process

NC OHCD has moved to a on-line Funding Application platform hosted by

ZOOMGRANTS

PAPER APPLICATIONS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED

PY 2019 Application Process

Zoom grant Link:
https://zoomgrants.com/gprop.asp?donorid=2319

1. Set up your User Account
2. Create Your Application
3. Invite Others to Collaborate
4. Submit

NOFAs – Notices of Funding Availability & Link to Zoom Grants Applications

AVAILABLE AT OHCD WEBSITE:

www.nassaucountyny.gov/1524/Office-of-Housing-and-Community-Development

Posted Under:
SPOTLIGHT
Activity Timelines & Targeted Completions

Project Schedule for Projects Involving Construction:

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Applications submitted without this information will be returned.

Activity Timelines & Targeted Completions

Public Service Activities

Project Schedule for Public Service Activities will be for two years from September 1st PY Start Date.

Any public service fund balances remaining after two years may be transferred to other activities.*

(*This may require a contract amendment.)

PY 2019 Application Process

➤ Municipalities are to schedule public hearings prior to finalizing funding decisions
➤ Pre-Submission Meetings With Selected Consortium Members
➤ CD Reps will contact you to schedule
➤ Timely Submission of Funding Applications is Imperative!

Application Process

Public Service Applications:

Countywide vs. Local Service Areas

Minimum Allocation for Public Service Activities Is $4,000.00 for Local Programs

Countywide Service Areas Will Be Assessed on an Individual Basis
NASSAU COUNTY CONSORTIUM MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

TOWNS
Hempstead
North Hempstead
Oyster Bay

CITIES
Glen Cove
Long Beach

VILLAGES
Bayville
Bellmore
Cedarhurst
East Rockaway
Farmington
Floral Park
Freeport
Garden City
Great Neck Plaza
Hempstead
Island Park
Lynbrook
Malverne
Manhasset
Massapequa Park
Mineola
New Hyde Park
Rockville Centre
Rockville
Sea Cliff
South Floral Park
Stewart Manor
Valley Stream
Westbury
Williston Park

HUD Consolidated Funding is Population Driven

Make Nassau Count Campaign
> Launched Feb. 5th
> Nassau Complete Count Committee Established

 tasked with developing messaging and strategies for achieving full participation;
 navigating technological barriers; and
 advocating for funding for census related work.

Application Process

Important Dates:

April 1st — Final applications should be submitted to OHCD
May 1st — Final decisions made and Action Plan expected to be available for comment
July 12th — Planned Submission to HUD
September 1st — 2019 Program Year Start Date

Annual Reporting Requirements

Important Dates:

March 15th &
September 15th — HUD 4710 Semi-Annual Labor Standards (Semi-Annually)
September 15th — HUD 2516 Contract & Sub-Contract Activity
October 15th — Section 3 Annual Compliance Report
On-Going — Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)
Public Comment

Public comment is requested for:

1. Housing Needs in Nassau County
2. Community Development Needs in Nassau County
Nassau County – First Public Hearing  
February 13, 2019 – 6:00 pm  
Nassau County Legislative Chambers  
1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York

Summary of Public Comments

Comment: Michelle DiBenedetto, Director of Special Programs for the Long Island Housing Partnership. LIHP is a not-for-profit organization in our 31st year. I think people get into homeownership. Two programs that really work very well and help meet the national objective of working with low to moderate income persons. One program in Nassau County Downpayment Assistance Program. This is the American Dream that helps people get over that hurdle with $25,000 in assistance. It is helping homeownership across Long Island. The second program is the Rebuild Long Island Program. Still working with NYS to acquire home that were damaged by Super Storm Sandy. Homes are being demolished and new homes are being built in their place. These new homes are in high opportunity areas and will go to families that are 80% of the area median income. We are delighted to work with Nassau County on these two very important programs to benefit the residents of Nassau County.

Response: Kevin Crean, Director, OHCD. Thank you, Michelle. Anyone else like to make a public comment?

Comment: Christopher Niedt, Uniondale Community Land Trust. I have a question about slide 32 about priority needs. Is there a reason that the high priority housing needs for ownership housing is for moderate income families not for low income buyers? In our model, we are targeting 50-80% AMI.

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. There was a reason at the time based on the difficulty to reach that income target. This will be addressed in next Five-Year Con Plan now that we have both a Lank Bank and a Land Trust in Nassau County. But there still is a difficulty in reaching that income group for homeownership because there is not a lot of smaller typed housing, although the LIHP and Norm Gersman said that there are a lot of co-op and condos through-out the County that are accessible to lower income homebuyers. So that is why that was a high priority need, because of the cost. There is obviously a need for homeownership at all income levels.

Comment: Ian Wilder, Executive Director, Long Island Housing Services (submitted a prepared statement, full statement attached). The following is a synopsis of full written statement. We are a 50-year-old civil rights fair housing organization. I’d like to thank Nassau County for the thorough explanation, and I would like to thank the County for holding this hearing at 6:00 pm so it is accessible. We talked to many other organizations and this is one of the few jurisdictions who hold the hearing after working hours. The services we provide as a fair housing enforcement agency and provide, at the moment, foreclosure prevention. As we discussed the State money is about to run out at the end of March I believe, and if it doesn’t make the budget, 87% of the services on Long Island will be disappear. I want to praise the county for sticking with the framework. Not all the entitlement jurisdictions are in terms of providing better information for its residents about how the money is being used and applied under the fair housing act. I have made past comments and I am happy to say that the County is already meeting some of those suggestions that we had. I would say Kevin correctly described how HUD described what happened with the AFFH Rule. The process was supposed to be a learning curve at the beginning and it was understood from that would work with. There is no benefit for putting a moratorium on the AFH submittal, but it just put off the ability for other organizations to move to the
same point that Nassau County has moved to. I also had a small question about the application process. Is it possible to print out all the information you put in before you submit?

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. Yes, there is a print feature. Thank you for your comments. I also want to follow up on what you said about HUD’s explanation of the delay. We belong to NACCED and said that there were a couple of members that did submit said that the HUD process at the review level was so lengthy that they were just frightened of that. HUD just had a few the first two years, then the third and fourth year they knew that there would be waves. I don’t think HUD had the capacity to review them all. The feedback that we would have gotten would have been helpful to tell us what we are doing right and what we need to change. We would have liked to get that back and forth.

Comment: Gwen O’Shea, Community Development Corporation of Long Island (CDC-LI). Thank you for having this event after hours. We are going to submit our comments in written form, but I did want to address Chris’s question related to how we create homeownership for those under the traditional 80% AMI. We would be happy to talk with you about that. CDC-LI in a partnership with HUD created a pilot program for homeownership for Housing Choice Voucher Programs. We are talking about individuals at 30 – 80% AMI. We provide additional down payment assistance and additional subsidies and we would be happy to work with you to create homeownership opportunities. Thank you, Kevin, for the opportunity to share that and look forward to working with you.

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. Thank you, Gwen, we appreciate that.

Peter Florey, D&F Development: You may have mentioned this, but on what date will you be advising applicants that they have been awarded HOME funds?

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. HOME funds are a little bit different than the other programs. But if an applicant gets their application in by April 1st, we expect to include that in our action plan, so by May 1st or whenever our next public hearing takes place and our Action Plan is released. If your application is complete by April 1st there is no reason why we shouldn’t be able to make a decision on it. Most HOME projects, as you are aware, are still trying to identify other sources of funds, we can provide a commitment letter subject to the receipt of funds.

Comment: Can you explain on what basis the HOME funds are allocated?

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. It’s the number of units, yes. First you identify the need for Home program funds and there is a per unit subsidy as well. So sometimes those numbers have to be looked at. So, if your project has 100 units and you demonstrate the need for $500,000 in HOME assistance and you can meet your income target, that $500,000 can be used for 5 units at $100,000 per unit, that is an acceptable criteria. Davis Bacon wage rates kick on HOME projects in at 12 or more units, so you can fund 11 or less. So, if it is a 50-unit project, you can fund 11 units without triggering Davis Bacon and as long as it is within the per unit subsidy gap. For the Block Grant it is 8 or more units and the funds cannot be used for new construction, but it can be used for rehab. The Block Grant does not allow you to target affordable units – 51% must be low/mod. Davis Bacon wage rates significantly increase the cost of a project. So, I should have mentioned this at the outset, particularly on the HOME side that we do not receive enough applications, or we receive a sufficient number of applications, but they are not all ready to go. We can’t award HOME funds until you have all other sources in place. I would still encourage you to apply because at least we know what projects are in the pipeline and if you are seeking other sources, you may not get funds this year, but may apply next year. We can’t make the award, but we can make a set-aside in anticipation of you getting the commitment of funds.
Comment: Arny Lee, Long Island Conservatory of Music. Thank you to Nassau County for awarding us the grant to teach ESL. We have had this grant for several years, but it has been cut down, but we have still been able to provide the services. We would like to get an increase. I would like to introduce one our teachers, Janice Hecht.

Comment: Janice Hecht, Long Island Conservatory of Music. Yes, I am a teacher at Long Island Conservatory. I see such a difference when our students come in with limited language and then when they leave our school, they are confident and are participants in the community and speaking fluent English. This is extremely important to improve their language skills because they want to be part of their community. They want to be a valued asset.

Response: Kevin Crean, OHCD Director. Thank you, I heard good things about your program. Thank you for coming.
February 13, 2019

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Comments on the Draft Nassau County FY 2019 Annual Action Plan

Dear Mr. Crean:

We appreciate the opportunity to offer a few comments on the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan (Action Plan). As a private fair housing advocacy and enforcement agency, Long Island Housing Services, Inc. (LIHS) provides a full spectrum of services related to real estate transactions which have been made available to Nassau County residents since 1991. LIHS provides education, counseling and advocacy services concerning fair housing, unlawful discrimination, landlord tenant rights and obligations, and mortgage issues from a consumer protection prospective. A primary service is the investigation of housing discrimination complaints in the context of rentals, sales, lending, advertising and insurance. As resources allow, LIHS assists with investigations, formal administrative and judicial complaint filing, victim advocacy and resolution of unlawful housing discrimination complaints and enforcement of federal state and local fair housing laws.

As Executive Director, I would like to express my gratitude to Nassau County for its commitment to Fair Housing and to support provided to LIHS. The funding provided by the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) has supported our agency’s ability to compete and receive United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Fair Housing and Private Enforcement Initiative (FHIP) funding. CDBG and HUD funding allows LIHS to maintain well trained experienced staff and continue counseling and educating Nassau County residents, service and housing providers, realtors and agents on issues relating to housing discrimination on the federal state and municipal levels. We seek to improve housing conditions and equality of access to housing for all residents of Nassau County.

We have worked cooperatively with Nassau County through the support of either HOME or CDBG funds since the mid 1990’s. With the continued support of Nassau County despite the ongoing decreases in federal allocations. We remain committed to working closely with Nassau County agencies and not for profits to promote decent and affordable housing and to enhance local administrative response to challenge discrimination.
LIHS will work with Nassau County to ensure that alleged violations of Fair Housing laws are effectively investigated and appropriate administrative and judicial complaints are filed. Our bilingual Housing Counseling staff can assist Nassau County in meeting this objective by outreach to Latino (and all) residents. Our staff will assist Nassau County tenants and homeowners with maintaining a safe affordable place to live.

*In preparation for the 2019 Annual Action Plan (AP), we have provided our Fair Housing concerns.*

The objectives of the plan need to adequately address the obligation to Affirmatively Further Fair Housing (AFFH). The duty to AFFH needs to be addressed throughout all of the programs and funding in the Annual Plan, not simply as a component of funding LIHS. Most noticeably, the Annual Plan must address any recent Housing Discrimination cases that have taken place in Nassau County, much less raise them as harbingers of Fair Housing issues that need to be addressed in the county. Furthermore, the plan must focus on providing affordable housing in high opportunity areas in order to support a diverse community. The plan also needs to construct a cross-departmental education program within the county to educate County employees as to the various protections and prohibitions under Federal, State and local Fair Housing laws and the enforcement resources for these rights.

One of the issues that must be considered is how best to ensure that housing and community development resources are being used in ways that do not discriminate, and that expand access to opportunity for all of the residents, and also to fulfill the obligations under the Fair Housing Act. We recommend that you follow the process embodied in the housing regulations that HUD published in 2015, the “Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing” (AFFH) regulation. (24 CFR Parts 5, 91, 92, 570, 574, 576, and 903)

Prior to 2015, HUD instructed jurisdictions to conduct an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) as a means to comply with the requirements of the Fair Housing Act, which mandates that HUD and its grantees use their resources to “affirmatively further fair housing.” That approach proved inadequate to the task, as local officials, fair housing advocates, the US Government Accountability Office, and even HUD itself concluded. You may have shared that opinion, as well.

In 2015, HUD adopted a new approach to fair housing planning that was based on extensive input, feedback and field testing. The centerpiece of that approach was a fair housing planning tool, the “Assessment Tool for Local Jurisdictions,” which provides a roadmap for examining local residential patterns, analyzing housing needs, and identifying any barriers that limit access for some groups to the important community resources we all need to flourish. HUD provides extensive data, along with a mapping tool to make it easier to visualize what those data tell us about the conditions and needs of people in different neighborhoods. It also spelled out a more robust process for allowing those in the community most affected by barriers to fair housing to share their knowledge, concerns and priorities for toppling those barriers. Perhaps most importantly, HUD created a direct link between the goals and priorities laid out in the fair housing plan (known as the Assessment of Fair Housing), and the resource allocation decisions reflected in the Consolidated Plan. That connection creates a critical accountability mechanism, so local residents can have confidence that fair housing problems are being addressed, and so
jurisdictions that follow through on implementing those plans can have confidence that they are on a path that is both good for the community and consistent with their fair housing responsibilities.

HUD has since withdrawn the Assessment Tool for Local Jurisdictions and instructed jurisdictions to go back to using the old unsuccessful AI process. However, we believe that the approach it adopted in 2015, using the Tool, the improved community participation process and including the link to the Consolidated Plan, is a much better, more strategic use of data, leading to a plan that will address the community’s most pressing fair housing problems. Further, by allowing for greater community input, it creates greater investment by community residents in the priorities and strategies incorporated into the final plan. Many of the jurisdictions that went through the new process before HUD withdrew the Assessment Tool found it to be a big improvement over the AI, and our fair housing colleagues around the country tell us that many of the jurisdictions they work with intend to use the new process for their upcoming fair housing plans.

The Assessment Tool is no longer available on HUD’s website, but we can provide a copy of the 102-page document. The other supporting resources, including the data and mapping tool and related materials, a guidebook that walks you through the questions in the Assessment Tool, and other AFFH-related resources, can still be found on the AFFH page of the HUD Exchange website.

There needs to be greater outreach for community participation under the Plan. Nassau County should be commended about holding the first hearing at 6pm when working people can attend. Further, there needs to be accommodations in how the plan is advertised or the hearing is held that would encourage participation from underserved communities. Hearings should be held in areas that include the largest minority and low/medium income populations. Outreach should also be cognizant of the need to make the AP accessible to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations and Persons with Disabilities (PWD). The majority of the outreach tends to be to governmental agencies and nonprofits funded through HUD funds, and even at that there is usually minimal response to the annual plan.

For there to be beneficial feedback, the public needs ample opportunity to interact with the plan. The public needs to know when the AP will be released and when the second hearing will be held. The AP needs to be released at least 30 days prior to the second hearing so that there can be a dialogue at that hearing about the plan.

The Nassau County Legislature needs to be able to review all public comments before approving the Annual Action Plan. The vote of the legislature should take place after both hearings are completed and the comment period ends.

Conducting a needs assessment of communities’ lending needs and compare to current lending practices/patterns in those communities (CRA lenders) to make sure that banks are meeting needs of the communities is an area of concern that the Action Plan might address. LIHS has been actively involved in advocating for more robust Community Benefits from lending institutions both under CRA review and under the administrative review of financial institution mergers. Nassau County lending its voice to reinforce the obligations of the financial
institutions to serve the needs of the community would substantially further the fair housing rights of its underserved residents.

The Plan should also enhance access for related Section 8 Administrative plan; ensure that local residency preferences in Section 8 and all affordable housing programs and opportunities do not conflict with HUD’s Regulation concerning obligations to AFFH which require promotion of racial and economic integration to eliminate segregation.

LIHS regularly has screened, assessed, investigated and resolved claims of discrimination from Nassau County residents based on race, color, national origin, familial status, disability, religion, sex, marital status, source of income, age, and military status. LIHS has assisted numerous clients who experience fair housing discrimination in receiving compensations from the individuals who violated the Federal Fair Housing Act, the FHA Amendments Act of 1988, the New York State Human Rights Law, and Nassau County Human Rights Law protections. Our Housing Counseling staff has provided services to hundreds of residents related to rental issues and foreclosure prevention, along with seminars in English and Spanish on Fair Housing and renters’ rights mortgage foreclosure and avoiding mortgage rescue scams. We have developed numerous outreach pieces available in English and Spanish, have enhanced the resources available through our website and have contracted to provide services to those that may require assistance, but lack English proficiency.

We urge that the Action Plan include allowance of adequate resources to provide the critically needed counseling, investigations and testing for discrimination, as well as to pursue enforcement and compliance with local, state and federal Fair Housing/Fair Lending laws and regulations. We also request Nassau County to continue the grant to LIHS of $125,000.00.

The challenges we face to promote integration and eliminate discrimination are great. We thank you for your support and consideration of LIHS’ comments. We look forward to continuing our work in the coming year so that we may deliver critically needed fair housing and housing counseling services to Nassau County residents.

Sincerely,

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Nassau County's 2019 Annual Action Plan
presents a one year strategy for addressing housing
and community development needs within the 30-
member Urban County Consortium.

2019 represents the 5th Year under Nassau County's
Five-Year Consolidated Plan approved by HUD in 2015.

2019 Available Funding

- CDBG Program - $1,027,286
  - Decrease from FY2018 - 1.34%
  - 17.08% Decrease from 2010

- HOME Program - $2,280,375
  - Decrease from FY2018 - 8.56%
  - 41.64% Decrease from 2010

- ESG Program - $1,206,363
  - Increase from FY2018 +2.75%

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CDBG Funding for Affordable Housing
- Funding set-aside specifically for projects that
  will lead to development of affordable housing
- Application received from one Municipal
  Consortium Member
- County will work with other communities to
  identify potential sites for affordable housing
  options available in high opportunity areas
- Funding remains available

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HOW CDBG FUNDING WAS ALLOCATED:

- CDBG applications due by April 1st
- Performance of municipality in meeting the June
  30th, 2019 spend-down target
- Priority projects as identified by each community
- Priorities identified in 5-Year Consolidated Plan
- Applications and past performance of community
  or nonprofit in undertaking successful project
- Nonprofit programs providing area wide services
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How HOME Funding Was Allocated:
- Projects ready to be developed with municipal approvals and with site control
- Projects that leverage HOME funds with other funds
- Projects that have local government approvals
- Affordable housing that is developed outside of impacted areas providing more housing choice
- Pass performance of developer in undertaking successful project

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How ESG Funding Was Allocated:
- Shelter providers with excellent performance in providing quality homeless shelter and homeless prevention programs
- Nonprofits meeting needs for special populations
- Local Non-Profit with demonstrated capacity to administer robust Rapid Re-Housing Program
- Homeless Prevention component to be administered by Nassau Office of Community Development

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Performance Measures:
- Performance measurement standards must be addressed for each proposed activity
- Completion Timelines & Milestones Are Required
- Standards relate to HUD’s increased focus on specific priorities such as economic development, eliminating chronic homelessness, accessibility, fair housing and housing choice, and energy efficiency

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CDBG Program Highlights:
- Downtown Revitalization Initiatives:
  - HT: Roosevelt, Uniondale, Elmont & Baldwin
  - HT: New Cassel & Roslyn Heights
  - OB: Hicksville
  - Farmingdale, Freeport, Glen Cove, Great Neck Plaza, Hempstead, Lynbrook, Mineola, Rockville Centre, Valley Stream & Westbury
- May include Commercial Rehabilitation, Public Facilities & Improvements, Public Park & Accessibility improvements

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CDBG Economic Development Program Highlights:
- Large Scale Redevelopment Projects
  - Glen Cove Orchard BOA
  - Farmingdale Downtown 2035
  - Uniondale Vision Plan Implementation
  - Southeast Hicksville Brownfield Opportunity Area Study
  - Mineola Comprehensive Master Plan
  - Baldwin Corridor Revitalization Plan

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Affordable Housing Highlights:
- New Cassel In-Fill Homeowner Housing
- Affordable Housing Initiative
  - CDBG Funds Awarded to North Hempstead CDA for Site Acquisition & Rehbk
  - CDBG & HOME Funds Remain Available
- Approximately 55 million in applications under review for projects throughout the County
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Affordable Housing Highlights
Rehabilitation Programs:

CDBG Residential Rehabilitation Program:
- Villages of Bayville, Farmingdale, Freeport, Hempstead, Nassau Shores Park, Mineola, Sea Cliff, South Floral Park, Stewart Manor, Valley Stream & Williston Park
- and City of Glen Cove
  (Administered by Nassau County)
- Towns: Hempstead, North Hempstead and Oyster Bay

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First Time Homebuyer and Housing Counseling Highlights:
- First Time Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance Program & Employer Assisted Housing Program (Countywide) with LIHP (previously awarded)
- Fair Housing and Housing Counseling
- Foreclosure Prevention

Federal Requirements for All Funded Projects

- Davis-Bacon Federal Prevailing Wages
  (Limit limits apply for CDBG & HOME residential projects)
- Federal Procurement Requirements - supersedes local requirements
- Section 3 Hiring Preferences for Funded Projects
- MBE / WBE program: requires contractor/subcontractor activity reporting
- National Environmental Protection Act Review
- Fair Housing Act

Applications for Funding Requested through Notice of Funding Availability

- Action Plan Program:
  - CDBG: Municipality Requests - 23 Total for $14,764,738
  - Non-Profit Requests - 34 Total for $2,131,215
- HOME: Funding Applications (Full) - 4
  - Amount Requested - $3,196,000
  - Funding Applications (Pre-App) - 10
  - Amount Requested - $5,150,000
- ESG: Funding Applications - 9
  - Amount Requested - $1,263,094

CDBG Funding Allocations

- Village of Bayville: $200,000.00
- Village of East Rockaway: $100,000.00
- Village of Farmingdale: $325,000.00
- Village of Freeport: $375,000.00
- City of Glen Cove: $145,000.00
- Village of Great Neck Plaza: $88,560.00
- Town of Hempstead: $3,000,000.00
- Village of Hempstead: $1,120,000.00
- City of Long Beach: $275,000.00
- Village of Lynbrook: $275,000.00
- Village of Massapequa Park: $56,000.00

CDBG Funding Allocations

- Village of Mineola: $250,000.00
- Village of New Hyde Park: $105,000.00
- Town of North Hempstead: $740,000.00
- Town of Oyster Bay: $1,000,000.00
- Village of Rockville Centre: $190,000.00
- Village of Sea Cliff: $57,200.00
- Village of Stewart Manor: $10,000.00
- Village of Valley Stream: $325,000.00
- Village of Westbury: $525,000.00
- Village of Williston Park: $35,000.00
DISTRIBUTION OF CDBG FUNDING BY ACTIVITY TYPE

- Program Administration & Planning: 20%
- Economic Development: 0.1%
- Acquisition of Real Property: 8.5%
- Demolition: 1.4%
- Public Service - Youth: 2.8%
- Clearance and Demolition: 0.7%
- Public Service - Seniors: 5.5%
- Public Service - General: 4.8%
- Direct Homeownership Assistance: 0.7%
- PF&E Neighborhood Facilities & ADA: 7.1%
- Affordable Housing Development: 5.7%
- Code Enforcement: 0.2%
- PF&E Parking Facilities: 2.2%
- Flood Drain Improvements: 1.2%
- Tree Planting: 0.4%
HOME Funding Allocations

Subrecipient | Project Title | HOME Allocation Totals
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Nassau County OHCDD | Administration | $213,315.00
Nassau County OHCDD | HOME Project Delivery | $100,000.00
LARP | First Time Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance Program | $590,000.00
Uncommitted HOME OCHD Se-Addie Funds | | $346,973.00
Uncommitted HOME Se-Addie For New Construction of Rental Housing | | $575,094.00
Uncommitted HOME Funds | | $802,768.00
**Grand Total** | | **$2,113,193.00**

ESG Funding Allocations

Subrecipient | Project Title | ESG Allocation Totals
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Nassau County OHCDD | Administration | $99,477.00
Nassau County OHCDD | Homeless Prevention | $180,000.00
Nassau County OHCDD | Title | $220,436.00
Elderly and Senior Services | Supportive Housing Assistance Program | $130,000.00
The Safe Center Li | Safe Home for Elderly/Disabled | $310,000.00
White Plains Family & Children Association | | $122,395.00
Interfaith Nutrition Network | Elderly Nutrition + Special Meals Program | $111,554.00
Bethany House of Nassau County | 9:1:5 Home, B-South (Family Housing) | $80,000.00
Arora & Comp Inc | 9:1:5 Home (7 Person) | $80,000.00
Glen Cove Recovery Inc | Glory House I (iloc. 5 Person) | $85,000.00
**Grand Total** | | **$1,386,362.00**

Funding Cycle/Important Dates

- September 1st: 2019 Program Year Start Date
- September 30th:
  - Contract & Subcontract Activity Reports (HUD 2516) Due
  - Semi-Annual Labor Standards Reports Due
- October 1st:
  - Final 2019 (CAREER) Performance Reports Due to OCHD
- November 1st:
  - FY20 Estimated Date for Contracts to be Issued to Subrecipients
- April 15th:
  - Semi-Annual Labor Standards Reports Due (HUD 4710)

Public Comment

Summary of Public Comments Received Today & Written Comments Received During 30-Day Comment Period Will Be Included in Annual Action Plan Submission

Public Comment

Annual Action Plan is available for Review at Nassau County OCHD One West Street, Mineola Mon-Fri 9:00am - 4:00pm Was available beginning May 2, 2019 Comment Period ending June 1, 2019

Online:

Public Comment

Written Comments Can Be Submitted To:
Theresa Dukes NC OCHD Deputy Director One West Street - Suite 365 Mineola, NY 11501 Tdukes@nassaucounty.gov

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Nassau County – Second Public Hearing
May 8, 2019 – 10:00 am
Nassau County Legislative Chambers
1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York

Public Hearing Two — May 8, 2019 — 10:00 am — Nassau County Legislative Chambers

Mode of Outreach — Public Hearing

Target of Outreach — Minorities Non-English Speaking, Spanish, Persons with disabilities, Nontargeted/broad community, Civic Associations, Developers, Realtors, Housing Advocates

Summary of Response/Attendance
The Second Public Hearing was held on May 8, 2019 at the Nassau County Legislative Chambers at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, New York at 10:00 am. There were 20 individuals in attendance including Nassau County Departments, Nassau County Administration, Consortium Members, non-Profit Agencies, Developers, Homeless Providers, Fair Housing Advocates, Consultants, and Realtors.

Summary of Comments

Comment: Charlene Thomson, Commissioner, Hempstead Village Community Development Agency.
Good Morning, I actually have more questions, than comments. I am Charlene Thompson, Commissioner of the Community Development Agency for the Incorporated Village of Hempstead. My questions/comments focus more on the HOME dollars. The village is working very actively with some home projects as well as getting our Hempstead Community land trust qualified as a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) and I also sit on the board of directors of the Uniondale Community Land Trust. My question #1 - I would like information and understanding of how many qualifying CHDOs we have within our area. Question #2 - How much set aside money and if there is a backlog of set aside for CHDOW if you have that information. Question #3 - Are we working in cooperation with the Nassau County Land Bank? Question #4 - Are any special initiatives focusing on Land Trusts?
Response: Kevin Crean, OCD Director. HUD's new procedure over the past couple of years in qualifying CHDO has changed a bit. There is a process for reviewing a CHDO and confirming their eligibility, certifying as a CHDO, but we do not certify CHDO until they have a fundable project. So, while we have 2 funded CHDO projects right now, which is Long Island Housing Partnership Community Land Trust and the Uniondale Community Land Trust. They are both funded/operating CHDOs. We did receive another application from an organization seeking certification as a CHDO. Part of the CHDO review process is the capacity review. We are not able to do a capacity review until we know what project we are going to undertake. Under HUD's new criteria, if we fund CHDO and the project doesn't come to fruition, the county is on the hook for loss of funds because we have to certify that the capacity of the organization. Right now there are only 2 certified CHDOs in the county that are operating.

There are others that we have worked with in the past-Community Development Corporation of Long Island is/has been certified by CHDO. Part of the certification process is the review of the by-laws and the status and the representatives of the board. The representation of the board can change from time to time. We do have to review that. There is a prohibition against a percentage of members on the board and the governing body that are representatives of government. HUD's definition of representatives of government includes employees of local government. So even if you're not an appointed person the Village of Hempstead could appoint 2 members to the general board say, could be considered government representatives. There might also be a community member on your board who happens to work for the government. That, unfortunately, also qualifies that person as a government representative. So we do have to review the membership of the board every time you apply for a project to see if they are still in compliance. So, if CDC-LI applied in the past for funds, and was awarded funds, they may not qualify any more, but they haven't applied lately. We do have another application from a non-profit and have completed our review. Community Housing Innovations, which is based in Westchester, but also has properties on Long Island, qualifies as a CHDO as well. Currently the only 2 CHDO funded we have are Long Island Partnership Community Land Trust and Uniondale Community Trust.

You asked about initiatives for Land Trust. New York State Office of Housing Community Renewal just had an application Funding Round for Land Trust funding through Attorney General's office run by the Enterprise Foundation. So I know that Long Island Housing Partnership Foundation and Uniondale Community Trust both have applied to the funding. The County doesn't have any funds other than HOME funds.

You asked about Land Bank and any other initiatives involving land trust. Land Bank is basically a source of properties. Obviously, any development proposal needs site control. Each project will be on its own in terms of its readiness and financing — is there is a market place and so on. There is a 15% is set aside of CHDO dollars that is carved out of the HOME dollars that the county has each year. I don't believe we awarded any funds from last year's rounds. The County has to comply each year. The 15% may be potentially lost over time if not allocated. So we should have at least 2 years built up and we are in danger of losing funding this year if its not expended. The way we are trending, I think we are going to meet that test, but we have 2 projects underway, waiting for costs to be vouchered. The funding we got last year was roughly the same as we got this year (a little more this year.) $346,000 the Federal government set aside this year. So you can double that to about $700,000. Unfortunately, we didn't have much attendance from non
profits. Please share this with your organizations.
Does anyone have any other comments? Date is up on 6/1/2019, which can be emailed or posted
to Office of Community Development, 1 West Street, Room 365, Attention: Theresa Dukes,
Mineola, NY 11501.

Thank you all for coming.

Comments Received After the Public Hearing

Post Public Hearing written comments/questions as follows:

Gwen O'Shea, Community Development Corporation of Long Island (CDC-LI) (e-mailed comments May 13, 2019): CDCLI is a pioneer in the Voucher Homeownership program, as one of only four demonstration programs in the country approved by HUD in 1999. The program is designed for very low-income families to use their Housing Choice Voucher program subsidy to assist them in buying a house. CDCLI developed an innovative financial product to enable Housing Choice Voucher recipients to fulfill their dream of homeownership. The family obtains a first mortgage from a traditional lender based on their earnings. Then, CDCLI Funding Corporation (our CDFI) underwrites a second mortgage at 3% interest over 15 years using the family's subsidy as the repayment for the loan. The participants in the program come from CDCLI's existing Housing Choice Voucher Rental Assistance and Family Self Sufficiency Programs, as well as from families in other housing agencies in Nassau and Suffolk Counties.
Some additional language on FSS, if that's helpful:

CDCLI's Family Self Sufficiency program assists Housing Choice Voucher recipients work toward economic security so that they no longer need welfare programs, are less dependent on rental assistance, and are better able to achieve the goals they set out for themselves and plan for the future. Families are provided with information about scholarships for college and job training programs, budgeting and credit skills, healthcare services, and counseling. These services aim to help families eliminate barriers to financial stability and increase their self-esteem

Donna Teichner, Family and Children's Association (e-mailed questions May 16, 2019): Thank you for the opportunity to once again be considered to received ESG funding. As FCA operates the only 2 RHY shelter's in Nassau County, this funding is critical to support the many aspects of running a safe shelter while also providing best practice-wrap-around services to the youth in our charge.

Two Questions:

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Thank you for your assistance with the above questions and the consideration to be a candidate to receive this essential and critical funding.

Response: Lorraine Washburn-Baum, ESG Deputy Director.

Response to Question 1 - FCA programs provide to at-risk, homeless and runaway youth. Provision of emergency housing, counseling services, advocacy, educational and career guidance as well as family intervention services. This has been updated in the ESG funding section of the Action Plan.

Response to Question 2 - OCD is required by federal legislation to consult with the local CoC when deciding how best to use ESG funds to end homelessness. Currently the CoC does not support ESG funds being used for Emergency Shelter or Transitional Housing. OCD continues to support the shelters and transitional housing programs that historically have been awarded ESG monies, though in the last two years we have reduced some of the awards in order to create a robust Rapid Re-Housing program to move families out of shelters into permanent housing. Beyond allotting monies and administering the grant, OCD is working diligently to understand our homelessness crisis in its entirety. Homelessness has increased 200% in the last four years in Nassau County. OCD feels it is critical that all resources be husbanded and applied in the most efficacious manner to reduce the number of homeless in our shelter system. Over the next 12 months OCD will be hosting roundtables with various stakeholders in Nassau County to contribute to writing a new Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Nassau County. OCD will be hosting a roundtable specifically to address homelessness and we welcome the attendance and participation of Nassau County shelter providers in order to help build a consensus on the use of ESG for Emergency Shelter.

Summary of Comments not accepted and reasons — All comments were accepted.
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Let me know if I can get you anything else!

Best,

Gwen

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Written Comment
from 5/8/19 meeting

Dukes, Theresa

From: Crean, Kevin J
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2019 3:01 PM
To: Baum, Lorraine
Cc: Dukes, Theresa
Subject: FW: Notice of Public Hearing - Nassau County DRAFT Annual Action Plan

Lorraine:

We will need to include a response to these comments in our final Action Plan and correct it if necessary.

Care to comment on the funding question? Not to FCA just yet, just for discussion purposes.

Kevin J. Crean
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The following is being forwarded from the Nassau County Office of Community Development. Please contact them directly with any questions or comments.

To Interested Parties:

Nassau County has prepared a draft Annual Action Plan for FY2019, prepared pursuant to the National Affordable Housing Act (42 USC Part 91). Notice is hereby given that a copy of the proposed Action Plan will be available to the public for review during a 30 day comment period extending from May 2, 2019 - June 1, 2019, weekdays during the hours of 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development, 1 West Street, Room 365, Mineola, NY 11501 and online at:
https://www.nassaucounty.ny.gov/1524/Community-Development

Comments must be submitted in writing to the address below or by e-mail to Kevin Crean at kcrean@nassaucounty.ny.gov, by June 1, 2019:

Kevin Crean, Director
Office of Community Development
1 West Street – Room 365
Mineola, NY 11501

A public hearing on the proposed Action Plan will be held:
Date and Time: Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 10:00 am
Location: Theodore Roosevelt Executive and Legislative Building
1550 Franklin Avenue
Legislative Chambers, 1st Floor
Mineola, NY 11501

Attached to this email is the invitation and a copy of the public notice in English and Spanish.

Thank you.

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Nassau County's Office of Community Development is currently accepting applications for funding under its federal HUD HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program.

The HUD HOME Program can provide incentives to develop and support affordable rental and homeownership housing through:

- Acquisition
- New Construction
- Reconstruction
- Rehabilitation

HOME funds can be targeted to affordable units in mixed-income developments to lower the overall development costs associated with the production of affordable housing. Thus, HOME funds can assist developments seeking to include a range of affordability.

Nassau County OCD particularly encourages applications for the development of new rental housing in “high opportunity areas” in close proximity to public transportation options and in areas with high performing school districts.

HOME funding is generally provided as a low-interest loan with favorable terms based on the specific needs of the development. Affordability terms range from 5-20 years based upon the amount of the subsidy provided per-unit and the type of development. New construction of rental housing requires a twenty-year affordability period.

Rental units subsidized with HOME funds must be targeted to tenants earning no more than 60% of Area Median Income (presently $56,040 for a 2-person household and $70,020 for a 4-person household). (EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018) Developments with five-or more HOME-assisted units are required to include additional units at lower income ranges.

The HOME Rent limit for a 2-bedroom unit at the 60% of AMI range is currently $1,688 per month. (EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2018)

Additional information on income and rent limitations can be found in the “Library Tab” of our on-line application. The link also includes a copy of the County’s HOME Program Guidelines, a list of Funding Priorities and other Program-related forms.

Follow the link to our On-Line ZOOM Grants HOME Program Funding Application:

https://zoomgrants.com/gprop.asp?donorid=2319

or Call Us with any questions:

Kevin J. Crean, CD Director 516-572-1916
Norman Gersman, HOME Program Supervisor 516-572-2723
New Construction of Affordable Rental Housing

Project: Brooke Pointe at Valley Stream
Developer: D&F Development
Location: Gibson Ave., Valley Stream
# of Units: 39
# of HOME Units: 11
Affordability Period: 20 Years
Year Completed: 2017

Project: 479 Front Street
Developer: Nassau County Housing Development Fund
Location: Front Street, Hempstead
# of Units: 29
# of HOME Units: 6
Affordability Period: 20 Years
Year Completed: 2014

Preservation of Affordable Rental Housing

Project: Moxey Rigby
Developer: Georgica Green
Location: Freeport Housing Authority/Georgica Green Ventures
# of Units: 100
# of HOME Units: 10
Affordability Period: 20 Years
Year Completed: Under Construction

Project: Pond View Homes I
Developer: NH Housing Authority/Georgica Green Ventures
Location: High Street, Manhasset
# of Units: 52
# of HOME Units: 10
Affordability Period: 15 Years
Year Completed: 2016
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My Commission Expires September 26, 2020
The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development (NC OHC) is requesting proposals from qualified applicants to undertake housing activities under Nassau County's 2019 HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. The HOME Program was established by the federal government through the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The goal of the HOME Program is to increase the supply of decent, safe, and sanitary affordable housing, including housing for the physically challenged, to promote the development of Public/Private partnerships, empower non-profit housing organizations and leverage HOME funds with non-federal funds or resources. Nassau County anticipates the receipt of approximately $2,000,000.00 in HOME funds in federal fiscal year 2019. The County's application year begins on September 30, 2019.

Eligible Applicants Include: Units of local government; non-profit housing providers; housing development fund companies; and private housing developers.

Forms of Subsidy Include: Interest-bearing loans; non-interest-bearing loans; deferred loans; grants and tax-exempt subsidies.

Eligible Activities Include: Eligible activities under the HOME Program include: (a) construction of rental and owner-occupied housing; (b) rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing; (c) acquisition of land, buildings, and vacant lots for the construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing; (d) development of innovative approaches, programs, and services for the provision of affordable housing; (e) administration of HOME funds; (f) provision of technical assistance; (g) establishment of local housing funds; (h) removal of financial and physical barriers to home ownership; and (i) removal of financial barriers to the rehabilitation of property.

Income Requirements and Long-Term Affordability: Homeownership projects must target participants at income levels that are at or below 150% of Area Median Income (AMI), as defined by HUD. At least 10% of HOME funds utilized for rental housing must be invested in units occupied by families below 50% of AMI. All units must remain affordable for a period of 5 to 20 years, depending on the level of assistance received. (Please refer to details in the HOME funding application.)

Non-Profit Participation: The program encourages participation by non-profit housing providers, and 15% of the County's HOME funds are set aside for non-profit organizations that qualify as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs).

Selection Criteria: All applications will be reviewed by NC OHC staff for completeness and compliance with applicable regulations.

The County will review all projects to ensure compliance with:

- HUD HOME Program regulations and objectives;
- Nassau County's Consolidated Plan;
- Nassau County's Fair Housing Initiative to ensure compliance with fair housing laws.

For more information, please contact Theresa Duke, Deputy Director at (516) 722-2424 or e-mail Thduke@nassaucounty.gov.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM
NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development (NC OCHCD) is requesting proposals from qualified applicants to undertake community development activities under Nassau County's 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Nassau County OCHCD is the overall administrative agent for the Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program which is funded through the Federal U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). The primary objective of the CDBG Program is the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

Nassau County anticipates the receipt of approximately $13,000,000.00 in CDBG funds, of which approximately 80% will be designated for municipalities that are members of the Nassau-Upton County Consortium. Approximately 20% of the funding may be made available for projects proposed by not-for-profit organizations for eligible CDBG activities, principally those that benefit a County-wide clientele. Funding awards, in this case will consider any additional federal requirements imposed on the funding, including spending deadlines, in addition to the criteria outlined below. The County's 2019 program year begins on September 1, 2019.

Eligible Applicants: Local governments, not-for-profit agencies, and social service providers.

Eligible Activities: Eligible activities under the CDBG Program include, but are not limited to: Acquisition and/or Disposition of Real Property for an Eligible CDBG Purpose, Public Facilities and Improvements, Economic Development, Housing and Commercial Rehabilitation, Clearance Activities, and Public Services.

Notional Objective Compliance: Every activity under the CDBG Program must meet one of the three national objectives of the program: Benefit to low and moderate income persons, Prevention or elimination of slums and blight, or activities having a community need having a particular urgency.

Selection Criteria: All applications will be reviewed by NC OCHCD staff for completeness and compliance with applicable regulations.

The County will utilize the following criteria in selecting projects that are consistent with:
- HUD CDBG Program Objectives;
- Nassau County's Consolidated Plan and Identified Priorities;
- Degree of increased economic benefit;
- Existence of organizational capacity and readiness to proceed;
- Leveraging of other public and private resources;
- The County's Prior Housing Initiative to overcoming impediments to fair housing choice by providing housing opportunities in non-disadvantaged communities;
- Activities designed to implement recommendations identified in Nassau County's 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness;
- Evidence of Community Outreach and Support

Applications must be received via our online application system by 4:00 pm on Monday, April 1, 2019. Paper applications will not be accepted. To register and apply please click on the following link: https://nassaucntys.com/ncchds/application.asp

For additional information, please contact Theresa Dula, Deputy Director at (516) 572-1924 or e-mail

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The Nassau County Office of Housing and Community Development (NC OHC&D) is issuing a Notice of Funding Availability and inviting applications from qualified applicants to undertake housing activities under Nassau County 2019 Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program. The Nassau County OHC&D is the overall administrative agent for the Federal ESG program which is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Nassau County anticipates the receipt of approximately $1,300,000.00 in ESG funds in Fiscal Year 2019. The County’s 2019 program year begins September 1, 2019.

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program is designed to prevent the increase of homelessness through the funding of prevention programs as well as to fund existing shelter services. Eligible activities include:

- Street Outreach
- Emergency Shelter
- Homeless Prevention
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Study/evaluation
- Administrative costs

Eligible applicants include units of local government and private non-profit organizations. Emergency Solutions Grants funds must be matched by an equal match of funds from other sources. In calculating the match, applicants may include the value of in-kind services, the value of any land on a building, any money paid to staff in carrying out programs, and the time and services contributed by volunteers in carrying out the program.

All applications will be sponsored by NC OHC&D staff for completeness and compliance with applicable regulations. Additionally, the County will utilize the following criteria in selecting projects for funding:

- Experience of the applicant in developing and/or operating homeless housing;
- Experience of the applicant in working with the Federal Emergency Solutions Grants Program, including, but not limited to, experience with reporting and expenditure requirements;
- Financial capacity and financial capability in undertaking proposed projects;
- Proposals that implement recommendations identified in Nassau County’s 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness;
- Proposals that invest in the prevention of homelessness including preventing housing families and individuals from becoming homeless; preventing individuals from becoming homeless upon discharge from institutions; and preventing veterans from becoming homeless upon discharge;
- Proposals that meet the needs of vulnerable subpopulations as defined by HED, including chronically homeless, veterans, persons with chronic disabilities (physically disabled, severely mentally ill, chronic substance abusers, and HIV/AIDS); victims of domestic violence, youth, and elderly;
- Projects that leverage other resources;
- The availability of matching resources;
- Degree of assistance provided to the homeless including implementing a “Housing First Approach” to help people exit homelessness.

Applications deadline is Monday, April 1, 2019, by 4:00 p.m. Applications must be received via our online application system. Paper applications will not be accepted. To register and apply, please utilize the following link:

https://newyorkstate.emergencyusa.net/2019/04/01

For additional information, please contact Teresa Dickens, Deputy Director at (516) 577-1934 or e-mail Teresa dickens, NAHMA@nassaucounty.us.

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