Consolidated Plan





2020 - 2024
City of Waterbury

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

This Five Year Consolidated Plan (the "Plan") for Waterbury, Connecticut covers the calendar years October 2020 to September 2024. It also contains the First Action Plan from October 2020 to September 2021. The Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs are addressed in this Consolidated Plan. The primary components of the Consolidated Plan are a needs assessment, strategic plan, and action plan inclusive of a description of the process of preparation, consultation, and administration.

The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to meet three basic objectives: (1) decent, affordable housing; (2) a suitable living environment; and (3) provide economic opportunities. The outcomes of the Consolidated Plan are the provision of (1) availability/accessibility; (2) affordability; and (3) sustainability.

Needs Assessment

In order to establish the objectives and outcomes in this Consolidated Plan, the City of Waterbury completed an extensive needs assessment. This process included consultation with numerous agencies, organizations, and individuals as well as analysis of available reports and data. The needs analysis process identified a range of needs and gaps in resources and services to be addressed with Consolidated Plan resources over the Five Year Strategy Period. The needs are described in detail in the "NA-Needs Assessment" and "MA-Housing Market Analysis" sections of the Consolidated Plan.

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

OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES

In response to the needs summarized above, the Waterbury Consolidated Plan contains several goals and anticipated outcomes as described below.

Reduce Cost Burden

- Increase Housing Affordability
- Increase Availability of and Accessibility to Decent, Safe and Affordable Housing Resources

Increase supply of decent, safe, and affordable housing

- Increase availability of and accessibility to decent, safe, and affordable housing resources
- Increase the Supply of 3+ Bedroom Units

Reduce Lead Hazards

- Increase Availability of and Accessibility to Decent, Safe and Affordable Housing Resources
- Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions

Address Homelessness

- Maintain and Increase Housing for Homeless
- Increase the Supply of 3+ Bedroom Units

Address Aging Infrastructure

- Invest in public, community and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements
- Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions

Remove Blight and Unsafe Conditions

- Increase availability of and accessibility to decent, safe, and affordable housing resources
- Invest in public, community and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements
- Invest in infrastructure replacement and improvement
- Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions

Provide or Improve Existing Community Facilities

- Invest in public, community and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements
- Support youth initiatives
- Provide programs and services for the elderly
- Support the provision of targeted social service programs
- Provide basic medical and nutritional resources

Provide Public and Supportive Services

- Increase Accessibility to Housing Resources
- Support youth initiatives
- Provide programs and services for the elderly
- Support the provision of targeted social service programs
- Provide basic medical and nutritional resources

Provide Supportive Housing

- Maintain and increase the availability of housing and support services for the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness

Remediate Hazardous Environmental Conditions

- Make Strategic Investments in the Abatement of Hazardous Environmental Conditions

Promote Economic and Workforce Development

 Provide Technical Assistance and Support for Economic and Workforce Development Activities

3. Evaluation of past performance

The City chooses its goals and projects in a manner that addresses identified community needs and gaps in services as established during its citizen participation and local consultation process. Programs and projects which are consistent with goals and objectives of the Consolidated Plan are chosen according to community need and an evaluation of the past performance and implementation capacity of the administering agency.

"Past performance" of sub- recipients is taken into consideration in the awarding of annual CDBG and ESG funds. Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) members who are responsible for the review and evaluation of applications rely on past performance reports in deciding whether to award future funds. City Staff provides CAC members with the status of all the agencies' expenditures as well as information related to their reporting history or any performance problems such as timeliness and accuracy of invoices and/or reporting documents if applicable.

At the close of each program year the City of Waterbury prepares its Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) which is submitted to HUD within 90 days of the end of the Program Year. The CAPER analyzes the City's use of its annual CDBG, ESG and HOME fund allocations and serves as an evaluation of the City's performance. In general, the City has met its overall goals and timeliness standards with its Consolidated Plan programs.

In addition, the City monitors performance of program/project sub-recipients. The City has a monitoring plan which is made available to public service sub- recipients. The City requires monthly, quarterly and close-out reports of all CDBG public service sub-recipients and performs visits once a year. ESG sub-recipients report quarterly and provide an end of the year close-out report. City staff also works with nonprofits receiving project funds to ensure timely processing of contracts, correct bidding procedures and compliance with all Federal regulations concerning Davis-Bacon wages. Projects are visited several times while they are underway to ensure program compliance.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

To establish the objectives and outcomes in this Consolidated Plan, the City of Waterbury has completed an extensive needs assessment. This process has included consultation with numerous agencies, organizations, and individuals as well as analysis of available reports and data. Citizen participation has been carried out under the leadership of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) inclusive of a needs public hearing, solicitation of proposed programs, and CAC meetings open to the public. A public hearing on this Consolidated Plan was held during a 30-day public comment period on May 5, 2020. The Consolidated Plan was available on the City website as well as on file at the Silas Bronson Library, and the City Clerk's office.

5. Summary of public comments

During the public comment period, which was extended to allow for more review time due to distancing requirements in response to the COVID19 pandemic, the City received 2 formal comments on its Draft Plan. Both comments received were in support of the Draft Plan, the process, and the Plan's goals, strategies, and objectives.

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

No comments were received that were not accepted by the CAC or the City administration. Both comments were positive and in support of the Draft Plan.

7. Summary

The robust Consolidated Plan process began in November 2019. It involved an extensive needs assessment and community engagement process. The findings in this document contributed to the creation of goals and objectives that will assist the City of Waterbury in allocating funds through 2024.

The Process

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

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

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

| Agency Role | Name | Department/Agency |
|---|-----------|---|
| Lead Agency | WATERBURY | City of Waterbury Finance Department |
| CDBG Administrator | WATERBURY | City of Waterbury Finance Department |
| Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Administrator | N/A | N/A |
| HOME Administrator | WATERBURY | City of Waterbury Finance Department |
| ESG Administrator | WATERBURY | City of Waterbury Finance Department |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The Community Development Office under the administrative direction of the City of Waterbury Finance Department is the lead agency for the preparation and administration of the Waterbury Consolidated Plan inclusive of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. Specific activities/programs funded by CDBG and ESG are administered by the appropriate organization through a subrecipient agreement with the Community Development Office. The City Departments of Public Works and Parks and Recreation administer construction projects on City-owned properties. The Waterbury Development Corporation (WDC) serves as project manager on behalf of the City under a Project Authorization Letter for certain construction projects.

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

1. Introduction

The process for the preparation of this Consolidated Plan included consultation with the following individuals and organizations:

- Coordinated Access Network Members and ESG subrecipients
- Waterbury Health Department Lead-Based Paint Francis Ford, Healthy Homes Program Manager; Richard Lee, Chief Sanitarian; Cynthia Vitone, Assistant Director of Public Health
- <u>Waterbury Housing Authority</u> Maureen Voghel, Director; Christopher D'Orso, Deputy Director; Dana Serra, Director of Client Service
- <u>Economic Development</u> Joe McGrath, Director
- <u>Regional Economic Development</u> David Krechevsky, Public Policy & Economic Development Director – Waterbury Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Carl Rosa, Executive Director Main Street Waterbury
- Catherine Awwad, Executive Director Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board
- <u>Community Development Office Staff</u> Diane Toolan, Housing & Community Planning Program Director; Tina Lubus, Housing & Community Planning Program Manager; Nancy Allen, Program Specialist
- <u>Fair Housing</u> Mike Gilmore, Fair Housing Officer

In addition, various publications and reports were reviewed to assess needs, including the following:

- The City of Waterbury Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness
- Connecticut Point-in-Time Count 2019 Waterbury Summary
- Waterbury Housing Authority Public Housing Agency (PHA) documents
- Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board Local Plan 2016-2020
- 2019 Greater Waterbury Community Health Needs Assessment
- Trust for Public Land, ParkServe
- United Way of Greater Waterbury ALICE Report, 2018

- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- Central Naugatuck Valley Plan of Conservation and Development
- Naugatuck Valley Corridor Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and service agencies (91.215(I)).

The City of Waterbury promotes coordination with and between public and assisted housing providers and health, mental health, and services agencies in a variety of ways. These activities include: representation by provider agencies on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and participation in and coordination of activities that address homelessness and special housing needs under the Continuum of Care process through the Community Development Office's involvement locally, and as part of the regional Coordinated Access Network (CAN). In addition, the application process for Consolidated Plan funding each Action Plan Year results in the review of activities to avoid duplication of services and ensure compliance with HUD regulations and the Consolidated Plan. Subrecipient agency monitoring provides project oversight, and preparation of the Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) provides program accomplishment oversight.

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

Community Development staff serves as a member of the CAN Leadership Committee, which serves the function of the Continuum of Care (CoC). In addition, several agencies that are members of CAN receive CDBG and/or ESG funding. This provides the opportunity for coordination during the plan development, funding application review, and CAPER processes.

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

Community Development staff consults with agencies and organizations who are members of the local CAN on an ongoing basis throughout the program year, including participating in needs analysis and policy and procedure formulation; evaluation and review of applications for funding; development of performance standards and local program objectives; and analysis of annual outcomes and performance as part of the CAPER document.

Community Development staff participates in the Leadership Committee and interacts with CAN and its membership to ensure the goals and outcomes established for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) and other special needs housing programs meet the needs of the community.

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

| | Agency/Group/Organization | Community Development Office |
|---|--|---|
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other Government – Local |
| 1 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Market Analysis |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Community Development Office is the lead organization for the administration, implementation, and oversight of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Salvation Army |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Homeless Neighborhood Organization |
| 2 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs – Chronically homeless Homeless Needs – Families with children Homelessness Needs – Veterans Homelessness Needs – Unaccompanied youth |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Salvation Army is a member of CAN as well as a funding recipient of Consolidated Plan funding. The organization provides emergency shelter as well as support services to the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. |

| | Agency/Group/Organization | St. Vincent DePaul | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Homeless Neighborhood Organization | | | |
| 3 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs – Chronically homeless Homeless Needs – Families with children Homelessness Needs – Veterans Homelessness Needs – Unaccompanied youth | | | |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | St. Vincent DePaul is a member of CAN as well as a funding recipient of Consolidated Plan funding. The organization provides emergency shelter as well as support services to the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries, Inc. | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Homeless Neighborhood Organization | | | |
| 4 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs – Chronically homeless Homeless Needs – Families with children Homelessness Needs – Veterans Homelessness Needs – Unaccompanied youth | | | |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries, Inc. provides hot meals and food pantry for low-income persons. It is a critical point of service for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury | | | |
| _ | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services – Homeless Neighborhood Organization | | | |
| 5 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs – Families with children Homelessness Needs – Domestic violence | | | |

| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury is a member of CAN as well as a funding recipient of Consolidated Plan funding. It provides emergency shelter and free comprehensive support services to victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. |
|---|--|---|
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Waterbury Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing PHA |
| 6 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Anti-Poverty Strategy |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Waterbury Housing Authority is the primary agency addressing the housing issues of the lowest-income residents within the city. This includes the administration of both public housing and housing voucher programs. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | N 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Northwest CT – Coordinated Access Network (CAN/CoC) Leadership Committee |
| 7 | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Network (CAN/CoC) Leadership |

| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The CAN Leadership Committee was consulted as part of the traditional budget planning process and was also directly consulted as part of a round table discussion group for the establishment of the housing needs overview and strategic planning for homeless and special needs housing and community services. The CAN Leadership Committee represents numerous housing and service provider agencies. | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Citizens Advisory Committee | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Citizens Advisory and Review Committee Neighborhood Organization | | | |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Application Review & Planning | | | |
| 8 | How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Citizen Advisory Committee participates in the preparation of the draft Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan; represents the community in evaluating programs and activities being considered for funding; and reviews applications from subrecipient agencies along with staff from the Community Development Office. Recommendations of CAC are then presented to City administration for review and formal approval. | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Main Street Waterbury | | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Economic Development | | | |
| 9 | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Economic Development Market Analysis Housing Needs | | | |
| | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Main Street Waterbury is aware of the conditions and needs in the downtown area and how improvements could positively impact the lives of low-income persons. | | | |

| | Agency/Group/Organization | Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board | | |
|----|--|--|--|--|
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Economic Development | | |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Economic Development Market Analysis | | |
| 10 | How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board provides job training and employment opportunities to low- income persons. It is developing a pilot program with the Center for Human Development for Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA). | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization | Waterbury Regional Chamber | | |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Economic Development | | |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation? | Economic Development Market Analysis | | |
| 11 | How was the Agency/Group/ Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Waterbury Regional Chamber is aware of the conditions and needs in the region and how economic development improvements could positively benefit low-income persons. | | |

Table 2 – Agencies, Groups, and Organizations Who Participated

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

The City has consulted the agencies necessary to develop its Consolidated Plan in a manner that addresses its identified housing and community development needs with the resources provided.

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

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness | City of Waterbury | The goals for addressing homelessness are similar. CDBG and ESG funds assist in the implementation of programs to achieve the goals set in the Ten Year Plan. |

Table 3 – Other Local/Regional/Federal Planning Efforts

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

There are numerous public entities that the City of Waterbury coordinates and cooperates with in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan. Among state agencies, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development as well as the Connecticut Department of Social Services are most often engaged. Adjacent communities participating in the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments (COG) and Naugatuck Valley Corridor Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), as well as the State Department of Energy and Environment are partners in addressing site remediation projects.

Narrative (Optional)

The City has consulted the agencies necessary to develop its Consolidated Plan in a manner that addresses its identified housing and community development needs with the resources provided.

PR-15 Citizen Participation

1. Summary of citizen participation process/efforts made to broaden citizen participation.

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting.

The citizen participation process for the preparation of this Consolidated Plan was conducted by the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) with assistance from the Community Development staff. This committee is comprised of Waterbury residents representing various neighborhoods and organizations. The specific activities undertaken included the following:

- Conducted neighborhood meetings to establish needs (locations included: City Hall, Senior Center, Police Activity League, and Hispanic Coalition).
- Conducted topical roundtable discussion groups (topics included: homelessness, economic development, and health and safety).
- Online survey of residents and agencies (responses from 32 agencies and 124 residents).
- Conducted a Needs Public Hearing.
- Solicited applications requesting funding.
- Reviewed all applications.
- Selected activities to recommend for funding.
- The draft Consolidated Plan was posted on the City's website.
- Conducted public hearing on the draft Consolidated Plan.
- Approved the Final Consolidated Plan for referral to the Board of Aldermen for approval.

Supporting documentation, including public notices, notes, and minutes of the public hearings, are attached as part of the Citizen Participation Attachment.

Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/ attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (if applicable) |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------|
| 1 | Online survey | Nontargeted/ broad community | 124 residents 40 agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |
| 2 | Public meeting | Residents and agencies | 6 agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |
| 3 | Public meeting | Residents and agencies | 1 agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |
| 4 | Neighborhood meeting | Nontargeted/ broad community | 55 members of the public and agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |
| 5 | Neighborhood meeting | Nontargeted/ broad community | 8 members of the public and agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment. | N/A | |
| 6 | Neighborhood meeting | Nontargeted/ broad community | 19 members of the public and agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |
| 7 | CAC | Residents and agencies | 26 members of the public and agency staff | See attached Citizen Participation Attachment | N/A | |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

NA-05 Overview

Needs Assessment Overview

Affordability

The following Needs Assessment addresses housing needs based on the income of very low, low-, and median-income households. As described in the assessment, the primary housing need relates to a lack of income combined with a shortage of affordable housing units. The income and ability to pay rent issues are an economic disincentive to invest to increase the supply of affordable units. The housing needs are not disproportionate for any racial/ethnic group when compared to community statistics. However, there is an identified need particularly among Hispanic and elderly segments of the population.

Assisted Housing

In terms of assisted housing units, the Waterbury Housing Authority (WHA) is the primary provider. There is a need to rehabilitate units as well as a need to receive more funding for both public housing units and vouchers. There is a waiting list of 1,977 applicants for public housing. WHA has completed a Voluntary Compliance Agreement with HUD and has attained High Performer status for 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Homelessness

Waterbury has an active Continuum of Care process managed by CAN that addresses numerous homeless and special needs issues. There are currently two homeless shelters (Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul) and a domestic abuse shelter (Safe Haven) as well as a soup kitchen. The primary need is for permanent affordable housing, services for persons with disabilities, and employment opportunities. There is also a need to coordinate the provision of housing with social services and employment training.

Special Needs

The primary special needs issues are services and housing for persons with disabilities and recently released inmates. There are several halfway houses for released inmates, but many that are released have limited or no resources, housing, or employment. The Connecticut Health Department estimated that 699 persons are living with Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in Waterbury in 2018.

Non-Housing Needs

The primary non-housing needs are for public facilities and infrastructure repair, expansion, or construction. This includes parks and recreation facilities; neighborhood, youth, and senior centers; and sidewalks. Many of these needs relate to the age of facilities/infrastructure common in older cities like Waterbury.

Public Service Needs

Through the process of statistical analysis, public outreach, and monitoring of programs, a range of public service needs have been identified. An important source of needs identification has been the United Way Community Status Report and the New Opportunities Inc. Needs Assessment. Public service needs have been identified for a range of population segments including youth, seniors, and people with disabilities. A priority need category identified by CAC is basic human needs inclusive of food security and healthcare.

NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment – 24 CFR 91.205 (a,b,c)

Summary of Housing Needs

The tables and narratives below present housing need data for Waterbury as provided by HUD. The data originally derived from the 2011-2015 American Community Survey (ACS) and the HUD CHAS database.

| Demographics | Base Year: 2009 | Most Recent Year: 2015 | % Change |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| Population | 110,366 | 109,550 | -1% |
| Households | 41,873 | 40,215 | -4% |
| Median Income | \$39,832.00 | \$40,467.00 | 2% |

Table 5 – Housing Needs Assessment Demographics

Data Source: 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Number of Households Table

| | 0-30% HAMFI | >30-50% HAMFI | >50-80% HAMFI | >80-100% HAMFI | >100% HAMFI |
|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Total households | 12,145 | 6,740 | 7,455 | 3,930 | 9,945 |
| Small family households | 4,665 | 2,310 | 3,325 | 1,945 | 5,565 |
| Large family households | 910 | 620 | 680 | 365 | 660 |
| Household contains at least one person 62 to 74 years of age | 2,110 | 1,320 | 1,435 | 745 | 2,120 |
| Household contains at least one person of age 75 or older | 1,540 | 1,255 | 800 | 285 | 445 |
| Households with one or more children 6 years old or younger | 2,825 | 1,300 | 1,165 | 540 | 880 |

Table 6 – Total Households Table

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Housing Needs Summary Tables

1. Housing Problems (households with one of the below-listed needs)

| | | | Renter | | | Owner | | | | |
|----------------|-------|------|--------|---------|-------|--------|------|------|------|-------|
| | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- | | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- | |
| | 30% | 50% | 80% | 100% | Total | 30% | 50% | 80% | 100% | Total |
| | AMI | AMI | AMI | AMI | | AMI | AMI | AMI | AMI | |
| | Γ | | NUMB | ER OF F | OUSEH | OLDS | | I | 1 | I |
| Substandard | | | | | | | | | | |
| housing – | | | | | | | | | | |
| lacking | | | | | | | | | | |
| complete | 320 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 340 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| plumbing or | | | | | | | | | | |
| kitchen | | | | | | | | | | |
| facilities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Severely | | | | | | | | | | |
| overcrowded | | | | | | | | | | |
| – with | | | | | | | | | | |
| >1.51 people | 135 | 30 | 40 | 0 | 205 | 0 | 15 | 30 | 20 | 65 |
| per room (and | 133 | 30 | 40 | | 203 | | 13 | 30 | 20 | 05 |
| complete | | | | | | | | | | |
| kitchen and | | | | | | | | | | |
| plumbing) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Overcrowded | | | | | | | | | | |
| – with 1.01 to | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.5 people per | | | | | | | | | | |
| room (and | 375 | 120 | 135 | 0 | 630 | 40 | 30 | 75 | 20 | 165 |
| none of the | | | | | | | | | | |
| above | | | | | | | | | | |
| problems) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Housing cost | | | | | | | | | | |
| burden | | | | | | | | | | |
| greater than | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50% of | 5,500 | 645 | 35 | 0 | 6,180 | 1,275 | 945 | 530 | 100 | 2,850 |
| income (and | 3,300 | 0 13 | | | 0,100 | .,_, 5 | 3 13 | | | 2,000 |
| none of the | | | | | | | | | | |
| above | | | | | | | | | | |
| problems) | | | | | | | | | | |

| | | | Renter | | | Owner | | | | |
|--|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|
| | 0- 30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | >80- 100% AMI | Total | 0- 30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | >80- 100% AMI | Total |
| Housing cost burden greater than 30% of income (and none of the above problems) | 1,500 | 2,070 | 880 | 125 | 4,575 | 235 | 1,095 | 1,600 | 790 | 3,720 |
| Zero/negative income (and none of the above problems) | 985 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 985 | 205 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 205 |

Table 7 – Housing Problems Table

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

2. Housing Problems 2 (households with one or more severe housing problems: lack of kitchen or complete plumbing, severe overcrowding, severe cost burden)

| | | | Renter | | | Owner | | | | |
|---|-------|-------|--------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- | | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- | |
| | 30% | 50% | 80% | 100% | Total | 30% | 50% | 80% | 100% | Total |
| | AMI | AMI | AMI | AMI | | AMI | AMI | AMI | AMI | |
| | | | NUMB | ER OF I | HOUSEH | OLDS | | | | |
| Having one or more of four housing problems | 6,335 | 810 | 220 | 0 | 7,365 | 1,320 | 985 | 635 | 135 | 3,075 |
| Having none of four housing problems | 2,975 | 3,280 | 3,250 | 1,415 | 10,920 | 325 | 1,665 | 3,345 | 2,375 | 7,710 |
| Household has negative income, but none of the other housing problems | 985 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 985 | 205 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 205 |

Table 8 – Housing Problems 2

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

3. Cost Burden Greater Than 30%

| | | Rer | nter | | Owner | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
| | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | |
| NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | |
| Small related | 3,655 | 1,175 | 430 | 5,260 | 345 | 470 | 995 | 1,810 | |
| Large related | 635 | 240 | 15 | 890 | 130 | 175 | 240 | 545 | |
| Elderly | 1,630 | 550 | 95 | 2,275 | 880 | 1,090 | 610 | 2,580 | |
| Other | 1,825 | 840 | 380 | 3,045 | 175 | 325 | 360 | 860 | |
| Total need by income | 7,745 | 2,805 | 920 | 11,470 | 1,530 | 2,060 | 2,205 | 5,795 | |

Table 9 - Cost Burden Greater Than 30%

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

4. Cost Burden Greater Than 50%

| | | Re | nter | | Owner | | | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|--|--|
| | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | | |
| | NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS | | | | | | | | | |
| Small related | 2,820 | 250 | 0 | 3,070 | 330 | 245 | 205 | 780 | | |
| Large related | 525 | 40 | 0 | 565 | 120 | 45 | 30 | 195 | | |
| Elderly | 1,305 | 110 | 0 | 1,415 | 675 | 430 | 130 | 1,235 | | |
| Other | 1,455 | 255 | 35 | 1,745 | 175 | 235 | 170 | 580 | | |
| Total need by income | 6,105 | 655 | 35 | 6,795 | 1,300 | 955 | 535 | 2,790 | | |

Table 10 - Cost Burden Greater Than 50%

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

5. Crowding (more than one person per room)

| | Renter | | | Owner | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- 100% | Tatal | 0- | >30- | >50- | >80- 100% | Tatal |
| | 30% AMI | 50% AMI | 80% AMI | 100% AMI | Total | 30% AMI | 50% AMI | 80% AMI | 100% AMI | Total |
| | I | | NUMBI | R OF H | OUSEH | OLDS | | | | |
| Single-family households | 475 | 130 | 130 | 0 | 735 | 40 | 45 | 79 | 10 | 174 |

| | Renter | | | | | Owner | | | | |
|---|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|
| | 0- 30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | >80- 100% AMI | Total | 0- 30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | >80- 100% AMI | Total |
| Multiple, unrelated family households | 65 | 20 | 40 | 0 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 30 | 55 |
| Other, nonfamily households | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total need by income | 565 | 150 | 170 | 0 | 885 | 40 | 45 | 104 | 40 | 229 |

Table 11 – Crowding Information – 1/2

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

| Data Dearec. Earl Earl Cline | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
| | Renter | | | | Owner | | | | |
| | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | 0-30% AMI | >30- 50% AMI | >50- 80% AMI | Total | |
| | | NUM | IBER OF I | HOUSEH | OLDS | | | | |
| Households with children present | 465 | 325 | 185 | 975 | 15 | 30 | 80 | 125 | |

Table 12 – Crowding Information – 2/2

Data Source: 2005-2009 CHAS. This data set is no longer available.

Describe the number and type of single person households in need of housing assistance.

The Census (ACS 2017) reports that 24.3% of Waterbury residents have incomes below the poverty level; but for unrelated individuals, 25.8% of single males and 28.5% of single females have incomes below the poverty level. These reports show that single persons – whether they are living alone or in a nonrelated household – have similar poverty levels as persons living in a related household.

The Census (ACS 2017) reports that there are 13,220 persons living alone in Waterbury. These single-person households account for 12.1% of all the households in the city.

Of the 13,220 persons living alone in Waterbury, 4,795 are over age 65, and many of them may be living in subsidized housing; but it is likely that there are thousands of younger single people in the city living below the poverty level.

Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance who are disabled or victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Disability

The Census (ACS 2017) reports there are 4,291 residents who have disabilities and have incomes below the poverty level. This is 16% of all persons with incomes below the poverty level in the city. According to homeless service providers in Waterbury, 5 families in their system were impacted by a physical disability in 2019.

Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

Due to the sensitive nature of violence, assault, and stalking, it is difficult to accurately estimate the number of families impacted. In the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness Point-in-Time count for 2019, 19 homeless adults were fleeing domestic violence, 17 of which were sheltered. According to homeless service providers, in 2019 in Waterbury, 25 individuals were victims of domestic violence and 9 were currently fleeing domestic violence.

According to the 2018 Family Violence Arrest Report provided by the State of Connecticut, Waterbury had 933 total family violence offenses in 2018. There were 266 other offenses; of these, 57% were cases of disorderly conduct/breach of peace, 15% were assaults, and 15% were violations of court orders, which can include violations of restraining orders. 1% of cases were homicide, sexual assault, and stalking (3, 1, and 4 cases, respectively).

What are the most common housing problems?

As was the situation in the 2013-2018 Consolidated Plan, the overwhelming housing problem in Waterbury continues to be cost burden. This has been the situation dating back for over 20 years, beginning with the HUD-required Housing Assistance Plan (HAP), and continuing through the present Consolidated Plan requirements. Waterbury is not unique in this regard in that every CDBG Entitlement Community in Connecticut has this disproportionate cost burden problem within the three categories of problems. For the most part, in Connecticut, even the most deteriorated housing unit has complete plumbing and kitchen facilities. The fact that Connecticut has very few rural areas where units lack such facilities, and that there is a state health code enforced in all communities, eliminates these conditions to a great extent. In addition, most communities including urban areas have, over time, revised their zoning regulations resulting in the near elimination of rooming, housing, or single-resident occupancy (SRO) structures. It is within these types of structures that complete plumbing and kitchen facilities are often found to be lacking.

When one looks at the incomes in Waterbury, it is not surprising that cost burden is the primary housing problem. There is a total 40,215 people in Waterbury, of which 30,270 or 75% have incomes that are less than 100% of the Household Area Median Income (HAMFI) for the

Waterbury Area. Within these 30,270 households, 51% are either households with at least one person over age 62 or with one or more children 6 years of age or younger. The lack of income and employment to generate a decent living wage is a theme found throughout this Consolidated Plan.

Are any populations/household types more affected than others by these problems?

When one looks at the issue of cost burden and tenure, the differences between renter and owner households are dramatic. The number of renter households with incomes below 50% of HAMFI is 6,795. The number of owner households with incomes less than 50% of HAMFI is 2,790. The need among renter households with incomes less than 50% of HAMFI is nearly three times that of owner households.

Describe the characteristics and needs of low-income individuals and families with children (especially extremely low-income) who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered 91.205(c)/91.305(c)). Also discuss the needs of formerly homeless families and individuals who are receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance

The characteristics and needs of low-income individuals and families with children who are currently housed but are at imminent risk of either residing in shelters or becoming unsheltered might include lack of money to pay for healthcare, childcare, and transportation costs along with other issues that include lack of employment, lack of state benefits and services, lack of family support, problems with mental health, chronic health conditions, substance abuse, history of domestic violence, and lack of stable, continuous income. Having affordable and secure housing is the end goal for homeless families exiting program in the City. The needs of formerly homeless families and individuals that are receiving rapid re-housing assistance and are nearing the termination of that assistance consist of a greater need for affordable, stable, and safe housing; supportive services such as healthcare, affordable childcare, money management, budget counseling, accessible transportation, and community resources; and services such as continued case management and follow-ups to sustain and promote wellness and stability. The need for employment and support that makes work possible, such as affordable childcare and access to jobs, was discussed often during the Needs Assessment process. In light of this, the City is exploring the provision of Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) combined with job skill and employment training to address the needs of at-risk households.

If a jurisdiction provides estimates of the at-risk population(s), it should also include a description of the operational definition of the at-risk group and the methodology used to generate the estimates.

While no estimate of the extent of the at-risk population is possible, the number of households and individuals earning less than 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and paying more than 50% for housing is indicative of the seriousness of this issue.

Specify particular housing characteristics that have been linked with instability and an increased risk of homelessness.

There are several housing and household characteristics linked with instability and increased risk of homelessness. These characteristics are listed below:

- A high unemployment rate with a resulting loss of income available for housing
- The lack of assets available for rental security deposits
- The long waiting lists for both public housing units and Housing Choice Vouchers
- The reduction of the number of affordable housing units resulting from the demolition of structures, structures with non-habitable units due to deteriorated conditions, and the lack of construction of additional affordable units
- Mental health and substance abuse issues leading to displacement from private housing, increasing the pressure on homeless facilities or resulting in people being unsheltered
- Those affected by domestic/sexual violence or abuse are at an increased risk of homelessness.
- Those affected by chronic health condition(s) or disabilities are at an increased risk of homelessness.
- Those who have been evicted or foreclosed upon are at an increased risk of homelessness.
- The lack of affordable housing units in the region surrounding Waterbury

Discussion

There are multiple housing needs in Waterbury. Strategies to best address these needs are discussed in the Strategic Plan section.

NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

Introduction

The tables below present statistics for households, with housing problems broken down by income and race/ethnic group. As is the situation with all households in Waterbury, the most common housing problem is cost burden. As discussed elsewhere in this Needs Assessment, this cost burden is the result of the lack of sufficient income combined with the low inventory of affordable housing units. This housing problem is most prevalent among households with incomes of less than 50% of the area median. Of the 18,730 households with housing problems with incomes below 100% of the median, 14,345 or 77% have incomes of less than 50% of the median. There are no racial or ethnic groups with disproportionate housing problems.

While it does not have disproportionately greater needs, Waterbury's Hispanic population faces significant housing challenges, especially those that earn less than 30% of AMI. This situation is the result of the Hispanic population representing the largest, most recent group immigrating to Connecticut overall and Waterbury specifically. It should be noted that this Hispanic immigration includes people from several Latin American countries as well as Puerto Rico. Some groups are more recent immigrants than others, but all groups experience similar cultural and language barriers to assimilation and employment. When Waterbury had a predominantly manufacturing economic base, immigrants from a variety of countries and cultures were able to find employment with a decent livable wage. This is no longer the case.

A second factor impacting housing need is that a high percentage of White households with less than 50% of median income and with a cost burden are elderly households. Many of these households are in housing units where they have resided for a number of years. While these households have a cost burden, for the most part the housing unit is in standard condition. Among Hispanic households, those experiencing a cost burden are, to a greater extent, family households. These households often contain children and have a need for units with three or more bedrooms. In addition, their current unit is often deteriorated to the point that it does not meet minimum standards and needs repair. Funds for such repairs are, to a great extent, not available.

0% to 30% of Area Median Income

| Housing Problems | Has One or More of Four Housing Problems | Has None of Four Housing Problems | Household Has No/Negative Income, but None of the Other Housing Problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 9,385 | 1,565 | 1,190 |
| White | 2,920 | 415 | 510 |
| Black/African American | 2,010 | 269 | 210 |
| Asian | 115 | 10 | 20 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 4,110 | 850 | 425 |

Table 13 - Disproportionally Greater Need, 0% to 30% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

30% to 50% of Area Median Income

| Housing Problems | Has One or More of Four Housing Problems | Has None of Four Housing Problems | Household Has No/Negative Income, but None of the Other Housing Problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 4,960 | 1,780 | 0 |
| White | 2,485 | 795 | 0 |
| Black/African American | 965 | 210 | 0 |
| Asian | 24 | 50 | 0 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 1,415 | 685 | 0 |

Table 14 - Disproportionally Greater Need, 30% to 50% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

^{*}The four housing problems are (1) lacks complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacks complete plumbing facilities, (3) has more than one person per room, and (4) cost burden is greater than 30%.

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50% to 80% of Area Median Income

| Housing Problems | Has One or More of Four Housing Problems | Has None of Four Housing Problems | Household Has No/Negative Income, but None of the Other Housing Problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 3,335 | 4,115 | 0 |
| White | 1,825 | 1,995 | 0 |
| Black/African American | 840 | 895 | 0 |
| Asian | 75 | 75 | 0 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 500 | 1,045 | 0 |

Table 15 - Disproportionally Greater Need, 50% to 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

80% to 100% of Area Median Income

| Housing Problems | Has One or More of Four Housing Problems | Has None of Four Housing Problems | Household Has No/Negative Income, but None of the Other Housing Problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 1,050 | 2,875 | 0 |
| White | 645 | 1,460 | 0 |
| Black/African American | 160 | 540 | 0 |
| Asian | 10 | 90 | 0 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 160 | 655 | 0 |

Table 16 - Disproportionally Greater Need, 80 to 100% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

^{*}The four housing problems are (1) lacks complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacks complete plumbing facilities, (3) has more than one person per room, and (4) cost burden is greater than 30%.

^{*}The four housing problems are (1) lacks complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacks complete plumbing facilities, (3) has more than one person per room, and (4) cost burden is greater than 30%.

Discussion

While races and ethnicities do not meet the criteria for disproportionate need, housing problems most often occur for low-income households of color.

NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

Introduction

The tables below present statistics, provided by HUD from its 2011-2015 Comprehensive Housing Affordability (CHAS) database, for households with severe housing problems broken down by income and racial/ethnic group. Of the 10,440 households with housing problems with incomes below 100% of the median, 9,450 or 81% have incomes of less than 50% of the median. There are no racial or ethnic groups with disproportionate severe housing problems at other income levels.

0% to 30% of Area Median Income

| Severe Housing Problems* | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 7,655 | 3,300 | 1,190 |
| White | 2,425 | 900 | 510 |
| Black/African American | 1,795 | 485 | 210 |
| Asian | 110 | 20 | 20 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 3,110 | 1,845 | 425 |

Table 17 - Severe Housing Problems, 0% to 30% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

^{*}The four severe housing problems are (1) lacking complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacking complete plumbing facilities, (3) more than 1.5 persons per room, and (4) cost burden over 50%.

30% to 50% of Area Median Income

| Severe Housing Problems* | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 1,795 | 4,945 | 0 |
| White | 835 | 2,445 | 0 |
| Black/African American | 415 | 765 | 0 |
| Asian | 8 | 60 | 0 |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic | 515 | 1,590 | 0 |

Table 18 - Severe Housing Problems, 30% to 50% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

50% to 80% of Area Median Income

| Severe Housing Problems* | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems | |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 855 | 6,595 | 0 | |
| White | 410 | 3,410 | 0 | |
| Black/African American | 220 | 1,515 | 0 | |
| Asian | 15 | 135 | 0 | |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Hispanic | 165 | 1,380 | 0 | |

Table 19 - Severe Housing Problems, 50% to 80% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

^{*}The four severe housing problems are (1) lacking complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacking complete plumbing facilities, (3) more than 1.5 persons per room, and (4) cost burden over 50%.

^{*}The four severe housing problems are (1) lacking complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacking complete plumbing facilities, (3) more than 1.5 persons per room, and (4) cost burden over 50%.

80% to 100% of Area Median Income

| Severe Housing Problems* | Has one or more of four housing problems | Has none of the four housing problems | Household has no/negative income, but none of the other housing problems | |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 135 | 3,790 | 0 | |
| White | 110 | 2,000 | 0 | |
| Black/African American | 25 | 675 | 0 | |
| Asian | 0 | 100 | 0 | |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Hispanic | 4 | 810 | 0 | |

Table 20 – Severe Housing Problems, 80% to 100% AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Discussion

Black/African American households experience severe housing problems when they have extremely low incomes at a higher rate than the general population. While races and ethnicities do not meet the criteria for disproportionate need, housing problems most often occur for low-income households of color. During the Plan development process, it was also voiced that new immigrants, especially those with language barriers and limited access to sustainable employment were experiencing severe housing problems.

^{*}The four severe housing problems are (1) lacking complete kitchen facilities, (2) lacking complete plumbing facilities, (3) more than 1.5 persons per room, and (4) cost burden over 50%.

NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens – 91.205 (b)(2)

Assess the need of any racial or ethnic group that has disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of that category of need as a whole.

Introduction

Housing cost burden is the predominant housing need in Waterbury. This is the result of low incomes and the lack of available affordable housing in both Waterbury and the surrounding region.

Housing Cost Burden

| Housing Cost Burden | Less than or equal to 30% | 30 to 50% | Greater than 50% | No/negative income (not computed) | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Jurisdiction as a whole | 20,210 | 9,045 | 9,700 | 1,260 | |
| White | 11,175 | 4,540 | 3,540 | 535 | |
| Black/African American | 3,495 | 1,630 | 2,255 | 250 | |
| Asian | 420 | 115 | 115 | 20 | |
| American Indian, Alaska Native | 4 | 0 | 8 | 0 | |
| Pacific Islander | Pacific Islander 0 | | 0 | 0 | |
| Hispanic | 4,655 | 2,565 | 3,530 | 425 | |

Table 21 – Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens AMI

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Discussion

Housing cost as a high percentage of income is prevalent throughout Connecticut. People earning the state minimum wage, which is higher than the federal minimum wage, have to work approximately 112 hours to afford the median rent in their community of residence. Cost burden, housing affordability, and the need for higher household income levels affect many.

NA-30 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion – 91.205(b)(2)

Are there any income categories in which a racial or ethnic group has disproportionately greater need than the needs of that income category as a whole?

Generally, housing needs in Waterbury are at the same proportion as the percentage of the city's population by ethnic group. The one group that is most disproportional is the Hispanic population. This is the most prevalent in the 0% to 30% of AMI households.

If they have needs not identified above, what are those needs?

Additional contributors to housing needs include lack of English proficiency and translation services. With a language barrier, it is more difficult for Hispanic people, recent immigrants, and others with limited English proficiency to find housing or participate in city programs to address this need. The immigration status of individuals may also hinder their desire or ability to use city services to find housing.

Are any of those racial or ethnic groups located in specific areas or neighborhoods in your community?

The Hispanic population is most heavily concentrated in the South End neighborhood.

NA-35 Public Housing – 91.205(b)

Introduction

The statistics provided in the following tables are provided by the WHA Annual Report and from site visits with the Executive Director and WHA staff. The WHA has a portfolio of 735 units of public housing spread over 12 developments and 7 scattered sites throughout the city of Waterbury (3 of which are designated Elderly/Disabled) and distributes a total of 2,008 vouchers.

| Program Type | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----|---|----------|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------|
| | Certificate Mod- Rehab | | | Vouchers | | | | | |
| | | | | Total | Project- based | Tenant- based | Special Purpose Voucher | | |
| | | | | | | | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled |
| # of unit vouchers in use | N/A | 138 | 7 | 2,008 | 87 | 1,742 | Total – 82 Waterbury Residents – 34 Out of Waterbury – 48 | N/A | 145 |

Table 22 – Public Housing by Program Type

Data Source: Housing Authority of the City of Waterbury

Characteristics of Residents

| Program Type | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| | | | | | Vouchers | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Special Purp | ose Voucher | |
| | Certificate | Mod- Rehab | Public Housing | Total | Project- based | Tenant- based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | |
| Average Annual Income | N/A | 11,436 | 15,697 | 13,647 | 11,639 | 14,449 | 14,852 | N/A | |
| Average length of stay | N/A | | | | | | | N/A | |
| Average Household size | N/A | 2.13 | 2.78 | | 2.64 | 2.33 | 1.53 | N/A | |
| # Homeless at admission | N/A | | | | | | | N/A | |
| # of Elderly Program Participants (>62) | N/A | 24 | 256 | 453 | 6 | 433 | 14 | N/A | |
| # of Disabled Families | N/A | 19 | 166 | 590 | 26 | 557 | 7 | N/A | |
| # of Families requesting accessibility features | N/A | | | | | | | N/A | |
| # of HIV/AIDS program participants | N/A | | | | | | | N/A | |
| # of DV victims | N/A | | | - | | | | N/A | |

Table 23 – Characteristics of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Race of Residents

| | Program Type | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--|
| | | | | Vouchers | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Specia | Purpose Vou | ıcher | |
| Race | Certificate | Mod- Rehab | Public Housing | Total | Project- based | Tenant- based | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * | |
| White | N/A | 17 | 297 | 891 | 63 | 741 | 14 | N/A | 73 | |
| Black/African American | N/A | 5 | 304 | 1098 | 24 | 982 | 20 | N/A | 72 | |
| Asian | N/A | 0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | N/A | 0 | |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | N/A | 0 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | N/A | 0 | |
| Pacific Islander | N/A | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | N/A | 0 | |
| Other | N/A | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A | 0 | |
| *Includes Non-Elderly Dis | abled, Mainstı | ream One- | Year, Mains | tream Five | year, and N | Nursing Hon | ne Transition. | | | |

Table 24 – Race of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Ethnicity of Residents

| | | | | Program Ty | /pe | | | | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--|----------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Ethnicity | Ethnicity Certificate Mod- | | | | | | Vouchers | | | |
| | | Rehab | | | | | Specia | l Purpose Vo | ıcher | |
| | | | Public Housing | Total | Project- based | based Si | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled * | |
| Hispanic | N/A | 22 | 342 | 855 | 28 | 731 | 32 | N/A | 73 | |
| Not Hispanic | N/A | 116 | 372 | 1076 | 59 | 943 | 2 | N/A | 72 | |
| *Includes Non-Elderly | y Disabled, Main | stream On | e-Year, Maiı | nstream Five | -Year, and N | ursing Home | Transition. | | | |

Table 25 – Ethnicity of Public Housing Residents by Program Type

Section 504 Needs Assessment: Describe the needs of public housing tenants and applicants on the waiting list for accessible units.

WHA achieved High Performer status for the Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019, and High Performer status for Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) for 2017, 2018, and 2019.

As part of its effort to comply with Section 504 requirements, the authority maintains a list of properties with code-compliant units. Currently, there are 22 compliant units. With the completion of the additional 14, Section 504 Compliance Unit Upgrades, there will be a total of 36 in compliance with the Voluntary Compliance Agreements (VCA) requirement of 5%.

As is the situation with housing authorities throughout Connecticut, WHA is experiencing a demand for units much in excess of the capacity of its programs and managed housing units. The situation is evidenced by the waiting lists maintained by the authority. The current waiting list for managed units is 713.

Similarly, there are extensive waiting lists for Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs). The current waiting list for HCV is 1,264. In 2016, the authority opened the waiting list for HCV. The authority received over 10,000 applications during a 3-day period, of which 2,000 were randomly selected and placed on the waiting list. The large number of applicants received coupled with the large number of persons on the waiting lists indicate that demand for affordable units far outpaces the supply.

Most immediate needs of residents of Public Housing and Housing Choice voucher holders

The most immediate needs of voucher-holders include finding units that are code compliant and within the established Fair Market Rate (FMR). As a result, units occupied by households with vouchers are concentrated in neighborhoods in the central portion of the city. These neighborhoods are impacted by minorities and low-income people.

How do these needs compare to the housing needs of the population at large?

In summary, the issues facing WHA have the common theme of a lack of financial resources. This impacts the authority's ability to develop additional units and rehabilitate existing units. In the HCV program, the lack of funds for property owners to bring units into code compliance, including Section 504 requirements, limits the available inventory. The lack of funds for security deposits by voucher holders is another hurdle between gaining occupancy in sound/affordable housing. The State of Connecticut previously provided some funds for this purpose, but that program has been discontinued. The problem is comparable to the population of Waterbury atlarge. Lack of income and other financial resources create an inability for a large part of the population to afford decent housing without undue cost burden.

Discussion

There are 82 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers in use. However, only 34 of those are used in Waterbury by residents. The other 48 are used outside of the city.

NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment – 91.205(c)

Introduction

The City of Waterbury has in place a Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness that was adopted in 2009. The preparation of this plan is the result of the participation of an inclusionary and diverse group of organizations and individuals. Central coordination and implementation of plan priorities is provided by the CAN Steering Committee. The administration of ESG is the responsibility of the Community Development Office. The staff are active participants in the activities of the CAN Leadership Committee.

Listed below are five facilities/programs in the city which provide direct housing and nutrition opportunities for the homeless and others. They include the following:

- <u>St. Vincent DePaul Shelter</u>: 114 Benedict Street. This shelter provides emergency and longer-stay housing as well as a soup kitchen for both individuals and families
- <u>Salvation Army Shelter</u>: 74 Central Avenue. This shelter provides emergency and longer-stay housing for families with children only. CDBG also funds a food pantry at the site.
- <u>Safe Haven</u>: This facility provides housing for victims of domestic violence and their children. CDBG also funds operational support for the organization.
- The Hospitality Center: This facility provides daytime services for homeless persons on a drop-in basis. During the time period that this Plan was being updated, the Hospitality Center suffered a severe fire rendering the facility a total loss. Over the strategy period of this plan, a new location to provide daytime support and services will be provided at 690 East Main Street, across the street from the previous location. The owner of the original location intends to rebuild the site to provide affordable housing for the homeless and the Center.
- <u>The Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries Soup Kitchen (GWIM)</u>: 770 East Main Street. This facility provides nutritional meals to the homeless and non-homeless as well as a food pantry.

There is collaboration among these organizations and facilities to provide services to the maximum extent possible with a recognition of capacity and financial resources limitations. As noted from the descriptions above, these facilities provide a unique opportunity for the homeless. The soup kitchen/food pantry is an important nutritional program. In addition to clients served by these four facilities, the Homeless Outreach Team program reaches out to the non-sheltered homeless to provide food and access to sheltered housing based on the unsheltered person's willingness to live in a shelter.

St. Vincent DePaul is the only one of the organizations listed above that provides permanent housing. Liberty Apartments in the city's South End was developed and is owned and managed by the organization. The housing was developed with state assistance in the amount of

\$1.3 million. Rents in Liberty Apartments are approximately \$500 per month to serve the working poor.

As mentioned briefly in the listing above, on the evening of February 21, 2020, electrical issues caused a fire at the Hospitality Center, damaging the main floor where those in-need could come in a get a shower, some food, and help to get back on their feet. The building was a total loss, but no one was injured. The owner of the site has renovated space in a property he owns across the street at 690 East Main Street and the Center is operational again. He intends to rebuild the property at 693 East Main Street to provide affordable housing for the homeless and the Center.

Homeless Needs Assessment

| Population | Estimate the # of persons experiencing homelessness on a given night | | Estimate the # experiencing homelessness each year | Estimate the # becoming homeless each year | Estimate the # exiting homelessness each year | Estimate the # of days persons experience homelessness |
|--|---|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Sheltered | Unsheltered | | | | |
| Persons in Households with Adult(s) and Child(ren) | | | | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | 55 | 0 | N/A | | | |
| Persons in Households with Only Children | | | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Persons in Households with Only Adults | | | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | 70 | 39 | | | | |
| Chronically Homeless Individuals | 0 | 16 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Chronically Homeless Families | | | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| raililles | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Veterans | 1 | 1 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Unaccompanied Child | 0 | 0 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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|------------------|--|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Sheltered | Unsheltered | | | | |
| Persons with HIV | | | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| | 1 | 0 | | | | |

Table 26 - Homeless Needs Assessment

Data Source: CT Coalition to End Homelessness, Point in Time Count, 2018

If data is not available for the categories "number of persons becoming and exiting homelessness each year," and "number of days that persons experience homelessness," describe these categories for each homeless population type (including chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth):

As part of the preparation of this Consolidated Plan, extensive consultation with CAN-participating organizations and others has been undertaken. For insight as to the priorities and goals to address homelessness, the reader is referred to the previously referenced Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness. The best way to describe homeless needs in Waterbury is to summarize the observations of those most familiar with the issues: members of the CAN structure. Relevant observations are listed below:

- The overwhelming cause of homelessness is related to unemployment and a lack of job opportunities, resulting in an income inadequate to afford housing.
- Related to the lack of income is the lack of affordable, decent housing within the city.
- Some limitations in education levels impact the inability to gain employment since many individuals do not have 9th grade proficiency in math and writing skills required for many jobs.
- The loss of manufacturing sector jobs and the emphasis at the state level on the creation and retention of jobs requiring high levels of education further exacerbate this lack of jobs.
- Contrary to public perception, people in homeless shelters do not, for the most part, have substance abuse and mental health issues. St. Vincent DePaul, the largest shelter, estimates that only about 20% to 25% of its clients on a nightly basis require extensive mental health or substance abuse services. The Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness's data for its 2019 Point-In-Time (PIT) estimate 10% of sheltered persons as mentally ill and 6% with substance abuse issues in Waterbury.

- Homelessness among youth ages 12 to 24 has been trending upward. "Doubling up" has become an issue as the length of stay is being extended, resulting in conflicts and displacement. This issue is strongly connected to the lack of employment opportunities noted above. A similar "doubling up" trend is occurring with families.
- Programs for housing for people with disabilities have inadequate resources. The waitlist for such housing is opened once a year. Within a 2-week period, 75 applications were received.
- The Department of Corrections' release policies result in homelessness due to the fact that the people released have little if any money and are not placed in permanent housing.

Nature and Extent of Homelessness (Optional)

| Race: | Sheltered: | Unsheltered (optional) |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| White | 82 | 22 |
| Black or African American | 46 | 8 |
| Asian | 0 | 0 |
| American Indian or Alaskan Native | 0 | 0 |
| Native Hawaiian | 0 | 2 |
| Multiple Races | 4 | 0 |
| Ethnicity: | Sheltered: | Unsheltered (optional) |
| Hispanic | 39 | 5 |
| Non-Hispanic | 93 | 27 |

Data Source: CT Coalition to End Homelessness, Point in Time Count, 2018

Comments:

Estimate the number and type of families in need of housing assistance for families with children and the families of veterans.

15 households with children were identified in the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness's 2019 Point in Time Count (PIT). The PIT also counted 5 homeless veterans but did not indicate their family status.

Describe the nature and extent of homelessness by racial and ethnic group.

The majority of the homeless counted in the PIT were White, and a large portion were Black or African American. Ratios were similar whether the persons were sheltered or unsheltered. Most people, regardless of shelter status, were Non-Hispanic, but nearly a third were.

Describe the nature and extent of unsheltered and sheltered homelessness.

In 2019, 20% of the homeless population was unsheltered. Of those 32 people, 12 were chronically homeless. All were adults, and the vast majority older than 25 years old.

Discussion

While these numbers are useful, the PIT count occurs in January and may not show the extent of homelessness in warmer months.

NA-45 Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment – 91.205 (b,d)

Introduction

The following narratives describe the housing and supportive service needs of the special needs populations in Waterbury that are not homeless.

Describe the characteristics of special needs populations in your community.

There are several groups of people with special needs that are not chronically homeless. As indicated earlier, there are at any given time persons with special needs in shelters. Special needs characteristics include mental illness, substance abuse, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS, recently released prison inmates, and youth.

What are the housing and supportive service needs of these populations and how are these needs determined?

The housing and supportive service needs include the following:

- Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services funding for the Western Connecticut Mental Health Network to assist persons with mental illness opened its waiting list in September 2012.
- The Committee for Homeless Youth estimates that there are a number of youths "couch surfing" without a permanent home and are at-risk of being homeless.
- There are numerous released inmates with Department of Corrections-issued Certificates of Rehabilitation with no housing arrangements. Most are temporarily accommodated in halfway houses. However, there is a continued need for permanent housing.
- Elderly persons with disabilities experience housing and services needs related to their self-care and ambulatory limitations. The United States Census, 2017 ACS estimates that there are 1,697 persons over the age of 65 with a self-care difficulty and 2,551 with an independent-living difficulty.
- Victims of domestic violence are in need of support services as well as safe housing.

Discuss the size and characteristics of the population with HIV/AIDS and their families within the Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Characteristics of Population with HIV/AIDS

The Connecticut Department of Health estimates that there were 699 persons with HIV/AIDS in Waterbury in 2018. The racial distribution is estimated as 21% White, 33% Black/African American, and 46% Hispanic/Latino.

Discussion

As an active member of the CAN, the City is made aware of special needs as they arise. The City can provide support to programs and projects that address needs in a number of ways including the provision of technical assistance, implementation support, and financial assistance, as funds are available.

NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs – 91.215 (f)

Describe the jurisdiction's need for public facilities.

The status of Waterbury as an older developed urban community has resulted in the aging and deterioration of many public facilities. The lack of financial resources has resulted in an investment program primarily focused on repair. This priority on repair has resulted in many needed investments either being delayed or not undertaken at all. At the same time, evolving changes in the demographics of Waterbury has increased the demand for public facilities.

The combination of a distressed economy and changing demographics has resulted in the identification of public facility needs most appropriate to be addressed.

Youth Facilities

The need for investment in public facilities to serve the youth is most prevalent in the nonprofits sector. This sector provides numerous afterschool, weekend, and summer activities to benefit youth. The nonprofits that provide the bulk of these facilities and programs are the Youth Services Bureau, Police Activity League (PAL), Boys and Girls Club, and YMCA of Greater Waterbury. These organizations provide both structures and outdoor facilities for their programs.

Homeless Facility Needs

Another facility need is an increase in the capacity of homeless shelters. There are currently three residential shelters in Waterbury: St. Vincent DePaul, Salvation Army, and Safe Haven. In addition, there is a daily drop-in facility at the Hospitality Center. Currently, all three of the shelters operate at capacity. The Hospitality Center has been relocated to a site across the street from its previous location at 690 East Main Street and is currently operational. The owner intends to rebuild the property at 693 East Main Street to include affordable housing for the homeless and the Center.

While all unsheltered persons would not necessarily enter a shelter, it is an indication that all of the need is not being met. Consultation with shelter administrators and others familiar with the need revealed the shared opinion that many persons and families are currently "doubling up" and are at risk of homelessness. Also, the lack of affordable, decent housing results in many shelter residents having to extend their stay, further impacting capacity. The lack of sufficient supportive housing results in a number of individuals and families encountering problems and returning to a shelter.

Senior Center Needs

Demographic trends show that the number of persons over the age of 65 in Waterbury will increase in the time period covered by this Consolidated Plan. Within this group, those over age

80 will increase substantially. This increase in the number of older households will put pressure on facilities and programs as well as housing serving this segment of the population.

How were these needs determined?

The lack of city and state funds has put increased pressure on nonprofit as well as for-profit entities to provide investment resources. At the same time, nonprofit organizations are experiencing an increasing demand for the services they provide, thereby limiting the funds available for capital investment. The private sector is able, on a limited basis, to make capital expenditures that have a public benefit. Such expenditures are often made as part of a public/private partnership. CDBG funds have become a primary source of investment capital for city-owned, nonprofit and, to a lesser extent, private facility needs.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for public improvements.

Waterbury's status as an older developed urban community with a declining tax base has also resulted in the deterioration of its physical infrastructure.

Parks and Recreation Needs

According to the Trust for Public Land's ParkServe Report, 64% of low-income residents live within a 10-minute walk from a park. 57% of seniors live within that area. While coverage is above the national average, Waterbury's parks, inclusive of recreation facilities, are very old. There are several more recently constructed neighborhood parks which suffer from various levels of deterioration of equipment and facilities. These parks are located in low- and moderate-income areas, designated for revitalization. Park improvements are a vital part of this effort.

In addition to public parks and recreation facilities, there are others owned and maintained by local nonprofits organizations such as PAL, the Boys and Girls Club, and the YMCA of Greater Waterbury. These facilities are integral to the community-wide system and support the range of programs offered to the youth of the city.

Infrastructure Needs

The age of the city's infrastructure results in a constant need for the reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, drainage, water, and sewer lines. This need is particularly acute in older neighborhoods in need of revitalization.

Accessibility Needs

There is a need to provide accessibility for persons with disabilities in public facilities as well as nonpublic facilities available to the public.

How were these needs determined?

The non-housing community development needs described above reflect ongoing input and community involvement over the past several years as well as during the preparation of this Consolidated Plan. The City of Waterbury has a Citizen's Advisory Committee, is part of a regional CAN, and has an active network of social service providers that either represent the neighborhoods within which they live or work with individuals and families in need on a day-to-day basis. This involvement provides a clear understanding of the needs of the community that are brought to the table when developing the needs, goals, objectives, and priorities for the Plan. Recently completed plans and reports were also consulted.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services.

Basic Human Needs

A primary and recognized need in Waterbury is food security. Annually, Waterbury ranks near the top of communities in Connecticut in terms of the percentage of its population unable to secure food necessary for a healthy life. Evidence of this situation is the number of persons being served at soup kitchens and food pantries. The second basic human need is access to healthcare, including dental health. Lack of income and gaps in public-assisted healthcare programs combined with minimal knowledge of the importance of good health result in high need levels.

Senior Population

The needs described above weigh heavily on the senior population. Lack of mobility often exacerbates this problem, often resulting in social isolation. The Senior Shuttle, which is funded with CDBG and City funds, is vital to seniors. There are also serious nutritional and health issues among the senior population that need to be addressed.

Youth

Basic needs of the youth of the city include improved educational achievement, recreation programs, opportunities to pursue a range of interests and skills, and effective mentoring. There is also a need for mental health and substance abuse counseling. In many cases, these needs are connected to the provision of adequate facilities to provide programs.

How were these needs determined?

Waterbury consults various sources to determine needs, including 2017 ACS data and various reports and documents prepared by State of Connecticut departments including the Department of Public Health, Labor, and Social Services. The "Report on Community Wellbeing," a report based on community survey, has also assisted in the need-development process. The local Health Department was consulted for community health needs.

2017 ACS Data

- 24.3% of Waterbury's population had income under the poverty rate.
- 35.2% of children in Waterbury were living in poverty.
- 10% of persons in Waterbury did not have health insurance.
- 15.5% of persons were participants in the Medicaid program.
- 23.6% of households in Waterbury were female headed.
- When adjusted for inflation, median household income in Waterbury increased from \$40,112 to \$40,879 between 2010 and 2017.
- 14.3% of the population over age 65 were under the poverty level.
- 30.7% of individuals received SNAP benefits.

City and State Reports

- In June 2018, the unemployment rate was 6.6% (Connecticut Department of Labor).
- From 2015 to 2019, the Connecticut Department of Public Health reported that 710 Waterbury teen mothers gave birth.
- Between 2014 and 2018, 103 HIV cases were diagnosed (Connecticut Department of Public Health).
- 17.4% of the population younger than 19 years old received medical benefits in 2017 (Connecticut Department of Social Services).
- 6.5% of the population participated in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) in 2015 (Connecticut Department of Public Health).
- 79.2% of students were eligible for free or reduced-price lunch (Waterbury Public Schools).
- 2.1% of students ages 0 to 5 were enrolled in Head Start (United States Department of Education).
- 11% of public school students speak English as a second language (Waterbury Public Schools).

Based upon the indices included in the data described above, the review of other documents and plans, testimony at CAC public hearings, and discussion amongst CAC members, the non-housing community development public service needs were identified.

Housing Market Analysis

MA-05 Overview

Housing Market Analysis Overview

General Housing Market Conditions

The Waterbury housing market is characterized by an old housing stock, resulting in a large number of structures in need of rehabilitation and numerous instances of units containing lead paint hazards. These factors reduce the availability of standard units at an affordable rent/sales price. The income levels and rents affordable by lower-income households create a housing market where investors cannot earn a competitive return on funds needed for property rehabilitation without some public subsidy.

The Waterbury Housing Authority, which provides the safety net for very low-income households (less than 30% of AMI), is in need of substantial funds for rehabilitation or new construction. In addition, there are long waiting lists for both public housing units and Section 8 Vouchers.

Disabilities and Special Needs

There is a shortage of units for households with disabilities or special needs. The PHA is in the process of providing 54 accessible units for households with disabilities.

The special needs housing for persons released from prison by the Department of Corrections is a significant unmet need.

Homeless Persons

Waterbury has two shelters – St. Vincent DePaul and the Salvation Army operate facilities for homeless individuals and families. Safe Haven is a facility for victims of domestic abuse. A dropin center for the homeless is available in the form of the Hospitality Center recently relocated to 690 East Main Street. Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries operates a soup kitchen and food pantry.

Regulatory Barriers

There are a minimal number of regulatory barriers to the provision of affordable housing. Some are of the opinion that zoning regulations controlling single-room occupancy buildings present a barrier to the provision of this type of housing that historically was a significant supply of affordable housing for very low-income individuals.

Income Impact

As repeated throughout this Consolidated Plan, the lower-income status of a majority of Waterbury's residents has a major impact in all regards. Waterbury's decline as an employment center, resulting in a high unemployment rate as well as a decline in income levels for jobs that do exist, is the major cause of the lack of affordable housing.

MA-10 Number of Housing Units – 91.210(a)&(b)(2)

Introduction

The tables and narrative below portray the housing market within the city of Waterbury by unit type and tenure. As shown in the tables below, 60% of Waterbury's housing stock is in some sort of multifamily configuration ranging from 2- to 4-unit structures to structures containing 20 or more units. 37% of the housing units are single-family detached dwelling units. There are more rental units than ownership units in the city.

All Residential Properties by Number of Units

| Property Type | Number | % |
|----------------------------------|--------|------|
| 1-unit, detached structure | 17,525 | 37% |
| 1-unit, attached structure | 1,620 | 3% |
| 2 to 4 units | 15,120 | 32% |
| 5 to 19 units | 7,830 | 17% |
| 20 or more units | 5,145 | 11% |
| Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc. | 105 | 0% |
| Total | 47,345 | 100% |

Table 27 – Residential Properties by Unit Number

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Unit Size by Tenure

| | Owr | ners | Renters | | |
|--------------------|--------|------|---------|------|--|
| | Number | % | Number | % | |
| No bedroom | 70 | 0% | 1,155 | 5% | |
| 1 bedroom | 605 | 3% | 4,980 | 23% | |
| 2 bedrooms | 5,515 | 30% | 9,270 | 43% | |
| 3 or more bedrooms | 12,280 | 67% | 6,340 | 29% | |
| Total | 18,470 | 100% | 21,745 | 100% | |

Table 28 – Unit Size by Tenure

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Describe the number and targeting (income level/type of family served) of units assisted with federal, state, and local programs.

The Waterbury housing stock has a shortage of decent, affordable rental units. Within this need, units with three or more bedrooms are particularly scarce.

Provide an assessment of units expected to be lost from the affordable housing inventory for any reason, such as expiration of Section 8 contracts.

In order to address blighted conditions in neighborhoods, there is an ongoing program of demolition of abandoned, deteriorated structures. These structures are fire threats as well as locations for illegal activities.

Does the availability of housing units meet the needs of the population?

No. There is a severe shortage of decent, affordable units as further described in the "Needs Assessment" section of this plan.

Describe the need for specific types of housing.

As discussed above, decent, and affordable rental units are most needed. Units for large families as well as very low-income, single-person households are a significant need.

Discussion

The City of Waterbury is in need of decent, safe, affordable housing of all configurations. Stagnant wages and a lack of employment opportunities have contributed to the inability for current and potential residents to rent and own property in the city. More affordable units are needed to rectify this.

MA-15 Housing Market Analysis: Cost of Housing – 91.210(a)

Introduction

The tables and the narratives below portray and compare Waterbury's housing affordability as it relates to home values, contract rents, and median family income levels.

Cost of Housing

| | Base Year: 2009 | Most Recent Year: 2015 | % Change |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|
| Median home value | 163,000 | 134,500 | (17%) |
| Median contract rent | 673 | 729 | 8% |

Table 29 – Cost of Housing

Data Source: 2005-2009 ACS (Base Year), 2011-2015 ACS (Most Recent Year)

| Rent Paid | Number | % |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Less than \$500 | 4,895 | 22.5% |
| \$500 to 999 | 14,485 | 66.6% |
| \$1,000 to 1,499 | 2,125 | 9.8% |
| \$1,500 to 1,999 | 145 | 0.7% |
| \$2,000 or more | 90 | 0.4% |
| Total | 21,740 | 100.0% |

Table 30 - Rent Paid

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Housing Affordability

| % Units Affordable to Households Earning | Renter | Owner |
|---|---------|---------|
| 30% HAMFI | 3,665 | No data |
| 50% HAMFI | 11,915 | 3,510 |
| 80% HAMFI | 19,140 | 8,495 |
| 100% HAMFI | No Data | 11,285 |
| Total | 34,720 | 23,290 |

Table 31 – Housing Affordability

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Monthly Rent

| Monthly Rent (\$) | Efficiency (no bedroom) | 1 bedroom | 2 bedrooms | 3 bedrooms | 4 bedrooms |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Fair Market Rent | 669 | 852 | 1,049 | 1,315 | 1,442 |
| High HOME Rent | 669 | 852 | 1,049 | 1,315 | 1,442 |
| Low HOME Rent | 669 | 852 | 1,049 | 1,258 | 1,403 |

Table 32 – Monthly Rent

Data Source: HUD FMR and HOME Rents

Is there sufficient housing for households at all income levels?

As discussed throughout this Consolidated Plan document, there is not a sufficient amount of decent and affordable units in Waterbury to meet identified housing needs.

How is affordability of housing likely to change considering changes to home values and/or rents?

The median sale price for single-family homes has fallen between 2009 and 2018 from \$125,000 to \$118,000 per year. The median sale price fell to a low of \$92,000 in 2015 but has steadily risen since.

Over the last 5 years, the FMRs for smaller housing units (efficiencies and 1-bedroom units) have increased at the fastest rates of 19% and 15% respectively. FMRs for 2- and 3-bedroom units have increased at a lower rate of 13% over the last 5 years. Recently rents in the \$1,000 to \$1,200 range in the private marketplace have been asked and achieved. This increases the affordability problem for low- and very low-income households. With the declining number of Housing Vouchers available and incomes not increasing at the same rate as inflation, additional pressure is being placed on low- and moderate-income households to find affordable rents.

There are no significant expected changes to home values or rents unless there is a significant increase in employment opportunities thereby increasing incomes or an increase in state and federal housing subsidies.

How do HOME rents/Fair Market Rent compare to Area Median Rent? How might this impact your strategy to produce or preserve affordable housing?

The table above lists Fair Market and HOME Rents. On the one hand, FMRs are too high for many households to afford. On the other hand, the HOME rents are often not sufficient to support private investment in rehabilitation or new construction. This limits investment resulting in little, if any, increase in the availability of decent, affordable housing units.

Discussion

Without a significant positive change in the local economy that provides adequately paid employment, residents will continue to struggle to afford housing.

MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing – 91.210(a)

Introduction

The following tables and narrative describe the condition of Waterbury's housing stock and various needs for housing rehabilitation and preservation programs.

Definitions

The definitions for "conditions" included in the table below include lack of indoor plumbing, Overcrowding, and severe overcrowding.

Waterbury follows the State of Connecticut Basic Building Code for its definition of "substandard condition" which closely aligns with HUD's Housing Quality Standards for safe decent housing. Substandard conditions include units lacking heat, water, electricity, and/or plumbing or waste disposal. Units found to be unsanitary, unfit, or inappropriate for safe human occupancy are also deemed substandard if they pose a direct or potential health or safety risk. Such conditions can arise due to an emergency such as flood or fire, breakdown of equipment or materials, or lack of structural or unit maintenance. Unless the structure is damaged beyond repair, many of these units may be rehabilitated, although costs often exceed long-term returns.

Condition of Units

| Candition of Units | Owner- | Occupied | Renter-Occupied | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|----------|-----------------|------|--|
| Condition of Units | Number | % | Number | % | |
| With one selected condition | 7,115 | 39% | 11,095 | 51% | |
| With two selected conditions | 135 | 1% | 705 | 3% | |
| With three selected conditions | 0 | 0% | 130 | 1% | |
| With four selected conditions | 0 | 0% | 25 | 0% | |
| No selected conditions | 11,215 | 61% | 9,790 | 45% | |
| Total | 18,465 | 101% | 21,745 | 100% | |

Table 33 - Condition of Units

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Year Unit Built

| Voor Unit Built | Owner- | Occupied | Renter-Occupied | | |
|-----------------|--------|----------|-----------------|------|--|
| Year Unit Built | Number | % | Number | % | |
| 2000 or later | 615 | 3% | 600 | 3% | |
| 1980 to 1999 | 3,725 | 20% | 4,310 | 20% | |
| 1950 to1979 | 7,945 | 43% | 8,380 | 39% | |
| Before 1950 | 6,175 | 33% | 8,460 | 39% | |
| Total | 18,460 | 99% | 21,750 | 101% | |

Table 34 – Year Unit Built

Data Source: 2011-2015 CHAS

Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard

| Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard | Owner-C | Occupied | Renter-Occupied | | |
|---|---------|----------|-----------------|-----|--|
| RISK Of Lead-based Paint Hazard | Number | % | Number | % | |
| Total number of units built before 1980 | 14,120 | 76% | 16,840 | 77% | |
| Housing units built before 1980 with children present | 1,640 | 9% | 635 | 3% | |

Table 35 - Risk of Lead-Based Paint Hazard

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Total Units) 2011-2015 CHAS (Units with Children Present)

Vacant Units

| | Suitable for Rehabilitation | Not Suitable for Rehabilitation | Total |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| Vacant units | 3,412* | 3,478* | 7,210 |
| Abandoned vacant units | | | |
| Real estate owned (REO) properties | | | 64 |
| Abandoned REO properties | | | |

Table 36 – Vacant Units

Need for Owner and Rental Rehabilitation

In the "Condition of Units" table above, the definition of a "condition" can include a unit that is in fine condition but houses a tenant who is paying more than 30% of their income. The definition, which is used by HUD and the Census, also evaluates condition based on whether

^{*}According the 2017 ACS, there are 7,210 vacant housing units in Waterbury. Out of these, 2,147 were listed for rent, 312 are rented but not occupied, 763 are for sale, 190 are sold but not occupied, and 320 are for seasonal use. Presumably, all of these units are in livable condition. In addition, there are 3,478 vacant units classified as "other." It is likely that many of these are abandoned and not suitable for rehabilitation. According to RealtyTrac, there are 64 bank-owned properties in the City of Waterbury as of April 2020.

there are complete kitchen and bathroom facilities. This information alone cannot be used to assess the amount of the city's housing stock that is suitable for rehabilitation. There is a need for rehabilitation of housing in the city based on:

- The majority, over 80%, of the housing is over 40 years old.
- Nearly half, 41%, of rental units were built before 1950.
- Although rent levels may be too high for many low-income tenants, they are reasonable compared to other towns and may not allow for landlords to accumulate reserve funds for necessary improvements.
- Elderly homeowners on a fixed income, faced with escalating tax and utility costs, defer maintenance and/or repairs.
- There is a significant number of vacant units.
- The need for ongoing rehabilitation is evident visually and is substantiated by the city's experience with managing rehabilitation programs and enforcing housing and fire codes.

Estimated Number of Housing Units Occupied by Low- or Moderate-Income Families with LBP Hazards

According to the Waterbury Health Department in 2017, over 77% of occupied housing units were built before 1970, including more than 90% of affordable housing units. This is consistent with the 2017 ACS estimate that 80% of the total units in Waterbury were built before 1980.

Discussion

According to the Waterbury Health Department, 2.15% of children in Waterbury in 2017 were diagnosed with an Elevated Blood Lead Level, an alarming rate when compared to the 0.11% national average. The most recent (2017) Connecticut Department of Public Health Annual Disease Surveillance Report on Childhood Lead Poisoning states that 4,331 children age 6 or under were tested for blood lead levels. Of these, 4,132 had blood lead levels of 0 to 4 micrograms per deciliter (μ g/dL). While even very low levels of blood lead may affect children, this level of lead in blood is not deemed to be actionable. 162 children, or 4.7% of those tested, had blood lead levels over 5 μ g/dL.

MA-25 Public and Assisted Housing – 91.210(b)

Introduction

The Waterbury Housing Authority is the primary housing provider serving the needs of the lowest-income residents in the city. The tables below provide an overview of the WHA's inventory and its programs.

Totals Number of Units

| Program Type | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|------------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------|
| | | | Public Housing | Vouchers | | | | | |
| | | | | Total | Project- Based | Tenant- Based | Special Purpose Voucher | | |
| | Certificate | Mod- Rehab | | | | | Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing | Family Unification Program | Disabled* |
| Number of unit vouchers available | N/A | 140 | 723 | 2,143 | 97 | 1,774 | 126 | N/A | 146 |
| Number of accessible units | N/A | | | | | | | N/A | |

^{*}Includes Non-Elderly Disabled, Mainstream One-Year, Mainstream Five-Year, and Nursing Home Transition

Table 37 – Total Number of Units by Program Type

Describe the supply of public housing developments.

The Waterbury Housing Authority has 735 units spread over 12 developments and 7 scattered sites throughout the city of Waterbury, 3 of which are designated Elderly/Disabled.

It is evident that there is a demand for this supply of public housing, as WHA maintains a 99% occupancy rate. In response to this need, WHA brought four new units of public housing online in 2017 with the construction of 63 Willow Street. In addition, WHA intends to redevelop the West Grove Street-area and the lots it owns. The parcels on West Grove Street and three adjacent properties on Johnson Street and 88 Sperry Street comprise of roughly 3 acres. In the upcoming fiscal year, WHA will investigate development options, exploring financial resources and means to bring this project to fruition. WHA was recently awarded CDBG funds which have been earmarked to assist in the demolition of 10 buildings on West Grove Street, Johnson Street, and Sperry Street. WHA will look to engage a development partner to complete this project.

Describe the number and physical condition of public housing units in the jurisdiction, including those that are participating in an approved Public Housing Agency Plan.

The Waterbury Housing Authority has 735 units. The physical condition of these units and the developments are inspected utilizing the Uniform Physical Condition Standards (UPCS) inspection protocol. This inspection is performed to determine whether public housing units are decent, safe, sanitary, and in good repair and to determine the level at which WHA is maintaining its public housing in accordance with housing condition standards. These inspections are performed by a HUD UPCS inspector. Scores can be found in Table 38.

Improvements

Through the HUD Capital Fund Program, WHA is currently completing a 1.6-million-dollar exterior upgrades project at the Oak Terrace development (54 units). This work consists of new roofs, gutters, windows, siding, exterior doors, and energy-efficient exterior unit lighting. In addition, as part of this contract, roofs and gutters were replaced at the Austin Road development (36 units) where WHA also recently completed a window replacement project. In the upcoming year, WHA will complete the window replacement project at Berkeley Heights (254 units) as well as an Authority-Wide Security Camera Upgrades project. In addition, WHA will complete the fourth and final phase of its 504 Compliant Unit Conversions with renovations at Berkeley Heights (12 units), Hamden Avenue (1 unit) and Austin Road (1 unit). This will bring the number of 504 Compliant Units to 36, in accordance with the 5% requirement outlined in HUD's Voluntary Compliance Agreement.

WHA is also evaluating capital needs at the Truman Apartments campus. One building on the campus was destroyed by a fire and the other buildings are experiencing structural failings and

associated damages as a result of poor initial design and construction. This has led to a backlog of capital needs. As a result, WHA recently completed a Physical Needs Assessment of the campus that indicated obsolescence, in that the redevelopment costs for the 74 units far exceed HUD Total Development Costs, thus warranting a Section 18 Demolition/Disposition application. WHA intends to explore its options regarding redevelopment with the assistance of a qualified consultant in the upcoming fiscal year.

Public Housing Condition

| Public Housing Development | Average Inspection Score |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Austin Road & S. End Trunkey | 91 |
| Berkeley Heights | 92 |
| Franklin D. Roosevelt Apartments | 99 |
| Truman Apartments | 88 |
| William Kelly Apartments | 98 |
| Willow Street | 93 |

Table 39 – Public Housing Condition

Data Source: Waterbury Housing Authority

Describe the restoration and revitalization needs of public housing units in the jurisdiction.

The Waterbury Housing Authority has a Public Housing Agency Plan on file that it prepares on an annual basis for submission to HUD. The plan and WHA's Five Year Plan describe WHA's restoration and revitalization needs.

Describe the public housing agency's strategy for improving the living environment of low- and moderate-income families residing in public housing.

WHA is aggressively pursuing funding for improving public housing units. The City is utilizing HOME funds to directly improve housing conditions.

As described in the "Strategy" section, CDBG funds are being utilized to improve infrastructure, provide facilities, and support social services for overall improvement in the living environment for low- and moderate-income families.

Discussion

This section was written in consultation with the Waterbury Housing Authority (WHA). In the last five years, the agency has rebounded from being a designated "troubled" agency to one doing exemplary work. While the needs for funding and public housing continues to be great, the WHA continues to make improvements and keep units in a state of good repair.

MA-30 Homeless Facilities and Services – 91.210(c)

Introduction

The following tables and narrative summarize the facilities and services available to the homeless population in Waterbury. Most of this data was compiled as part of consultation with CAN member agencies and organizations that provide for the day-to-day needs of the homeless. Other statistics were obtained from the City's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness; HUD's Homeless Resource Exchange website, which is a clearinghouse for data from grants and emergency shelter programs; and the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness.

Facilities and Housing Targeted to Homeless Households

| | Emergency S | helter Beds | Transitional Housing Beds | Permanent Supportive Housing Beds | | |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| | Year-Round Beds (Current & New) | Voucher/ Seasonal/ Overflow Beds | Current & New | Current & New | Under Development | |
| Households with adult(s) and child(ren) | 314 | 0 | 0 | 209 | 0 | |
| Households with only adults | 349 | 0 | 0 | 249 | 0 | |
| Chronically homeless households | 94 | 0 | 0 | 87 | 0 | |
| Veterans | 112 | 0 | 0 | 111 | 0 | |
| Unaccompanied youth | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

Table 40 – Facilities and Housing Targeted to Homeless Households

Data Source: CoC 2014

Describe mainstream services, such as health, mental health, and employment services to the extent those services are used to complement services targeted to homeless persons.

As discussed in other sections, the CAN Leadership Committee includes representatives of numerous service agencies and programs. This organizational structure provides identification of mainstream services to complement services targeted to homeless persons. On the shelter level, there are scheduled times when various mainstream service organization representatives are on

site. These organizations perform assessments and intake tasks as well as enter individuals and families into their caseload files as appropriate.

Services and Facilities Meeting the Needs of Homeless Persons

The organizations and the services provided include the following:

- <u>United Way</u> Serves as a clearinghouse and referral service for various agencies.
- <u>Social Security Administration</u> Assists the homeless to register for and access income benefits.
- Western Connecticut Mental Health Network Administers specific mental health programs as well as care coordination and referrals through the Housing Homeless Services division.
- <u>Connecticut Legal Services</u> Provides legal consultation to the homeless with legal issues such as eviction and pending criminal actions.
- <u>Waterbury Housing Authority</u> The Services Coordinator works with homeless shelters to, if possible, place homeless persons and families in public housing units.
- <u>Ability Beyond Disabilities</u> Assists in placing homeless persons with disabilities in education/training programs and possible employment.

Both the St. Vincent DePaul and Salvation Army shelters have staff on site to address mainstream services. The St. Vincent DePaul shelter has a Director of Mental Health. The Salvation Army has a Homelessness Prevention Specialist/Case Manager.

List and describe services and facilities that meet the needs of homeless persons, particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth. If the services and facilities are listed on screen SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure or screen MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services, describe how these facilities and services specifically address the needs of these populations.

As shown, there are 869 year-round beds and no overflow beds available in emergency shelters. None of these beds are limited to the chronically homeless, veterans, or unaccompanied children. Safe Haven, with 15 beds, is limited to households who have experienced domestic abuse. The Salvation Army shelter is limited to families with children. St. Vincent DePaul provides beds for both families and individuals. The Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul provide both emergency and longer-stay beds.

MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services – 91.210(d)

Introduction

There are many programs, facilities, and services to meet the needs of populations with special needs in Waterbury. Again, agencies and organizations serving those with special housing and service needs – such as the elderly, persons with disabilities, persons with drug or alcohol addictions, persons living with HIV/AIDS, persons with mental health issues, and persons recently released from prison and their families – are represented by the local CAN network. The narrative that follows describes how the City utilizes or plans to utilize its federal entitlement dollars to address the identified needs of these segments of the community.

Including the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with alcohol or other drug addictions, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, public housing residents and any other categories the jurisdiction may specify, and describe their supportive housing needs

To address the needs of the elderly and frail elderly, there is a need for affordable and accessible housing in a variety of configurations. Independent living in a "senior only" environment, affordable assisted living options, as well as housing developments for grandparents raising grandchildren are needed. Health services and transportation linkages are crucial to this population.

Lack of accessible and affordable housing continues to be a significant problem for persons with disabilities. The city has a need for additional accessible or adaptable rental units appropriate for individuals with physical and developmental disabilities. Additionally, the public and non-profit agencies need to be made aware of the differing needs of the elderly who are disabled and younger individuals with disabilities. Not-for-profit developers and human service providers should be encouraged to develop additional affordable, accessible, and adaptable housing. Supportive options for persons with developmental disabilities are also important.

Assessment of needs for Persons with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) and Persons with Psychiatric Disorders show that there are many supportive housing needs for this population. They include: a need for community-based transitional and permanent housing with a "dry" environment necessary to address the needs of persons who have SMI with co-occurring substance abuse disorders; a need for subsidies linked to case management supports to support community integration and stability; and a need for supervised cooperative apartments, group living or shared housing options with off-site case management support. Clients suffering from mental health issues often have poor housing skills, an inability to manage funds, a lack of formal

education, and an unhealthy social network which are all client-related barriers that can lead to unstable housing and homelessness.

Persons living with HIV/AIDS, like others suffering from chronic illness, require stable housing and supports to help them maintain stable housing while treating their illness. Waterbury does not receive HOPWA funds directly to assists this population, such as emergency housing, shared housing arrangements, apartments, single room occupancy (SRO) dwellings, and community residences but funding is available through the State and the New Haven MSA HOPWA distribution.

Describe programs for ensuring that persons returning from mental and physical health institutions receive appropriate supportive housing

The City of Waterbury has been proactive in working with agencies and organizations in addressing the issues and needs of homelessness and the homeless through the local CAN process. Currently, 2-1-1 for the state does most of the filtering of clients when they call in for services. If they qualify, they are vetted to their local CAN. The City works closely with the local CAN and participating agencies to ensure clients do not get released and immediately become homeless. If something is brought to the City's attention that this is going to occur, the City works with the local CAN and DOH to take appropriate steps. The local CAN conducts the assessment, including housing needs and works with the individual to develop a plan and outline available services.

Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. 91.315(e)

The City of Waterbury utilizes its federal entitlement resources to address the housing and supportive services needs of special needs populations both homeless and non-homeless. In support of these actions the City allocates local funding and encourages leveraging of other resources to meet needs. Over the upcoming program year, with the use of CDBG, ESG and HOME funding the City will support the provision of decent, safe and affordable housing for persons with disabilities, the elderly, victims of domestic violence, homeless and persons at-risk of homelessness. The City has also assisted veterans, recently incarcerated individuals, persons trying to overcome substance abuse, and individuals suffering from mental health issues through housing supports and services.

The WHA provides housing and supports to the elderly, frail elderly, and disabled populations. The WHA has a plan for improving accessibility within its developments as part of its renovation and housing unit development programming.

The majority of the housing that supports special needs populations are developed and managed by local non-profit agencies participating in the regional CAN. City staff participate in the local network through involvement on planning committees, support of project development and program oversight. The City allocates Consolidated Plan funding and other resources in support of CAN provider agency activities.

The City utilizes its CDBG and HOME funding to provide housing and supportive services to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs such as a physical or mental disability. Projects are selected as part of the City's competitive application process for Consolidated Plan funding based upon project merit and capacity for implementation.

For entitlement/consortia grantees: Specify the activities that the jurisdiction plans to undertake during the next year to address the housing and supportive services needs identified in accordance with 91.215(e) with respect to persons who are not homeless but have other special needs. Link to one-year goals. (91.220(2))

There are several programs that have been funded with CDBG funds that address special needs individuals and families. These programs have been chosen as part of Waterbury's Consolidated Plan application process in the past. Activities that have recently been funded with CDBG funding on an application basis include:

- <u>Catholic Charities</u> Provides care management and crisis resolution.
- <u>Center for Human Development</u> Operates a drop-in center that provides referrals to services.
- <u>Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries</u> Operates a soup kitchen and food pantry.
- <u>Safe Haven</u> Provides advocacy and counseling for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- <u>Salvation Army</u> Operates an emergency food pantry.
- Waterbury Senior Shuttle Provides on-demand transportation for senior citizens.

There are facilities that provide assistance to special needs populations. These include the following:

- <u>Hispanic Coalition</u> Provides a range of programs for the Hispanic community in Waterbury, including case management for the elderly.
- <u>Waterbury Senior Center</u> Provides a range of programs for the elderly, including socialization and outreach to the frail elderly.
- <u>Greater Waterbury YMCA</u> The facility provides access to its pool for persons with disabilities.

• <u>Library Park</u> – This facility is being improved to increase accessibility for persons with disabilities.

All of the programs listed above address needs in accordance with 91.215(e) and are linked to 1-year goals per 91.220(2).

MA-40 Barriers to Affordable Housing – 91.210(e)

Negative Effects of Public Policies on Affordable Housing and Residential Investment

There are no identified public policies that have negative effects on affordable housing and residential investment. As discussed throughout this document, the lack of affordable housing can be attributed to the following factors:

- High unemployment and lower-paying jobs, which result in incomes that are not sufficient to afford market-rate housing
- Shortage of publicly assisted housing, including Section 8 Vouchers and public housing units
- Market rents that are not adequate to support investment in the rehabilitation or new construction of affordable housing

MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets – 91.215 (f)

Introduction

The tables and narratives presented below and on the following pages describe the city's labor force and economy. Data is prepopulated by the HUD Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) and reflects market conditions at a point in time comparable to other HUD-funding recipient municipalities in the nation.

Economic Development Market Analysis

Business Activity

| Business by Sector | Number of Workers | Number of Jobs | Share of Workers % | Share of Jobs % | Jobs Less Workers % |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture, Mining, Oil, and Gas Extraction | 102 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Accommodations | 3,897 | 3,060 | 10 | 9 | -1 |
| Construction | 1,502 | 864 | 4 | 3 | -1 |
| Education and Healthcare Services | 10,884 | 12,304 | 27 | 36 | 9 |
| Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate | 1,863 | 1,156 | 5 | 3 | -1 |
| Information | 720 | 534 | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Manufacturing | 5,546 | 3,199 | 14 | 9 | -4 |
| Other Services | 1,875 | 1,811 | 5 | 5 | 1 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Management Services | 2,011 | 1,206 | 5 | 4 | -1 |
| Public Administration | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Retail Trade | 5,889 | 5,944 | 15 | 17 | 3 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 1,279 | 451 | 3 | 1 | -2 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,759 | 1,157 | 4 | 3 | -1 |
| Total | 37,327 | 31,688 | | | |

Table 41 – Business Activity

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

Labor Force

| T () | F2 770 |
|--|--------|
| Total population in the civilian labor force | 52,770 |
| Civilian employed population 16 years and | 45,565 |
| over | 49,903 |
| Unemployment rate | 13.65 |
| Unemployment rate for ages 16 to 24 | 31.69 |
| Unemployment rate for ages 25 to 65 | 8.64 |

Table 42 – Labor Force

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

| Occupations by Sector | Number of People |
|---|------------------|
| Management, Business and Financial | 6,435 |
| Farming, Fisheries, and Forestry Occupations | 2,070 |
| Service | 6,720 |
| Sales and Office | 10,845 |
| Construction, Extraction, Maintenance, and Repair | 3,554 |
| Production, Transportation, and Material Moving | 3,615 |

Table 43 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Travel Time

| Travel Time | Number | Percentage |
|----------------------|--------|------------|
| Less than 30 minutes | 29,805 | 68% |
| 30 to 59 minutes | 10,985 | 25% |
| 60 or more minutes | 3,100 | 7% |
| Total | 43,890 | 100% |

Table 44 – Travel Time

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Education

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

| | In Lab | | |
|---|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Educational Attainment | Civilian Employed | Unemployed | Not in Labor Force |
| Less than high school graduate | 4,380 | 1,125 | 4,750 |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 13,125 | 2,070 | 5,495 |
| Some college or associate degree | 12,155 | 1,295 | 3,395 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | 7,630 | 440 | 1,055 |

Table 45 – Educational Attainment by Employment Status

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

| | Age (years) | | | | |
|---|-------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|
| | 18 to 24 | 25 to 34 | 35 to 44 | 45 to 65 | 65+ |
| Less than 9th grade | 480 | 885 | 745 | 2,455 | 2,525 |
| 9th to 12th grade, no diploma | 2,225 | 1,880 | 1,310 | 2,990 | 1,925 |
| High school graduate, GED, or alternative | 3,860 | 4,940 | 5,625 | 10,130 | 5,020 |
| Some college, no degree | 3,825 | 3,520 | 3,350 | 5,050 | 1,765 |
| Associate degree | 540 | 1,235 | 1,260 | 2,505 | 615 |
| Bachelor's degree | 700 | 1,975 | 1,465 | 2,565 | 670 |
| Graduate or professional degree | 115 | 935 | 870 | 1,320 | 890 |

Table 46 – Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

| Educational Attainment | Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Less than high school graduate | \$21,117 |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | \$29,745 |
| Some college or associate degree | \$34,711 |
| Bachelor's degree | \$46,449 |
| Graduate or professional degree | \$55,962 |

Table 47 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

According to the Business Activity table, the business sector in Waterbury with the most workers and the most jobs is Education and Healthcare Services. In this sector, the number of jobs exceeds the number of workers, reflecting an undersupply of labor. Other major sectors are Manufacturing and Retail. In 2014, the top five employers in the city were the City of Waterbury, Waterbury Hospital, Saint Mary's Hospital, Naugatuck Valley Community College, and New Opportunities of Waterbury.

Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community.

There is a need to attract more manufacturing and technology-based companies to Waterbury. Combined with this is the need to improve education levels, particularly among the community's underemployed and youth.

Another major need is for sites and buildings to accommodate the emerging twenty-first-century economy. Waterbury's history as an industrial city has left a legacy of buildings and sites with high levels of toxic/hazardous conditions. The cost of remediation adversely impacts the ability to rehabilitate this inventory at financially feasible costs.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

The Connecticut Department of Transportation recently completed upgrades to Interstate 84 (I-84) in eastern Waterbury and is currently rehabilitating the I-84 and Connecticut Route 8 "Mixmaster" interchange. In addition, Metro North is proposing to improve rail service. These improvements will create positive changes for the Waterbury economy. In addition, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development offers the Small Business Express Program, which helps businesses and increases employment.

Recognizing that developable vacant land is in limited supply, the City has focused its economic development efforts on repositioning vacant, contaminated, or obsolete buildings and sites. Recent projects include the Waterbury Industrial Commons, the ongoing demolition of the Anamet Site, improvements within the Freight Street District, and the proposed South End Industrial Park that will be jointly operated by the City of Waterbury and the Borough of Naugatuck.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

Low graduation rates and below-average testing scores for public school students result in barriers to entry into the workforce. Current industrial job skills do not meet the needs of twenty-first-century manufacturing processes.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

The Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board (NRWIB) partners closely with Naugatuck Valley Community College (NVCC) and Northwest Connecticut Community College (NCCC) to support programs for Out of School Youth (OSY).

At NVCC, the Workforce Achievers Value Education (WAVE) program is implemented to ensure high risk students are assisted in completing education and career pathways. With funding from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the WAVE program not only provides academic, project-driven classes to participants, but also demonstrates the value of the skills participants are learning through relevant paid and unpaid internships, certificates, and projects.

NCCC partners with NRWIB to provide the Team Success program. Team Success is a mentoring scholarship program available to students entering NCCC between the ages of 16 and 24,

particularly those who face barriers that keep them from seeking higher education, job training, or support services. The program provides a network of support along each student's path to obtaining a credential that helps them develop confidence and competences in academic, professional, and social skills.

The Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board provides job training to a 41-community region which includes Waterbury. CDBG funding has been used for several years to pay the tuition for 13 additional students yearly to attend the Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation (MASC) Program – CNC Entry Level Manufacturing Program. The program is open to low-moderate income Waterbury residents, individuals recently released from incarceration, displaced workers, and veterans.

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?

Yes.

If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

Waterbury is a participant in the 18 Community Naugatuck Valley Corridor CEDS.

CEDS has been a significant source of brownfields remediation funding. As discussed elsewhere within this Plan, Waterbury has a large inventory of abandoned buildings and properties in need of remediation. Since Waterbury has a limited amount of vacant land, the re-use of vacant buildings and sites is vital to its economy.

Discussion

The City enforces the provisions of Section 3 to facilitate the employment of local residents. In addition, the city has adopted a Good Jobs Ordinance to require the employment of Waterbury residents on City-funded projects.

MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

As discussed in the "Geographic Priorities" section (SP-10), there are several neighborhoods where the majority of residents are affected by multiple housing problems. This is due to lower incomes, which results in the rental of units with physical deterioration.

Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

In Waterbury, there is not a Census tract where the minority population share is 20% higher than the group's citywide average. However, there are six tracts of Racially or Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (R/ECAP). Five of the six tracts are within the city center. A neighborhood is classified as an R/ECAP if it has a poverty rate that exceeds 40% or if it has 3 or more times the average tract poverty rate for the metropolitan area, whichever threshold is lower.

What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

The characteristics in these neighborhoods, as well as others identified in SP-10, are the age of housing, lack of funds for investment in rehabilitation, old infrastructures, and the concentration of the population with supportive social service needs. Community assets include a program of new school construction as well as improvements in recreational facilities. These areas are served by numerous social services programs, many of which receive CDBG funding.

Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

Community assets include aggressive initiatives to remediate brownfields' conditions at abandoned sites in the South End to create assets. Also, the South End is adjacent to the downtown area but separated by I-84. The City is working to overcome this barrier and strengthen connections.

Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

Other strategic opportunities include:

- Re-use of industrial buildings/properties
- Brass City Food Hub
- Four Opportunity Zones that overlap with low-income neighborhoods
- Downtown revitalization
- Post University campus downtown

MA-60 Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income Households – 91.210(a)(4), 91.310(a)(2)

Describe the need for broadband wiring and connections for households, including low- and moderate-income households and neighborhoods.

According to the 2011-2015 ACS, 63% of households have access to a computer and a broadband internet subscription. Conversely, 37% of the city's households have no access to a computer or internet access.

Describe the need for increased competition by having more than one broadband Internet service provider serve the jurisdiction.

There are two broadband internet providers in most of Waterbury. In some areas of the city, there is only one. There is a need for more access and competition to provide coverage and more affordable service.

MA-65 Hazard Mitigation -91.210(a)(5), 91.310(a)(3)

Describe the jurisdiction's increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

As the impacts of climate change worsen, so will weather extremes and the impacts of storms. Given Waterbury's location within a river valley surrounded by steep slopes, rainfall collects quickly and has limited locations for storage; as a result, proper conveyance of stormwater is important. In addition, poor drainage can cause additional impacts associated with other natural hazards. For example, localized flooding and poor drainage often lead to icing issues in the winter, and localized nuisance flooding near steep slopes can lead to the saturation of groundwater, localized flooding in roadways and low-lying buildings, and possibly lead to landslides.

Describe the vulnerability to these risks of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households based on an analysis of data, findings, and methods.

According to the 2015 Hazard Mitigation Plan, there are three residential flooding repetitive loss properties in Waterbury. There are no severe repetitive loss properties. Waterbury has several watercourses, some of which run through low-income areas of the city. In a flooding scenario of all watercourses, it is estimated that 268 households will be displaced and 537 will use public shelters. Low- and moderate-income households impacted by flooding or another severe weather event may have a harder time bouncing back and or a longer time before returning to safe and healthy living conditions after a severe weather event. As temperatures become more extreme, low- and moderate-income households may also struggle to afford to heat and cool their homes, which can impact their health and safety.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

Strategic Plan Overview

The preceding sections of this Consolidated Plan have focused on an assessment of needs. These needs have been identified through a process of review of applicable studies and analyses, statistical research, consultation with public and private agencies and organizations, needs meetings and public hearings, and participation by the Citizens Advisory Committee. In response to these identified needs, this Strategic Plan includes geographic priorities, a description of priority needs, market influences on these needs, anticipated resources to meet identified needs, goals, and the institutional structure for delivery of programs and resources to achieve goals.

Within the strategy there are specific components that will be addressed, including public housing, barriers to affordable housing, homelessness, lead-based paint hazards, and poverty. There is also a description of monitoring procedures to assess progress toward achieving goals.

SP-10 Geographic Priorities – 91.215 (a)(1)

Geographic Area

| | T | |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | Area Name | CDBG Income-Eligible Target Neighborhoods |
| | Area Type | Target Neighborhoods |
| | Other Target Area Description | Target Neighborhoods |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| _ | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | Over the last decades, Waterbury has developed strategies for the revitalization of several areas in the city. While the programs and resources available to the city have been varied, the geographic location of these revitalization areas and needs have remained somewhat constant. The revitalization areas include the following neighborhoods: Central Business District, Crownbrook, North End, New Pac, South End, and Walnut Orange Walsh (W.O.W). In addition to the physical needs in these areas, there are underlying educational and social service needs to be addressed. |
| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | There are several neighborhoods where the majority of residents are affected by multiple housing problems. Within these areas, the Hispanic population has a higher percentage of households with multiple housing problems. This is due to lower incomes, which results in the rental of units with physical deterioration. The characteristics of these neighborhoods, as well as others identified in SP-10, are the age of housing, lack of funds for investment in rehabilitation, old infrastructures, and concentration of the population with supportive social service needs. Community assets include a |

| | | program of new school construction as well as improvements in recreational facilities. These areas are served by numerous social services programs, many of which receive CDBG funding. |
|---|--|--|
| | How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | These neighborhood strategy areas have existed over the past several decades. The consultation and citizen participation process for the development of this plan reaffirmed their importance to the overall revitalization of the city. |
| | Identify the needs in this target area. | These areas need housing rehabilitation and community reinvestment, infrastructure and public facility improvements, and the provision of supportive and social-service programming. |
| | What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | Community assets include a program of new school construction as well as improvements in infrastructure and recreational facilities. These areas are served by numerous social services programs, many of which receive CDBG funding. |
| | Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | Age and condition of infrastructure and buildings can present problems with reinvestment and renovation in a cost-effective way. |
| 2 | Area Name | Citywide |
| | Area Type | Citywide Program |
| | Other Target Area Description | |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | |

| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | |
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| | How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | |
| | Identify the needs in this target area. | |
| | What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | |
| | Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | |
| 3 | Area Name | Walnut Orange Walsh (W.O.W) |
| | Area Type | Neighborhood |
| | Other Target Area Description | Neighborhood |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | This neighborhood is delineated on the Neighborhood Map attached in the Appendices and Map Attachment. |
| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | There is an extent of substandard housing and abandonment of non-residential structures as well as infrastructure deficiencies throughout the target area. |

| | How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | This neighborhood has been a local target area for many years, identified within several past Consolidated Plans. |
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| | Identify the needs in this target area. | The neighborhood needs reinvestment in infrastructure, residential and non-residential properties, the provision of social and supportive services, and other efforts to empower local residents and revitalize their community. |
| | What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | The neighborhood has access to social service agencies and facilities to encourage revitalization and growth. |
| | Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | Limitations on funding availability are a barrier to making improvements. |
| 4 | Area Name | Crownbrook |
| | Area Type | Neighborhood |
| | Other Target Area Description | Neighborhood |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | The neighborhood is delineated on the Neighborhood Boundary Map included in the attached Appendices and Map Attachment. |
| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | The neighborhood has housing stock in need of renovation, abandoned properties, and infrastructure and facilities in need of repair and replacement. |

| | How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | The neighborhood has been a locally designated neighborhood target area for many years and has been included as such in several past community development plans. It continues to be a focus area for community reinvestment. |
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| | Identify the needs in this target area. | The neighborhood needs community reinvestment in both residential and non-residential properties as well as community facility improvements and infrastructure improvements to replace and repair outdated systems. There is also a need for public services to meet the needs of the neighborhoods' residents. |
| | What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | The neighborhood has access to existing community facilities and services. |
| | Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | Lack of funding is the biggest barrier to making improvements to this area. |
| 5 | Area Name | South End |
| | Area Type | Neighborhood |
| | Other Target Area Description | Neighborhood |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | This neighborhood is delineated on the Neighborhood Map attached in the Appendices and Map Attachment. |
| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | The neighborhood has housing stock in need of renovation, abandoned properties, and infrastructure and facilities in need of repair and replacement. |

| | How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | The neighborhood has been a locally designated neighborhood target area for many years and has been included as such in several past community development plans. It continues to be a focus area for community reinvestment. |
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| | Identify the needs in this target area. | The neighborhood needs community reinvestment in both residential and non-residential properties as well as community facility improvements and infrastructure improvements to replace and repair outdated systems. There is also a need for public services to meet the needs of the neighborhoods' residents. |
| | What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | The neighborhood has access to existing community facilities and services that benefit local residents. |
| | Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | The lack of adequate financial resources is the biggest barrier to making improvements in the target area. |
| 6 | Area Name | Opportunity Zones |
| | Area Type | Opportunity Zones |
| | Other Target Area Description | Opportunity Zones |
| | HUD Approval Date | |
| | % of Low/Mod | |
| | Revital Type | |
| | Other Revital Description | |
| | Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area. | <u>Census Tracts</u> : 3501, 3505, 3515, and 3517 |
| | Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area. | |

| How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area? | The federal Opportunity Zones program was designed to incentivize public and private stakeholders to work together to rebuild American cities. |
|--|--|
| Identify the needs in this target area. | |
| What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area? | |
| Are there barriers to improvement in this target area? | |

Table 48 – Geographic Priority Areas

General Allocation Priorities

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the jurisdiction (or within the EMSA for HOPWA)

Allocation Priorities

CDBG allocations are not limited to specific geographic areas of Waterbury but must serve lowand moderate-income residents. The City makes allocations based on the level of benefit for very low, low-, and moderate-income residents and provides support for activities/programs in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. A majority of Waterbury's residents are low- or moderate-income and activities that benefit all residents therefore benefit individuals who meet HUD income eligibility requirements.

The allocation of HOME resources is not strictly limited to any specific geographic area of the city but serves the criteria set by HUD for eligibility, along with meeting the specific goals and objectives set forth in Waterbury's Five Year Consolidated Plan. The City reviews each application for HOME funds to ensure that funding is aligned with priority needs identified in the Strategic Plan. Priority is determined based upon anticipated impacts of proposed projects on the surrounding neighborhoods and potential benefits to low- and moderate-income residents.

The allocation of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program funds is limited to eligible emergency shelters and day shelters located within the city of Waterbury, homelessness prevention and outreach activities, and programs and projects that re-house the homeless.

Consolidated Plan investment is targeted specifically to (1) neighborhoods in which crime, vacant, and/or blighted housing conditions, and the absence of retail, educational, and social enrichment opportunities require long-term investment to improve sustainability; (2) emerging growth neighborhoods undergoing revitalization where development momentum has been established, but where additional investment is needed; (3) neighborhoods where existing residents need housing assistance to prevent dislocation; (4) neighborhoods abutting sites selected for proposed new school facilities; (5) neighborhoods in which there is a dense concentration of tax-delinquent, vacant, abandoned, and underutilized housing and commercial facilities; and (6) gateways to the city that set the tone for visitors' interaction with the city.

The rationale for allocating resources addresses housing and community development needs in areas where low-income concentrations, low owner-occupancy rates, substandard housing conditions, and the need for infrastructure improvements were evident. Focusing investment in these targeted revitalization areas is anticipated to result in increased affordable housing opportunities and will leverage private investment to ensure that neighborhood-oriented services and adequate community facilities are provided. The City will also leverage its federal funds to foster affordable housing, homeownership, employment and economic opportunities, neighborhood revitalization, community facility improvements, and other improvements to the city.

SP-25 Priority Needs – 91.215(a)(2)

Priority Needs

| 1 | Priority Need Name | Reduce Cost Burden |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Moderate Large families Families with children Elderly Public housing residents Individuals |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated Goals | Increase Affordable Housing Resources Increase Housing Affordability Increase Supply of Affordable 3+ Bedroom Units |
| | Description | The most common housing problem in Waterbury is cost burden on households trying to afford decent, safe housing. |
| | | Cost burden is magnified by the fact that there is a shortage of decent, affordable units in Waterbury's housing stock. |
| | | While the percentage of households with a cost burden over 30% of income for housing is in approximately the same proportions as the racial/ethnic population of the city, the cost burden among owner households is heavily weighted toward the elderly. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. |

| 2 | Priority Need Name | Increase Supply of Decent, Safe, and Affordable Housing |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Moderate Middle Large families Families with children Elderly Public housing residents |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated Goals | Increase Affordable Housing Resources Increase Supply of Affordable 3+ Bedroom Units |
| | Description | Increase accessibility to affordable housing and housing resources through a program of rehabilitation, new construction, enforcement of housing codes, and abatement of lead paint and other environmental hazards. |
| | | Homeownership counseling, housing loss and eviction prevention services, and fair housing resources also increase accessibility to housing choice. |
| | | The Waterbury Housing Authority currently administers approximately 750 public housing units and 2,000 Section 8 Vouchers. Due to the age of many developments, there is a range of rehabilitation needs. |
| | | There is a shortage of decent, affordable units for the voucher program. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. |

| 3 | Priority Need Name | Reduce Lead Hazards |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Moderate Large families Families with children Public housing residents |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated Goals | Increase availability of and accessibility to decent, safe, and affordable housing resources. Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions. |
| | Description | Due to the age of the housing stock in Waterbury, with most of the housing units constructed prior to 1978, lead paint hazards are prevalent throughout the city. This is particularly the case in rental housing units. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. This priority also strengthens local efforts to improve the physical condition of the city's housing stock as it affects the health, safety, and welfare of its residents. |
| 4 | Priority Need Name | Address Homelessness |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Large families Families with children Chronic homelessness Individuals Families with children |

| | | Mentally ill Chronic substance abuse Veterans Victims of domestic violence Unaccompanied youth Persons with mental disabilities Persons with alcohol or other addictions |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated Goals | Housing & Services for Homeless and At-Risk Provide Basic Medical and Nutritional Resources |
| | Description | The needs of the homeless and near homeless in the city exceeds the capacity of existing shelters and programs. There is a need to continue to provide shelter, supports, and services to reduce incidences of homelessness; to help homeless and at-risk households find employment and housing stability; and to provide appropriate and affordable housing. There is a need to maintain and increase the availability of housing for the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness with financial assistance and coordination with the Coordinated Access Network. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. Priority was also established to coordinate efforts with the long-term strategies of the Coordinated Access Network of providers. |
| 5 | Priority Need Name | Address Aging Infrastructure |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Non-housing community development |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Target Neighborhoods |

| | Associated Goals | Invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements. Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions. |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| | Description | There is a need to invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements in support of community development and neighborhood revitalization. The support of infrastructure and facility improvements helps to promote neighborhood stabilization activities and provide a suitable living environment for residents. Improvements to aging infrastructure and community facilities, including the repair and refurbishment of parks and playgrounds, community center buildings, service centers, and schools. The age and condition of housing combined with the age of the infrastructure in city neighborhoods is an obstacle to maintaining a suitable living environment. Many water and sewer lines are over 100 years old and there is a severe shortage of parking in older neighborhoods developed prior to the proliferation of automobiles. The replacement of aging infrastructure such as water lines, sewer lines, streets, and sidewalks need to be supported. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. This priority also strengthens local efforts to improve the physical condition of neighborhoods, commercial areas, and physical infrastructure and reinvest in the community to promote renewal and revitalization. The recent school investment program and local park improvement program provide visible change and promote positive community involvement and growth. |
| 6 | Priority Need Name | Remove Blight and Unsafe Conditions |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Non-housing community development |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Target Neighborhoods |

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| | Associated Goals | Increase the availability of and accessibility to decent, safe, and affordable housing resources. |
| | | Invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements. |
| | | Invest in infrastructure replacement and improvement. |
| | | Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions. |
| | Description | There is a need to support housing and community development activities with an investment in infrastructure replacement and improvement in order to stabilize and revitalize neighborhoods. |
| | | There is a need to expand decent, safe, and affordable housing opportunity through a program of rehabilitation, new construction, enforcement of housing codes, anti-blight efforts, and the remediation or abatement of lead paint and other environmental hazards. |
| | | The existence of severely dilapidated structures in many neighborhoods requires code enforcement, anti-blight efforts, and, as needed, a demolition and clearance program. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. This priority also strengthens local efforts to improve the physical condition of neighborhoods, commercial areas, and physical infrastructure and reinvest in the community to promote renewal and revitalization. Local infrastructure improvements provide visible change and promote community revitalization and growth. The removal of blight and hazardous conditions also promotes revitalization and stabilization. |
| 7 | Priority Need Name | Provide or Improve Existing Community Facilities |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Non-housing community development |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |

| | Associated Goals Description | Invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements. Support youth initiatives. Provide programs and services for the elderly. Support the provision of targeted social service programs. Provide basic medical and nutritional resources. There is a need to invest in community facility improvements in support of community development and neighborhood revitalization. Improvements to or the creation of new community facilities need to be supported, including the repair and refurbishment of parks and playgrounds, community center buildings, service centers, and schools. There is a need to ensure that all facilities are available and accessible to all residents. There is a need to repair and restore several parks, many of which are historically significant having been designed by Frederick Law Olmstead. |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| | | There are several community center buildings that are home to numerous programs for youth and seniors as well as the surrounding neighborhoods as a whole that need repair and program support. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. This priority also strengthens local efforts to improve the physical condition of neighborhoods, commercial areas, and physical infrastructure and reinvest in the community to promote renewal and revitalization. Such investment provides visible change and promotes positive community image. |
| 8 | Priority Need Name | Provide Public and Supportive Services |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Moderate Families with children |

| | Public housing residents Chronic homelessness Individuals Families with children Mentally ill Chronic substance abuse Veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of domestic violence Unaccompanied youth Elderly Frail elderly Persons with mental disabilities Persons with physical disabilities Persons with developmental disabilities Persons with alcohol or other addictions Victims of domestic violence Non-housing community development |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program Target Neighborhoods |
| Associated Goals | Increase accessibility to housing resources. Support youth initiatives. Provide programs and services for the elderly. Support the provision of targeted social service programs. Provide basic medical and nutritional resources. |
| Description | To provide for a suitable living environment, there are a range of social service needs to be provided to serve the community, including access to food and household necessities; literacy, language education, and job skill development; and socialization programs to support low- and moderate-income households and vulnerable populations. The youth are the future of the city. To address current needs and build for the future, programs to improve educational attainment a well as provide after-school activities and mentoring, recreational opportunities, daycare, and basic nutrition are needed. |

| | Basis for | The elderly of the community need basic life necessities such as food, medical care, affordable utility costs, and transportation. These basic needs must be supported with socialization opportunities. There is a need for counseling services for a variety of personal and family issues to help address dysfunctional situations and issues, such as mental health and addiction services. This includes the need for supportive housing that addresses these needs as well as housing issues. Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| | Relative Priority | and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. Priority was also established to coordinate efforts with local social and supportive service providers. |
| 9 | Priority Need Name | Provide Supportive Housing |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Extremely low Low Moderate Large families Families with children Elderly Chronic homelessness Individuals Families with children Mentally ill Chronic substance abuse Veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of domestic violence Elderly Frail elderly Persons with mental disabilities Persons with developmental disabilities Persons with alcohol or other addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their families Victims of domestic violence |

| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
|----|-----------------------------------|---|
| | Associated Goals | Maintain and increase the availability of housing and support services for the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness. |
| | Description | There is a need for counseling services for a variety of personal and family issues to help address dysfunctional situations and issues such as mental health and addiction services. This includes the need for supportive housing that addresses these needs as well as housing issues. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. Priority was also established to coordinate efforts and long-term strategies of the local Coordinated Access Network of providers. |
| 10 | Priority Need Name | Remediate Hazardous Environmental Conditions |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Non-housing community development |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated | . Make strategic investments in the abetement of hazardays |
| | Goals | Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions. |
| | Goals Description | |

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| | | strengthens local efforts to improve the physical condition of neighborhoods, commercial areas, and physical infrastructure and reinvest in the community to promote renewal and revitalization. The removal of blight and hazardous conditions promotes revitalization and stabilization. |
| 11 | Priority Need Name | Promote Economic and Workforce Development |
| | Priority Level | High |
| | Population | Non-housing community development |
| | Geographic Areas Affected | Citywide Program |
| | Associated Goals | Provide technical assistance and support for economic and workforce development activities. |
| | Description | Not unlike many older cities in New England, Waterbury's economy has lost its strong manufacturing base. This has affected all aspects of its economy. The changing economy has resulted in either service jobs that often do not provide a living wage, or technologically challenging jobs that require a level of education not being attained by many people in Waterbury. There is a need to provide technical assistance and support for leveraging financial resources and marketing to assist the transition of Waterbury into a competitive economy. Include job training, workforce development, and sustainable income employment to advance the local economy and support the economic success of residents. Support Food HUB activities, urban farming, and other innovative initiatives to meet changes in the economy. |
| | Basis for Relative Priority | Priority was established as a result of ongoing community input, citizen and community stakeholder participation, past program experience, and data analyses undertaken as part of this plan development process and other local planning needs and gaps-analysis processes. Priority was also established to coordinate efforts with local economic development activities and employment training initiatives. |

Table 49 – Priority Needs Summary

Narrative (Optional)

The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to meet three basic objectives: 1) Decent, affordable housing 2) a suitable living environment; and 3) provide economic opportunities. The outcomes of the Consolidated Plan are the provision of 1) availability/accessibility; 2) affordability; and 3) sustainability.

In order to establish the objectives and outcomes in this Consolidated Plan, the City of Waterbury has completed an extensive needs assessment. This process has included consultation with numerous agencies, organizations, and individuals as well as analysis of available reports and data. Citizen participation has been carried out under the leadership of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) inclusive of a needs public hearing, solicitation of proposed programs, and CAC meetings open to the public. A public hearing on this Consolidated Plan was held during the public comment period prior to approval of a final Consolidated Plan. The comment period was extended beyond the typical 30-day period to accommodate the COVID-19 crisis.

SP-30 Influence of Market Conditions – 91.215 (b)

Influence of Market Conditions

| Affordable Housing Type | Market Characteristics That Will Influence the Use of Funds Available for Housing Type | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | Lack of standard units available influences this program. The primary need for this assistance relates to the cost burden experienced by a large percentage of households in Waterbury. There is an overwhelming waiting list for vouchers, which cannot be assisted. The priority for PHA to apply and receive additional vouchers is high. The City also recognizes that there is a need to tie the provision of housing to job training and work skill development to help households move from homelessness | | | | |
| | and at-risk of homelessness to a more stable and sustainable living situation. TBRA linked with job training/skill development is a model that will be supported to address need. | | | | |
| TBRA for Non-Homeless Special Needs | Lack of units with supportive services influences this program. Based upon consultations with homeless housing and social service agencies, a need for supportive housing has been identified as a priority. Special needs households include those with disabilities as well as dysfunctional households facing a variety of issues. Market characteristics impacting this priority relate to the shortage of privately owned housing units that are available to provide supportive housing programs. This problem is intensified by the lack of public funds. | | | | |

| New Unit Production | Rents will not financially support the cost of new unit production. A shortage of affordable, decent housing units is an identified need. The market characteristics influencing this priority include the age and condition of the existing housing stock without the rent levels to support rehabilitation. New construction faces the same market conditions. The HOME program can provide some resources to address this issue. | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Rehabilitation | Rents will not financially support the cost of major rehabilitation projects. Similar to the new unit production priority discussed above, the achievable rents and income levels in Waterbury often result in rehabilitation in the private marketplace to be financially infeasible. This issue is intensified by the age and condition of the housing stock. | | | |
| Acquisition, Including Preservation | Lack of funding available to finance projects. There are opportunities to improve the conditions and affordability of housing by the acquisition of vacant, deteriorating structures. These structures are, for the most part, multi-unit in nature or previously non-residential buildings appropriate for conversion. The cost and complexity of acquisition and rehabilitation of these structures usually requires implementations by an experienced housing development entity and financial assistance. When structures are of historic or architectural value, the cost can be increased. Similar to new unit production, the HOME program can provide resources for this type of development. | | | |

Table 50 – Influence of Market Conditions

SP-35 Anticipated Resources – 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c) (1,2)

Introduction

The City of Waterbury receives federal funds through HUD on an annual basis. During the first program year of this Five Year Plan, the City will receive entitlement allocations in the following amounts:

- CDBG \$2,239,298
- ESG \$186,821
- HOME \$899,666

Anticipated Resources

| | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount | |
|---------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|---|---|
| Program | | | Annual Allocation (\$) | Program Income (\$) | Prior Year Resources (\$) | Total (\$) | Available Remainder of ConPlan (\$) | Narrative Description |
| CDBG | Public- federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing, Public Improvements, Public Services | 2,239,298 | \$14,000 | | | 8,800,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |

| НОМЕ | Public- federal | Acquisition Homebuyer assistance, Homeowner rehab, Multifamily rental new construction, Multifamily rental rehab, New construction for ownership, TBRA | 899,666 | 2,500 | | 3,600,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |
|------|--------------------|--|---------|-------|--|-----------|---|
| ESG | Public- federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing, Financial Assistance, Overnight shelter, Rapid re-housing (rental assistance), Rental Assistance Services, Transitional housing | 186,821 | | | 740,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |

Table 51 – Anticipated Resources

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

The City of Waterbury attempts to leverage its federal resources with private, state, and local funding resources to meet the housing and community development needs identified in its Consolidated Plan. By using leveraged funds to complement its Consolidated Plan resources, the City is able to provide assistance to more individuals and households in need. Activities implemented during the First Action Plan (PY 2020-2021) and those in subsequent years will generate matching funds for CDBG, HOME, and ESG activities from a variety of sources including the State of Connecticut, Low Income Tax Credits, and other forms of matches including foundation support and private donations.

HOME

The HOME Match requirement will be met with carry over in excess of \$14 million from previous years, as noted on HUD form 40107-A. For the past several years, the City has not had a match requirement due to its level of distress.

ESG

Match requirements for the ESG program are met by a combination of funding sources including federal, state, foundation, and private contributions funneled through each of the three recipient agencies: Safe Haven, Salvation Army, and St. Vincent DePaul.

For the first program year, each agency has designated matching funds as part of their application for ESG funding. Safe Haven reported matching/leveraged funding totaling \$443,726; Salvation Army reported \$464,117 in matching/leveraged resources; and St. Vincent DePaul reported \$581,321 in matching/leveraged resources. These funds total near \$1.5 million in leverage/matching funds for the \$186,821 in Emergency Solutions Grant funds received through HUD.

| Provider | Funding* | Matching Funds | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Safe Haven | \$20,756 | \$443,726 | | | |
| Salvation Army | \$51,992 | \$464,117 | | | |
| St. Vincent DePaul | \$100,061 | \$581,321 | | | |
| | \$172,809 | \$1,489,164 | | | |
| Administration | \$14,012 | \$0 | | | |
| Total ESG | \$186,821 | \$1,489,164 | | | |

^{*}Funding includes shelter operations, rapid re-housing, and homelessness prevention.

Additional Resources

Additional resources are also leveraged in support of local housing and community development efforts. Mindful of the limited resources available, the Office of Community Development encourages all entities seeking Consolidated Plan funding to leverage additional resources to match what can provided through CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. As examples, projects underway and proposed for the first year of funding and the matching/leveraged resources available include:

- <u>City of Waterbury Senior Shuttle</u> Allocated \$91,878 in CDBG funds, \$50,000 match.
- Connecticut Legal Services Allocated \$9,874 in CDBG funds, \$23,000 match.
- Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries Allocated \$50,848 in CDBG funds, \$190,000 match.
- <u>Hispanic Coalition</u> Allocated \$11,174 in CDBG funds, \$67,800 match.
- <u>Literacy Volunteers</u> Allocated \$4,786 in CDBG funds, \$197,400 match.
- Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation Allocated \$51,350 in CDBG funds, \$306,700 match.
- Safe Haven Allocated \$8,917 in CDBG funds, \$868,100 match.
- Salvation Army Allocated \$9,786 in CDBG funds, \$292,185 match.
- Waterbury Youth Services Allocated \$9,917 in CDBG funds, \$61,241 match.
- Brass City Harvest (Equipment) Allocated \$175,000 in CDBG funds, \$99,700 match.
- <u>City of Waterbury Library Park</u> Allocated \$500,000 in CDBG funds, \$925,369 match.

In addition, over past program years the City has supported several major projects that required significant funding from multiple sources with CDBG funding. The Brass City Harvest Food HUB project with \$800,000 in CDBG was leveraged with \$1.7 million in other resources, and several major park improvements used CDBG funds together with municipal capital funding, state funding, and private investment.

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

Waterbury recently completed a new school construction program on publicly owned land, which strengthens neighborhoods. Various public parks are undergoing renovation and improvement and public facilities are being renovated to increase accessibility for persons with disabilities.

Discussion

Due to the great need in the City, Waterbury takes every opportunity to leverage funds to address these needs in the most efficient and complete way.

SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure – 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, nonprofit organizations, and public institutions.

| Responsible Entity | Responsible Entity Type | Role | Geographic Area Served |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Community Development Office | Government | Community developmentPlanning neighborhood improvements | Jurisdiction |
| City of Waterbury Departments | Government | Economic development Homelessness Non-homeless special needs Ownership Planning Public housing Rental Neighborhood improvements Public facilities Public services | Jurisdiction |
| Waterbury Housing Authority | PHA | Public housing | Jurisdiction |
| Citizen Advisory Committee | Other | Planning | Jurisdiction |

Table 52 – Institutional Delivery Structure

Assess Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

The goals outlined in a previous section of this Strategic Plan will be carried out by several organizations. The structure is summarized as follows:

Community Development Office

The Community Development Office is the designated office for the overall administration of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds under the supervision of the Finance Director. Responsibilities include coordination of the citizen participation process; preparation of the Consolidated Plan and annual applications for funding; preparation of all subrecipient agreements with subgrantees; monitoring of activities; and preparation of the CAPER report on performance. The office is also responsible for the preparation of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI) and implementation of recommendations of the AI.

City of Waterbury Departments

City departments including public works, parks and recreation, health, and building officials assist in the identification of needs as well as goals needed to improve infrastructure. These departments also implement infrastructure projects selected for funding. The City Health Department has the responsibility of inspecting housing units suspected of containing lead paint hazards. In addition, the Healthy Homes program funded by a HUD grant is administered by a division of the Health Department. The Corporation Counsel reviews contracts before recommending execution by the Mayor.

Subrecipient Agencies and Organizations

There is a network of social service agencies, neighborhood organizations and centers, housing production organizations, and organizations providing assistance to meet life's basic needs, including nutrition.

Waterbury Housing Authority

The Waterbury Housing Authority is responsible for providing affordable, decent housing for lower-income households. This includes both public housing units and Section 8 Vouchers.

Citizens Advisory Committee

This committee, comprised of Waterbury residents and representatives from agencies and businesses with involvement in the Waterbury Community, is responsible for the citizen participation element of the CDBG program. This includes hosting public hearings; soliciting applications for CDBG funding; review of the applications and a recommendation as to activities to be funded; and the amount of such funding.

Availability of Services Targeted to Homeless Persons and Persons With HIV and Mainstream Services

| Homelessness Prevention Services | Available in the Community | Targeted to Homeless | Targeted to People with HIV |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | Iomelessness Prevent | | 1 00 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1 |
| Counseling/advocacy | Χ | Х | |
| Legal assistance | Х | Х | Х |
| Mortgage assistance | | Χ | |
| Rental assistance | Х | Х | Х |
| Utilities assistance | Χ | Χ | X |
| | Street Outreach S | ervices | |
| Law enforcement | Χ | Χ | |
| Mobile clinics | Х | Х | |
| Other street outreach | Х | V | V |
| services | X | X | X |
| | Supportive Ser | vices | |
| Alcohol and drug abuse | X | Χ | X |
| Childcare | Χ | Χ | |
| Education | Χ | Χ | |
| Employment and employment training | Х | Χ | X |
| Healthcare | Χ | Χ | Х |
| HIV/AIDS | Х | | |
| Life skills | Х | Х | |
| Mental health counseling | Х | Х | Х |
| Transportation | Х | Х | X |
| | Other | | |
| Other | | | |

Table 53 – Homeless Prevention Services Summary

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth).

As cited throughout, the structure of the Coordinated Access Network (CAN) and the active participation of Leadership Committee members is the key organization meeting the needs of the homeless.

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above.

The strength of the delivery system is an active CAN Leadership Committee representing numerous agencies/programs. A gap exists in the lack of permanent affordable housing and supportive housing.

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs.

Waterbury will continue to rely on the CAN structure to overcome gaps. The Community Development Office – as part of its planning, application, and monitoring processes and working with the Citizen's Advisory Committee – will continue to identify needs and overcome gaps in services.

SP-45 Goals Summary – 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|---|---------------|-------------|--|-----------------|--|---|---|
| 1 | Increase Availability of and Accessibility to Decent, Safe, and Affordable Housing | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housing Homeless Non-homeless special needs | Citywide | Reduce cost burden. Increase supply of decent, safe, and affordable housing. Reduce lead hazards. Remove blight and unsafe conditions | CDBG – \$76,000 HOME – \$2,000,000 | Public Service Activities for Low-/Moderate- Income Housing Benefit: 250 households assisted Homeowner Housing Created: 10 households New Rental Housing Created: 100 units created |
| 2 | Increase Housing Affordability | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housingHomelessNon-homeless special needs | Citywide | Reduce cost burden. | HOME – \$679,750 | CHDO Tenant-based rental assistance |

| 3 | Maintain and Increase the Availability of Housing and Support Services for the Homeless, Those At- Risk of Homelessness, and Non-Homeless Special Needs Populations | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housing Homeless Non-homeless special needs | Citywide | Address homelessness. Provide supportive housing. | CDBG – \$900,000 HOME – \$1,822,416 ESG \$926,821 | Rapid Rehousing: 125 households assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 5,000 persons assisted |
|---|---|------|------|--|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | | | | | Homelessness Prevention: 125 persons assisted |
| 4 | Increase the Supply of Affordable Three-Or- More Bedroom Units | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housingHomelessNon-homeless special needs | Citywide | Reduce cost burden. Increase supply of decent, safe, and affordable housing. | HOME – N/A Dollar amounts are shown under goal #1. | The Mutual Housing Project, reported under Goal #1, will provide five (25) 3-bedroom rental units. |
| 5 | Invest in Public, Community, and Neighborhood Infrastructure and Facility Improvements | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. Provide or improve existing community facilities. | CDBG – \$7,640,000 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities Other Than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 175,000 persons assisted |

| 6 | Support Youth Initiatives | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$344,500 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 2,750 persons assisted |
|---|---|------|------|---|--|---|---------------------|---|
| 7 | Provide Programs and Services for the Elderly | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$688,298 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 2,000 persons assisted |
| 8 | Support the Provision of Targeted Social Service Programs | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$160,00 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low- /Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 8,000 persons assisted |
| 9 | Provide Basic Medical and Nutritional Resources | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Address homelessness. Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$463,000 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low- /Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 21,000 persons assisted |

| 10 | Invest in Infrastructure Replacement and Improvement | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. | CDBG - \$389,500 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 108086 Persons Assisted |
|----|--|------|------|---|--|---|---------------------|--|
| 11 | Make Strategic Investments in the Abatement of Hazardous Environmental Conditions | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. | | |
| 12 | Provide Technical Assistance and Support for Economic and Workforce Development Activities | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Promote economic and workforce development. | CDBG – \$392,000 | Public Service Activities Other Than Low- /Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 65 persons assisted |

Table 54 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

| 1 | Goal Name | Increase Affordable Housing Resources | | | | |
|---|------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Goal Description | Increase accessibility to affordable housing and housing resources through a program of rehabilitation, new construction, enforcement of housing codes, and abatement of lead paint and other environmental hazards. Homeownership counseling, housing loss and eviction prevention services, and fair housing resources also increase accessibility to housing choice. | | | | |
| 2 | Goal Name | Increase Housing Affordability | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Increase housing affordability by providing technical and financial resources to add decent housing units responsive to the income levels prevalent in Waterbury. | | | | |
| 3 | Goal Name | Housing & Services for Homeless and At-Risk | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Maintain and increase the availability of housing for the homeless, those at-risk of homelessness, and special needs populations with financial assistance and coordination with the Coordinated Access Network. | | | | |
| 4 | Goal Name | Increase the Supply of Affordable 3+ Bedroom Units | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Increase the supply of three-or-more bedroom units for large families and homeless families seeking permanent housing and supports. | | | | |

| 5 | Goal Name | Invest in Infrastructure and Facility Improvements | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Goal Description | Invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements in support of community development and neighborhood revitalization. Support infrastructure and facility improvements to promote neighborhood stabilization activities and provide a suitable living environment for residents. Improvements to aging infrastructure and community facilities will be supported, including the repair and refurbishment of parks and playgrounds, community center buildings, service centers, schools, and the replacement of aging infrastructure such as water lines, sewer lines, streets, and sidewalks. | | | | |
| 6 | 6 Goal Name Support Youth Initiatives | | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Support youth initiatives including positive youth engagement activities and programs; mentoring to address daily issues; and educational, job skill, and life skills attainment programs to help youth succeed in the economy and society. | | | | |
| 7 | Goal Name | Provide Programs and Services for the Elderly | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Provide programs and services for the elderly to meet daily living needs as well as socialization within the community, including affordable transportation and access to goods and services. | | | | |
| 8 | Goal Name | Support Targeted Social Service Programs | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Support the provision of targeted social service programs to address conditions that impact daily living needs and personal growth of lower-income individuals and families as well as the community as a whole. | | | | |
| 9 | Goal Name | Provide Basic Medical and Nutritional Resources | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Provide basic medical and nutritional resources to sustain low- and moderate-income persons in the community. | | | | |

| 10 | Goal Name | Invest in Infrastructure Replacement and Improvement | | | |
|----|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Goal Description | Support housing and community development activities with an investment in infrastructure replacement and improvement in order to stabilize and revitalize neighborhoods. | | | |
| 11 | Goal Name Abatement of Hazardous Environmental Conditions | | | | |
| | Goal Description | Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions to increase the amount of land and buildings available for economic development. | | | |
| 12 | Goal Name | Support for Economic and Workforce Development Activities | | | |
| | Goal Description | Provide technical assistance and support for leveraging financial resources and marketing to assist the transition of Waterbury into a competitive twenty-first-century economy. Include job training, workforce development, and sustainable income employment to advance the local economy and support the economic success of residents. Support Food HUB activities, urban farming, and other innovative initiatives to meet changes in the economy. | | | |

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2).

Annually (on average) over the Strategy Period, the City of Waterbury estimates aiding 2 homebuyer units with down payment assistance; creating 20 decent and affordable rental units per program year through rehabilitation or new construction; and providing TBRA to 25 individuals/families with the use of its federal entitlement resources and other leveraged funding. Over the Five Year Strategy Period, this average would assist 10 first-time homebuyers; create 80 decent, safe, and affordable rental units; and provide 125 individuals/families with TBRA.

SP-50 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement – 91.215(c)

Need to Increase the Number of Accessible Units (if Required by a Section 504 Voluntary Compliance Agreement)

WHA will complete the fourth and final phase of its 504 Compliant Unit Conversions with renovations at Berkeley Heights (12 units), Hamden Avenue (1 unit) and Austin Road (1 unit). This will bring the number of 504 compliant units to 36, in accordance with the 5% requirement outlined in HUD's Voluntary Compliance Agreement.

Activities to Increase Resident Involvements

WHA has a Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) program that teaches life skills, household budgeting, and money management, among others. Participants in the program are assisted in attaining educational advancement (e.g., GED or post-secondary), completing job training, obtaining employment, and/or advancing within their current career. Families are helped in their quest to transition from subsidized housing to eventual homeownership. The FSS program provides financial incentives through an escrow savings account for continual participation and investment in the program. A career development and financial counseling program is also provided to housing authority residents. WHA has a Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator on staff to coordinate these programs.

WHA administers a Federal 5(h) Program whereby low-income residents are able to purchase a home in a non-low-/moderate-income census tract. The client pays only 30% of the mortgage, with the remainder covered by WHA as a forgivable mortgage.

Is the public housing agency designated as troubled under 24 CFR part 902?

Plan to remove the 'troubled' designation

Not applicable.

SP-55 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.215(h)

Barriers to Affordable Housing

There are no identified public policies which have negative effects on affordable housing and residential investment. As discussed throughout this document, the lack of affordable housing can be attributed to the following factors:

- High unemployment and lower-paying jobs that result in incomes that are not sufficient to afford market-rate housing
- Shortage of publicly assisted housing, including Section 8 Vouchers and public housing units
- Market rents that are not adequate to support investment in the rehabilitation or new construction of affordable housing

Strategy to Remove or Ameliorate the Barriers to Affordable Housing

There are two approaches to this strategy:

- One approach is to improve economic and employment conditions as described in other sections of this plan to increase income levels in order to fill the gap between available resources and housing costs.
- The second approach is to pursue private investment in affordable housing through creative financing and the pursuit of resources beyond HOME and other locally available resources.

SP-60 Homelessness Strategy – 91.215(d)

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

The City participates in and supports the local CAN and its initiatives and projects.

Prior to becoming part of the Regional Coordinated Access Network (CAN), the City had cooperatively developed the Waterbury Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in collaboration with its homeless housing and service providers. Once the City of Waterbury joined the Balance of State CoC and the CAN process was instituted, the City shifted its homelessness strategy to participate in and support these regional homelessness prevention and support networks.

The City has an active network of local housing and service providers that participate in the CAN process to support regional initiatives, while at the same time assisting the homeless and at-risk within the city. In support of this, the City of Waterbury utilizes its ESG funding to support these agencies, providing prevention services, outreach, food, shelter, supportive services, and re-housing supports to the homeless and at-risk populations.

Addressing the emergency and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Waterbury supports efforts of decreasing or ending homelessness within Waterbury and is contributing both time and resources to supporting the local Continuum of Care/Coordinated Access Networks' initiatives. The only active Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) is Mutual Housing, which recently completed the rehabilitation of Gaffney Place and 54 Central and is currently working on a 40-unit project that will have 8 units set aside for permanent supportive housing.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again.

From Homelessness to Housing

The Waterbury Homeless Hospitality Center provides a safe place for individuals who are
experiencing homelessness to have access to an array of supports that will assist them in
obtaining housing, benefits, and employment. In addition to programs and services, the
center provides a place for individuals to shower and wash clothes. For the most recent

- program year ending September 30, 2019, a total of 491 unduplicated persons were served.
- A total of 9 new units or dedicated subsidies were added to housing inventory in 2013 through Waterbury CAN-HUD funding. To date, a total of 225 units of housing with support services have been awarded under Waterbury CAN-HUD applications for a total funding commitment of over \$7,800,000.

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

Increasing Efficiencies of the System

- Since 2011, the Flexible Assistance Fund has provided one-time financial support to help individuals/families address immediate and temporary situations that put their housing in jeopardy. To date, 776 adults and 757 children, a total of 1,533 people, have been assisted. 93% of households were stable at the 3-month benchmark and 91% were stable at the 6-month benchmark. Funds expended to date total \$644,779. The average assistance per household is \$1,196. United Way contributes \$46,000 per year and raises up to \$83,000 from other foundations and private funders.
- Committed key stakeholders representing the Connecticut State Legislation, Social Security Administration, Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board, Department of Social Services, Bureau of Rehabilitation Services, Connecticut Department of Labor, Office of Veterans Workforce Development, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Ability Beyond Disability, Brass City Harvest, and New Opportunities, Inc. continue to create linkages between employment, training, and educational services. A resource inventory was created to identify available services, and key stakeholders are holding networking meetings to increase collaborative efforts.

SP-65 Lead based paint Hazards – 91.215(i)

Actions to address LBP hazards and increase access to housing without LBP hazards

As discussed earlier in this Consolidated Plan, the Waterbury Health Department through its Healthy Homes program is providing lead paint hazard inspection, preparation of abatement specifications, and financial assistance for abatement. This program is being financed by a HUD Lead Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program and City in-kind matching funds. Based upon current grant funds available for the next 2 years, the goal is to remediate or abate 60 units per year. It is anticipated that this 60-unit-per-year goal will be extended for the balance of the period covered by this Consolidated Plan, conditional on the success of obtaining future grants.

How are the actions listed above related to the extent of lead poisoning and hazards?

Due to the age of the housing in Waterbury, there is a need to address lead-based paint (LBP) hazards much in excess of available resources.

How are the actions listed above integrated into housing policies and procedures?

These actions are integrated into the overall operation of the City Health Department, with City resources used to assist in program implementation. The HOME program requires assessment and abatement of LBP hazards as part of any rehabilitation project. The Waterbury Housing Authority requires assessment and abatement of any unit to be occupied by a household with children under the age of 6 receiving assistance through the Section 8 Voucher Program.

SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy – 91.215(j)

Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for Reducing the Number of Poverty-Level Families

As described elsewhere in this Consolidated Plan, there are a multitude of social service programs, some of which are funded in part with CDBG funds, to address the needs of people living in poverty. Also, as described previously, the primary reason that people are living in poverty is the lack of income needed to afford life's necessities. As seen in the housing needs discussion, the primary need is cost burden, with people paying over 30% and often over 50% of their income for housing. The same is the case with nutrition, where a combination of income and SNAP funds is still not sufficient for basic nutritional needs, and people still remain in poverty.

In order to address the objectives of reducing the number of people living in poverty, the strategy is to increase employment opportunities and potentially raise incomes through an aggressive economic development program. The components of this program will include:

- The remediation and abatement of properties containing environmental hazards to increase the availability of opportunities for economic development
- An increase in, and the coordination of, educational and job skills programs with an emphasis on youth and young adults
- A continuing emphasis on keeping students in school in order to attain the level of education needed to compete for twenty-first-century jobs
- The procurement of programs that pay a portion of the salary of a new hire
- A coordinated marketing program to attract business and industry to Waterbury
- The Section 3 program is implemented by the Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board on behalf of the City.

The City has adopted a Good Jobs Ordinance that requires it to meet resident employment goals for publicly funded projects over \$500,000.

How are the jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan?

The goals of reducing poverty are coordinated with respect to increasing income to fill the gap between resources and housing costs. As described earlier, the greatest housing problem in Waterbury is the number of households paying over 30% of their income for housing.

SP-80 Monitoring – 91.230

Describe the standards and procedures that the jurisdiction will use to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and will use to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements.

The City of Waterbury will enter into Subrecipient Agreements with each funded agency. The Community Development Office holds two mandatory technical assistance workshops to guide subrecipients through the program, reporting requirements and monitoring process. Every agency receives a compact disc (CD) containing all necessary contract documents, monitoring forms as well as payment request forms and payment requisition guidelines. In addition, copies of the required reporting compliance standards, the monitoring plan and performance outcome measurements are distributed. Every program year, a desk monitoring is prepared; this consists of an in-house desk review of the application, contract, timeliness, and quality of the reporting, as well as review of vouchers and bills that have been submitted throughout the program year for reimbursement. A copy of the desk review is sent to each of the subrecipients along with a monitoring notification letter, confirming the date and time of the mutually scheduled annual on-site monitoring visit, while the funded program is taking place. An entrance conference is held that includes a review of all required documents, followed by a tour of the agency and/or program with the opportunity to meet all key staff members, if possible. An exit interview takes place at the end of this monitoring visit, discussing any issues/concerns. The visit provides positive feedback to the subrecipient about what they have done well and discusses any areas that might require improvement. A post monitoring letter is sent within 30 days of the visit, detailing any findings that may need to be resolved. Throughout the year, subrecipients submit vouchers for reimbursement of approved expenses; the City monitors the account balance and reimburses subrecipients, pending compliance of all financial commitments. Community Development staff maintains regular contact with each agency to ensure the accuracy of its payment requests and to confirm that the programs remain on target with their proposed goals.

The projects completed are monitored by the Community Development's Construction Specialist. The Construction Specialist makes visits, checking on the projects' progress, and verifies that the work is being completed to the specifications. The Construction Specialist meets on-site with the contractors and property owners to discuss any issues. Permits, Certificates of Approval, and Certificates of Occupancy are obtained when required. The property owner, contactor, Construction Specialist and/or architect, and owner are required to sign off on every payment request before being processed. After projects are completed, they receive both on-site and rent and income monitoring to assure long-term compliance.

The City will continue to require general contractors to market their projects to minority and women-owned businesses by encouraging them to respond to the businesses' ads in local newspapers, minority publications, the State's Department of Administrative Services lists, and local contracting groups and firms they have contracted with in the past. The City's Good Jobs

Ordinance requires 30% of total work hours be performed by city residents, with 10% of total work hours to minorities and with a goal of 5% minority and 5% women workers.

On-site monitoring is conducted to ensure owners maintain their properties to HOME's standards, and rent and income monitoring is conducted to verify units are rented to individuals and families that income qualify and that the rents are within the HOME Program limits.

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Waterbury receives federal funds through HUD on an annual basis. During the first program year of this Five Year Plan, the City will receive entitlement allocations in the following amounts:

- <u>CDBG</u> \$2,239,298
- <u>ESG</u> \$186,821
- <u>HOME</u> \$899,666

Anticipated Resources

| | | | Expecte | d Amount A | Available Yea | r 1 | Expected Amount | |
|---------|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Annual Allocation \$ | Program Income \$ | Prior Year Resources \$ | Total \$ | Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
| CDBG | Public- federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services | \$2,239,298 | \$14,000 | | | \$8,800,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |
| HOME | Public- federal | Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA | \$899,666 | \$2,500 | | | \$3,600,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |
| ESG | Public- federal | Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing | \$186,821 | | | | \$740,000 | Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 4 years. |

Table 55 – Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

Matching Funds

The implementation of the PY 2020-2021 Action Plan activities will generate matching funds for CDBG, HOME, and ESG activities from a variety of sources, including the State of Connecticut, Low Income Tax Credits, and other forms of matches including foundation support and private donations.

<u>HOME</u> – The HOME Match requirement will be met with the carry over in excess of \$14 million from previous years, as noted on HUD form 40107-A. For the past several years, the City has not had a match requirement due to its level of distress.

<u>ESG</u> – Match requirements for the ESG program are met by a combination of funding sources including federal, state, foundation, and private contributions funneled through each of the three recipient agencies: Safe Haven, Salvation Army, and St. Vincent DePaul. For the first program year, each agency has designated matching funds as part of their application for ESG funding. Safe Haven reported matching/leveraged funding totaling \$443,726, Salvation Army reported \$464,117 in matching/leveraged resources, and St. Vincent DePaul reported \$581,321 in matching/leveraged resources. These funds total near \$1.5 million in leverage/matching funds for the \$186,821 in Emergency Solutions Grant funds received through HUD.

| Provider | Funding* | Matching Funds |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Safe Haven | \$20,756 | \$443,726 |
| Salvation Army | \$51,992 | \$464,117 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | \$100,061 | \$581,321 |
| | \$172,809 | \$1,489,164 |
| Administration | \$14,012 | \$0 |
| Total ESG | \$186,821 | \$1,489,164 |

^{*}Funding includes shelter operations, rapid re-housing, and homelessness prevention.

Additional Resources

Additional resources are also leveraged in support of local housing and community development efforts. Mindful of the limited resources available, the Office of Community Development encourages all entities seeking Consolidated Plan funding to leverage additional resources to match what can provided through CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. As examples,

projects underway and proposed for the first year of funding and the matching/leveraged resources available include:

- <u>City of Waterbury Senior Shuttle</u> Allocated \$91,878 in CDBG funds, \$50,000 match.
- Connecticut Legal Services Allocated \$9,874 in CDBG funds, \$23,000 match.
- Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries Allocated \$50,848 in CDBG funds, \$190,000 match.
- <u>Hispanic Coalition</u> Allocated \$11,174 in CDBG funds, \$67,800 match.
- Literacy Volunteers Allocated \$4,786 in CDBG funds, \$197,400 match.
- Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation Allocated \$51,350 in CDBG funds, \$306,700 match.
- Safe Haven Allocated \$8,917 in CDBG funds, \$868,100 match.
- Salvation Army Allocated \$9,786 in CDBG funds, \$292,185 match.
- <u>Waterbury Youth Services</u> Allocated \$9,917 in CDBG funds, \$61,241 match.
- Brass City Harvest (Equipment) Allocated \$175,000 in CDBG funds, \$99,700 match.
- <u>City of Waterbury Library Park</u> Allocated \$500,000 in CDBG funds, \$925,369 match.

In addition, over past program years the City has supported several major projects that required significant funding from multiple sources with CDBG funding. Some of these projects are still being completed. The Brass City Harvest Food HUB project, where \$800,000 in CDBG was leveraged with \$1.7 million in other resources, and several major park improvements used CDBG funds together with municipal capital funding, state funding, and private investment.

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

Waterbury recently completed a major new school construction and renovation program on publicly owned land that has strengthened neighborhoods. Various public parks are undergoing renovation and improvement and public facilities are being renovated to increase accessibility for persons with disabilities.

Discussion

Due to the great need in the City, Waterbury takes every opportunity to leverage funds to address its needs in the most efficient and complete way.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|--|---------------|-------------|--|--------------------|---|---|--|
| 1 | Increase Availability of and Accessibility to Decent, Safe, and Affordable Housing | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs | Citywide | Reduce cost burden. Increase supply of decent, safe, and affordable housing. Reduce lead hazards. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. | CDBG – \$10,000 HOME – \$374,600 | Public service activities for Low-/Moderate- Income Housing Benefit: 56 households assisted Homeowner Housing Created: 2 households New Rental Housing Created: 20 units created |
| 2 | Increase Housing Affordability | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housing Homeless Non-homeless special needs | Citywide | Reduce cost burden. | HOME – \$134,950 | CHDO Tenant-based rental assistance |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|--|---------------|-------------|--|--------------------|--|---|--|
| 3 | Maintain and Increase the Availability of Housing and Support Services for the Homeless, Those At-Risk of Homelessness, and Non-Homeless Special Needs Populations | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housing Homeless Non-homeless special needs | Citywide | Address homelessness. Provide supportive housing. | ESG – \$172,000 HOME – \$300,000 | Rapid Rehousing: 15 households assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1,000 persons assisted Homelessness Prevention: 25 persons assisted |
| 4 | Increase the Supply of Affordable Three-Or-More Bedroom Units | 2020 | 2024 | Affordable housing Homeless Non-homeless special needs | Citywide | Reduce Cost Burden Increase supply of decent, safe, and affordable housing | HOME – N/A Dollar amounts are shown under goal #1 | The Mutual Housing Project, reported under Goal #1, will provide five 3-bedroom rental units. |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|--|---------------|-------------|---|--|--|-----------------------|--|
| 5 | Invest in Public, Community, and Neighborhood Infrastructure and Facility Improvements | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. Provide or improve existing community facilities. | CDBG – \$1,280,000 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 38,070 persons assisted |
| 6 | Support Youth Initiatives | 2020 | 2024 | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$42,000 | Public service activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 550 persons assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|---|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|--|
| 7 | Provide Programs and Services for the elderly | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$90,000 | Public service activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 400 persons assisted |
| 8 | Support the Provision of Targeted Social Service Programs | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$21,000 | Public service activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 1,600 persons assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|--|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--------------------|--|
| 9 | Provide Basic Medical and Nutritional Resources | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Address homelessness. Provide or improve existing community facilities. Provide public and supportive services. | CDBG – \$60,600 | Public service activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 4,355 persons assisted |
| 10 | Invest in Infrastructure Replacement and Improvement | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide CDBG Income- Eligible Target Neighborhoods Walnut Orange Walsh Crownbrook South End | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions. | CDBG – NA | No projects directly address this goal during PY 2020-2021. |
| 11 | Make Strategic Investments in the Abatement of Hazardous Environmental Conditions | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Address aging infrastructure. Remove blight and unsafe conditions | CDBG – NA | No projects directly address this goal during PY 2020-2021. |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|---------------|--|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|---|
| 12 | Provide Technical Assistance and Support for Economic and Workforce Development Activities | | | Non-housing community development | Citywide | Promote economic and workforce development. | CDBG – \$51,350 | Public service activities other than Low-/ Moderate-Income Housing Benefit: 13 persons assisted |

Table 56 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

| 1 | Goal Name | Increase Affordable Housing Resources |
|---|------------------|---|
| | | |
| | Goal | Increase accessibility to affordable housing and housing resources |
| | Description | through a program of rehabilitation, new construction, enforcement of |
| | | housing codes, and abatement of lead paint and other environmental |
| | | hazards. Homeownership counseling, housing loss and eviction |
| | | prevention services, and fair housing resources also increase accessibility |
| | | to housing choice. |
| | | Projects that fall under this category during the program year include HOME Housing Related Activities – Mutual Housing – (44 rental units, |
| | | new construction) and NHS (2 units of ownership housing). Connecticut |
| | | Legal Services, funded with CDBG also falls under this category |
| | | (56 persons assisted). |
| 2 | Goal Name | Increase Housing Affordability |
| | Goal | Increase housing affordability by providing technical and financial |
| | Description | resources to add decent housing units responsive to the income levels |
| | _ | prevalent in Waterbury. |
| | | HOME CHDO Development Projects fall under this category. |
| 3 | Goal Name | Housing & Services for Homeless and At-Risk |
| | Goal | Maintain and increase the availability of housing for the homeless, those |
| | Description | at-risk of homelessness, and special needs populations with financial |
| | | assistance and coordination with the Coordinated Access Network. |
| | | All ESG projects (Safe Haven, Salvation Army, and St. Vincent DePaul) |
| | | address this goal. Under CDBG, the Safe Haven and the Center or |
| | | Human Development social service projects address this goal. HOME |
| | | funds will support the creation of 22 SRO units using Housing |
| | | Development funds. The Mutual Housing Project described under Goal #1 will also set aside 4 units for homeless veterans. TBRA |
| | | assistance, provided with HOME funds, will be used to provide housing |
| | | assistance linked directly to a job training program for homeless and at- |
| | | risk individuals. |
| 4 | Goal Name | Increase the Supply of Affordable 3+ Bedroom Units |
| | Goal | Increase the supply of three-or-more bedroom units for large families |
| | Description | and homeless families seeking permanent housing and supports. |
| | | The Mutual Housing Project, described under Goal #1, will provide five |
| | | 3-bedroom rental units. |
| 5 | Goal Name | Invest in Infrastructure and Facility Improvements |
| | Goal | Invest in public, community, and neighborhood infrastructure and |
| | Description | facility improvements in support of community development and |
| | | neighborhood revitalization. Support infrastructure and facility |
| I | | improvements to promote neighborhood stabilization activities and |

| | | provide a suitable living environment for residents. Improvements to aging infrastructure and community facilities will be supported including the repair and refurbishment of parks and playgrounds, community center buildings, service centers, schools, and the replacement of aging infrastructure such as water lines, sewer lines, streets, and sidewalks. Using CDBG, the Boys and Girls Club Improvements, Library Park Improvements, Hamilton Park Improvements, YMCA Improvements, and |
|----|---------------------|--|
| 6 | Cool Name | PAL Parking Lot Improvements will all meet this goal. |
| 0 | Goal Name Goal | Support Youth Initiatives |
| | Goal Description | Support youth initiatives, including positive youth engagement activities and programs and mentoring to address daily issues as well as |
| | Description | educational and job skill and life skills attainment programs in order to |
| | | help youth succeed in the economy and society. |
| | | Four social service projects will address this goal: The Boys and Girls |
| | | Club of Greater Waterbury, Shakesperience Productions, Inc., Walnut |
| | | Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW), and the Waterbury Youth Service System. |
| 7 | Goal Name | Provide Programs and Services for the Elderly |
| * | Goal | Provide programs and services for the elderly to meet daily living needs |
| | Description | as well as socialization within the community including affordable |
| | 2 03 01 1 p 11 0 11 | transportation and access to goods and services. |
| | | The City of Waterbury – Senior Shuttle project will address this goal. |
| 8 | Goal Name | Support Targeted Social Service Programs |
| | Goal | Support the provision of targeted social service programs to address |
| | Description | conditions that impact daily living needs and personal growth of lower- |
| | | income individuals and families as well as the community as a whole. |
| | | Three social service projects will address this goal: Catholic Charities, the |
| | | Hispanic Coalition, and Literacy Volunteers. |
| 9 | Goal Name | Provide Basic Medical and Nutritional Resources |
| | Goal | Provide basic medical and nutritional resources to sustain low- and |
| | Description | moderate-income persons in the community. |
| | | Two social service programs will address this goal: GWIM and the |
| | | Salvation Army. |
| 10 | Goal Name | Invest in Infrastructure Replacement and Improvement |
| | Goal | Support housing and community development activities with an |
| | Description | investment in infrastructure replacement and improvement in order to |
| | | stabilize and revitalize neighborhoods. |
| | | No projects directly address this goal during PY 2020-2021. |
| 11 | Goal Name | Abatement of Hazardous Environmental Conditions |
| | Goal | Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous |
| | Description | environmental conditions to increase the amount of land and buildings |
| | | available for economic development. |
| | | No projects directly address this goal during PY 2020-2021. |
| 12 | Goal Name | Support for Economic and Workforce Development Activities |

| Goal | Provide technical assistance and support for leveraging financial |
|-------------|---|
| Description | resources and marketing to assist the transition of Waterbury into a |
| | competitive twenty-first-century economy. Include job training, |
| | workforce development, and sustainable income employment to |
| | advance the local economy and support economic success of residents. |
| | Support food HUB activities, urban farming, and other innovative |
| | initiatives to meet changes in the economy. |
| | Two projects funded with CDBG address this goal: Manufacturing |
| | Alliance Service Corp. (MASC) job training and the Brass City Harvest |

Food Hub Equipment project.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Following an application, citizen participation, and formal review process, the City of Waterbury allocated its CDBG, HOME, and ESG resources in a manner that addresses its identified housing and community-development needs. The projects and programs selected for funding over the upcoming program year are described briefly in the following table.

Projects

| # | Project Name |
|----|---|
| 1 | CDBG Program Administration |
| 2 | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury |
| 3 | Catholic Charities |
| 4 | Center for Human Development |
| 5 | City of Waterbury - Senior Shuttle |
| 6 | Connecticut Legal Services |
| 7 | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries (GWIM) |
| 8 | Hispanic Coalition |
| 9 | Literacy Volunteers |
| 10 | Manufacturing Alliance Service Corp. (MASC) |
| 11 | Safe Haven |
| 12 | Salvation Army |
| 13 | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. |
| 14 | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) |
| 15 | Waterbury Youth Service System |
| 16 | Boys & Girls Club Pool Space Repurpose |
| 17 | Brass City Harvest Food Hub Equipment |
| 18 | City of Waterbury Library Park Improvements |
| 19 | Hamilton Park Improvements |
| 20 | Greater Waterbury YMCA Rose Hill HVAC & Control Systems |
| | Upgrade |
| 21 | Police Activity League of Waterbury PAL Parking Lot |
| 22 | HOME - Administration |
| 23 | HOME - CHDO Set Aside |
| 24 | HOME - Housing Development |
| 25 | ESG20 Waterbury |

Table 57 – Project Information

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

The projects were selected to meet identified needs in the community with the resources provided. Limited financial resources with which to finance programs and projects are the greatest obstacle to meeting the municipality's underserved needs.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

Consolidated Plan – Annual Action Plan Program Year 2020-2021

| Project Name | Proposed Allocation | Project Location and Description |
|--|------------------------|---|
| CDBG Program | | |
| Program Administration | \$447,859 | City Activity – Allocation of 20% of CDBG funds to provide for program administration. |
| CDBG Social Services | | |
| Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | \$16,274 | Location: 1037 East Main Street Funds will be used for after school math and reading enrichment program. This project will serve approximately 200 youth. |
| Catholic Charities | \$5,174 | Location: 965 South Main Street Funds will be used for salaries, building facility, and case management. This project will serve an estimated 150 individuals. |
| Center for Human Development | \$50,000 | Location: 690 East Main Street Funds will be used for the coordinators' salary and expansion of programming at a new location. This project will serve 700 individuals. |
| City of Waterbury – Senior Shuttle | \$91,878 | Location: 235 Grand Street Funds will be used to support transportation costs for seniors. This project will serve 400 elderly individuals. |
| Connecticut Legal Services | \$9,874 | Location: 85 Central Avenue Funds will be used for salaries for housing related legal services. This project will serve 56 individuals. |
| Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries | \$50,848 | Location: 770 East Main Street Funds will be used for food, supplies, utilities, and salaries at the soup kitchen and food pantry. This project will serve 3,100 individuals. |

| Project Name | Proposed Allocation | Project Location and Description |
|--|------------------------|---|
| Hispanic Coalition | \$11,174 | Location: 135 East Liberty Street Funds will be used for salaries for Hispanic community case managers. This project will provide case management to 1,200 individuals. |
| Literacy Volunteers | \$4,786 | Location: 267 Grand Street Funds will be used for salaries and expenses of the literacy program. This project will serve 250 individuals. |
| Manufacturing Alliance Service Corp. (MASC) | \$51,350 | Location: 173 Interstate Lane Funds will be used for teacher salaries and expenses for CNC entry-level manufacturing program. This program will provide job training services to 13 individuals. |
| Safe Haven | \$8,917 | Location: 29 Central Avenue Funds will be used for utilities and insurance to support services for abused women/children. This project will provide case management services to 10,500 individuals. |
| Salvation Army | \$9,786 | Location: 74 Central Ave. Funds will be used for emergency food pantry salaries and food. This project will provide services to 1,255 individuals. |
| Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | \$8,000 | Location: 117 Bank Street Funds will be used for an acting intensive scholarship program. This project will provide benefit to 30 youth. |
| Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | \$8,917 | Location: 308 Walnut Street Funds will be used for operating expenses of the community center. This project will provide benefit to 50 youth. |
| Waterbury Youth Service System | \$8,917 | Location: 83 Prospect Street Funds will be used for truancy program salaries. This project will provide benefit to 270 youth. |
| CDBG Social Services Total | \$335,895 | |

| Project Name | Proposed Allocation | Project Location and Description | | |
|---|------------------------|---|--|--|
| CDBG Projects | CDBG Projects | | | |
| Boys and Girls Club Pool Space Repurpose | \$50,000 | Location: Boys and Girls Club (1037 East Main Street) Funds will be used to begin renovation of the pool area into program space. This project will benefit 1,000 individuals. | | |
| Brass City Harvest Food Hub Equipment | \$175,000 | Location: Brass City Harvest Food Hub (359 Mill Street) Funds will be used to purchase interior equipment to facilitate food processing and manufacturing as part of the operation of the Food Hub. This project will benefit 1,000 individuals. | | |
| City of Waterbury Library Park Improvements | \$500,000 | Location: Library Park (267 Grand Street) Funds will be used to reconstruct the library rear and side verandas, install shade features and furniture, and provide Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility. This project will benefit 15,000 individuals. | | |
| Hamilton Park Improvements | \$500,544 | Location: Hamilton Park (110 Hamilton Park Road) Funds will be used to convert the tennis court to volleyball courts, reconstruct the basketball courts, and provide lighting and security improvements. This project will benefit 9,575 individuals. *Program income if realized will be added to this project. | | |
| Greater Waterbury YMCA Rose Hill HVAC and Control Systems Upgrade | \$30,000 | Location: YMCA Annex at Rose Hill (63 Prospect Street) Funds will be used to upgrade the HVAC and control systems at the Rose Hill property in the school readiness and school age care buildings. This project will benefit 255 individuals. | | |
| Police Activity League of Waterbury PAL Parking Lot | \$200,000 | Location: Police Activity League of Waterbury – PAL Parking Lot (64 Division Street) Funds will be used to reconstruct the PAL parking lot. This project will benefit 12,240 individuals. | | |

| Project Name | Proposed Allocation | Project Location and Description |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| CDBG Projects Total | \$1,455,544 | |
| CDBG Total Allocation | \$2,239,298 | |
| ESG Program | | |
| Administration | \$14,012 | City Activity – Allocation of 7.5% of ESG funds for program administration. |
| Safe Haven | \$20,756 | Funds will be used for shelter operations for victims of domestic violence. This project will benefit 130 individuals. |
| Salvation Army | \$51,992 | Location: 74 Central Avenue The Salvation Army has been allocated \$51,992 in total – \$12,756 to fund shelter operations, \$28,586 to fund salaries and direct financial assistance related to homelessness prevention services, and \$10,650 to fund salaries and direct financial assistance related to rapid re—housing services. These projects will benefit 225 individuals. |
| St. Vincent DePaul | \$100,061 | Location: 114 Benedict Street St. Vincent DePaul has been allocated \$100,061 in total – \$78,581 to fund shelter operations and \$21,480 for direct financial assistance related to rapid re-housing services. These projects will benefit 750 individuals. |
| ESG Total Allocation | \$186,821 | |
| HOME Program | | |
| Administration (10%) | \$89,966 | Funds will be used for administration. |
| CHDO Housing Development (15%) | \$134,950 | Fund will be used for CHDO housing development. |
| Housing Related Activities (75%) | \$674,750 | Funds will be used for housing activities, including \$300,000 for Tenant Based Rental Assistance. |
| HOME Total Allocation | \$899,666 | |

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of lowincome and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

The activities proposed for funding in this Annual Action Plan have not been specifically distributed geographically.

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds | |
|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Citywide | 72% | |
| Neighborhood-based | 28% | |

Table 58 – Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The activities proposed for funding in this Annual Action Plan have not been specifically distributed geographically on a percentage basis. As discussed in the Strategic Plan, there are six primary neighborhoods in Waterbury where physical and social services investments have been over the last 10 years. Discussion as to the funding of specific activities are based upon an evaluation of which ones best meet identified needs.

Discussion

The funding of specific activities is based upon an evaluation of which activities best meet identified needs. Citizen's Advisory Committee received comments from the public during an extended comment period. These comments supported the identified goals and objectives.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

Over the upcoming program year, as shown in the tables below, the City of Waterbury has established housing goals to be met with its federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG allocations. In terms of goals for households to be supported, homeless households include both single person and family households receiving emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, and rapid re-housing services through the ESG program, and non-homeless households represent those benefitting from the HOME property rehabilitation program.

| One Year Goals | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| for the Number of Households to be Su | pported |
| Homeless | 22 |
| Non-homeless | 44 |
| Special-needs | 0 |
| Total | 66 |

Table 59 – One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

| One Year Goals | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| for the Number of Households Sup | ported Through |
| Rental assistance | 15 |
| Production of new units | 22 |
| Rehabilitation of existing units | 2 |
| Acquisition of existing units | 0 |
| Total | 39 |

Table 60 – One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

In the tables above, the rental assistance figures reflect those households receiving rapid re-housing assistance under the ESG Program, and the rehabilitation of existing units reflects those units proposed under various HOME-funded programs and projects.

The Waterbury Housing Authority is the main provider of rental assistance to households in the city through its Housing Choice Voucher Program and its Veterans Housing Assistance Fund – HUD Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Program. Although no goals for units have been set, the Waterbury Housing Authority with the support of the City will apply for additional voucher assistance to provide additional affordable housing opportunities.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Waterbury Housing Authority is the primary provider of housing to very low-income households in the city. WHA receives funding on an annual basis from HUD to support the provision of housing, to make repairs on existing properties, and to provide programs and supportive services to public housing residents.

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

The PHA's Annual Plan outlines actions to be taken over the upcoming program year with the funds it receives. These actions are outlined in the PHA's Public Housing Authority (PHA) Plan.

The City has not directly allocated any of its Consolidated Plan funding to support improvements on public housing properties. However, many of the public facility improvements and social service programs benefit public housing residents along with other community residents.

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

To promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households, the Waterbury Housing Authority has hired a Resident Initiatives Coordinator to work with clients ensuring they receive the support and services they need to succeed. WHA also offers a Family Self Sufficiency Program to help families move from publicly assisted housing to homeownership. These programs are outlined in the PHA's Public Housing Authority (PHA) Plan.

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

Not applicable – the PHA is not designated as troubled.

Discussion

The WHA receives funding on an annual basis from HUD to provide housing, make repairs on existing properties, and provide programs and supportive services to public housing residents. Although the City has not directly allocated any of its Consolidated Plan funding to support improvements on public housing properties at this time, many of the public facility improvements and social service programs provided with Consolidated Plan funding benefit public housing residents along with other community residents.

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

Introduction

The Continuum of Care has prepared a Ten Year Plan to end homelessness. This plan contains goals, outreach methods, and how to address emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of the homeless. The Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness can be accessed at www.cceh.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/waterbury_typ_revised.pdf.

Describe the jurisdiction's one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs.

The City relies on the Homeless Outreach Team of social workers from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Western Connecticut Mental Health Network to identify the unsheltered homeless within the city. They have worked with this population and are very familiar with them.

The Hospitality Center in downtown on East Main Street, which opened at the end of May 2012, provides the chronically homeless with a drop-in center during the day where they can learn about programs, meet with social workers, and use the free laundry facilities. This is also a location where the City can provide information. The fire in February 2020 destroyed this facility and a new location was provided by its landlord on property he owns across the street. The Center was operational in less than 3 weeks.

The City also relies on its network of providers who comprise the local CAN. As these are the agencies and organizations that work day-to-day with the homeless, they are the most capable of reaching out to the homeless population and assessing their individual needs.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will address the emergency shelter needs of homeless persons during the program year through the continued funding of the three emergency shelters: St. Vincent DePaul, Salvation Army, and Safe Haven. Safe Haven is the city's only shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children. In addition to the support it receives under ESG, it also receives program support under CDBG. Specific numbers of projected clients to be served are included on the individual project sheets. The City is also supporting a homeless day respite center (The Hospitality Center)

and several medical and nutritional programs that benefit the homeless as well as other low-moderate-income populations with CDBG resources.

There is no transitional housing in the city.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The City has been successful in receiving allocations of VASH vouchers through the Waterbury Housing Authority. This program has assisted many formerly chronically homeless Waterbury veterans with getting their lives back on track and securing decent housing. Members visit the Hospitality Center to make clients aware of the services they provide to veterans.

By funding the rapid rehousing program with ESG dollars, both the Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul can assist homeless individuals and families with the financial support, counseling, and supportive services they need to have the best chance possible of ending their period of homelessness quickly and reducing recurrent homelessness.

The City is exploring utilizing a portion of its HOME allocation to provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) linked to a program of job skill development to help the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness become employed in jobs that provide wages high enough to pay for adequate housing and other needed expenses.

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

The homelessness prevention program, which the Salvation Army administers with ESG funds, will help low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless. As part of the program, the housing specialist will meet with potential clients to conduct an assessment for eligibility. Eligibility is determined through a screening process that first qualifies the household's current living situation. The household must be at imminent risk of becoming homeless, meet two of the threshold criteria, including income below 30% AMI, and have insufficient resources available to

attain stability. In addition, one or more of the stated risk factors must be present, including a habit of frequent moving due to economic reasons, being doubled up, having been notified of pending termination of housing, currently living in a hotel or motel, in a severely crowded living situation, exiting an institution, or living in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and homelessness. During the screening process, these areas are assessed along with any documentable income. The experience gained over the years has also focused the Salvation Army to target these limited funds to those households with special circumstances whenever possible. These circumstances, in addition to the listed threshold criteria, include households with children, particularly those at risk of losing their children should their housing be lost, those with serious medical concerns, and those experiencing domestic violence or other similarly threatening situations.

Discussion

As described in the narratives above, the needs of the homeless and households at risk of homelessness are addresses by a network of providers who are active nonprofit participants in the regional CAN. These agencies and organizations work day-to-day with the homeless and most suited to assisting the homeless population and assessing their individual needs. The City is an active member of the regional CAN and supports non-profit agency efforts to address identified needs.

AP-75 Barriers to Affordable Housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction

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

The zoning regulations have been revised recently to limit areas where multifamily housing is permitted. This revision was made based upon a recommendation contained in the Waterbury Plan of Conservation and Development. The preparation process for the Plan was comprehensive with extensive public participation. The intent of the revision is to limit density and preserve primarily single-family neighborhoods. Regardless of this zoning revision, there remains opportunity within the City to provide additional housing in multifamily configurations in order to address housing need.

Discussion

The City has not identified public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing. Opportunities to create additional affordable housing still exist. Low household income levels and an aging housing stock are the greatest impediments to the provision of affordable housing. These impediments are recognized by the City, and strategies to address them are part of the City's Strategic Plan.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

The Strategic Plan addresses the issue of meeting underserved needs through a variety of initiatives. Several of these initiatives are proposed for funding in this Annual Plan. As has been the situation in the past and most likely in the future, the primary obstacle to these actions is a lack of funding.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The coordination of actions and pursuit of additional resources will form the basis of actions.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will pursue additional state and federal resources as well as encourage creative financing with HOME funds to leverage these resources.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will, based upon HUD funding, continue to implement the Healthy Homes Program.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will continue to pursue an improvement in the local economy and income-producing employment opportunities. This will include brownfields remediation, education initiatives, and marketing.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The current institutional structure is considered satisfactory, but the City will monitor and fine tune, as necessary.

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

CAN and CAC will continue to assist the Community Development Office to coordinate public and private housing and social service agencies.

Discussion

The City's Consolidated Plan addressed the needs of Waterbury and its residents through a variety of strategies and initiatives. As described throughout this Plan, the primary obstacle to these actions is a lack of funding.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

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

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

| The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed. | \$14,000 |
|--|----------|
| 2. The amount of proceeds from Section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | \$0 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements. | \$0 |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan. | \$0 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities. | \$0 |
| Total Program Income | \$14,000 |

Other CDBG Requirements

| 1. | The amount of urgent need activities. | 0 |
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HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The City does not offer assistance other than what is listed in § 92.205(b). HOME funds are anticipated to be used for tenant-based rental assistance during the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan year. The primary need for this assistance relates to the cost burden experienced

by a large percentage of households in Waterbury. There is an overwhelming waiting list for vouchers, which cannot be assisted. The priority for PHA to apply and receive additional vouchers is high.

The City also recognizes that there is a need to tie the provision of housing to job training and work skill development to help households move from homelessness and at-risk of homelessness to a more stable and sustainable living situation. TBRA assistance linked with job training/skill development is a model that will be supported to address need.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

The Waterbury HOME Program uses recapture only. The amount subject to recapture is the direct subsidy provided to the homeowner, which is the amount below the fair market value that allows the purchaser to buy the property and/or the assistance used for down payment and/or closing costs. The guidelines for recapture are as follows:

A declaration of land use restrictive covenant will be recorded and will run with the land during the affordability period.

- Direct subsidy of \$14,999 and under requires a 5-year affordability period.
- Direct subsidy of \$15,000 to \$39,999 requires a 10-year affordability period.
- Direct subsidy over \$40,000 requires a 15-year affordability period.

The principal balance is decreased evenly over the period of affordability.

In the event the homeowner conveys, transfers. or sells the HOME Assisted Unit during the affordability period, the entire amount of the HOME loan shall become immediately due and payable by the owner to the City of Waterbury, as reduced pursuant to the terms of the Promissory Note.

In the event that the Net Sale Proceeds are insufficient to repay the entire principal balance of the Note, then the outstanding principal balance shall equal the Net Sale Proceeds. The term "Net Sale Proceeds" shall equal the sales price of the Mortgaged Premises, less any real estate commissions, conveyance taxes, recording fees, reasonable attorney fees, and repayment of superior mortgage loans.

In the event the homeowner fails to maintain the property as their principal residence during the affordability period, the entire amount of the HOME loan shall become immediately due and payable by the owner to the City of Waterbury.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

See narrative above.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The City does not anticipate refinancing any existing debt with its HOME funds during the 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan year.

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

5. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment).

The City of Waterbury has been using the policies and procedures developed for the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) as the foundation and the written standards for the provision of ESG assistance. These policies and procedures should also be evaluated periodically to ensure their effectiveness and changes made to them as necessary to meet ESG requirements. It is anticipated that the City of Waterbury, in collaboration with CAN, will evaluate program results and that the policies and procedures will change to reflect the needs and future direction for the use of ESG funds. The key items required in the written standards per Section 576.400 (e) (3) (i – ix) are included as an attachment to this document. See the Appendices and Map Attachment for a copy of the ESG Standards for Waterbury.

6. If the CAN has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

The coordinated access system has the United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 system as the entry point for the state. The 2-1-1 contact specialist assesses the individual's or family's situation, completes an initial screening assessment in the new Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) ECM, and refers the case to the appropriate CAN. There are eight CANs and Waterbury is joined with Litchfield/Torrington to serve the 32-town region. The Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness works closely with all eight CANs on planning and implementation.

Since its implementation, the CAN system has evolved in Waterbury. There are two Co-CAN Leads: The Salvation Army and Mental Health Connecticut (MHC). MHC was hired as a Navigator through Connecticut Department of Housing (DOH) funding. MHC does the

intake for both Waterbury and Torrington. The intake location in Waterbury is St. Vincent DePaul Shelter. MHC does intakes Monday through Friday for adults and families. Families are also referred to the Salvation Army Shelter. Intakes are also done at Waterbury Hospital for hospital patients that may become homeless upon discharge. MHC also does the intake for youth ages 18 to 24 utilizing their Youth Navigator located at their office in the former Russell School on 969 West Main Street.

The intake locations use the Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Tool (VI-SPADT), which is designed to help providers determine the most appropriate housing intervention for a particular individual and family. However, the VI-SPADT is only done right away for youth and those adults that refuse shelter and would remain unsheltered. For others, DOH wants people to self-resolve and advocates minimal interaction within the first 2 weeks.

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

The City of Waterbury held a formal application process to award its FY 2020 ESG funds as part of its regular CDBG citizen participation process. The details of the process can be found in the section on citizen participation. The City publishes the Notices of Funding Availability in the *Republican-American*, posts them on the city's website and the Community Development Office website, and contacts all current recipients and those who have requested information. CAN is provided with this information and it distributes via email to its extensive network. The criteria used to evaluate the applications were:

- <u>Eligibility</u>: Projects submitted for funding had to be for eligible activities. The uses of these funds were limited to the expenditure limits of 60% for shelter expense and 40% for homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing assistance, and HMIS. The City allocated 7.5% for program administration. All of the applications submitted were for eligible activities.
- Experience in Implementing Similar Programs: Of the four applications submitted, three were from agencies that are current ESG recipients. Two of them had participated in HPRP. They have excellent track records. The fourth was not selected for funding.
- <u>Collaboration</u>: The three providers collaborate well with each other and participate in CAN. Decisions on funding levels and allocations for future rounds will get more difficult as the agencies' other funders reduce levels and added pressure is placed on the shelter operations' limits.

- <u>HMIS</u>: Data quality and participation in the HMIS was also a consideration. The domestic violence shelter is exempt from participation but does track clients through the Efforts to Outcomes (ETO) software system.
- 8. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City of Waterbury is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in Section 576.405(a). As such, its plan for reaching out and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering and making policies and decisions regarding any facilities or services that receive funding under ESG shall be to consult with CAN. The Waterbury CAN includes a broad representation of government agencies, service providers, the Waterbury Housing Authority, private landlords, and consumers (formerly homeless). It provides the forum to present information and solicit input. In addition, information has also been distributed to the Downtown Hospitality Center that serves the homeless during the day.

9. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The City of Waterbury requires every recipient of Consolidated Plan funds to identify measurable outcomes relative to their program or project. This information is used to monitor program performance along with the monthly direct benefit activity reports. The information for ESG recipients includes the following:

- Total number of households/persons assisted
- Total number of extremely low, low-, and moderate-income persons or households
- Demographic breakdown of persons/households assisted
- Description of special needs (disability, frail elderly, chronic homeless, etc.)
- Percent of total project or program that the ESG funds represent
- Amount of funds leveraged
- Amount and source of match
- Number of homeless persons that obtained permanent housing

During the upcoming program year, these standards may be expanded in consultation with CAN so that additional performance measurements can be taken. These include the effectiveness of each service provider in targeting its assistance to those who need it most; reducing the number of people living on the streets or in shelters; shortening the time

people spend homeless; and reducing each program participant's housing barriers or housing-stability risks. It is anticipated that the new HMIS (Empowered Case Management) software will have the ability to track these performance standards so that a better determination of program success can be gauged.

The City of Waterbury and many other service providers, government agencies, the Waterbury Housing Authority, private landlords, and consumers (formerly homeless) belong to the Waterbury CAN and sit on several of the committees. The current committee structure is based around CAN.

The Waterbury-Litchfield Housing Solutions meeting/committee oversees the housing placement of available certificates for the longest homeless and the most vulnerable population. This entity also case conferences with service providers in an effort to assist agencies when there is a client potentially struggling and possibly jeopardizing their subsidy. This group meets biweekly. There is also the CAN Operations Committee, which meets once a month to train and discuss any policy changes with all involved providers. The CAN Leadership Committee has two votes at the Connecticut Balance of State (BOS) Steering Committee and oversees and creates policies and procedures for CAN; it meets monthly. One member of the Steering Committee also sits on CAC, so there is a direct correlation between community need and funding recommendations.

As developing the performance standards for activities funded under ESG will be an ongoing process, the City will seek input and active participation from the CAN Steering Committee in its efforts to determine standards, policies, and procedures.

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

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FIVE- YEAR PLAN, AI &CD YEAR 46

| • | Citizen Survey | December 23, 2019 to January 31,2020 |
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| • | Agency Stakeholder Survey | December 24, 2019 to January 31, 2020 |
| • | Public Notice for Community Sessions | December 27, 2019 |
| • | Email to Stakeholders on Community Sessions | January 3, 2020 |
| • | Community Stakeholder Sessions City Hall | January 7, 2020 |
| • | Neighborhood Meeting – PAL | January 13, 2020 |
| • | Neighborhood Meeting – Senior Center | January 14, 2020 |
| • | Regular Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting | January 14, 2020 |
| • | Neighborhood Meeting – Hispanic Coalition | January 16,2020 |
| • | NOFA in Republican American | January 21, 2020 |
| • | NOFA on City Website | January 21, 2020 |
| • | Launch of Applications City Website | January 22, 2020 |
| • | Emails to Mailing List, Dept. Heads and CAC | January 22, 2020 |
| • | Second Notice Public Hearing Republican American | January 28,2020 |
| • | Technical Assistance Workshops | January 29 and 30, 2020 |
| • | First Public Hearing | February 5,2020 |
| • | Consultation with Supportive Housing Works | February 6, 2020 |
| • | Consultation Coordinated Access Network Leadership | February 12, 2020 |
| • | Applications Due | February 21, 2020 |
| • | Review of Applications | February 24,2020 |
| • | Consultation with Homeless Providers | February 25, 2020 |
| • | Consultation Economic Development Professionals | February 25,2020 |
| • | Consultation Lead and Healthy Homes | February 27,2020 |
| • | First CAC Evaluation Meeting | March 10, 2020 |
| • | Second CAC Evaluation Meeting Draft Plan | March 11, 2020 |
| • | Draft Plan Notices English & Spanish Published | March 23, 2020 |
| • | Notices and Documents Posted City's Website | March 23, 2020 |
| • | Thirty Day Public Comment Period Commenced | March 24, 2020 |
| • | Notices Sent to All Applicants | March 26,2020 |
| • | Published and Posted Rescheduled Public Hearing | April 1, 2020 |
| • | Notices Sent to All Applicants | March 31, 2020 |
| • | Due to COVID -19 Rescheduled Public Hearing to | May 5, 2020 |
| • | Extend Public Comment Period to | May 8, 2020 |
| • | CAC Meeting Review Comments Finalize Plans | May 12, 2020 |
| • | Board of Aldermen Approval | June 8, 2020 |



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

June 9, 2020

FROM:

Board of Aldermen

TO:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing & Community Program Director

Office of Community Development

SUBJECT:

Five-Yr. Consolidated Plan 2020-2024 (CD YR46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on Monday, June 8, 2020 the Board voted by a unanimous consent calendar voice vote to APPROVE the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2020-2014; the CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan & the updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

ATTEST:

Michael J. Dalton
City Clerk

MJD/pmd

cc: Linda Wihbey, Corporation Counsel

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

VIRTUAL MEETING May 12, 2020 at 5:30PM

SUMMARY MINUTES

Present:

Gail Moriarty Paul Pernerewski Michael Salvio Anthony Bocci William DeMaida Bernard Bailey

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Absent:

Also Present:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

Tina Lubus, Housing and Community Planning Program Manager

Nancy Allen, Program Specialist

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Moriarty. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC unanimously approved the minutes of the following CAC Meetings: March 10, 2020 and March 11, 2020 (Evaluation Meetings). These minutes were previously sent to the CAC and posted with the City Clerk's office.

Public Speakers:

There were no public speakers.

CD YR 46

 Review and consideration of public comments received during the extended 45- day comment period

Chairman Moriarty noted that the availability of the Draft CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan, the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) and the updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice was noticed twice in the Republican-American once on March 23, 2020 and once on April 1, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of the normal distribution points, the documents were only available online. The notices were distributed to those on the CDBG mailing list; all applicants for funding and the Coordinated Access Network

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(CAN) Manager. The public comment period commenced on March 24, 2020 and was extended to May 8, 2020, a 45-day comment period.

On the Annual Action Plan, there was one (1) written comment submitted by the Executive Director of Brass City Harvest, who could not attend the Public Hearing but wanted to thank the CAC for including them in the Plan. There were twelve (12) public speakers at the Public Hearing on the Draft Plans on May 5, 2020. All of the speakers thanked the CAC for including them in the CD YR 46 Draft Annual Action Plan and one speaker, the Executive Director of GWIM also expressed her gratitude for being consulted on new Five Year Plan and the goals proposed to address the City's at-risk and homeless needs.

Review and Consideration of Public Comments Received During the Extended Comment Period

There being no further discussion, on a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC voted unanimously to accept the comments as presented.

Approval of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024)

There was only one comment on the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024). It was made by the Executive Director of GWIM expressing her gratitude for having been consulted on the Plan and the goals proposed to address the City's at-risk and homeless needs.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Bocci, the CAC voted unanimously to approve the Proposed Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) as Final.

Approval of the Annual Action Plan for CD YR 46 (2020-2021)

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner DeMaida, the CAC voted unanimously to approve the Proposed CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan as Final.

Approval of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC voted unanimously to approve the Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice as Final.

Recommendation of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) to the Board of Aldermen

On a motion by Commissioner DeMaida, seconded by Commissioner Pernerewski ,the CAC voted unanimously to send the Five- Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) to the Board of

Aldermen. It was noted that the Five-Year Plan contains the CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan, which is the first year plan of the five years.

Recommendation of the Annual Action Plan for CD YR 46 (2020-2021) to the Board of Aldermen

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC voted unanimously to send the CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan to the Board of Aldermen. It was noted that the CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan is contained within the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. It is not a stand-alone document this year.

• Recommendation of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC voted unanimously to send the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice to the Board of Aldermen.

Other Business: Ms. Toolan wanted the CAC to be aware that Congress has passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) which makes available supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to States and entitlement communities. The first tranche of the \$5billion in aid has been allocated and Waterbury is slated to receive:

- \$1,317,293 in supplemental CDBG-CV funding and
- \$644,210 in supplemental Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding

These funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the Coronavirus pandemic. All activities chosen for funding must be CDBG eligible. For the ESG-CV funds, they are to be used for individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19.

The first step in order to secure these funds is for the City to amend its Citizen Participation Plan, which has been done and notice of it was published on April 30, 2020 so that the required 15-day public comment period on the amendment could begin on May 1, and will end on May 16th.

The CPP has been amended to add Section IX. In The Event Of An Emergency Expedited Procedures which details the use of virtual public hearings, emailing of documents due to closure of distribution points, shortening the public comment period on a substantial amendment from 30 days to 5 days and moving the second public hearing during the Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan to be held on the CAPER.

In addition, the CPP has also been amended to include all references to the Assessment of Fair Housing Plan as required in 24 CFR 91.105. Changes have also been made to Section V. B. Structure of the CAC, reducing the CAC from 17 to 9 members for efficiency. The CPP has codified changes that have already occurred due to the change in administration of the programs from the Waterbury Development Corporation (WDC) to the City of Waterbury under the supervision of the Finance Department through the Community Development Office.

The Corporation Counsel's office has approved this and it will be placed on the Board of Aldermen for approval at their May 26, 2020 meeting.

With regard to the CARES Act funds, meetings and conference calls have been held with the ESG subrecipients and homeless service providers to discuss needs. We are in the process of developing an abbreviated/shortened application and we will develop a NOFA for publication. HUD is holding information sessions weekly but there are still a lot of details that are unknown such as a timeline for expenditure and what HUD's application submission will consist of. HUD has recommended that we Substantially Amend our current CD YR 45 Annual Action Plan and we intend to do that. It was noted that HUD has been emphatic about is the need to put policies and procedures into place to ensure that there will be no duplication of benefits and to prevent fraud, waste and abuse. It was also noted that this program will be targeted for audit by the Inspector General's Office.

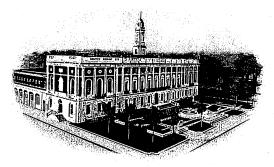
Ms. Toolan noted that she will keep the CAC informed as the process moves forward. Mr. Bocci asked which providers had been on the May 11, 2020 call and it was noted that, Supportive Housing Works; The Salvation Army; Safe Haven; St. Vincent DePaul; Center for Human Development; the United Way and New Opportunities had been conferenced.

There being no further business, on a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the CAC voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:46p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director City of Waterbury Community Development Program



OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The City of Waterbury

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Gail Moriarty, Chairman

Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee

FROM:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program DT

Director

RE:

Summary of Comments Received on the Proposed CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan; Proposed Five-Year Consolidated Plan and The Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

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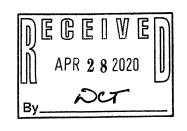
May 11, 2020

Notice of the Proposed Draft Plan for the CD YR 46 (2020-2021) Annual Action Plan; the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) and the updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) was published in the Republican-American on March 23, 2020 and on the City's website. The Notice was sent to the CDBG mailing list; the CD YR 46 applicants and the Coordinated Access Network (CAN) Manager. The documents were only available online due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the closure of the normal distribution points. The 30-day public comment period began on March 24, 2020 and was extended until May 8, 2020 so that the Public Hearing on them, rescheduled from April 7, 2020 to May 5, 2020 could be held. The availability of the Proposed Draft Plans was noticed again on April 1, 2020 in the Notice that rescheduled the Public Hearing from April 7, 2020 to May 5, 2020. The Public Hearing was noticed as a Virtual Meeting and details on how to access it was published in the Republican-American on April 28, 2020, posted on the City's website and sent to those noted above.

On the Annual Action Plan, there was one (1) written comment submitted by the Executive Director of Brass City Harvest, who could not attend the Public Hearing but wanted to thank the CAC for including them in the Plan. There were twelve (12) public speakers at the Public Hearing on the Draft Plans on May 5, 2020. All of the speakers thanked the CAC for including them in the CD YR 46 Draft Annual Action Plan and one speaker, the Executive Director of GWIM also expressed her gratitude for being

consulted on new Five Year Plan and the goals proposed to address the City's at-risk and homeless needs.

Your review and consideration of the comments is required prior to your final vote at tomorrow's virtual meeting on funding allocations for the CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan; the Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. Thank you for your attention to this matter.





P.O. Box 11115 Waterbury, CT 06703 203.759.7171

April 28, 2020

Honorable Citizens Advisory Committee c/o Office of Community Development 235 Grand Street Waterbury, CT 06702

Dear Committee Members:

On behalf of Brass City Harvest, I would like to offer this organization's profound gratitude for the continued support of the Brass City Regional Food Hub This important facility is a landmark economic development project that is now more important than ever in preserving an important aspect of the food chain in Waterbury.

Thank you for understanding the value of this facility and for vigilantly seeking to strengthen the community food system for Waterbury's residents and most especially – those most vulnerable including our economically-marginalized families and our senior citizens.

Sincerely,

Susan G. Pronovost

Executive Director

Diane Toolan

From:

Michael Wilson

Sent:

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 2:11 PM

To: **Subject:** Diane Toolan **RE: Question**

Registrants

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Theresa Bergstrand, Court Reporter

Mackenzie Demac Michael Salvio Nancy Allen Lori Walling

Anthony Bocci

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Belinda Arce-Lopez

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Mara Ford

Michael Wilson

mwilson@waterburyct.org

From: Diane Toolan

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 1:16 PM

To: Michael Wilson <mwilson@waterburyct.org>

Subject: RE: Question

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I.T. Specialist

City of Waterbury

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Thanks Mike. Enjoy!

From: Michael Wilson < mwilson@waterburyct.org>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 1:13 PM

To: Diane Toolan <dtoolan@waterburyct.org>

Subject: Re: Question

Should be able to, will check when back from lunch.

Michael Wilson
I.T. Specialist
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From: Diane Toolan < dtoolan@waterburyct.org>

Sent: Tuesday, May 12, 2020 1:05:34 PM

To: Michael Wilson < mwilson@waterburyct.org>

Subject: Question

Hi Mike: Is there a way that you could print out for me the list of participants/registrants that were on last week's May 5, 2020 Public Hearing. If so, could you please send it to me for my records? Thanks, Diane

Diane C. Toolan
Housing and Community Planning Program Director
Community Development Program
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VIRTUAL MEETING CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

May 5, 2020

5:30PM

TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC HEARING YOU MUST REGISTER AT: https://tinyurl.com/May052020

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THERE WILL BE NO IN- PERSON OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Presentation on the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024)
- 3. Presentation on the Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- 4. Public input on the Proposed Annual Action Plan for CD YR 46 (2020-2021); the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- 5. Adjournment

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR VIRTUAL MEETING ON THE PROPOSED FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN 2020-2024 PROPOSED UPDATED ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE PROPOSED 2020-2021 CD YEAR 46 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Notice of revised methods of participating in the Public Hearing on the above-noted Proposed Community Development Draft Plans. In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order protecting public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic and the limitation of inperson meetings and gatherings, the rescheduled Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Public Hearing on May 5, 2020 at 5:30pm will only be held virtually via the method listed below. There will be no in-person opportunity to attend the hearing.

The Platform to be used is Zoom Meeting. To participate in this Public Hearing you must register at https://tinyurl.com/May052020 If you cannot register this way you can call Diane Toolan at 203-346-3810 ext 7288.

The Public Hearing will be shortened if there is no one to testify or there is minimal response.

Persons with a disability or limited English proficiency who wish to participate should contact Diane Toolan dtoolan@waterburyct.org no later than May 1, 2020 to discuss how the City can accommodate their needs.

In addition, citizens may submit written comments as part of a thirty (30) day public comment period which commenced on March 24, 2020 and has been extended until May 8, 2020. Written comments may be submitted electronically to: dtoolan@waterburyct.org or sent to the attention of Diane Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director, Community Development Office, City Hall, Room C-29, Waterbury, CT 06702. Any comments received during the comment period will be forwarded to the CAC.

Se pueden obtener copias de este aviso en español en la Oficina de Desarrollo de la Comunidad, el Ayuntamiento, C29, 235 Grand Street Waterbury, o en línea a través del sitio web de la Ciudad www.waterburyct.org.

Legals/ **Public Notices**

PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE FOR VIRTUAL MEETING
ON THE PROPOSED FIVE YEAR
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Diane Toolan

From:

Diane Toolan

Sent:

Monday, April 27, 2020 4:45 PM

To:

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(susan.pronovost@snet.net); jcaraballo@ccaoh.org; Belinda Arce-Lopez (BArceLopez@CHD.ORG); JLF@childreninplacement.org; 'Mary Conklin

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lschlesinger@safehavenofgw.org; Sofia Swaby; Jeffrey Lapham; 'Belinda Weaver (Belinda.Weaver@sbcglobal.net)'; lcummings@waterburyyouthservices.org; Mark

Lombardo; Cyndi Tolosa; jorourke@waterburyymca.org; Edwin Rodriguez

(edwinr@svdpmission.org); Jacquilyn Davis; Shields-Church, Leigh (Leigh.Shields-

Church@ct.gov)

Cc:

Nancy Allen; Tina Lubus; Diane Toolan

Subject:

Public Hearing Notice for Virtual Meeting on the Proposed Community Development

Draft Plans May 5, 2020

Attachments:

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE VIRTUAL MEETING ON PROPOSED PLANS May 5, 2020

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From:

Diane Toolan

Sent:

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 11:29 AM

To:

Gail; William DeMaida; Alderman Pernerewski; ppernerewski; Michael Salvio; Bernard J.

Bailey Jr. (bernard.baileyct@yahoo.com); abocci62@gmail.com

Cc:

Nancy Allen; Tina Lubus; Diane Toolan

Subject: Attachments:

Public Notice on the Upcoming Public Hearing Virtual Meeting and Agenda Notice - Virtual Public Hearing - CD YR 46 ConPlan 2020-2025 - Annual Plan AI -

4-28-20.pdf; CAC Agenda for Public Hearing Virtual Meeting 5-5-2020.pdf

Good Morning All: I hope this finds you well and able to enjoy this warmer spring day. Attached please find a copy of the Public Notice on the upcoming Public Hearing Virtual Meeting for May 5, 2020 that was published in today's newspaper and is on the City's website. A copy of the Notice has also been sent to all who submitted applications this year and are on our mailing list. I have also attached a copy of the Agenda for the meeting that has been posted with the City Clerk's office today.

I am scheduled to get a better understanding of how this virtual meeting will work from the IT folks. I will need to get from you whether you plan on registering and attending the meeting. Our consultants Milone and MacBroom will provide their presentation remotely so that it can be shared. Once I get the details from IT I will share them with you. I expect that a number of our subrecipients will register in order to provide comments. I have already received one written comment on the proposed CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan from Sue Pronovost, Brass City Harvest. This along with any additional written comments, I will read into the record. To date, we have not received any comments on the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan or the AI and the 30-day comment period has been extended until May 8, 2020.

In order to keep on our schedule, as we discussed, you will meet on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 to review and consider any comments received, to approve the documents and to recommend them for approval to the Board of Aldermen. I anticipate that this meeting will also be held as a virtual one.

Thank you again for your participation. Enjoy the day and stay well! Regards, Diane

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CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

May 5, 2020 5:30PM

TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC HEARING YOU MUST REGISTER AT: https://tinyurl.com/May052020

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THERE WILL BE NO IN- PERSON OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Presentation on the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024)
- 3. Presentation on the Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- 4. Public input on the Proposed Annual Action Plan for CD YR 46 (2020-2021); the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- 5. Adjournment

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4/28/2020 - Public Hearing Virtual Meeting Proposed Community Development Plans

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Diane Toolan

From:

Mackenzie Demac

Sent:

Monday, April 27, 2020 4:06 PM

To:

Help Desk

Cc:

Kevin Soden; Michael LeBlanc; Diane Toolan

Subject:

FW: Public Notice for Posting to City's Website

Attachments:

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Good afternoon,

Please post the attached notice to the city's website as soon as possible.

Best, mack

Mack Demac

Chief of Staff The Office of Mayor Neil M. O'Leary 235 Grand Street, Waterbury CT 06702 Tel 203-574-6712 - Fax 203-574-6804



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From: Diane Toolan dtoolan@waterburyct.org

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 1:45 PM

To: Mackenzie Demac <mdemac@waterburyct.org>

Cc: Michael LeBlanc <mleblanc@waterburyct.org>; Diane Toolan <dtoolan@waterburyct.org>

Subject: Public Notice for Posting to City's Website

Hi Mack: Kindly have the attached Public Notice posted to the City's website as soon as possible. It will be published in tomorrow's Republican American. The title can be: CD YR 46 and Draft Plans Public Hearing Notice Virtual Meeting May 5, 2020. Thank you for your assistance. Diane

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3/31/2020 - CD YR 46 and Draft Plans Public Hearing Rescheduled to May 5, 2020

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CANCELLATION OF MEETING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR

April 7, 2020 5:30PM

Location: City Hall
Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor
235 Grand Street
Waterbury, CT 06702

HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO MAY 5, 2020

Diane Toolan

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, March 31, 2020 1:53 PM

To:

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Church@ct.gov)

Cc:

Subject:

Nancy Allen; Tina Lubus; Diane Toolan Rescheduling of CAC Public Hearing

Attachments:

CD YR 46 Notice 2nd Public Hearing Final 3-31-20 to be published 4-1-20

Newspaper.docx

Good Afternoon All: Attached please find a copy of the Public Notice that will be published in tomorrow's Republican-American and is on the City's website. This notice reschedules the CAC Public Hearing that was to be held on April 7, 2020 to May 5, 2020 and also extends the 30-day public comment period on the Draft Plans to May 8, 2020. I encourage you to review the Draft Plans and submit your written comments to me. Thank you for your participation and interest in the City's Community Development Program. Stay well and be safe. Regards, Diane

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Thursday, March 26, 2020 2:27 PM

To:

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Bernard J. Bailey Jr. (bernard.baileyct@yahoo.com); abocci62

Cc:

Nancy Allen; Tina Lubus; Diane Toolan

Subject:

Public Notices on the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan; Proposed Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; Proposed 2020-2021 CD Year 46 Annual Action

Plan and Notice of Public Hearing

Attachments:

Draft Plans - 5YR - AI & CDYR 46 - 3-23-20.pdf

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Thank you for your participation and interest in the City's Community Development Program. Regards, Diane

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| 1 | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | Youth | \$ 16,274 |
| 2 | Catholic Charities | Case Manage- ment | 5,174 |
| 3 | Center for Human Development | Housing | 50,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury - Senior Shuttle | Seniors | 91,878 |
| 5 | Connecticut Legal Services | Housing | 9,874 |
| 6 | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries | Food | 50,848 |
| 7 | Hispanic Coalition | Case Manage- ment | 11,174 |
| 8 | Literacy Volunteers | Employment | 4,786 |
| 9 | Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation | Job Training | 51,350 |
| 10 | Safe Haven | Case Manage- ment | 8,917 |
| 11 | Salvation Army | Food | 9,786 |
| 12 | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | Youth | 8,000 |
| 13 | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | Youth | 8,917 |
| 14 | Waterbury Youth Services | Youth | 8,917 |
| L | Total | | \$ 335,895 |
| | Projects | Fur | ding |
| 1 | Boys & Girls Club Pool Space Renumose | | 6 50 000 |

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| 1 | Boys & Girls Club:- Pool Space Repurpose | \$ 50,000 |
| 2 | Brass City Harvest - Equipment | 175,000 |
| 3 | City of Waterbury – Library Park | 500,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury – Hamilton Park Improvements | 500,544 |
| 5 | Greater Waterbury YMCA - Control Systems Upgrade | 30,000 |
| 6 | Police Activity League of Waterbury - PAL Parking Lot | 200,000 |
| | Total Projects | \$ 1,455,544 |
| | Program Administration | \$ 447,860 |
| | -Total CDBG | \$2,239,298 |
| Provide Services to End Homelessness- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) | | |

Shelter Operations

| Safe Haven | \$ 20,756 |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Salvation Army | 12,756 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | 78,581 |
| | \$ 112,093 |
| Rapid Re-Housing | |
| Salvation Army | \$ 10.650 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | 21,480 |
| | \$ 32.130 |
| Homelessness Prevention | |
| Salvation Army | \$ 28,586 |
| Administration | \$ 14,012 |
| Total ESG | \$ 186,821 |
| IONE Funding | |

HOME Funding

| Administration (10%) | \$ 89,966 |
|---|-----------|
| CHDO (15%) | 134,950 |
| Housing Related Activities (75%) (Includes \$ 300.000 of Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | 674,750 |
| Total | \$899,666 |

PLAN CONSOLIDADO PROPUESTO DE CINCO AÑOS 2020-2024

ANÁLISIS ACTUALIZADO PROPUESTO DE IMPEDIMENTOS PARA LA ELECCIÓN DE

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Thursday, March 26, 2020 1:11 PM

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Cc:

'Nancy Allen'; Tina Lubus; Diane Toolan

Subject:

Public Notices on the Proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan; Proposed Analysis of

Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; Proposed 2020-2021 CD Year 46 Annual Action

Plan and Notice of Public Hearing

Attachments:

Draft Plans - 5YR - AI & CDYR 46 - 3-23-20.pdf

Good Afternoon All: Attached please find a copy of the above-noted Public Notice that was published in the Republican American on March 23, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic copies of the documents are only available for viewing on the City's website: www.waterburyct.org. The 30-day comment period commenced on March 24, 2020 and will end on April 22, 2020. Due to Governor Lamont's Executive Order #7B suspending in person open meeting requirements, I anticipate that the Public Hearing on the Draft Plans scheduled for Tuesday, April 7, 2020 will be held without normal in-person public access and that the format for it will replicate the Board of Aldermen meeting that was held on March 23, 2020. More details on this will be forthcoming and I beg your indulgence as we continue to move forward in this changing landscape.

Thank you for your participation and interest in the City's Community Development Program. Regards, Diane

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A SUMMARY OF THE CITY OF WATERBURY'S FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2020-2024 (Consolidated Plan); A SUMMARY OF THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE (AI) AND A SUMMARY OF THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN/ USE OF FUNDS (AAP) AND NOTICE OF SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 7,2020 IS HEREBY CONTAINED IN THIS PUBLIC NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) will hold a public hearing and public comment period for the proposed plans. This action is undertaken in compliance with federal regulations 24 CFR 91. The Consolidated Plan covers the HUD funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. The Action Plan delineates proposed activities to be funded under the CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs.

The primary components of the Consolidated Plan are a needs assessment, strategic plan and action plan inclusive of a description of the process of preparation, consultation and administration. The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to meet three basic objectives: 1) decent, affordable housing; 2) a suitable living environment; and 3) provide economic opportunities. The outcomes of the Consolidated Plan are the provision of 1) availability/accessibility; 2) affordability; and 3) sustainability. In order to establish the objectives and outcomes in this Consolidated Plan, the City of Waterbury has completed an extensive needs assessment. This process has included consultation with numerous agencies, organizations and individuals as well as analysis of available reports and data.

The City of Waterbury has prepared a Draft Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (Al) as required by HUD. This document is required of all communities that receive HUD housing assistance funds and requires that all housing programs be implemented in a non-discriminatory manner without regard to race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin.

The City's Al includes (a) a demographic and housing profile, (b) an assessment of the City's fair housing profile, (c) an evaluation of public and private sector policies to determine if there are barriers to fair housing choice, (d) a list of impediments, and (e) a Fair Housing Action Plan that provides recommendations to eliminate the impediments.

A thirty (30) day public comment period will commence on March 24, 2020 and will end on April 22, 2020. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this year the documents will only be available on the City of Waterbury's website: www.waterburyct.org. Written comments on the Proposed Plans is encouraged. All written comments should be directed to: Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director, 235 Grand Street, Room C-29 Waterbury, CT 06702 email: dtoolan@waterburyct.org

The 2020-2021 CD Year 46 Annual Action Plan identifies how this year's funds will be used. In addition, the CAC determined priorities for public services based upon meeting basic needs i.e. food; shelter/housing; health (top priority); seniors, youth and transportation (second) and case management, education and recreation (third).

Second Public Hearing: Notice is hereby given that the CAC will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 7,2020 at 5:30PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the proposed plans. The hearing will be held at the City Hall, Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor, 235 Grand Street. The facility is handicapped accessible. The City will provide interpreters and assistance for non-English speaking, hearing impaired or disabled residents upon receiving a request at least four (4) days prior to this hearing date.

Residents should contact Diane C. Toolan at 203-346-3810 x 7288.

The following is a list of programs and investments including the amount of funds proposed for the First Annual Action Plan:

Establishing and Maintaining a Suitable Living Environment and Economic Opportunities

| • | CDBG Social Services | Category | Funding |
|----|--|-----------------|---------------|
| 1 | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | Youth | \$ 16,274 |
| 2 | Catholic Charities | Case Management | 5,174 |
| 3 | Center for Human Development | Housing | 50,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury – Senior Shuttle | Seniors | 91,878 |
| 5 | Connecticut Legal Services | Housing | 9,874 |
| 6 | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries | Food | 50,848 |
| 7 | Hispanic Coalition | Case Management | 11,174 |
| 8 | Literacy Volunteers | Employment | 4,786 |
| 9 | Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation | Job Training | 51,350 |
| 10 | Safe Haven | Case Management | 8,9 17 |
| 11 | Salvation Army | Food | 9,786 |
| 12 | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | Youth | 8,000 |
| 13 | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | Youth | 8,917 |
| 14 | Waterbury Youth Services | Youth | 8,917 |
| | Total | | \$ 335,895 |

| | Projects | Funding |
|---|---|--------------|
| 1 | Boys & Girls Club – Pool Space Repurpose | \$ 50,000 |
| 2 | Brass City Harvest – Equipment | 175,000 |
| 3 | City of Waterbury – Library Park | 500,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury – Hamilton Park Improvements | 500,544 |
| 5 | Greater Waterbury YMCA – Control Systems Upgrade | 30,000 |
| 6 | Police Activity League of Waterbury – PAL Parking Lot | 200,000 |
| | Total Projects | \$ 1,455,544 |
| | Program Administration | \$ 447,860 |
| | Total CDBG | \$2,239,298 |

Provide Services to End Homelessness- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)

| Shelter Operations | Funding |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Safe Haven | \$ 20,756 |
| Salvation Army | 12,756 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | <u>78,581</u> |
| | \$ 112,093 |
| Rapid Re-Housing | |
| Salvation Army | \$ 10,650 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | 21,480 |
| | \$ 32,130 |
| Homelessness | |
| Salvation Army | \$ 28,586 |
| Administration | \$ 14,012 |
| Total ESG | \$ 186,821 |

| HOME | Funding |
|--|------------|
| Administration (10%) | \$ 89,966 |
| CHDO (15%) | 134,950 |
| Housing Related Activities (75%) (Includes \$ 300,000 of Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | 674,750 |
| Total | \$ 899,666 |

PLAN CONSOLIDADO PROPUESTO DE CINCO AÑOS 2020-2024 ANÁLISIS ACTUALIZADO PROPUESTO DE IMPEDIMENTOS PARA LA ELECCIÓN DE VIVIENDA JUSTA

CD PROYECTO 2020-2021 AÑO 46 PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

RESUMEN DEL PLAN CONSOLIDADO DE VIVIENDA Y DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO DE LA CIUDAD DE WATERBURY 2020-2024 (Plan Consolidado); UN RESUMEN DEL ANÁLISIS DE IMPEDIMENTOS A LA ELECCIÓN DE VIVIENDA JUSTA (AI) Y UN RESUMEN DEL PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL 2020-2021 / USO DE FONDOS (AAP) Y AVISO DE LA SEGUNDA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA EL MARTES 7 DE ABRIL AQUÍ ESTÁ CONTENIDO EN ESTE NOTICIA PÚBLICA.

Se da aviso de que el Comité Asesor Ciudadano (CAC) llevará a cabo una audiencia pública y un período de comentarios públicos para los planes propuestos. Esta acción se lleva a cabo de conformidad con las regulaciones federales 24 CFR 91. El Plan Consolidado cubre el Subsidio de Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG) financiado por HUD; Programa de Asociaciones de Inversión HOME (HOME) y el Programa de Subsidios de Soluciones de Emergencia (ESG). El Plan de Acción delinea actividades propuestas para ser financiadas bajo los Programas CDBG, HOME y ESG.

Los componentes principales del Plan Consolidado son una evaluación de necesidades, un plan estratégico y un plan de acción que incluyen una descripción del proceso de preparación, consulta y administración. La intención del Plan Consolidado es cumplir con tres objetivos básicos: 1) vivienda digna y asequible; 2) un entorno de vida adecuado; y 3) brindar oportunidades económicas. Los resultados del Plan Consolidado son la provisión de 1) disponibilidad / accesibilidad; 2) asequibilidad; y 3) sostenibilidad. Para establecer los objetivos y resultados en este Plan Consolidado, la Ciudad de Waterbury ha completado una extensa evaluación de necesidades. Este proceso ha incluido consultas con numerosas agencias, organizaciones e individuos, así como análisis de informes y datos disponibles.

La Ciudad de Waterbury ha preparado un Borrador de Análisis de Impedimentos para la Elección de Vivienda Justa (Al) según lo requerido por HUD. Este documento es obligatorio para todas las comunidades que reciben fondos de asistencia de vivienda de HUD y exige que todos los programas de vivienda se implementen de manera no discriminatoria sin distinción de raza, color, religión, sexo, discapacidad, estado familiar u origen nacional.

El Al de la Ciudad incluye (a) un perfil demográfico y de vivienda, (b) una evaluación del perfil de vivienda justa de la Ciudad, (c) una evaluación de las políticas del sector público y privado para determinar si existen barreras para la elección de vivienda justa, (d) una lista de impedimentos, y (e) un Plan de Acción de Vivienda Justa que proporciona recomendaciones para eliminar los impedimentos.

Un período de treinta (30) días para comentarios públicos comenzará el 24 de marzo de 2020 y finalizará el 22 de abril de 2020. Debido a la pandemia de Covid-19, este año los documentos solo estarán disponibles en el sitio web de la Ciudad de Waterbury: www. waterburyct.org. Se alientan los comentarios escritos sobre los Planes Propuestos. Todos los comentarios escritos deben dirigirse a: Diane C. Toolan, Directora del Programa de Vivienda y Planificación Comunitaria, 235 Grand Street, Sala C-29 Waterbury, CT 06702 correo electrónico: dtoolan@waterburyct.org

El Plan de Acción Anual del Año 46 del CD 2020-2021 identifica cómo se utilizarán los fondos de este año. Además, el CAC determinó las prioridades para los servicios públicos en función de satisfacer las necesidades básicas, es decir, alimentos; refugio / vivienda; salud (máxima prioridad); personas mayores, jóvenes y transporte (segundo) y gestión de casos, educación y recreación (tercero). Segunda audiencia pública: Por la presente, se da aviso de que el CAC celebrará una audiencia pública el martes 7 de abril de 2020 a las 5:30 PM con el fin de recibir aportes del público sobre los planes propuestos. La audiencia se llevará a cabo en el Ayuntamiento, el Veterans Memorial Hall, segundo piso, 235 Grand Street. El centro es accesible para discapacitados. La Ciudad proporcionará intérpretes y asistencia para los residentes que no hablen inglés, tengan problemas de audiencia.

Los residentes deben comunicarse con Diane C. Toolan al 203-346-3810 x 7288.

La siguiente es una lista de programas e inversiones que incluye la cantidad de fondos propuestos para el Primer Plan de Acción Anual:

Establecimiento y mantenimiento de un entorno de vida adecuado y oportunidades económicas

| | Servicios sociales de CDBG | Categoría | Fondos |
|-----|--|-----------------------|------------|
| 1 ~ | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | Juventud | \$ 16,274 |
| 2 | Catholic Charities | Manejo de caso | 5,174 |
| 3 | Center for Human Development | Alojamiento | 50,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury – Senior Shuttle | Personas mayores | 91,878 |
| 5 | Connecticut Legal Services | Alojamiento | 9,874 |
| 6 | Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries | Comida | 50,848 |
| 7 | Hispanic Coalition | Manejo de caso | 11,174 |
| 8 | Literacy Volunteers | Empleo | 4,786 |
| 9 | Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation | Formación profesional | 51,350 |
| 10 | Safe Haven | Manejo de caso | 8,917 |
| 11 | Salvation Army | Comida | 9,786 |
| 12 | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | Juventud | 8,000 |
| 13 | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | Juventud | 8,917 |
| 14 | Waterbury Youth Services | Juventud | 8,917 |
| | Total | | \$ 335,895 |

| | Proyectos | Fondos |
|-----|---|--------------|
| 1 | Boys & Girls Club – Reutilización del espacio de la piscina | \$ 50,000 |
| 2 | Brass City Harvest – Equipo | 175,000 |
| 3 . | City of Waterbury – Parque de la biblioteca | 500,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury – Mejoras del parque Hamilton | 500,544 |
| 5 | Greater Waterbury YMCA – Actualización de sistemas de controles | 30,000 |
| 6 | Police Activity League of Waterbury – PAL Estacionamiento | 200,000 |
| | Proyectos Totales | \$ 1,455,544 |
| | Administración del Programa | \$ 447,860 |
| | Total CDBG | \$2,239,298 |

Brindar servicios para terminar con la falta de vivienda - Subsidios para soluciones de emergencia (ESG)

| Operaciones de refugio | Fondos |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Safe Haven | \$ 20,756 |
| Salvation Army | 12,756 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | <u>78,581</u> |
| | \$ 112,093 |
| Reubicación Rápida | • |
| Salvation Army | \$ 10,650 |
| St. Vincent DePaul | 21,480 |
| | \$ 32,130 |
| Prevención de la falta de vi | ivienda |
| Salvation Army | \$ 28,586 |
| Administración | \$ 14,012 |
| Total ESG | \$ 186,821 |

| HOME Administración (10%) CHDO (15%) Actividades relacionadas con la vivienda (75%) (1 | Incluye \$ 300,000 of Asistencia de alquiler | Funding \$ 89,966 134,950 674,750 |
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CANCELLATION OF MEETING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MEETING OF THE
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR
March 18, 2020
5:30PM

Location: City Hall
Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor
235 Grand Street
Waterbury, CT 06702

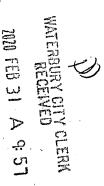
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NOTICE OF MEETING CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) March 18, 2020 5:30PM

Location: City Hall
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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Speakers
- 3. CD YR 46 Review of Applications
- 4. Review of Draft Five Year Consolidated Plan and Updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
- 5. Adoption of Draft Plans
- 6. Adjournment



NOTICE OF MEETING CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

March 11, 2020

5:30PM

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CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

MEETING March 11, 2020 at 5:30PM Waterbury City Hall Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor 235 Grand Street

SUMMARY MINUTES

Present:

Gail Moriarty

Mackenzie Demac

Tony Bocci

Michael Salvio

Bernard Bailey

Paul Pernerewski

Absent:

William DeMaida

Also Present:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

Tina Lubus, Housing and Community Planning Program Manager

Nancy Allen, Program Specialist

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Moriarty.

Public Speakers:

There were no public speakers.

CD Year 46 Review of Applications

Chairman Moriarty reviewed the allocations that the Committee had made last evening and reminded the Committee of the priorities for funding as contained in the Five Year Plan. They are:

- First Priority: meeting basic needs: i.e. food, shelter/housing/health
- Second Priority: seniors, youth, and transportation
- Third Priority: case management, education and recreation.

She asked if the Committee wished to further discuss any of the tentative allocations. She noted that the Committee had to allocate the anticipated Program Income of \$14,000, if it is realized. On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Demac, it was unanimously agreed to allocate the anticipated Program Income of \$14,000 to the Hamilton Park Project.





On a motion by Commissioner Demac, seconded by Commissioner Pernerewski, it was unanimously agreed to remove the \$16,274 allocation to Brass City Harvest and allocate the funds to the Boys and Girls Club. Commissioner Demac said that the City would fund the Brass City Harvest Program with City funds.

Listed below is the tentative allocation for CD YR 46 based upon the City's allocations.

| | | CD Year 46 | | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | CAC allocations as of 3 | /11/20 | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | Administration & Social Se | rvices | | |
| | - | | | | |
| | | 2020-2021 Allocation | | | \$ 2,239,298 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | Proposed Award |
| | t. V | Administration (20%) | PY 45 Allocation | PY 46 Request | Proposed Award |
| | | Program Administration | | | \$ 447,860 |
| | | | | | |
| | | Total | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 447,860 |
| | | | | | <u> </u> |
| | | Total Available | | | \$ 447,860 |
| | Purpose | Social Services (15%) | PY 45 Allocation | PY 46 Request | Proposed Award |
| 1 | Youth | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | \$ - | \$ 43,639 | \$ 16,274 |
| 2 | Food | Brass City Harvest | 16,274 | 19,500 | - |
| 3 | Case Mgmt | Catholic Charities | 5,174 | 5,174 | 5,174 |
| 4 | Housing | Center for Human Development | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| 5 | Youth | Children in Placement | - | 25,000 | - |
| 6 | Seniors | City of Waterbury - Senior Shuttle | 74,907 | 125,000 | 91,878 |
| 7 | Food | Connecticut Food Bank | | 15,000 | - |
| 8 | Housing | Connecticut Legal Services | 9,874 | 11,000 | 9,874 |
| 9 | Food | GWIM | 50,848 | 55,000 | 50,848 |
| 10 | Case Mgmt | Hispanic Coalition | 11,174 | 12,500 | 11,174 |
| 11 | Employment | Literacy Volunteers | 4,786 | 7,000 | 4,786 |
| 12 | Job Training | MASC | 51,350 | 51,350 | 51,350 |
| 13 | | Neighborhood Services of Waterbury | | 28,000 | |
| 14 | | Neighborhood Services of Waterbury | | 27,000 | _ |
| 15 | Food | New Opportunities | · - | 14,000 | - |
| 16 | Youth | Nutmeg Big Brother Big Sisters | - | 15,000 | - . |
| 17 | Youth | Police Activity League of Waterbury | - | 121,759 | _ |
| 18 | Case Mgmt | Safe Haven | 8,917 | 25,000 | 8,917 |
| 19 | Food | Salvation Army | 9,786 | 10,000 | 9,786 |
| 20 | Youth | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | 8,000 | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| 21 | Youth | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | 8,917 | 23,500 | 8,917 |
| 22 | Youth | Waterbury Youth Services | 8,917 | 14,827 | 8,917 |
| | | Tota | \$ 318,924 | \$ 707,249 | \$ 335,895 |
| | | T-4-14. 11.11 (4-74) | | | ¢ 225 005 |
| | | Total Available (15% |) | | \$ 335,895 |

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Demac, the allocations for administration and social services were unanimously approved.

| ESG | | | | | | |
|---|-------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-------|------------------|
| 2020-2021 Allocation | | | | · . | | \$186,821 |
| Administration | PY 45 | Allocation | PY 4 | 16 Request | Pronc | osed Award |
| Program Administration | \$ | 13,188 | \$ | 14,012 | \$ | 14,012 |
| | Ť | 20,200 | | | , T | 2.,022 |
| | | | | | | |
| Sub-total Admin | \$ | 13,658 | \$ | 14,012 | \$ | 14,012 |
| Shelter Operations (Maximum 60% of Grant) | | | | | | |
| 1 Safe Haven | _ | 20.756 | <u> </u> | 25 000 | \$ | 20.75 |
| 2 Salvation Army | \$ | 20,756 12,756 | \$ \$ | 25,000 10,000 | > | 20,756 12,756 |
| 3 St. Vincent DePaul Society | | 75,755 | \$ | 100,000 | | 78,581 |
| 5 St. Vincent Beraul Society | | 75,755 | <u> У</u> | 100,000 | | 76,561 |
| Sub-total Shelter | \$ | 109,267 | \$ | 135,000 | \$ | 112,093 |
| Shelter Operations cannot exceed 60% of Grant | \$ | 112,093 | : | | \$ | 112,093 |
| | | | | | | |
| Amount available to commit | | , | | | | (0 |
| Rapid Re-Housing | | | | | | |
| 1 Salvation Army | \$ | 10,650 | \$ | 22,200 | \$ | 10,650 |
| 2 St. Vincent DePaul Society | | 19,950 | | 25,000 | | 21,480 |
| Sub-total Rapid Re-housing | \$ | 30,600 | \$ | 47,200 | \$ | 32,130 |
| Homelessness Prevention | Ī | | | | | |
| 1 Salvation Army | \$ | 28,586 | \$ | 31,600 | \$ | 28,586 |
| 2 Mental Health Connecticut | | | \$ | 49,020 | | |
| Sub-total Homelessness Prevention | \$ | 28,586 | \$ | 80,620 | \$ | 28,586 |
| HMIS | | | | | | • |
| 1 Salvation Army | \$ | _ | \$ | 2,600 | \$ | .= |
| Sub-total HMIS | \$ | | \$ | 2,600 | \$ | |
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| Totals | \$ | 182,111 | \$ | 279,432 | \$ | 186,821 |
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| Diance to Commit | l | | | | \$ | - |

On a motion by Commissioner Demac, seconded by Commissioner Pernerewski, the allocations for ESG were unanimously approved.

| HOME | | | | - |
|--|--------|---------------|-------|-----------|
| 2020 -2021 HOME Allocation | | \$ 899,666 | | |
| | | | An | ticipated |
| | PY | 46 Allocation | Progr | am Income |
| Administration (10%) | \$ | 89,967 | \$ | 89,967 |
| CHDO (15%) | | 134,950 | | 134,950 |
| Housing Related Activities (75%) (Includes \$ 300,000 of Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | | 674,750 | | 674,750 |
| Тс | tal \$ | 899,666 | \$ | 899,666 |
| Estimated Program Income | | * | \$. | 2,500 |

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Demac, the allocations for HOME were unanimously approved.

| Projects | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 2020-2021 Allocation | | | | \$ 1,455,544 |
| Reprogrammed | | | | |
| Total Available | | | | \$ 1,455,544 |
| Projects (65%) | Description | PY 45 Allocation | PY 46 Request | Proposed Award |
| Boys & Girls Club | Pool Space Repurpose | \$ - | \$ 180,000 | \$ 50,000 |
| Brass City Harvest | Equipment | 236,154 | 182,000 | 175,000 |
| City of Waterbury | Library Park Improvments | 661,369 | 500,000 | 500,000 |
| City of Waterbury | Hamilton Park Improvements | - ' | 1,000,000 | 500,544 |
| Greater Waterbury YMCA | Rose Hill HVAC & Control Systems Upgrade - Priority # 1 | 545,654 | 30,000 | 30,000 |
| Greater Waterbury YMCA | YMCA Gymnasium Renovation Project - Priority # 2 | - | 220,000 | - |
| Mattatuck Museum | Museum Expansion & Renovation | | 250,000 | - |
| Police Activity League of Waterbury | PAL Parking Lot | - | 322,921 | 200,000 |
| Waterbury Youth Services | Re-Paving/Re-construction of two Parking Lots | - | 80,000 | |
| Total Request | | \$ 1,443,177 | \$ 2,764,921 | \$ 1,455,544 |
| Total Available | | | \$ 1,455,544 | |
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| | 2020-2021 Allocation Reprogrammed Total Available Projects (65%) Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest City of Waterbury City of Waterbury Greater Waterbury YMCA Greater Waterbury YMCA Mattatuck Museum Police Activity League of Waterbury Waterbury Youth Services Total Request | 2020-2021 Allocation Reprogrammed Total Available Projects (65%) Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest City of Waterbury Library Park Improvments City of Waterbury Hamilton Park Improvements Greater Waterbury YMCA Greater Waterbury YMCA Mattatuck Museum Police Activity League of Waterbury Waterbury Youth Services Re-Paving/Re-construction of two Parking Lots Total Request | 2020-2021 Allocation Reprogrammed Total Available Projects (65%) Description Boys & Girls Club Pool Space Repurpose Brass City Harvest Equipment City of Waterbury Library Park Improvments City of Waterbury Hamilton Park Improvements Greater Waterbury YMCA Rose Hill HVAC & Control Systems Upgrade - Priority # 1 S45,654 Greater Waterbury YMCA Mattatuck Museum Museum Expansion & Renovation Police Activity League of Waterbury Waterbury Youth Services Re-Paving/Re-construction of two Parking Lot Total Request **Total Request** **J,443,177** | 2020-2021 Allocation Reprogrammed Total Available Projects (65%) Description Boys & Girls Club Pool Space Repurpose Boys & Girls Club Pool Space Repurpose Brass City Harvest Equipment Library Park Improvments City of Waterbury Library Park Improvments Boys & Hamilton Park Improvements Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest Equipment Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest Equipment Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest Equipment Boys & Girls Club Brass City Harvest Boys & Girls Club Brass Club Brass City Harvest Boys & Girls Club Brass Club Brass City Harvest Boys & Girls Club Brass Club Brass City Harvest Boys & Girls Club Brass Club B |

Discussion followed on the following proposed changes by Commissioner Demac to remove \$280,000 from Hamilton Park and allocate it as follows: \$50,000 to Boys and Girls Club; \$30,000 for YMCA HVAC Upgrade and \$200,000 to PAL Parking Lot.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the allocations for the projects as revised were unanimously approved.

Ms. Toolan reviewed the Draft of the Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) and the Draft updated Analysis of Impediments AI, noting the suggested changes to the Proposed Goals, the lack of current demographic data provided by HUD and the slight reduction in the number of impediments to fair housing choice.

The primary components of the Consolidated Plan are a needs assessment, strategic plan and action plan inclusive of a description of the process of preparation, consultation and administration. The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to meet three basic objectives: 1). Decent, affordable housing, 2). A suitable living environment and 3). Provide economic opportunities. The outcomes of the Consolidated Plan are the provision of 1). Availability/accessibility; 2). Affordability and 3) Sustainability. In order to establish the objectives and outcomes of this Consolidated Plan, the City of Waterbury has completed an extensive needs assessment. This process has included consultation with numerous agencies, organizations and individuals as well as analysis of available reports and data. Note the number of goals has been reduced from 13 to 12 and a new goal was created "Invest in public community and neighborhood infrastructure and improvements such as parks and public/community facilities" and some of the goals have been strengthened so that they will be more inclusive and able to handle future projects and programs.

The updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) is required by HUD and updates the AI done in 2013. The document is required of all communities that receive HUD housing assistance funds and requires that all housing programs be implemented in a non-discriminatory manner without regard to race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin. The AI includes a) a demographic profile, b). an assessment of the City's fair housing profile, c). an evaluation of public and private sector policies to determine if there are barriers to fair housing choice, d). a list of impediments and e). recommendations to eliminate the impediments.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the Draft Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Draft Updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice were unanimously approved.

Chairman Moriarty thanked the Committee for their work and reminded them the draft Plans including the CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan will be published in the Republican American on Monday, March 23, 2020 and the 30-day comment period will run from March 24th to April 22nd. The CAC will hold the Public Hearing on the draft Plans on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 5:30pm and, in keeping with its previous rules would allow up to three speakers per program/project and have a 3-minute speaking limit for each. She also noted that the CAC meeting for March 18th will be cancelled.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the CAC voted to adjourn at 5:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

City of Waterbury Community Development Program

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Public Hearing #1 Needs of the Community Wednesday, March 11, 2020 @ 5:30

CAC MEMBERS SIGN - IN SHEET

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NOTICE OF MEETING CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) March 10, 2020

5:30PM

Location: City Hall
Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor
235 Grand Street
Waterbury, CT 06702

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes: January 14,2020; February 5, 2020 Public Hearing
- 3. Public Speakers
- 4. CD YR 46 Review of Applications
- 5. Adjournment

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

MEETING March 10, 2020 at 5:30PM Waterbury City Hall Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor 235 Grand Street

SUMMARY MINUTES

Present:

William DeMaida Mackenzie Demac

Tony Bocci

Michael Salvio

Bernard Bailey

Paul Pernerewski

Absent:

Gail Moriarty

Also Present:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

Tina Lubus, Housing and Community Planning Program Manager

Nancy Allen, Program Specialist

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Vice Chairman DeMaida.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Bailey, the Citizens Advisory Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting and the February 5, 2020 CD YR 46 Public Hearing

Public Speakers:

There were no public speakers.

CD Year 46 Review of Applications

Vice Chairman DeMaida told the Committee that unlike previous years, the City has received its allocations from HUD for the programs. Per the memo sent to them on February 20, 2029, the allocations are as follows:

CDBG: \$2,239,298, an increase of \$113,138

HOME: \$899,666, an increase of \$71,872

ESG: \$186,821, an increase of \$4,710

He also reminded the Committee about the priorities for funding as determined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan. They are:

- First Priority: meeting basic needs: i.e. food, shelter/housing/health
- Second Priority: seniors, youth, and transportation
- Third Priority: case management, education and recreation.

The Citizens Advisory Committee discussed allocation of funding and decided to review the applications in the following order: CDBG Social Services; ESG; HOME and CDBG Projects. The priorities and order of review were agreed to unanimously on a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio.

Listed below is the tentative allocation for CD YR 46 based upon the City's allocations.

| | | Program Administration | | | \$ | 447,860 |
|----|--------------|--|------------------|---------------|--|---------------|
| | | Total | \$ - | \$ - | \$ | 447,860 |
| | | i | - | y - | | 447,600 |
| | | Total Available | | | \$ | 447,860 |
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| | Purpose | Social Services (15%) | PY 45 Allocation | PY 46 Request | l | posed ward |
| 1 | Youth | Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | \$ - | \$ 43,639.00 | \$ | |
| 2 | Food | Brass City Harvest | 16,274 | 19,500.00 | | 16,274 |
| 3 | Case Mgmt | Catholic Charities | 5,174 | 5,174 | | 5,174 |
| 4 | Housing | Center for Human Development | 50,000 | 50,000 | | 50,000 |
| 5 | Youth | Children in Placement | | 25,000 | | - |
| 6 | Seniors | City of Waterbury - Senior Shuttle | 74,907 | 125,000 | | 91,878 |
| 7 | Food | Connecticut Food Bank | - | 15,000 | | - |
| 8 | Housing | Connecticut Legal Services | 9,874 | 11,000 | | 9,874 |
| 9 | Food | GWIM | 50,848 | 55,000 | | 50,848 |
| 10 | Case Mgmt | Hispanic Coalition | 11,174 | 12,500 | | 11,174 |
| 11 | Employment | Literacy Volunteers | 4,786 | 7,000 | | 4,786 |
| | Job Training | MASC | 51,350 | 51,350 | | 51,350 |
| 13 | | Neighborhood Services of Waterbury | - | 28,000 | | - |
| 14 | | Neighborhood Services of Waterbury | - | 27,000 | | · |
| 15 | Food | New Opportunities | - | 14,000 | | _ |
| 16 | Youth | Nutmeg Big Brother Big Sisters | - | 15,000 | | - |
| 17 | Youth | Police Activity League of Waterbury | - | 121,759 | | |
| 18 | Case Mgmt | Safe Haven | 8,917 | 25,000 | | 8,917 |
| 19 | Food | Salvation Army | 9,786 | 10,000 | | 9,786 |
| 20 | Youth | Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | 8,000 | 8,000 | | 8,000 |
| 21 | Youth | Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ (WOW) | 8,917 | 23,500 | | 8,917 |
| 22 | Youth | Waterbury Youth Service System | 8,917 | 14,827 | | 8,917 |
| | | | | | 1 | |
| | | Tota | d \$ 318,924 | \$ 707,249 | \$ | 335,895 |
| | | | 1 | | | |
| | | Total Available (15% |) | | \$ | 335,895 |
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| ESG | | | |
| 2020-2021 Allocation | | T | \$186,821 |
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| Administration | PY 45 Allocation | PY 46 Request | Proposed Award |
| Program Administration | \$ 13,188 | | \$ 14,012 |
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| Sub-total Admin | \$ 13,658 | \$ 14,012 | \$ 14,012 |
| | | 1 | |
| helter Operations (Maximum 60% of Grant) | | | 1 |
| Safe Haven | \$ 20,756 | \$ 25,000 | \$ 20,756 |
| Salvation Army | 12,756 | | 12,756 |
| St. Vincent DePaul Society | 75,755 | | 78,581 |
| St. Vincent Del aut Society | /5,/55 | 3 100,000 | /6,361 |
| Sub-total Shelter | \$ 109,267 | \$ 135,000 | \$ 112,093 |
| helter Operations cannot exceed 60% of Grant | \$ 112,093 | | \$ 112,093 |
| | | | |
| Amount available to commit | | | (0) |
| Rapid Re-Housing | | | |
| Salvation Army St. Vincent DePaul Society | \$ 10,650 | | |
| St. Vincent DePaul Society | 19,950 | 25,000 | 21,480 |
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| Sub-total Rapid Re-housing | \$ 30,600 | \$ 47,200 | \$ 32,130 |
| Homelessness Prevention | <u> </u> | | T |
| Salvation Army | \$ 28,586 | \$ 31,600 | \$ 28,586 |
| Mental Health Connecticut | - 20,300 | \$ 49,020 | 20,300 |
| | , | 1.5,520 | |
| Sub-total Homelessness Prevention | \$ 28,586 | \$ 80,620 | \$ 28,586 |
| | | | |
| HMIS | | | |
| 1 Salvation Army | \$ - | \$ 2,600 | \$ - |
| | | | |
| Sub-total HMIS | \$ - | \$ 2,600 | \$ - |
| Totals | \$ 182,111 | \$ 279,432 | \$ 186,821 |
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| HOME | | | | | |
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| 2020 -2021 HOME Allocation | | \$ | 899,666 | | |
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| | | | | Antic | ipated |
| | | PY 46 A | Allocation | Program | n Income |
| 1 Administration (10%) | | \$ | 89,967 | \$ | 89,967 |
| 2 CHDO (15%) | | | 134,950 | | 134,950 |
| Housing Related Activities (75%) (Includes \$ 300,000 of Tenant Based Rental Ass | sistance (TBRA) | | 674,750 | | 674,750 |
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| | Tota | I \$ | 899,666 | \$ | 899,666 |
| | | | | | |
| Estimated Program Income | | | | \$ | 2,500 |

| | Projects | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| | 2020-2021 Allocation | | | | | | \$ | 1,455,544 |
| | Reprogrammed | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| - 1 | Total Available | | - | | | | \$ | 1,455,544 |
| | | | 7. | | | | | |
| | Projects (65%) | Description | PY 4 | 5 Allocation | ·PΥ | 46 Request | Pro | osed Award |
| 1 | Boys & Girls Club | Pool Space Repurpose | \$ | - | \$ | 180,000 | \$ | - |
| 2 | Brass City Harvest | Equipment | \$ | 236,154 | \$ | 182,000 | | 175,000 |
| 3 | City of Waterbury | Library Park Improvments | \$ | 661,369 | \$ | 500,000 | | 500,000 |
| 4 | City of Waterbury | Hamilton Park Improvements | \$ | - | \$ | 1,000,000 | | 780,544 |
| 5 | Greater Waterbury YMCA | Rose Hill HVAC & Control Systems Upgrade - Priority # 1 | \$ | 545,654 | \$ | 30,000 | | - |
| 6 | Greater Waterbury YMCA | YMCA Gymnasium Renovation Project - Priority # 2 | \$ | - | \$ | 220,000 | | - |
| 7 | Mattatuck Museum | Museum Expansion & Renovation | \$ | - | \$ | 250,000 | : . | |
| 8 | Police Activity League of Waterbury | PAL Parking Lot | \$ | · · · · · · · · · · · · | \$ | 322,921 | | - |
| 9 | Waterbury Youth Services | Re-Paving/Re-construction of two Parking Lots | \$ | - | \$ | 80,000 | | - |
| - | Total Request | | S | 1 442 177 | Ś | 2.764.024 | \$ | 1 455 544 |
| - | Total Available | | 3 | 1,443,177 | 1 | 2,764,921 | 3 | 1,455,544 |
| | Total Available | | | | \$ | 1,455,544 | | |
| | Balance to commit | | | | - | | \$ | (0 |
| | | | ļ . | | · · | | ├ ॅ | |
| | Projected Program Income: \$ | \$ 14,000.00 | | | | | | |
| | Note: The ellections from CD VD 45 | nay not be for the same project the agency is applying for t | ļ | | ļ | | <u> </u> | |

On a motion by Commissioner Demac, seconded by Commissioner Pernerewski, the CAC unanimously voted to accept the proposed allocations. Vice Chairman DeMaida suggested that the CAC review their work, discuss, and finalize it at the meeting on March 11, 2020.

Ms. Toolan reviewed the Draft of the Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) and the Draft updated Analysis of Impediments AI, noting the suggested changes to the Proposed Goals, the lack of current demographic data provided by HUD and the slight reduction in the number of impediments to fair housing choice. Ms. Toolan also offered to send the documents electronically to each Committee member.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Salvio, the CAC voted to adjourn at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

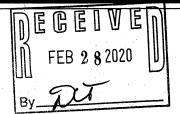
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Diané C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director City of Waterbury Community Development Program CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Public Hearing #1 Needs of the Community Tuesday, March 10, 2020 @ 5:30

CAC MEMBERS SIGN - IN SHEET

| NAME | SIGNATURE | |
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| | Citizen's Advisory Committee Veteran's Memorial Hall | Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 @ 5:30 |
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In The Matter Of:

CITY OF WATERBURY
Citizens Advisory Committee

Public Hearing February 5, 2020

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| 6 | October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021 |
| 7 | EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) |
| 8 | HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) |
| 9 | FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN 2020-2025 |
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| 13 | Citizens Advisory Committee |
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| 15 | Public Hearing held at the Waterbury City |
| 16 | Hall, Veterans Memorial Hall, 235 Grand Street, |
| 17 | Waterbury, Connecticut, on February 5, 2020, beginning |
| 18 | at 5:30 p.m. |
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| 20 | Held Before: |
| 21 | GAIL MORIARTY, THE CHAIR |
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Appearances:
    CAC Members Present:
2
         GAIL MORIARTY
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         BERNARD BAILEY
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        TONY BOCCI
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        MACKENZIE DEMAC
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        PAUL PERNEREWSKI, JR.
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    MILONE & MACBROOM (Consultants):
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         ELIZABETH ESPOSITO
        LESLIE SPRAGUE CLERKIN
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    Staff:
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         NANCY K. ALLEN
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         TINA LUBUS
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         DIANE TOOLAN
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THE CHAIR: I'd like to call the public hearing of the Citizens Action Committee to order.

And if you would please stand for the pleage?

[Pledge of Allegiance.]

THE CHAIR: Thank you very much.

Each year the City of Waterbury receives a federal grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, HUD, called the Community Development Block Grant for housing and community development projects that primarily benefit low to moderate income residents.

This year the City is required to create a new five-year consolidated plan. The plan presents a unified vision for community development action, develops a comprehensive housing affordability strategy, provides long and short-term community development objectives, and priority non-housing community development needs and, is an application for funding.

The City must also complete and submit an updated analysis of impediments to fair housing choice in conjunction with the new five-year plan.

As an entitlement jurisdiction and as a condition of receiving these funds the City of Waterbury certifies that it will further fair housing.

HUD defines this obligation by requiring jurisdictions to meet the following requirements, analyze impediments, which is AI, to fair housing choice; take actions to eliminate/identify impediments, and maintain records documenting the analysis and action to eliminate these impediments.

The consulting firm of Milone & MacBroom has been hired to assist the City in preparing the new five-year consolidated plan and to update the analysis of impediments to fair housing choice, again, AI. In addition, as part of the five-year plan the City is also preparing the CD Year 46 Annual Action Plan 2020/2021 specifically for Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Home Investment Partnership Program funds which are primarily used to benefit low to moderate income people and neighborhoods.

In accordance with its citizens

participation plan this is a public hearing to

solicit input on the needs of the community before

the Citizen Action Committee, CAC. Citizen

participation is an integral part of the development of the 2020/2021 annual action plan and the five-year plan, and the AI. The CAC will accept public input relating to the housing and community development needs as well as input relating to activities, projects and services, and any comments reviewing the program performance.

A notice of availability of funding was printed in the Republican American on January 21, 2020, and on January 28, 2020, and was posted on the City of Waterbury website. We will waive the reading of those public notices.

The City of Waterbury has not yet received notice of its allocations for the 2020/2021 CDBG funds, and per HUD's guidance intends to use the current year's allocations as a baseline for planning purposes. These amounts may increase or decrease depending upon the final federal approved budget.

The 2019/2020 allocations were as follows.

2,126,160 for the CDBG; 182,111 for the Emergency
Solutions Grant, which is ESG; and 827,794 for
Home Investment Partnership Program, also known as
HOME. Program income is anticipated to be 2,500
for HOME and 14,000 for CDBG. The program year

for CD Year 46 begins on October 1, 2020, and ends September 30, 2020.

And now I'd like to introduce Diane Toolan.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you very much, Gail.

I'd like to welcome everyone to tonight's public hearing on the needs of the community. There are handouts on the performance of the City during the most recently completed program year, which was 44, which was from October 1, 2018 through September 30th of 2019, as well as the schedule of meetings and the deadlines for the remainder of the process.

HUD is currently reviewing the City's consolidated annual performance and evaluation, also known as the CAPER report for this CD Year 44 period. And once we've received their comment letter, it along with our response will be posted on the City's website at www.Waterburyct.org/CDBG.

I would now like to introduce Elizabeth
Esposito and Leslie Sprague Clerkin from Milone &
MacBroom, our consultant, in order to have them
provide an update on the demographic and housing
data that they have developed and are currently
analyzing in order to develop the goals and
objectives needed for the new five-year plan, and

to update the analysis of impediments for fair housing choice.

Leslie?

Clerkin, and this is Elizabeth. We work for the firm of Milone & MacBroom, as was mentioned earlier. And we were tasked with two specific documents to help the City to receive its consolidated plan funding. The first is the consolidated plan five-year document. We also would be assisting somewhat with the annual action plan, which is the component that talks about how they're going to spend their money this year.

And we're also working with the City on doing the analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. And that document is not submitted directly to HUD as of yet, but the Mayor, when he sends in his annual action plan that tells HUD how they're going to spend the money -- has to sign a certification that says, the City and its actions and its projects and programs is doing what it needs to do to further fair housing.

So we have been working for the past several months on the needs analysis portion of the five-year plan. Just let me know if I'm

standing in front -- but the five-year plan will cover all three programs. So CDBG is what most people are here for, but it's also HOME which is housing and ESG, which speaks to the needs of homelessness and those at risk of homelessness.

So we have been going through -- we've been doing these analyses, and it's important to remember that although there are many programs and projects that are important in the City, the principle goal of these programs that are under the consolidated plan are to chiefly benefit persons of low and moderate income.

And there's a map. Everyone has a little handout, but the map that you see are those areas in the city that had been determined by the census to be areas where projects can occur because there's more than 51 percent low-mod populations. So that's -- the gray indicates areas where projects can occur and meet the requirements for HUD's beneficiaries.

And the yellow circles are the opportunity zones. One of the new requirements this year is we have to talk about the opportunity zones and how the projects and programs are going to meet the requirements and the incentive programs that

fall in those areas.

So we're right now doing the needs analysis. We also did community meetings. We had two here in this room where it was an open invitation for people to come in and discuss needs, programs that have been occurring. It was not a public hearing per se, but it was an open meeting in the community.

And then we also had three meetings where we traveled around. We went to the Police Activity League. We went to the Hispanic Coalition at the Baldwin -- river Baldwin Center and we also went to the senior center. So our goal was to try to make sure that we heard from a broad variety of people. So we were able to go to places that were accessible, but also that we're able to talk and speak with people who would be beneficiaries of the programs.

There was also a community survey. There was an agency survey as well as a residential survey. The survey has since been closed. It was on the City's website and was also e-mailed out to agencies. There are 124 residents that responded to the survey, and there were 40 responses to the agency survey, but that came from 32 agencies.

Eighty-six percent of the people who did
the resident survey said they were city residents.
There were others who said they were homeowners,
they were property owners or perhaps they could
have been business owners.

So the top needs that were articulated were energy efficiency and rehab, and senior housing. They also were interested in, like, abuse and neglected youth services, homeless shelter services and the domestic violence services. There were others that fell under the category, but those were the top responses.

In terms of community facilities there was a need and concern for more youth centers and youth programming. Somehow fire stations and fire equipment came up. It must have been a question that was asked, but that came up as a need to improve those facilities.

And then parks and recreation facilities, that was another one that came up a lot when we were out in the community. The people were talking about the need for safe recreation, additional walking trails, activities that were open to a variety of different peoples and different needs.

As far as services, we're talking about
mental health services, anticrime programs,

positive youth enrichment services.

Infrastructure, everyone was talking about street improvements; the need for sidewalk and street lighting so we could have safe pedestrian access.

In terms of businesses and jobs and the economy, people were talking about the need for employment training, job training, job retention and there was also a small business loan. So a lot of people were talking about, let's try to get the residents of the city who would like to have another employment opportunity or to broaden their employment, have the ability to do some employment training so they would be available in the workforce.

And in terms of neighborhood services, there was a lot of anti-blight types of things, cleanup of vacant lots and buildings, trash and debris removal, and then stronger code enforcement. So that kind of was across the board. We heard it, not only in the survey responses, but also when we were out in the community and people were telling us what they wanted.

We also had typed up -- it's not available here, but I would imagine it could be made available. We have a list of all of the comments we heard when we went to those meetings. So as people are talking we'll do the same tonight.

We're writing those down. We're listening to what people are saying, and we have a list of those and they will then be incorporated into the needs that are articulated to HUD as to how the community is assessing the needs for the community.

Agencies, again there were 40 responses from 33 different agencies. This is a list of the people who responded. So then that way anybody here in the audience who may be speaking about a project, you can see if your agency was one of the respondents.

The goals were very similar. So what we did with agencies is we had the goals from the last five-year plan, and we really wanted people to say, this is what has been driving the process currently. Look at these now and tell us whether or not they still pertain to what you perceive as the needs, whether they should be changed.

So 60 percent of the respondents thought that the previous goals, or the goals that the

City is operating under today were adequate, very similar to the comments that were brought up with the residential.

About 50 percent thought that there were other programs that could be added to make the consolidated plan better, talking about providing more attention and more resources to affordable housing; to expand some of the current programs to make them -- anything that's successful, to expand them; looking for additional funding, which is kind of a straightforward thing. Everybody wants additional funding, but it's not really anything that we can address in the plan -- but let's hope that HUD sees that in the plan response.

Talking about the need, Waterbury's housing stock is in need of repair and code enforcement.

And again, this is the agencies -- some of its areas of suggestion. They talk about the center stuff, the need for education, mental health services, financial support to rehabilitate housing, medical services for the elderly and for the homeless.

Homeowner education, there were several times where the opioid addiction was brought up in a couple of conversations; and neighborhood

A lot of people were talking about mass transit and getting people to the jobs or getting the people to the services that they need.

revitalization, and finally public transportation.

I'm not going to go through these, but these, everyone has the packet. It's talking about the needs that were voiced when we went to the neighborhood meetings. So when we went out into the community this is what the people said. I basically cut it all up into argument and talking.

A couple interesting things like the economic development, people were talking about infant childcare, especially for the second and third shift. You know there might be childcare now, but there's not childcare for people who work under those unusual hours.

And I think the only other one is -- there was right over there at the Spanish coalition about the need for more translation services.

There are a lot of people that are now moving to the city who English is not their fist language, or not their primary language, and it's important to be able to communicate -- so in all areas. And if people feel like they don't have access to the

system because they're not able to communicate, it's important to keep that in mind.

The other document that we've been charged to help with is the assessment of fair housing, and when we read into the minutes we talked briefly about what that was. We need to look at the policies and procedures that are in place in the City, look at the housing conditions in the housing market, and also look at things that are occurring in the community that may be discriminatory or may segregate the community and come up with programs and policies that will help us address that.

The last time, frankly, I was preparing here in the City was 2013 -- and they used it, the 2010 census data. The 2020 census has not been conducted yet, so we're kind of in this limbo in-between phase as far as data. So what HUD is suggesting people use and what they make available when they pre-populate this stuff is they're using what's called an American community survey sample set. It's a very small sample. Then they take the base year, and then they try to make an estimate of what's happening in the city.

What we found when we looked at the numbers

is it's showing that things are pretty much the same. When we hear people in the community, people are saying, it's not really the same. So we're kind of at an in-between limbo phase. We're forced to use numbers that we may not feel a hundred percent comfortable with because it's saying the population is staying about the same.

The number of youth is staying about the same. The number of elderly is staying about the same. The only thing that has changed somewhat is the percent Hispanic, Spanish-speaking population is increasing. They're talking about the percent other minorities or nonwhite -- they're saying is about the same, slightly decreased as a percentage in the community, but that could then be just the flip-flop of how people identified themselves when they answered that sample.

Some demographics that will make a difference in our plan, they're talking about the number of single-parent households is increasing. So we need to make sure that we can do housing and programs that may address those needs. Again, the number of Spanish-speaking residents has increased.

For more residents, not just

Spanish-speaking, that percentage has increased as well. A slight decrease as far as people with bachelor's degrees. There's a decrease in people that graduated from high school. So that points

workforce development.

It used to be that you used to talk a little bit about grandparents with grandchildren and their needs. The numbers show that those are reduced, but again it's based on a sample set.

us towards the need for some job training,

It talks about how the unemployment rate has decreased. It could be, yes, there are some new jobs. Most of those jobs are in the service industry or the healthcare industry. Another thing that's based on a sample set, or it could be that the people that are once in the unemployment lines are no longer even applying for it.

So those counts, although those are the counts that will compare us with everywhere else in the country, it shows a slight decrease in unemployment, a slight increase in the labor force; talking about persons with disabilities and persons with less than a high school degree have a harder time getting a job that will sustain their family and be able to afford housing.

And then the last one is the median household income has increased slightly, but if you look at the numbers it's really only about \$200 a year since 2015 -- or between 2010 and 2015 which is the last number that we had this come up with, but it's not kept up with inflation. So locally, even though we can say our household income has increased, it really hasn't kept up with inflation, nor has it kept up with the cost of housing.

Just there are more renter units than there are owner-occupied units. The median sales price of a single-family home decreased locally, and the price of condominiums also decreased.

In the document -- I know everyone is here to talk their needs. In the document we have been talking briefly about changing our goal to guide the next strategy through. We have twelve goals that we would like to use going forward.

So I'm just going to go -- I'm just going to say the keywords in them. You can read them at your leisure. We will still take feedback after tonight, or you can talk about it tonight. We'll take notes. The first one is just increasing the availability and accessibility of decent, safe and

affordable housing.

Number two is increase housing affordability. So not only make the units, but also make them more affordable.

Three is maintain and increase the availability of housing and supportive services for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless.

Four, increase the supply of three or more bedroom units. There are larger families that don't have the availability of decent, safe and affordable housing that's appropriate in size for their family.

Invest in public community and neighborhood infrastructure and facility improvements; parks, playgrounds, community facilities and those types of things. Support youth initiatives, give them something positive to do.

Number seven is to provide programs and services that benefit the elderly and the disabled.

Number eight would be support the provision of targeted social service programs, social service programs that benefit those low and moderate income people that are the target for

this funding source.

Number nine was provide basic medical and nutritional resources. So that's all the preventative medicine, medicine that might help people come over from addiction; and then nutritional, people that have food insecurity.

Number ten would be investment in infrastructure, replacement and improvements.

We've heard a lot of people say, we need sidewalk replacement, we need safer streets, we need better lighting, we need parks that are safer. So those would be the types of things that would fall underneath that.

Number eleven is the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions. Mostly we hear about lead-based paint, we hear about asbestos, but that could also be contaminated sites.

And then the last one is the economic development one, and it's to provide technical assistance and support to help people be successful in the economy. And that's job training, workforce development, but it also could be providing assistance to activities. We have the hub food center, we have urban farming, and talking about other initiatives and innovative

programs and projects that may make jobs available to people in need.

And this is just our next steps. Right now our need analysis is in process. Tonight is an important component of that because we're here to hear the needs in the community from your perspective. You are the ones that live in the community or work in the community and see the clients. You know better than we do as to what the needs are.

Then after we hear the needs we're going to be looking at the data needs that we compiled from the HUD data and other resources, and then what we hear in these meetings. And we're going to help to develop goals. I provided a basis for some changes we're talking about now, but those will be reformulated and looked at again.

And then towards the end of February, early March, we'll start drafting that draft plan. The public hearing on the draft is scheduled for mid April. At that time it will also be posted on the City's website. It's open for a 30-day mandatory public comment period where you have access to the document either here, online, at the library and you are able to then comment. And we are required

to consider all comments before we do the final plan.

And the final plan is projected to be completed sometime in May of 2020. It's not due to HUD until later in the summer, but when summer kicks in it's hard to get everybody in one place and get things approved. So our goal is to get it done, because we are required to submit by August. Right? So it just makes sense to get it done before the summer kicks in because people are not around.

I'm happy to hear any questions, but I think everyone is here tonight to talk about their needs. So I'm going to be around if you want to ask later.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you, Leslie. Thank you, Liz.

In order to be mindful of everyone's time,
I just want to remind you that the speakers for
tonight's public hearing are limited to three
minutes, and that you will receive a one-minute
warning.

When your name is called please come up to the podium, state your name, your address and your organization clearly for the record, because we do have a court reporter here. These are verbatim, and it's for tonight's public hearing.

The first speaker in tonight's public
hearing is Charles Monaghan from Mattatuck Museum.

CHARLES MONAGHAN: I am Charles Monaghan, President of
the Board of the Mattatuck Museum. Good evening.

I'm here with our Director of Development, Cindy
Tolosa tonight.

On behalf of the board and staff, and the many thousands of Waterburyians, especially schoolchildren who come to the Mattatuck to see and learn, I would like to ask the Citizen Advisory Committee to consider Community Development Block Grant funding for our extensive classroom space improvements which are about to begin.

These funds combined with other funding sources will allow the museum to improve classrooms in its building located at 144 West Main Street, enabling us to serve more Waterbury Public School students and improve the services we provide to Waterburyians of all ages and backgrounds.

The museum is a community-centered educational resource that serves tens of thousands of students and community members each year.

Students in Waterbury are eager for art and history education opportunities, and the museum is perfectly positioned to offer these experiences. That's why we are busy expanding and improving our classroom space. Our education spaces will double in size as a result of this project, allowing us to serve more children age 3 to 18 through school programs.

The Mattatuck Museum has been an important and beloved cultural cornerstone for Waterbury since 1877. Its dual focus on art and history makes it a rarity among museums, enabling it to tell stories, reward curiosity and encourage creativity. Through its work the Mattatuck has earned its reputation, not only as a beacon of learning, but also a community gathering place and the prime guardian of Waterbury's story.

The time has come for the museum to take on an evermore prominent and meaningful role. The museum is dedicated to providing learning opportunities to a diverse audience, for first-time museum goers and young families, to art collectors and historians. In order to continue its unique service to Waterbury and the region the Mattatuck must evolve and improve.

Thank you to the committee for your time this evening. We have made great progress on our project already. Through the support of this committee and others in the community we can soon make it a reality and a benefit for everyone.

Thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Our next speaker is Ryan Matthews from Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters.

RYAN MATTHEWS: Good evening, everybody. I'm with nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters. We're located at 30 Laurel Street in Hartford, but our program covers 132 towns and cities across the state.

and before I dive into my application I want to say the committee has an unbelievably hard set of choices before it. There's a number of unbelievably deserving nonprofits in the room today and I hope, you know, on behalf of all of the organizations that you guys choose very wisely, because there's a lot of folks in the community that are dependent upon the services that this community provides. And anything you're able to give all our organizations I'm sure would be appreciated.

So what we do -- and if you guys hopefully know, Big Brothers Big Sisters is the country's

largest mentoring network. Here in Connecticut we serve for over 1200 kids across 4 unique program models, but what we do is really simple. We do one-to-one mentoring.

And so I think when you think back in your own lives you guys can think about teachers or coaches, or aunts or uncles, or maybe an older brother or an older sister who made an impact on your life. And then think about the trajectory that your life might have taken if that person wasn't there.

And so for our little brothers and our sisters, the ones that we serve every single day across the city of Waterbury -- we serve about 30 kids a year in the city. It cost us about \$50,000 to deliver those services every single year. Those kids are doing better in school.

They're more likely to achieve four-year degrees. They're more likely to have stronger ties with their family. They're more likely to have stronger ties to their community, and it's all because that volunteer mentor is getting ongoing support from Big Brothers Big Sisters to deliver enduring and professionally supported one-to-one mentoring services.

And I think the most incredible thing about our program -- and of course, you're going to read every single letter of our application. Right?

And learn all about our incredible impact. We return an 18-dollar per dollar in social return on investment.

So that means because our kids are achieving more academically, because they're less likely to get arrested, they're less likely to get out-of-school suspensions and they're more likely to go on to achieve success in life, which includes higher taxes and more contributions to their community. For every dollar invested in mentoring we return \$18 back to the community.

So for what we're asking for, which is 15,000 dollars of a 50,000-dollar program budget, what we're thinking about is, not just that 15K this year, but there's 18 dollars more that you'll return to those every single one of those 15,000 dollars in the years to come.

But I thank you guys so much for your time and your consideration of our application. And we look forward to serving the city of Waterbury for many more years to come. Thank you guys so much.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker is Sofia Swaby from the Salvation Army.

SOFIA SWABY: Sofia Swaby, the Salvation Army, 74

Central Avenue. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the CAC and City of Waterbury for continuously awarding ESG and CDBG funds to the Salvation Army.

These funds help support our rapid rehousing program, homeless prevention program, emergency family shelter and food pantry. All four of these programs are essential in providing the necessary service to the Waterbury community.

This year our rapid rehousing program has provided housing for 63 people, 99 percent still stably housed. Our homeless prevention program assisted 18 individuals to stay in the place that they call home, all still stably housed. 169 people were able to have a place where their children could sleep at night and eat three meals so they were able to focus on their education. The food pantry was able to provide 636 families with food this year so parents did not have to decide between paying rent or feeding their children.

As you can see, these programs are

1 necessary for our community and the Salvation Army 2 is grateful for the chance to provide these services with the continuous funding support 3 through these funds. Thank you. MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. 5 Our next speaker this evening is Janet 6 7 Freimuth, Children in Placement. JANET FREIMUTH: Good evening, and thank you for having 8 I'm Janet Freimuth. I'm the Executive 9 Director of Children in placement. 10 11 statewide organization. 12 And this is Stephanie Ecklin. She's our 13 regional star manager that oversees this region in terms of the kids that we serve. 14 15

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For over 40 years Children in Placement has recruited, trained and managed volunteers to support -- to serve hundreds of abused and neglected children statewide. We're the only agency in the state to do this. While we are not widely known, we are known to the courts and we're

Children find themselves bottlenecked in Connecticut's overburdened child protection system. Many of these children are able to move out of foster care and to safe, permanent homes

without a guardian ad litem volunteer speaking up for them. While DCF workers have upwards of 30 cases, and attorneys have many more, our volunteers take one or two cases at a time. In 2018 there were 4,835 cases of abuse reported in Waterbury alone, of those half were confirmed. The leading cause of abuse and neglect is poverty and substance abuse. While I don't have the data information on substance abuse, I can tell you that Waterbury's poverty rate is one of the highest in the state.

and provide a thorough report to the courts so that the judge can make an informed decision on safe, permanent placement of a child. There's much work to be done. With the Department of Children and Families initiative to keep more children with their family or relatives the process that CIP volunteers assume is critical for the neediest of children.

Studies show that when a GAL volunteer is involved in a child protection case the child and their family receive more court-ordered services. The child's case is more likely to be permanently closed, and the child is on the road to permanency

in a shorter period of time, as compared to children in child protection cases without a GAL to represent their interest.

CIP receives less than half of its budget from state funding and we rely heavily on the funding from cities and other funders so that we can continue to provide this much-needed service for the many children that we serve each year.

Our Waterbury office is currently serving -- well, it was serving 34 children. As of today it's a few more -- of which 75 percent are Waterbury residents, and we take a hundred percent of the cases assigned to us. If you remember nothing else, please note that the volunteer is the one voice whose sole allegiance is to speak up for the child's interest while simultaneously monitoring the child's ongoing safety, and standing by the child as they endure court trials, motions and hearings.

Our volunteers ensure that the potential barriers that could otherwise impede the child's path to a safe, permanent home are removed as quickly as possible -- and we have more brochures because we're always looking for volunteers to help support these kids.

Thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Our next speaker this evening is Karen Senich, Boys and Girls Club.

KAREN SENICH: On behalf of the Board of Directors and the staff and the families at the Boys and Girls Club, thank you for allowing me to come here to speak to you tonight.

The City's past support through the CDBG program has allowed the Boys and Girls Club to make physical improvements to better serve our members and our community. The Boys and Girls Club currently has over 200 members in grades K through five -- excuse me, K though twelve. Our members pay \$115 for the entire school year where they participate in programs that, among others, focus on academics, technology, sports, fitness, nutrition, health, and becoming a good steward of their community.

Providing a safe environment to the youth of Waterbury and our members is our critical mission right now, and is one of the key aspects of positive youth development. We are committed to providing that safe environment to our members, to our staff, to our visitors, to our parents and our volunteers, and have taken significant steps

1 to improve the overall safety at the club 2 including limiting the membership in the 3 afterschool program. Currently we are at capacity and we have a 5 lengthy waiting list. Our physical space and our office size limit our capacity. We are looking to 6 7 transition our closed pool to usable program space 8 which will go far in allowing us to serve more of 9 Waterbury's youth. 10 Additionally, in furtherance of our mission we want to do our part to ensure that the youth of 11 12 our community are reading and doing math at grade level. Our current academic programs aim to 13 14 support the learning that is happening in the 15 schools. We offer homework help and learning 16 opportunities, but we want to do more. 17 We hope to work with the Department of 18 Education and the City to ensure that we're doing 19 our part to support the needs of the schools and 20 these children. Thank you for your support. 21 MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. 22 Our next speaker this evening is Susan 23 Pronovost, Brass City Harvest.

SUSAN PRONOVOST: Good evening.

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359 Mill Street. I am very pleased to let the Citizens Advisory Committee know that the Brass City Regional Food Hub is ready for occupancy. We couldn't have done this job without the support and CDBG funding directed to this project. It is both in terms of construction and equipping the facility.

The facility is going to be a social enterprise, but also an economic development engine for the South End of Waterbury. This past year Brass City Harvest infused 160,000 pounds of fresh food into the community. We expect that to be increased to 200,000 pounds for 2020, and that's a charitable donation.

We run many core programs for food and nutrition in the community, but our goal is now turning towards expanding our mission to increase employment and fresh food access. We're so very thankful for your support. We're going to need a lot more. This is a very big enterprise, and we would appreciate your consideration.

Thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker is Lee Schlesinger, Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury.

LEE SCHLESINGER: Hello. Good evening, everyone. My name is Lee Schlesinger, Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury. We're located at 29 Central Avenue. Thank you so much to the committee for your past support.

Our CDBG funds help to support our community-based services for both victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well as our community education and prevention program.

Many victims of domestic or sexual violence do not need shelter, however they are looking for support options, guidance, and resources to help them through what is probably the lowest point of their lives.

Our advocates provide individual or group counseling support through the medical examination process, interviews with law enforcement or accompaniment to court. They advocate for benefits, housing, education and job searches, and make referrals to other area providers, many of whom are in this room.

Our community education prevention program educates individuals beginning as young as pre-K on topics ranging from good touch/bad touch, bullying, healthy relationships, self-esteem,

Internet safety, safe dates, et cetera, all of which are presented to schools with age-appropriate materials or programming in an effort to reduce instances of violence.

ESG funds help support our emergency shelter operations. Clients that come to our shelter are fleeing because they are not safe in their own homes. This is their last resort. They do not want to uproot their children and leave their possessions behind, but it is sometimes the only way they can keep themselves and their children safe.

While they are residents we provide them with food, personal care items and clothing if needed. Our shelter advocates work with the clients to develop a plan for their next safe place to live, including finding housing locally or sometimes assisting with a move out of state.

The children are enrolled in the local schools and meet with our child advocate to help them understand that the violence is not their fault. Safe Haven provides a safe environment for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault where they can recover from the trauma they have suffered and begin to rebuild their lives either

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in our shelter or through our community-based services.

All services at Safe Haven are free of charge. One quick small positive story this time -- I usually tell a really sad one. Our associate director made contact with the Full Circle Farm in Bethlehem. It's a place where horses that are no longer being ridden sometimes find their place. They offered to have our shelter families come out for a visit on a Saturday afternoon.

We contacted our friends at Hispanic
Coalition who provided their bus and a driver to
get all the families there at the same time. It
was incredible to see how our families reacted to
the horses. They were able to pet, feed, brush
and lead the horses. The moms remarked that going
to the farm made them forget about the chaos that
was going on in their lives.

One mom in particular was in tears because her two and a half year old had a hard time settling down. He would run wild and scream constantly. He was so enamored with the horses he just stared at them. His mom was shocked at how quite and calm he was even when it was his turn to

brush the horses.

The support that we received from ESG and CDBG funds helps gives families like these and many others the first steps towards living a life, a future without violence.

Thank you very much.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Barbara Ann Dublin, GWIM.

BARBARA ANN DUBLIN: My name is Barbara Ann Dublin, and
I'm the Executive Director for Greater Waterbury
Interfaith Ministries. We're located at 770 East
Main Street in Waterbury, and our landlord is the
wonderful Ralph Monti.

Good evening, Citizens Advisory Committee.

Thank you for all you've done, and thank you for your continuation to help us feed our hungry citizens in the Greater Waterbury area.

The soup kitchen is open seven days a week, Monday through Friday, eleven to one. We serve a delicious hot meal for all our friends in need.

It's a sitdown dinner. We also enjoy Brass City Harvest that provides wonderful cooking classes for our children under a registered dietitian.

They provide hands-on teaching with the children

and they make delicious meals together.

Thanks, Sue.

We serve everyone sitting down restaurant-style. Over 14,000 meals per month are served to all our hungry citizens. On the weekends we also serve a bag lunch that is filled to the brim with sandwiches, treats and nutritious and delicious wonderful meals, with a juice box included. So thank you, everyone, for helping our families, providing their basic needs.

The food pantry is consumer choice. This is a wonderful provision for all our friends that must utilize our food pantry shopping in the White House, which is a manufactured classroom from Maine. We serve over 14,000 meals per month there. We are open 7:30 to 1:30 the last Monday of the month making sure they receive all the groceries they need, which includes fresh fruits, vegetables, certainly chicken, ground beef, hot dogs and other specialties.

I want to say that this was the first time in so many years that I've been helping -- we had 143 new people walk through the soup kitchen doors and I was just floored, because it's just a sign of the times and I'm grateful to all of you, the

Citizen Advisory Committee to help feed all of those folks in need.

You are GWIM's lifeline, which allows us to be the consumer's lifeline. I want to thank each and every one of you. Please visit us, and anytime you're in the area we'd love to give you a tour.

Thank you again.

MS. TOOLAN: Our next speaker this evening is -- I hope
I say this correctly -- Jose A. Briello from GWIM.

JOSE A. BRIELLO: Good evening, everybody. I'm so glad to be here, you know, because I know they need it for the poor people, you know. So this all for some time, you know. There would be a family going to eat, too, because the only place they had to get some food. You know? I'm being glad, your helper as -- you know, I'm very glad. Okay?

Thank you and God bless you all.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you, so much. Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Mara K.

Ford from PAL.

MARA K. FORD: Good evening. My name is Mara Ford.

I'm the Executive Director at PAL. Our address is

64 Division Street in Waterbury.

I want to start by thanking everybody on

this committee. The work that you've done to support PAL in the past has been monumental and it's really allowed us to do the vital work that

we do in the North End of the city.

I've only been at PAL for a year and I think I missed this process last year, but I do know that there are two things about PAL that I really want to share with everybody in the room. One is the programming that we provide for the children.

We have 2,240 kids, youth in Waterbury who come to PAL and participate in our programs. The children who participate are involved in sports and recreation programs, educational programs, afterschool, a job training program that we run in culinary and other areas, landscaping, gardening; a mentoring program which we launched last year which was enormously successful, one-on-one mentoring with youth at risk in the community, and police officers. And then we have a new partnership with the Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board with Youth Build, and that's been a good addition to our program.

We also serve a great need in Waterbury with transportation. We have a fleet of buses and

vans that move people all over the city. When the kids come to our building the cost to be a member at PAL is \$30 a year. Thirty-six percent of the people who walk through the door don't pay a dime. So each child pays \$30, and they can participate in activities throughout the year. So it's a pretty amazing opportunity for the kids.

The second thing that I don't think people talk about that much with PAL is our community stakeholder position in the north end. We have an amazing campus and the facilities there are awesome. This year what we're trying to do is to build on that community piece with the improvement in the parking lot. That's something that we feel would be a great addition to the citizens, and it would provide a healthy lifestyle opportunity to have a track out there that we can use for the kids programs, but also for the community.

And the second thing is to run a pilot program with the board of education at the Reed School to try and enhance what we're already doing afterschool at PAL to help with the education, specifically math and English language arts for the children of Waterbury.

Thank you.

THE CHAIR: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Jered Bruzas from St. Vincent DePaul Mission.

JERED BRUZAS: Good evening. Jered Bruzas, St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury, 114 Benedict Street.

I too want to thank the board for their great work and generosity in providing the ongoing assistance and support for those who are in most need. And today I rise to speak on behalf of those who are experiencing homelessness within our community, and in a special way for those families and individuals we serve at St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury.

A quick story. A couple weeks ago we had a family that was displaced due to some domestic violence, and unfortunately their lives were uprooted. They became homeless for the first time and arrived at our shelter door. Thankfully, with the ongoing support and generosity of the ESG funds we were able to re-home that family within 15 days -- 15 days, which reduces the trauma, the impact and the burden of being homeless, getting those children back into their own bed and allowing the mom to cook the regular foods that they eat every night due in large part and with

thanks and gratitude to the work of this body and the resources that we receive.

But the reality is the resources are slim. The resources are few. Thankfully, the shelter does it the best in the state, and it's not just because I say it -- because the data in the homeless management system proves it.

The average length of stay in a shelter in the state of Connecticut last year was over 70 days, almost 75. St. Vincent DePaul, 29. The other shelters in this region, not even close. An investment in the St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury is a true investment of those experiencing homelessness, and it's not just that we're able to re-house our individuals quickly, as we do it the best. The reality is our outcomes are the best, and those that return back to homelessness are few.

So we ask for the ongoing support and generosity of this board so we can continue to do the great work that we do knowing that the resources are few, and we have to continue to rely upon the generous benefactors of the community to ensure that we're serving those in most need of our services. We thank you.

1 MS. TOOLAN: Our next speaker this evening is David 2 Raccio from Shakesperience Productions. DAVID RACCIO: Hello everyone. My name is David 3 Raccio. I'm from Shakesperience Productions. We are the local nonprofit children's theater company 5 located on 117 Bank Street, right over there. 6 7 I, for the last year or so, have had the 8 pleasure of working with Shakesperience and right now I'm the lead teacher for our Saturday acting 9 intensives that take place right at our location 10 11 It is a former jewelry store that we've 12 converted into our studio space. 13 On behalf of the entire company we are in 14 awe that we can be here tonight, that your vision of this city includes us, that you are people who 15 16 see the value of an arts education for the children of our community. The City of Waterbury 17 18 deserves the people that are in this room. 19 Waterbury is a strong and vibrant city, and they 20 deserve people who care about the betterment of 21 our community. 22 In our acting intensives we're training the 23 future members of these community organizations, 24 the next generation of caring citizens. 25 joining our class students are imbued with the

very basic foundation of the Shakesperience model, ensemble. An ensemble is a group of people working together toward a common goal. That's exactly what's happening in this room, and in each session of our acting class students work as an ensemble to put on a free play for their families and community members.

Through their rehearsal process
students learn the soft skills of collaboration,
the benefit of being your best self in order to
contribute to the collective goals of others.
Students leave acting classes with confidence,
public speaking skills, increased interest in
literature and classical text, and foremost, the
knowledge that they have the power to create art
and have autonomy over what they are learning.

It's our mission to make this accessible to everyone regardless of financial need, and for the past eight years this grant funding has directly allowed students with moderate to low income to be part of this, to have access to this world of professional theater and to walk out of Shakesperience with the confidence and the connections to continue their lives in an industry that can be inaccessible to people that don't have

the money to spend on acting classes, and this funding is forever helping kids.

So thank you so much.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. Our next speaker this evening is Gabrielle Padilla from Mental Health Connecticut.

GABRIELLE PADILLA: Hello. I'm Gabrielle Padilla. I'm from Mental Health Connecticut at 969 West Main Street in Waterbury, Connecticut. And I'm also here with my supervisor and Director of Employment Education and Housing Services, Agustin Lopez.

Mental health Connecticut has been a participating agency in Waterbury, Connecticut for at least the past 35 years providing mental health and residential services.

In 2017 we were awarded the CAN Navigator Grant, which stands for the Coordinated Access Network, to provide the frontline staff for all folks and individuals including families and youth who are at risk of experiencing or are experiencing literal homelessness.

In the past year 1,947 residents of the Greater Waterbury area were scheduled to meet with my staff. 959 of those individuals showed up and were serviced through the Coordinated Access

Network.

The average state rate is 50 percent. Our area was 49.3. Of that 959, 272 individuals and families which is 28.5 percent were diverted from ever entering into the shelter. 270 families were serviced, and 121 of those families were diverted from coming in. Today we are asking a proposal for \$50,000 for diversion funds to assist in rental assistance and utility arrearage to help support in servicing families and individuals from having to enter into the shelter system.

In 2018 we were able to service over 20 families with \$35,000 from other allocated funding that was unfortunately reabsorbed back through the CAN system. And so funding for us has been limited, but it is our goal for this year to double our diversion rates in the next coming year.

So thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Agustin Lopez -- oh, okay. So you don't want to speak.
Okay.

Our next speaker is Shakira Wade from the Center for Human Development.

SHAKIRA WADE: Good evening. I wanted to sneak my
three minutes early. I'm Shakira Wade from the
Center for Human Development, Hospitality Center,
693 East Main Street in lovely Waterbury,
Connecticut.

So this feels amazing. It's like a family reunion every year. We all get to come back.

Everybody is still sitting here. So welcome back.

Thanks for having us.

So I have two facts. I believe that if I was approving money to go anywhere I would want to know that the program is growing and that it's just not stagnant, that the money is helping people and everybody is happy with the services that they're receiving. So I can say I've been here for about five years. So we've done that and every time I've come to this podium we've had great news.

It's never been any, oh, we've been low in our numbers, or we haven't saved any lives.

That's not true. So that's one fun fact -- but there's three fun facts. So that's one fun fact.

The second fact is we have this great project that we've been working with. We've partnered with the Department of Labor for employment programs, and

we've had several conversations around all of the amazing trainings and programs that the City is offering for the citizens here.

However, but then having those honest conversations can you realistically expect for people to be successful in any training program or employment program when they don't know when they're going to eat or where they're going to sleep? That's not realistic, and those are all of the barriers that our people are facing.

And there's many times where we go to meetings and it's my job to go and to advocate for our population for some of their concerns. And a lot of the times that people on the other end of the table have their perception of what a good solution is for our population, but in talking to the Department of Labor they understood that, hey. This is a real barrier. This is a problem.

We are going to get people into these trainings, but they are not going to complete them and they aren't going to be successful. And it's going to be a waste of money for the City, and it's truly going to be a disappointment for our guys because they haven't completed it.

So they heard everything that we said. So

now there's a project and a role. We're in a pilot where they are not only paying for their training, but they're also paying for them to be housed while they're in the training.

You guys are supposed to clap now. So that's amazing.

So we want to thank the Department of Labor for that partnership, for just believing in our population and trusting that they're going to do what's right. And we have at least six guys that are ready to go into this pilot program, and we're excited about it.

The last fact is, if you guys didn't know -- because of the Mayor and how amazing he is, and because of the money from the CDBG grant our hours were extended from -- we were open from Monday to Friday, 7:30 to 3:30. Now we're open Monday to Friday, 7:30 to 5:30; and Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. That's another clap time. So we want to thank the committee and we want to thank the Mayor of Waterbury for believing in us and thanks for having us tonight. Three minutes.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Chris

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Bouchard from the Center for Human Development. CHRIS BOUCHARD: Good evening, everyone. My name is Chris Bouchard. I'm here to talk about Hospitality Center, Center for Human Development, 693 East Main Street.

I'm going to give you a little story about how I came out to the Hospitality Center. I came to Waterbury in 2016 with nowhere to go. staying at U-Haul for about six months and I didn't know anything about the hospitality center until somebody from U-Haul was telling me about it, and I learned that you could take showers there, wash clothes, and it's family oriented.

So I met some good people and good friends there, and I ended up staying there as a volunteer for a couple years. And then in October of 2018 I ended up becoming an employee and assistant coordinator to Shakira -- with Laurie's help also, and other friends and family. And I just want you to know it's a great place and we appreciate everything that you guys do, and we hope you can keep doing more.

Thank you.

Thank you. MS. TOOLAN:

Our next speaker this evening is Jessica

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Reho from Literacy Volunteers.

JESSICA REHO: Good evening. My name is Jessica Reho and I am the Executive Director of Literacy

Volunteers of Greater Waterbury, located next door in the Silas Bronson Library at 267 Grant Street.

I am here tonight to thank the committee for supporting our program last year and to ask that you consider including Literacy Volunteers in the proposed draft plan for the upcoming program year as well.

For those of you who may not be familiar with our program, our mission states that Literacy Volunteers of Greater Waterbury through the valuable use of trained volunteers and community partners strides to improve all lives through literacy by cultivating educational opportunities for adults. To do this we rely on community volunteers who are willing to be trained to become a tutor. Students typically meet with their tutor for a minimum of one and a half to two hours a week either at the Silas Bronson Library where our office is located, or at a mutually agreed-upon location in the community.

In order to recruit volunteers we offer monthly volunteer orientations as well as provide

training and professional development to make sure our tutors are the best prepared to help their adult learners. All books and materials are also provided to the tutor and student free of charge thanks to donations and grants from community supporters like you. Flyers for our upcoming orientation can be found in the packet I have provided to you.

Last year with the help of nearly a hundred volunteers Literacy Volunteers was able to tutor over 150 adult learners in Waterbury in both English as a second language and basic literacy, and we also helped 13 of our students prepare and pass their citizenship exam.

Currently we serve over 120 adult learners and have a waitlist of almost 40, which means we most likely will surpass the number of adult learners served last year at only halfway through our grant period.

As a side note, I found it interesting to hear in the report tonight the community need for translation services, and I hope that hearing that will help you consider funding us again this year. The CDBG funds we are requesting would help cover a portion of the salaries of our staff who train

our tutors, register our students and provide ongoing support to the tutors and their students. It would also help cover some of the cost of the books and materials needed.

With the help of these funds we would be able to continue to provide this program free of charge, which is very important to us as last year 76 percent of our adult learners reported extremely low income. Please know that all funds awarded to Literacy Volunteers will go directly toward serving the adult learners in our community. It is our hope that by attending, our program adults will be able to meet their personal, educational and professional goals and become more productive members of our community.

Thank you for your consideration and we hope that you will choose to fund our program again this upcoming year as together we can achieve literacy for all.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Kathi Crowe, Waterbury Youth Services.

KATHI CROWE: Good evening. My name is Kathi Crowe, and I represent Waterbury Youth Services located at 83 Prospect Street in Waterbury. I want to

thank the committee for their generosity in the past, for your hard work and for your time this evening.

I'm really happy to see the consolidated plan, particularly the emphasis on youth initiatives. We have at Waterbury Youth Services 24 separate programs all framed around a positive youth development philosophy, and they range from afterschool programs, employment programs supported by the Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board; we have mentoring programs. We have a variety of activities. We provide homework help, and really 24 separate programs.

The program that I'm here to beg for tonight is our truancy program. This year, so far this year, the school year we've had 172 referrals to our truancy program. We have one 30-hour a week case manager that provides the service there.

Just to have a little breakdown, 96 of those students are high school, 25 are middle school, and 51 of this year's referrals are elementary school students -- so already chronically truant in elementary school. It's an enormous problem and we work really, really hard. We not only use our 30-hour a week staff member,

but we also use our graduate student interns to

provide case management services to these diverse

families.

Our programs are all free. Our afterschool programs are all free. Every single one of our programs is free to families. And so you know, we work really, really hard to provide services that are delivered in a youth friendly way to young people and their families across the city.

The other project that we're asking for funds for is to repave our two parking lots, one in back of our building and one at the corner lot which is, you know, it's in really, really bad shape. It has enormous potholes. Cars get damaged when they park there, and it's really a blight and it encourages ongoing vandalism. So we really would appreciate some help with that parking lot.

We'd love to put lights in, but when we got an estimate the lights alone were \$52,000. So we're kind of going one step at a time. We at least would like to eliminate the potholes.

So I thank you for your attention tonight and I appreciate the support that you've given our truancy program and our agency in the past. Thank

you very much.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Karina Figueroa, Catholic charities.

KARINA FIGUEROA: Good evening. My name is Karina

Figueroa. I am the Family Support Specialist at

Catholic Charities located at 965 South Main

Street in Waterbury.

I'm here to present you some of the programs that we're offering at our family center. We have our basic needs program that provides basic human needs to our families helping them in different aspects of their life such as income, food, utility assistance, case management, or a form of housing.

Families are encouraged to apply to this program through emergency case management or an advocacy center.

Second, we have the diaper bank program.

Diaper needs impact the physical, mental and economic well being of children and parents. Our goal at the family center is to reduce those stressors by distributing free diapers to low-income families in Waterbury and surrounding towns. We have helped more than 150 families last

year, and we hope to continue doing so in 2020.

We would like to invite you to help us in our

mission to create healthy families where children

grow up to be confident and useful members of the

community.

Thank you very much for your support.

Thank you very much for your support.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Catherine
Awwad from Northwest Regional Investment Board.

CATHERINE AWWAD: Good evening. Thank you very much.

Catherine Awwad from the Northwest Regional

Workforce Investment Board, and I'm here to give

you a little more detail about the program Shakira

mentioned.

The Northwest Regional Workforce Investment Board would like to submit an application under your HOME funds this year to secure a fuller implementation of an aggressive tenant-based rental assistance program that we currently pilot with funding from the United Way called, Home Works.

This program was first seen last year at the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and we've worked with the community of Honolulu, Hawaii, who has been running this type of program for ten years to

bring it here to Waterbury and to our region.

The United Way stepped up with funding to run it as a pilot program, and it started last month. We already, as Shakira mentioned, have six folks. We have a landlord who's tenant TBRA friendly. We've got folks ready to go. We will be using this program in partnership to address the issues of economic insecurity, lack of employment and homelessness in our Waterbury area.

The program is designed to provide employment services to assist homeless individuals and families securing job attainment, housing and employment services through what we call a HELP plan, housing employment and learning plan. The home works program will include several features of the rent-to-work program out of Honolulu who have provided us with guidance.

We seek to mitigate the barriers to securing and maintaining housing; increasing income through employment and benefits.

Coordinating with the homeless service provider such as the Center for Human Development and other community agencies, our clients will be enrolled utilizing the Northwest CAN by name list and direct referrals, and our WIB will leverage

significant federal and state workforce funds to provide workforce training programs.

The funds that we seek from HOME, roughly, approximately 250 to 300 thousand dollars annually will support two staff as well as pay for the negotiated rents with the landlord. We already have that in place. We're paying him. He's giving us a discount of \$500 a month per resident. We've secured childcare slots through new opportunities, that those funds we'll be paying for.

And again, we look forward to bringing on a career navigator to help participants achieve their employment and their housing goals. We've brought someone on already who started this week to serve in that role, funded with United Way funds. So we'd be interested in having this project added to your home application as you submit your new program, and we'll be looking with your help and guidance to submit a plan of service and a request for funding once that becomes available. Thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker this evening is Mary Conklin, Connecticut Legal Services.

MARY CONKLIN: Good evening. I'm Mary Conklin. I'm currently the managing attorney of the Housing Unit for Connecticut Legal Services. I've also for many years been the local housing attorney at our Waterbury office. We're located at 85 Central Avenue here in Waterbury.

It's my pleasure to speak to you once again this year regarding our CDBG funding. I also want to express our appreciation for the many years that you've recognized that we provide valuable services in our supportive efforts to prevent eviction and end homelessness in Waterbury.

As I mentioned last year, the need for assistance in preventing evictions in Waterbury is great. A book published with 2016 data called, Evictions, by Matthew Desmond, published data for the evictions rates of large cities. Waterbury ranked 22nd in the country with a rate of 6.1 percent evictions being filed.

There's a growing recognition that legal representation is part of a continuum of services aimed at eviction prevention and homelessness. Persons in court are less likely to lose housing if they have representation. The consequences of eviction for low-income persons are severe.

Evictions can increase material hardships, decrease residential security, bring about long periods of homelessness, result in job loss, split up families, impair educational development, cause mental and physical harm, and decrease the chances of securing decent and affordable housing. An eviction record is a major hurdle to finding affordable housing.

In cities it is women who are disproportionately faced with challenges of the eviction fallout. Connecticut Legal Services is a nonprofit organization. We provide legal assistance to low-income persons. In the housing area we specifically work on evictions and loss of subsidy terminations.

We do outreach in the community. We support other local organizations that are working in the homelessness continuum. I sit on the committee that distributes funds for the local flexible assistance eviction prevention fund.

And I'd also, again as I did last year, I'd like to indicate that I support your funding of like-minded agencies which include Safe Haven, Salvation Army, St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic Charities, CHD's Homeless Hospitality Center and

GWIM. We have connections and work closely with all these agencies.

And thank you for this opportunity to discuss our program and for your support of our application. Thank you.

MS. TOOLAN: Thank you.

Our next speaker is Ian Blake, Neighboring Housing Services of Waterbury.

IAN BLAKE: Good evening. I would like to take the time to thank the committee for allowing me to speak in regards to Neighborhood Housing Services of Waterbury. I am their Community Building and Engagement Coordinator there, and so I would like to tell you some brief things about Neighborhood Housing.

So Neighborhood Housing Services of
Waterbury is a nonprofit HUD certified
organization that was founded in 1980 with the
purpose of revitalizing neighborhoods and creating
homeownership opportunities throughout the city of
Waterbury. Our purpose reflects the
organization's embrace of a broad range of
business lines and programs as its objectives of
community revitalization and individual
empowerment.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Waterbury serves low to moderate income individuals and families in Waterbury, and 20 other communities in Western Connecticut including Danbury, Naugatuck and Torrington.

Some of our programs include prepurchase classes, which we come and talk about with lenders, insurance agents, realtors. They come and they come to these classes and they talk to residents and the community who are interested in purchasing a home. They talk about the various aspects of what they should look out for. So it educates them on what to know when it comes to purchasing a home.

We also educate them on the process of post purchase, so what they need to know after they have purchased their home. So for instance, it's great when after you've purchased your home to review your mortgage, your mortgage disclosure because a lot of times that there would be stipulations in there that you may not know about.

Another program that we offer is the landlord education class, which we believe prepares residents as well as landlords in the ability to make informed decisions when it comes

to tenants' rights as well as landlords' rights.

We also have a foreclosure counseling where we have a counselor who will sit down individually one on one with a family who is going through foreclosure which will allow them to stay in their home.

We also do neighborhood revitalization. So we go into neighborhoods. We look at blight homes. We fix them up. We remodel them, make them energy-efficient and affordable to those who are lower to mid income so they have the ability to own a home.

I believe -- we believe that homeownership is essential to people living stress-free lives where kids can feel like they can flourish in a home that their family is providing to them. And it's almost like generational wealth where a family is able to pass it on to their children and their children's children.

We see the importance of revitalization
here in Waterbury. Myself, as a resident, I see
the need for more homes here, for homes that are
blighted. I live in the North End. I see tons of
homes that are there that no one is living in
them, and I would love to see families there. I

would love to see kids running around. I would
love to see people moving in because they see the
value in our neighborhoods.
And thank you for your time today.

THE CHAIR: Thank you. Our last speaker is Richard Wood, Human Rights Commission.

RICHARD WOOD: Good evening, everyone. I'm here by accident. We had a Human Rights Commission meeting tonight, and I saw you folks sitting here.

And as your meeting moved on I said, well, this has some importance.

I work with the homeless every day, all day long. When I leave here I'll be going up to Pine Street to see if anyone there has a brand-new problem for the evening, and if they do I try to fix it. If they need hospitalization, I bring them to the hospital. The thing is I do that as a volunteer.

The bulk of the homeless have no assistance. Wherever they go they're treated like second-class citizens. I give out the information on the soup kitchens. I drive them up there every day. They're treated very well, and the food is excellent.

On the other hand, when I bring them to

different agencies many times they're not treated well -- and the one thing we need is rooming houses. Today I had seven people ask me, do you know anywhere I can get a room?

and I said, well, get the newspaper and you can look down the list. There's only two or three places you can get a room, because if they can afford a room -- and most of them, bear in mind, are either alcoholics or drug addicts. I give them the information on detox. I bring them to the different locations if they wish, or I'll bring them to the rehab facilities. Many of them get on the methadone programs, and that gives them a little transition from being dependent on heroin.

The police are working very well in restricting the trap houses. There's one two blocks away from here. You can drive by. As a matter of fact, the last time I was at the border of Baldwin I walked outside. There was two guys outside selling drugs right outside City Hall.

So the drug business is the biggest business in the city. It's a million-dollar business. The police are doing a good job, but it's very, very difficult for them to capture the

entire situation.

We found a dead body up on Pine Street, or Hillside Avenue last week who happens to be an addict. And they said, oh, it must be one of yours. We found your card in her pocket.

I said, oh, well. Yours, mine -- now that I'm responsible for her dying, being frozen to death? The thing is responsibility is ours.

And I noticed tonight we have no religious leaders here working with everyone. I think that's a mistake. The religious folks have a lot of strength, a lot of power and a large voice.

I'm a counselor at a mosque, because I speak some Arabic. There we get some things in on occasion, but this is something you might want to consider next time. Bring the religious leaders in and have them help you. They'll help us, because without them you cannot complete your mission.

The mission first, is a standard saying amongst some of us in the military. I'm on the Veterans Memorial Commission also in addition to Human Rights, and today I had a veteran stop me. I use the 7-Eleven over on the bottom of Wall Street. There's an office that sometimes he comes

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up -- and he said he was hungry. I said, fine. I'll bring you to the soup 2 kitchen. 3 He said, I'm not allowed to go there. 4 I said, why? 5 And he said, I went there drunk. That's 6 the problem that he has. 7 I said, well, here. We have detox 8 facilities available to you. So you know, I gave 9 him the list of all the different things. 10 Anyway, that's my message for you today, is 11 to give you something to think about. 12 MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. 13 RICHARD WOOD: I wasn't aware of what you folks were 14 doing, but if I can ever help, call me. 15 MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. 16 RICHARD WOOD: Peace be with you. 17 THE CHAIR: All right. I'd like to adjourn the public 18 hearing. 19 MR. BAILEY: So moved. 20 MR. PERNERWESKI: Second. 21 THE CHAIR: Thank you. All in favor? 22 THE COMMITTEE: Aye. 23 MS. TOOLAN: Thank you. 24

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CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Public Hearing #1 Needs of the Community Wednesday, February 5, 2020 @ 5:30

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The City of Waterbury is required to report on its program performance annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the completion of the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The City completed and submitted its most recent CAPER to HUD on December 18, 2019 that covered the Program Year 44 period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. The report was made available on the City's website as well as the Office of the City Clerk; the Silas Bronson Library and the Community Development Office. The public comment period ended at 5pm on November 30, 2019 and no comments were received.

The CAPER details the expenditure of \$2,594,665 from the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG); the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program for a wide variety of activities and projects, which served the low and moderate- income residents of Waterbury. The following chart details the beneficiaries from the 14 public service agencies funded with CDBG and the 3 ESG grantees.

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| Connecticut Legal Services | \$10,088 | 22 | 18 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries | \$51,062 | 2217 | 2216 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hispanic Coalition | \$11,388 | 1024 | 675 | 345 | 4 | 0 |
| Literacy Volunteers | \$5,000 | 156 | 118 | 25 | 12 | 1 |
| MASC | 51,350 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Safe Haven | \$9,131 | 600 | 352 | 167 | 48 | 33 |
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| Walnut Orange Walsh NRZ Community Center | \$9,131 | 25 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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| Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury | \$19,504 | 112 |
| St. Vincent DePaul – ESG Shelter | \$74,503 | 660 |
| St. Vincent DePaul - Rapid Re-housing | \$19,272 | 36 |
| Salvation Army – ESG Shelter | \$11,504 | 169 |
| Salvation Army - Homelessness Prevention | \$27,908 | 18 |
| Salvation Army- Rapid Re-housing | \$9,972 | 63 |
| Program Administration | \$13,188 | |
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

February 5, 2020 5:30PM

Location: Waterbury City Hall

Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor 235 Grand Street Waterbury, CT 06702

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Hearing In accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan, a public hearing is held for the purpose of soliciting citizen input on the needs of the community and to present demographic and housing data relative to the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.
- 3. Adjournment



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2020-2021 City of Waterbury Annual Action Plan

In accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan, there will be a Public Hearing to solicit citizen input on the needs of the comunity before the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Veteran's Memorial, 2nd floor, City Hall, 235 Grand Street, Waterbury, CT. The facility is handicapped accessible.

The City of Waterbury (City) has not yet received notice of its allocations for 2020-2021 CDBG funds and, per HUD's guidance, intends to use current year's allocations as the baseline for planning purposes. These amounts may increase or decrease depending upon the final federal approved budget. The 2019-2020 allocations were as follows: \$2,126,160 (CDBG), \$182,111 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and \$827,794 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Program income is anticipated to be \$2,500 for HOME and \$14,000 for CDBG. The Program Year for FY 2020 (CD YR 46) begins on October 1, 2020 and ends on September 30, 2021.

The City will provide interpreters and assistance for non-English speaking, hearing-impaired or disabled residents upon receiving a request at least four (4) days prior to this hearing date. Contact Nancy Allen at 203-346-3810 ext. 7274 or at nallen@waterburyct.org. All interested person(s) are encouraged to attend.

Funding applications for the HOME program are taken on an ongoing basis. Information and technical assistance can be obtained by contacting HOME Program Manager Tina Lubus at 203-346-3810 Ext. 7282 or by email at tlubus@waterburyct.org.

Los interesados en solicitar fondos deben solicitar una solicitud a partir del miércoles 22 de enero de 2020 a través del sitio web de la Ciudad en el sitio web de la Oficina de Desarrollo Comunitario, www.waterburyct.org y presentar sus solicitudes a la Oficina de Desarrollo Comunitario, Sala C-29, Ciudad Hall, 235 Grand Street, Waterbury, a más tardar a las 3:00 pm del viernes 21 de febrero de 2020.

De acuerdo con el Plan de Participación Ciudadana, habrá una audiencia pública para solicitar comentarios de los ciudadanos sobre las necesidades de la comunidad ante el Comité Asesor de Ciudadanos (CAC) el miércoles 5 de febrero de 2020 a las 5:30 pm en el Veterans Memorial Hall, segundo piso, Ayuntamiento, 235 Grand Street, Waterbury, CT. La instalación es accesible para discapacitados.

La Ciudad proporcionará intérpretes y asistencia a los residentes que no hablen inglés, con discapacidad auditiva o discapacitados al recibir una solicitud al menos cuatro (4) días antes de la fecha de la audiencia. Contacte a Nancy Allen al 203-346-3810 ext. 7274 o en nallen@waterburyctorg. Se anima a todas las personas interesadas a asistir.

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Diane Toolan

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To Whom this may concern,

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Request

Attachments:

CD YR 46 and Five YR Plan NOFA Public Hearing Publish 1-21-2020.pdf

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La Oficina de Desarrollo de la Comunidad ofrecerá talleres de asistencia técnica a agencias / individuos que deseen solicitar fondos de CDBG / ESG el miércoles 29 de enero de 2020 de 10:00 a 11:00 am y el jueves 30 de enero de 2020 de 3: 00-4 : 00 pm en la sala Cass Gilbert, primer piso, 235 Grand Street, Waterbury, CT 06702. Archives

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Regularly Scheduled Meeting January 14, 2020 AT 5:30 PM Waterbury City Hall Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor 235 Grand Street

SUMMARY MINUTES

Present:

Gail Moriarty

Paul Pernerewski

William DeMaida

Anthony Bocci

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Absent:

Bernard Bailey Michael Salvio

Also Present:

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

Nancy Allen, Program Specialist

Michael LeBlanc, Finance Director

Call to Order

The regularly scheduled meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Moriarty. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Public Speaking

There were no public speakers at the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Moriarty called for the approval of the May 7, 2019 meeting minutes: On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner Demac, the minutes were approved.

Program Updates Submission of CAPER

Ms. Toolan noted that the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 44 had been submitted to HUD on December 18, 2019. HUD is currently reviewing the document that details the expenditure of \$2,594,665 from the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program. A total of 6,156 people benefitted from the 14 public service programs. A total of 1,060 people received food and shelter from the 3 emergency solutions grantees and an additional 118 people received prevention and rapid re-housing services. A copy of the CAPER is available on the City website. Copies are also available at the City Clerk's office and the Silas Bronson Library.

New Five Year Consolidated Plan and Updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI)

Ms. Toolan noted that the City's consultants Milone and MacBroom had begun the planning process. A survey for City residents is available on the City's website. Agency surveys have been sent to all of the current subrecipients and those on the CDBG mailing lists as well as other interested agencies. To date, 111 residents surveys and 39 Agency stakeholders have been returned. Community Stakeholder sessions have been scheduled and posted in Public Notice that was published on December 27, 2019 and sent out. Two sessions were held on January 7th at City Hall; one on January 13th at PAL; one on January 14th at the Senior Center and one will be held on January 16th at the Hispanic Coalition. The sessions are to get public input on the current goals and objectives to see if they are still relevant and to determine what new needs have arisen since the previous Plan. Ms. Toolan distributed the handout that has been reviewed at the sessions and went over the proposed changes that have been discussed. These changes are:

- Add tenant based rental assistance using HOME funds as part of the strategy in goal #2.
- Add "large families" to goal #4.
- Remove goal #5 that has proven difficult to implement.
- Remove goal #10 as the school improvement program has been implemented during the prior strategy years. Any remaining improvements can be considered under general neighborhood/community facility upgrade.
- Create a new goal: "Invest in public community and neighborhood infrastructure and improvements such as parks and public/community facilities".
- Add "job training, sustainable income employment, workforce development, food HUB/urban farming" under goal #13- Economic Development.

The new Five Year Consolidated Plan will cover the period from 2020-2025.

CD YR 46 Annual Process and Schedule

Ms. Toolan noted that it in addition to the Five Year Plan and AI, this year's process also includes the Annual Action Plan for CD YR 46 (2020-2021). Once again doing so without benefit of the City's allocation for the CDBG; ESG and HOME Programs, so we will use for planning purposes the amounts that were received last year: \$2,126,160 for CDBG; \$827,794 for HOME and \$182,111 for ESG. Unless we get the final figures before we publish the NOFA on January 21,2020 we shall use these figures. Last year we received the final allocations on April 16, 2019, before the process had been completed and we had built into the process the contingency of increasing or decreasing each program and project proportionately, so we concluded the CAC process with the final allocations.

On a motion from Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner DeMaida, the **Schedule of Meetings and Due Dates for CD YR 46** was approved as presented. The schedule will be sent to the City Clerk's Office for posting. Ms. Toolan again reiterated that this would be the schedule for the Five Year Plan, AI and CD YR 46 Annual Action Plan.

Other Business

There was no other business.

On a motion by Commissioner Pernerewski, seconded by Commissioner DeMaida, the CAC voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Dini C. John

Diane C. Toolan, Housing and Community Planning Program Director

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Tuesday, January 13, 2020 @ 5:30

CAC MEMBERS SIGN - IN SHEET

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Five Year Plan and CD Year 46 2020 Schedule of Meetings and Due Dates

| Community Stakeholder Sessions | Tuesday, January 7, 2020 3 to 4:30pm and 5 to 7pm |
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| Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting: Discussion of Annual Process | Tuesday, January 14, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for CDBG/ESG/HOME | Tuesday, January 21, 2020 |
| Applications for CDBG/ESG available | Wednesday, January 22, 2020 |
| Technical Assistance Workshop 1: Application Assistance | Wednesday, January 29, 2020 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. |
| Technical Assistance Workshop 2: Application Assistance | Thursday, January 30, 2020 3:00 p.m 4:00 p.m. |
| Public Hearing # 1: Needs of Community Speaker Sign-up Begins — 5:00 p.m. | Wednesday, February 5, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| Application Deadline Original and required number of copies due by 3:00 p.m. | Friday, February 21, 2020 3:00 p.m. No exceptions. |
| Staff application review | February 24 – March 2, 2020 |
| CAC Public Meeting: Review/Evaluation of Applications. Update on Five Year Plan and Analysis of Impediments. | Tuesday, March 10, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| CAC Public Meeting: Review/Evaluation of Applications. Update on Five Year Plan and Analysis of Impediments. Vote on Funding Allocations/Adopt Proposed Annual Action Plan, Five-Year Plan and Analysis of Impediments. | Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| CAC Public Meeting: If needed to complete work items. | Wednesday, March 18, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| Public Comment Period for Draft Plans. Plans available at locations designated in the CPP and on City website. | March 23 – April 23, 2020 |
| Public Hearing #2: Comments on Proposed Plans Speaker Sign-up Begins – 5:00 p.m. | Tuesday, April 7, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| CAC Public Meeting: Review Public Comments and Approve Annual Plan, Five Year-Plan and Analysis of Impediments. | Tuesday, May 5, 2020 5:30 p.m. |
| Board of Aldermen Meeting to Adopt Annual Plan | Monday, June 8, 2020 7:00 p.m. |
| Annual Plan, Five Year-Plan and Analysis of Impediments Due at HUD | Friday, July 31, 2020 |

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) January 14, 2020 5:30 PM

Location: Veterans Memorial Hall Waterbury City Hall 235 Grand Street Waterbury, CT 06702

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Approval of Minutes: May 7, 2019
- 3. Program Updates:
 - Submission of CAPER
 - New Five Year Consolidated Plan and Updated AI and
 - CD Year 46 Annual Process and Schedule
- 4. Other Business
- 5. Adjournment

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City Of Waterbury

COMMUNITY **DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

The City of Waterbury is a formula entitlement community and receives an annual allocation from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). The City's annual allocation is dependent upon the federal budget. In order to receive these funds, the City must prepare an Annual Action Plan and submit it to HUD. The City's program year runs from October 1 to September 30.

HUD provides funds to local communities to be spent on priority community needs as outlined in the locally developed Consolidated Plan. The purposes of the program are creating suitable living environments, providing decent housing and creating economic opportunity. Grantees must give maximum feasible priority to activities, which benefit low and moderateincome persons. A grantee may also carry out activities which aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight or meet an urgent need in the community that poses a serious and immediate threat to its health or welfare and for which they lack

Housing & Community

The City of Waterbury is also undertaking a new Five Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2025) and Updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) at this time. A residents' survey has been posted on the City's website in order to get the public's input on what the new goals, objectives and priorities for this funding should be for the next five years.

The City begins its citizen participation process in January of each year with the publication of the Notification of Funding

Additional Links

- CAPER CD YR 44 w-All Attachments
- CD YR 45 Annual **Action Plan Final**
- · Current Analysis of Impediments to Fair **Housing Choice**
- CDBG Mailing List Request Form
- CD Year 46 Schedule of Meeting and Due **Dates**
- Current Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2013-2018)

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235 Grand Street, Room C29 Waterbury, CT 06702

Availability (NOFA) which sets for the date of the first Public Hearing and the application process. To be placed on the City's citizen participation list in order to receive CDBG announcements and information about dates and times of public meetings, please fill out and submit the form under Additional Links.

To receive a copy of the current application form for CDBG and ESG funding, which will become available on January 22, 2020, please fill out and submit the form under Additional Links.



PUBLIC NOTICE

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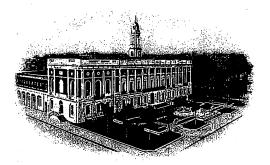
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City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Agency Survey

The City is currently updating its Five-Year Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the regulations and requirements contained in the Code of Federal Regulations 24CFR Part 91.

The following survey is intended to help adequately describe the City's housing and community development needs and set forth strategies for the Five-Year period from 2020-2025. Information received from this survey will be combined with workshops and other sources to update the City's Consolidated Plan.

In addition to completing the survey, please let us know of any needs assessments that may be helpful in the planning process.

Your input is invaluable and appreciated. Keep in mind that responding to this questionnaire is not a commitment for funding from HUD nor the City, but rather, a means of assessing the needs and priorities of the City. If you should have any questions or comments regarding this survey or the Consolidated Plan update process, please contact Diane Toolan, Housing & Community Planning Director at 203-346-3810.

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1. YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Agency Survey

* 6. The 2013-18 Consolidated Plan contains the following goals. Please indicate the relevance of these goals for the 2020-25 Consolidated Plan, from very important to maintain this goal to not at all important for the 2020-25 Plan.

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| Increase the accessibility to housing resources through a program of rehabilitation, new construction, enforcement of housing codes, and abatement of lead paint hazards. | | | | | |
| Increase housing affordability by providing technical and financial resources to | | kerin kerisan s | | | |
| add decent housing units responsive to the income levels prevalent in Waterbury. | \bigcirc | | | | \bigcirc |
| Maintain and increase the availability of housing for the homeless with financia assistance and coordination by the Continuum of Care (CAN). | | | | | |
| Increase the supply of three- or more bedroom units for homeless families and supportive permanent housing. | | \circ | \bigcirc | | |
| Provide support for programs and organizations that increase access to affordable goods and materials for a stable residential environment. | | | O | | O |
| Support youth initiatives including mentoring to address daily issues as well as educational and life skills attainment in order to succeed in the 21st Century economy and society. | | \bigcirc | | 0 | 0 |
| Provide for the elderly to meet daily living needs as well as socialization within the community including affordable transportation. | | | 0 | | |
| Support the provision of targeted social service programs to address conditions that impact individuals and families as well as the community as a whole. | s () | | \bigcirc | \circ | \circ |
| Support the improvement of housing conditions with an investment in infrastructure replacement and improvement in order to stabilize and revitalize neighborhoods. | | | 0 | Ö | O |
| Continue the school investment program as both an educational and neighborhood improvement initiative. | 0 | | | | 0 |
| Provide basic medical and nutritional resources to sustain low and moderate income persons in the community. | | | | Ö | |
| Make strategic investments in the abatement of hazardous environmental conditions to increase the amount of land and buildings available for economic development. | | | | | |
| Provide technical assistance and support for leveraging financial resources and marketing to assist the transition of Waterbury into a competitive 21st Century economy. | | O | O | | O |

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City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Resident Survey

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Thank you for your participation. A draft of the Plan will be made available in late winter/ early spring for public comment.

City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Resident Survey Please rank the need for new or improved facilities, services or programs below. 1. Housing Please choose 1 for "lowest" need up through 4 for "highest" need Lowest Highest-Residential Rehabilitation First Time Homebuyer Assistance Housing for the Disabled Senior Housing Affordable Ownership Housing Affordable Rental Housing Fair Housing Lead-Based Paint Test/Abatement Residential Historic Preservation **Energy Efficiency** Improvements 2. Special Needs Services Please choose 1 for "lowest" need up through 4 for "highest" need Lowest Highest Center/Services for Disabled Accessibility Improvements Domestic Violence Services Substance Abuse Services Homeless Shelter Services **HIV/AIDS Services** Neglected/Abused Children Services

| 3. Community Facilities | | | Age of the second | |
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| Start Up Business Help | | | | |
| Small Business Loans | | | | |
| Job Creation/Retention | | | | |
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| 7. Neighborhood Services Please choose 1 for "lowe | | 4 for "highest" nee | ed | |
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City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Resident Survey

While creating its Consolidated Plan for 2020-2025, the City must also examine factors that impede fair housing choice. Your own experiences will contribute to the efforts to research obstacles such as the nature and extent of housing discrimination in the City. Please note, this survey is for informational purposes only. The information will be used to develop strategies to overcome barriers to fair housing choice.

| 9. D | o you believe housing discrimination is an issue in your neighborhood? | | | |
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| 10. | Have you ever experienced discrimination in housing? | | | |
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| <u>O</u> | No | . • | | |
| 11. | If so, who do you believe discriminated against you? | | | |
| | Landlord Real Estate Agent Mortgage Lender | * * <u>*</u> | - | |
| | Mortgage insurer | | v | |
| | Other (please specify) | | | |
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| 12. | On what basis do you believe you were discriminated against? | | | |
| | Race | | | |
| | Color | | | |
| | National origin | | | |
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| | Gender | | | |
| | Disability | | | |
| | Family status (single parent with children, family with children, or expecting a child) | | • | |
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| 13. | If you believe you were discriminated against, did you report the incident? | | | |
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City of Waterbury - Consolidated Plan - Resident Survey 15. Please tell us about yourself by checking as many as apply: City resident Senior citizen Parent with children under 18 at home Person with a disability Homeowner Renter Landlord Business owner Other (please specify) Thank you!

Appendix and Map Attachment

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment) The City of Waterbury has been using the Policies and Procedures developed for the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) as the foundation and the written standards for the provision of ESG assistance. These Policies and Procedures are evaluated periodically to ensure their effectiveness and that changes are made to them as necessary to meet the ESG requirements. It is anticipated that the City of Waterbury in collaboration with the CoC will evaluate program results and that the policies and procedures will change to reflect needs and future direction for the use of ESG funds. The key items required in the written standards per Section 576.400 (e) (3) (i – ix) are as follows:

(i) Evaluating Eligibility for Assistance

Both the Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul Mission have updated their intake forms to ensure that the current eligibility criteria are applied and the revised definitions of homeless are included. The Salvation Army's Homeless Prevention Program's housing specialist will meet with potential clients to conduct an assessment for eligibility. Eligibility is determined through a screening process that first qualifies the current living situation. For this program, the household must be at imminent risk of becoming homeless, meeting two of the threshold criteria, including income below 30% of the Area Median Income and have insufficient resources available to attain stability. In addition, one or more of the stated risk factors must be present, including a habit of frequent moving due to economic reasons, being doubled up, having been notified of pending termination of housing or living in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and homelessness. After these two areas have been determined, the housing specialist will explore with the client any possible financial resources, support networks such as family or friends and any subsequent housing options. If after the initial screening, the client is deemed eligible, the housing specialist and the client work together to develop an Individualized Action Plan.

In this year's program, the Salvation Army will once again be receiving ESG funds for its Rapid Re-Housing Program. In January 2013, they entered into a partnership with New Opportunities, under contract with the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services to provide rapid rehousing to help individuals or families living in a shelter or in places not suitable for human habitation move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing. That program is designed to help people not currently in Waterbury. With the program funded through ESG, they will be able to assist Waterbury residents. Services will include rapid re-housing relocation and stabilization services and short-and/or medium term rental assistance. Many of the additional services provided mirror those provided through the Homeless Prevention Program, however the primary goal is to secure housing first and then provide the supportive and stabilization services once the family has been housed.

The St. Vincent DePaul Mission's Rapid Re-Housing Program's case manager meets with all first time clients entering the shelter as soon as possible, always within five working days. The initial interviews establish the client's basic reason for their homelessness and begin the process of their eligible entitlements. Together the case manager and the client develop an Action Plan and determine the steps necessary to reach housing stability. Safe Haven is a domestic violence shelter and any battered woman who calls the hot line in need of shelter is found a safe place. If a woman

is not safe in Waterbury or if the shelter is full, a referral is made to another domestic violence shelter. This is a reciprocal arrangement that Safe Haven has with the other 15 CT domestic violence shelters. Safe Haven's target population is battered women and their children who are not safe at home and have no other safe alternative living situation.

(ii) Standards for Street Outreach

Not applicable. The City of Waterbury has not allocated funds for this use. Currently street outreach is conducted by State agencies.

(iii) <u>Policies and Procedures for Admission and Discharge by Emergency Shelters including Standards on Length of Stay and Safety</u>

The three shelters are long time operations with dedicated and experienced staff. Safe Haven, the domestic violence shelter, operates a 15-bed shelter for battered women and their children and has been in existence for 42 years. They are the only program in the greater Waterbury area providing such shelter. Their location in the City is undisclosed for safety reasons. Any battered woman who calls the hot line in need of shelter is found a safe place. If the woman is not safe in Waterbury or if the shelter is full a referral is made to another domestic violence shelter. If they are full, then the family is put up in a local hotel at Safe Haven's expense until a safe placement is found. Safe Haven offers up to 60 days of temporary shelter and their average length of stay over the past year has been 36 days.

Salvation Army operates a 9-room, 30-bed shelter for single and two-parent households with children and has been in existence in Waterbury since 1987. The shelter was completely renovated in 2017. Within the first forty-eight hours of entering the shelter, each family participates in an intake session where an Individualized Action Plan is made. This plan becomes the road map for that family to reach self-sufficiency. Each family's stay can vary greatly depending upon their circumstances. Some can stay for a few weeks to a month, while others need a longer stay in order to put their lives back together. The average length of stay over the past year has been 90 days.

St. Vincent DePaul Mission operates a 108-bed shelter for individuals and families and has been in existence in Waterbury since 1984. An average of 80 single adults and 8 families with children find refuge at the shelter every night. The shelter also has the capacity to add 20 cots at night if the need should arise. A case manager sees clients as soon as possible, always within five working days of entering the shelter. Together they develop an Action Plan and determine the steps necessary to move from homelessness to a permanent place to live or another appropriate program such as a rehabilitation program. There is no maximum limit of stay for clients. The average length of stay over the past year has been 28 days.

(iv) <u>Policies and Procedures for Assessing, Prioritizing, Reassessing Needs for Essential Services Related to Shelter</u>

The three shelters employ professional and experienced staff which includes case managers with the proper credentials. All three develop Action Plans for their clients based upon a variety of criteria. All three promote self-sufficiency by helping their clients to access resources they will need to secure and maintain housing. The resources may include: benefits, job training, employment, mental health services, legal assistance, credit repair, reliable transportation, child care, personal growth and development. For Safe Haven clients, they meet at least twice a week

with a primary counselor for a minimum of at least 7 hours of individual counseling. They are also required to meet with their case manager at least two hours per week and attend two hours of peer support group. Children over the age of four meet with a child advocate for at least two hours per week. The child advocate has age appropriate activities to engage the children and help them recover from the abuse and trauma they have witnessed and/or suffered. The clients of Safe Haven are evaluated at the end of each counseling session and their progress is tracked in the Efforts to Outcome (ETO) software program, designed for domestic violence programs.

Clients who enter the Salvation Army Family Emergency Shelter are monitored by case workers to measure their progress towards the goals set in their Action Plan. Case notes are kept in each file and statistics are reported monthly. This program receives funding from many sources, each with its own set of requirements and mandates. The progress of those receiving assistance are reported to each funder in the appropriate way. The Salvation Army's Southern New England Divisional Headquarters and the CT Department of Social Services also conduct an annual program audit to determine that contractual obligations are met and that the ultimate goal of seeing families leave the shelter and enter stable, permanent housing is met.

Clients who enter the St. Vincent DePaul shelter are expected to adhere to the Action Plan developed between them and their case manager. The shelter program allows the clients to feel safe and clean, provides a mechanism to obtain a respite from homelessness, provides a sense of hope to move to self-sufficiency, provides them with professional case management and provides them with financial assistance to obtain a sustainable place to live.

(v) Policies and Procedures for Coordination

Among the experiences gained under the HPRP program was a strengthened collaboration among the shelter and service providers and this continues under the Emergency Solutions Grant Program and participation in the CAN. Through cooperative agreements case managers were able to share information. The City of Waterbury is fortunate that the staffs of the shelters are experienced professionals with considerable knowledge of resources and programs. They have developed relationships with the other local, state and federal agencies. They are active members of the CAN and benefit from the speakers and program information provided through that forum. Both agencies manage supplemental housing units and have a long history of involvement in the City. They collaborate on funding initiatives and participate in special events including the Point—in-Time count.

(vi) Policies and Procedures for Evaluating Eligibility for Assistance

The Action Plans developed by both the Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul Mission form the basis as to which services a client would be eligible for. The Action Plan puts together a comprehensive picture of the household to see the nature of the housing crisis, the reasons behind the instability and the services necessary to regain stability. Since funding for the program is limited, the goal is to provide the least amount of financial assistance possible to ensure stability, while providing case management to work through the immediate issues and get the client back on track. The Salvation Army will target its homeless prevention funds to those households with special circumstances, whenever possible. These include: households with children; those with serious medical concerns and those experiencing domestic violence and other threatening

situations. Further, households that are most promising for the potential of sustainability may receive assistance over some that have no immediate or long-term potential for income. Limited funding makes it impossible to assist everyone. The rapid re-housing funds will be targeted to families within their shelter or the other two shelters in the City or living in places not suitable for human habitation. They will use the "By Name List". The goal is to move them quickly in that housing through supportive and stabilization services. Housing and stabilization plans will be developed by 100% of eligible participants with the rapid re-housing case worker.

St. Vincent DePaul Mission will target its rapid re-housing funds to those living in one of the three shelters and with income or potential for income that will allow them to afford the cost of the unit they plan to occupy. Homeless single adults with income from Social Security Disability (SSD) meet the current HUD standards for Fair Market Rent (FMR) in the City of Waterbury. Likewise single adults working full time and earning minimum wage also qualify for the HUD FMR. Families with children on Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) also qualify for the HUD FMR. Clients who have an intense mental disability and cannot manage their disability will be referred to the Western Connecticut Mental Health Authority or similar agency for assistance.

(vii) Standards for Determining the Share of Rent and Utilities

The Action Plans developed for the clients include an assessment of how they reached their current situation and allows them to begin a manageable plan to alleviate arrears, secure payment plans with utility companies or landlords, work on applying for benefits or finding employment. In the Homeless Prevention Program for short term assistance, program participants receive rent and utility payments. For those requiring more assistance, a step-down plan may be developed where the client begins making gradual payments as assistance is decreased. For the rapid rehousing program, only rent and security deposit costs are paid.

(Viii) Standards for Determining Length of Rental Assistance and Amount

The guidelines for determining the length and amount of assistance a participant will receive will be further refined during the program period. Similar to the experiences gained during the HPRP Program, the case manager will assess the need during the development of the Action Plan and ensuing follow up services. In many instances, it depends upon the totality of the client's situation. Their stability, work history, medical situation and other factors weigh heavily in the assessment provided by the case manager. The Salvation Army's Homeless Prevention Program will be doing both short (3 months) and medium term (6-9 months) assistance based upon the needs of the clients. They anticipate utilizing a gradual step down of assistance for those receiving medium term help. This experience worked well for them under HPRP and helped clients to understand budgets and money management. The Salvation Army's Rapid Re-Housing Program will rely on the Action Plan developed in order to determine the amount of assistance provided. However, due to the limited funds available, they will provide assistance similar to the prevention program. St. Vincent DePaul's Rapid Re-Housing Program will provide a maximum of three months rental assistance which includes the security deposit and up to two month's rent. The participants that receive rental assistance must have a signed lease that is for a period of one (1) year. Participants that receive rapid re-housing assistance must be re-evaluated at least once a year and those that receive homeless prevention assistance will be re-evaluated at least once every three (3) months. No program participant may receive more than 24 months of assistance in a three (3) year period. The use of HMIS ensures that these program regulatory provisions are met.

(ix) Standards for Determining the Type, Amount and Duration of Services

As previously stated, each agency determines the amount of assistance needed by a client during the development of the Individualized Action Plan. The programs' case managers are best equipped to understand the clients' needs and to design a program that will best fit those needs. The Salvation Army's Homeless Prevention Program will provide both short and medium term rental assistance, including rent arrearages, utility payments and moving and storage costs in the event a household needs to be relocated. There is no maximum financial limit for the prevention program but since funds are limited, the Salvation Army anticipates providing up to \$750 for short-term assistance and up to \$2,200 for medium-term assistance.

St. Vincent DePaul's Rapid Re-Housing Program will provide one-time assistance to clients. The maximum financial assistance they will provide is a security deposit -and up to two month's rent. While some rents on larger units are \$1,000, they have generally found a good average to use for 1 to 2 bedroom units to be around \$620; as such assistance could range from \$1,860 to \$3,000.

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

The coordinated access system has United Way of Connecticut 2-1-1 system as the entry point for the State. The 2-1-1 contact specialist assesses the individual's or family's situation, completes an initial screening assessment in the new HMIS system, ECM and refers the case to the appropriate Coordinated Access Network (CAN). There are 8 CAN's and Waterbury is joined with Litchfield/ Torrington to serve the 32-town region. Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness (CCEH) works closely with all 8 CAN's on planning and implementation.

Since its implementation, the CAN system has evolved in Waterbury. There are 2 Co-CAN Leads: The Salvation Army and Mental Health Connecticut (MHC). MHC was hired as a Navigator through DOH funding. MHC does the intake for both Waterbury and Torrington. The intake location in Waterbury is St. Vincent DePaul Shelter. MHC does intakes Monday thru Friday for adults and families. Families are also referred to the Salvation Army Shelter. Intakes are also done at Waterbury Hospital for Hospital patients that might become homeless upon discharge. MHC also does the intake for youth ages 18-24 utilizing their Youth Navigator located at their office in the former Russell School on 969 West Main Street.

The intake locations use the VI-SPADT (Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Tool) which is designed to help providers determine the most appropriate housing intervention for a particular individual and family. However, the VI-SPADT is only done right away for youth and those adults that refuse shelter and would remain unsheltered. For the others, DOH wants people to self-resolve and advocates minimal interaction within the first 2 weeks.

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

The City of Waterbury held a formal application process to award its FY 2020 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds as part of its regular Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

citizen participation process. The details of the process can be found in the section on citizen participation. The City publishes the Notices of Funding Availability in the Republican-American, posts them on the City's website and contacts all current recipients and those who have requested information. The CoC is provided with this information and they distribute via email to their extensive network. The criteria used to evaluate the applications were:

- <u>Eligibility</u>: Projects submitted for funding had to be for eligible activities. The uses of these funds were limited to the expenditure limits of 60% for shelter expense and 40% for homelessness prevention; rapid rehousing assistance, and HMIS. The City allocated 7.5% for its administration of the program. All of the applications submitted were for eligible activities.
- Experience in Implementing Similar Programs: There were four applications submitted; three were from agencies that are current ESG recipients; one was from a new agency. Two of them had participated in the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP). They have excellent track records. Due to limited funds and the need to continue to support its existing subrecipients, the new applicant was not selected for funding.
- <u>Collaboration</u>: The three providers collaborate well with each other and participate in the Continuum of Care. Decisions on funding levels and allocations for future rounds will get more difficult as the agencies' other funders reduce levels and added pressure is placed on the shelter operations limits.
- <u>HMIS</u>: Data quality and participation in the HMIS was also a consideration. The domestic violence shelter is exempt from participation but does track clients through the Efforts to Outcome (ETO) software system.
- 4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

The City of Waterbury is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in Section 576.405 (a). As such, its plan for reaching out and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering and making policies and decisions regarding any facilities or services that receive funding under ESG shall be to consult with the Continuum of Care Steering Committee. While Waterbury is now a part of the CT Balance of State Continuum, it still maintains its Steering Committee due to its broad representation of government agencies, service providers, the Housing Authority, private landlords and consumers (formerly homeless). It provides the forum to present information and solicit input. In addition, information has also been distributed to the Downtown Hospitality Center which opened in May 2012 and serves the homeless during the day.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

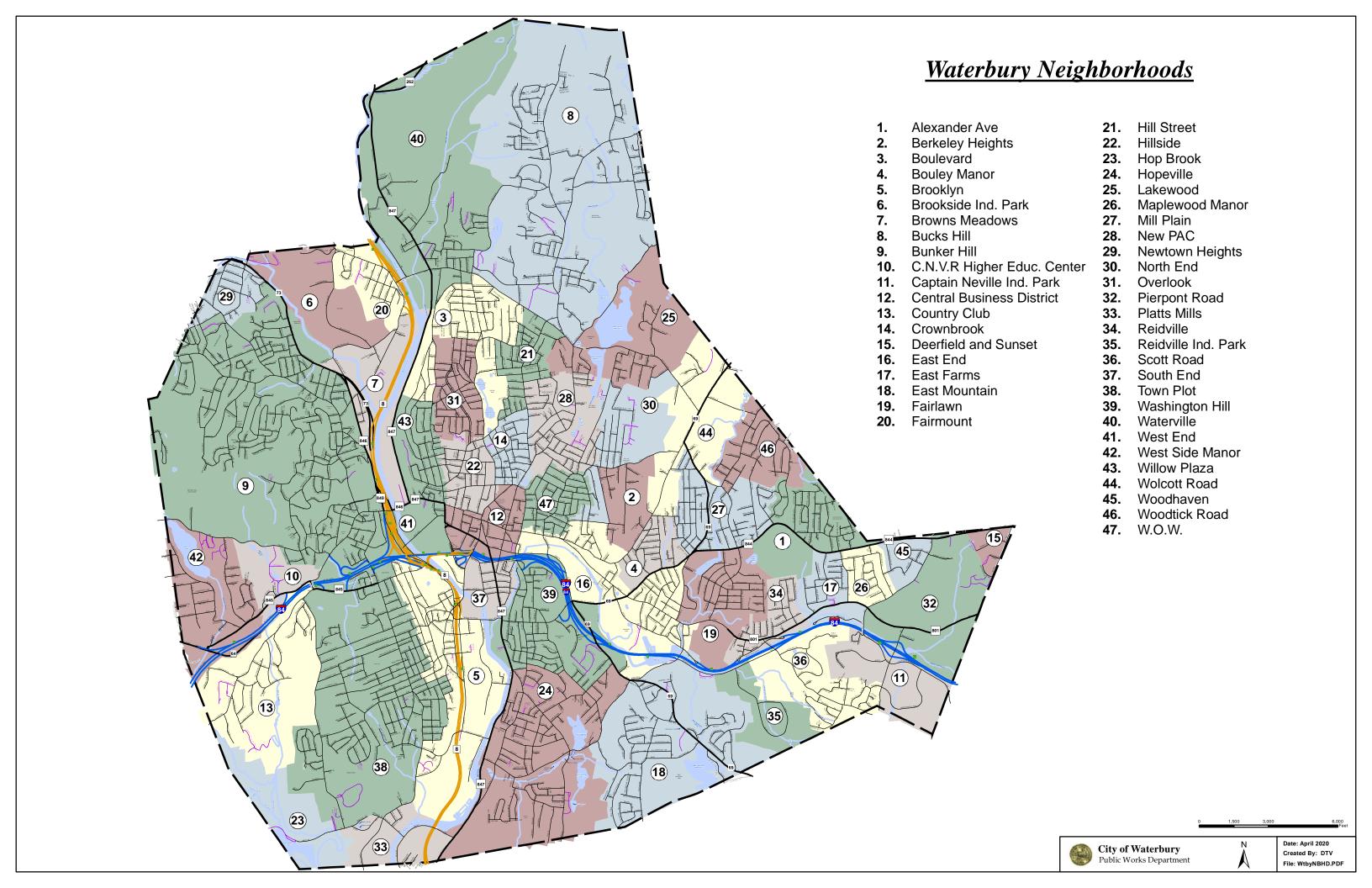
The City of Waterbury requires each recipient of Consolidated Plan funds to identify measureable outcomes relative to their program or project. This information is used to monitor program performance along with the monthly direct benefit activity reports. The information for ESG recipients includes:

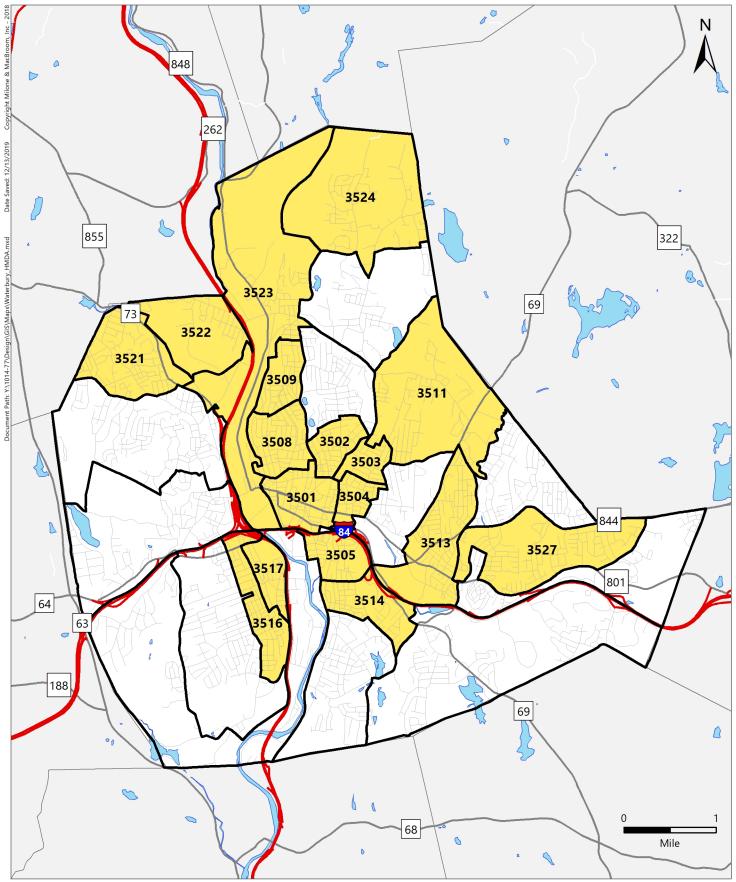
- Total number of households/persons assisted
- Total number of extremely low, low and moderate income persons or households
- Demographic breakdown of persons/households assisted
- Description of special needs (disability, frail elderly, chronic homeless etc.)
- Percent of total project or program that ESG funds represent
- Amount of funds leveraged
- Amount and source of match
- Number of homeless persons who obtained permanent housing

During the upcoming program year, these standards may be expanded so that additional performance measurements can be taken. These may include: each service provider's effectiveness in targeting its assistance to those who need it most; reducing the number of people living on the streets or in the shelters; shortening the time people spend homeless; and reducing each program participant's housing barriers or housing stability risks.

The City of Waterbury and many other service providers, government agencies, the Housing Authority, private landlords and consumers (formerly homeless) participate in the CT Balance of State and sit on several of the committees. The current committee structure is based around the Coordinated Access Network (CAN). The Waterbury-Litchfield Housing Solutions meeting/committee oversees the housing placement of available certificates for the longest homeless and the most vulnerable population. This entity also case conferences with service providers in an effort to assist agency's when there is a client potentially struggling and possibly jeopardizing their subsidy. This group meets biweekly. There is also the CAN operations committee, which meets once a month to train and discuss any policy changes with all involved providers. The CAN Leadership committee has 2 votes at the State BOS Steering committee and oversees and creates policies and procedures for the CAN. It meets monthly. One member of the Steering Committee also sits on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) so there is a direct correlation between community need and funding recommendations.

As developing the performance standards for activities funded under ESG is an ongoing process, the City will seek input and active participation from the CoC Steering Committee in its efforts to determine standards, policies and procedures.

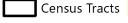




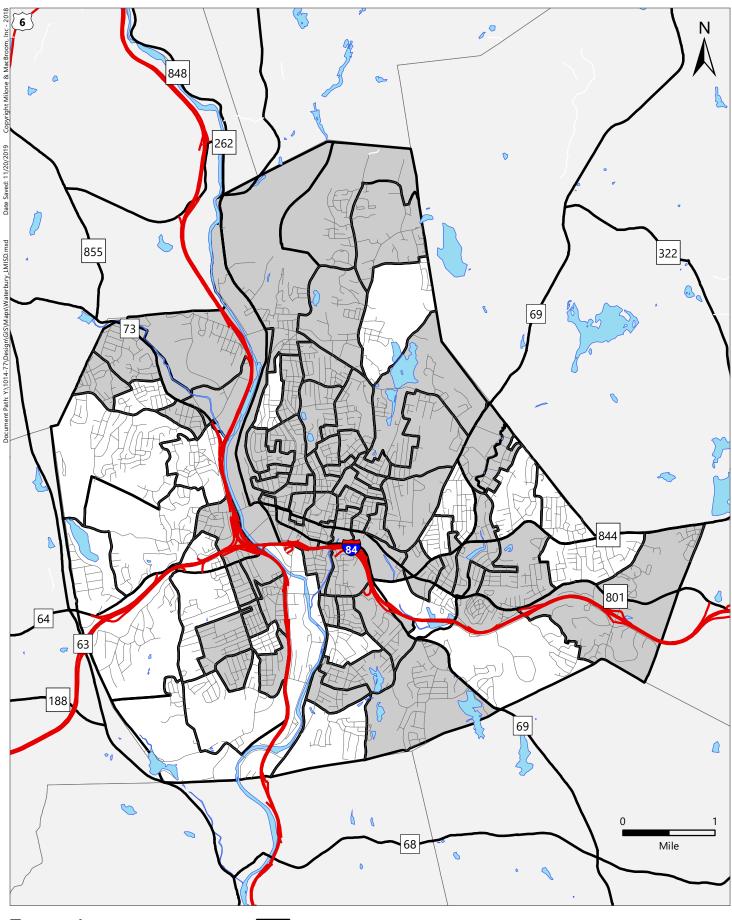
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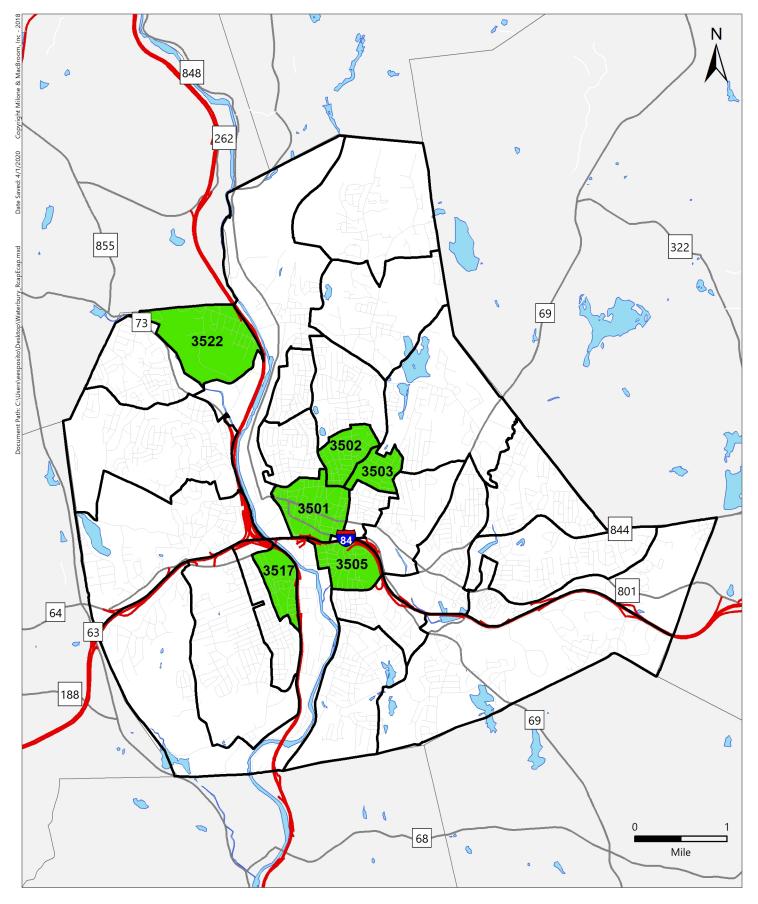


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Low & Moderate Income Target Areas

Low to moderate income individual data by block group based on the 2011-2015 American Community Survey (ACS) associated with the FY 2019 Entitlement CDBG Grantees.





Racially or Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty



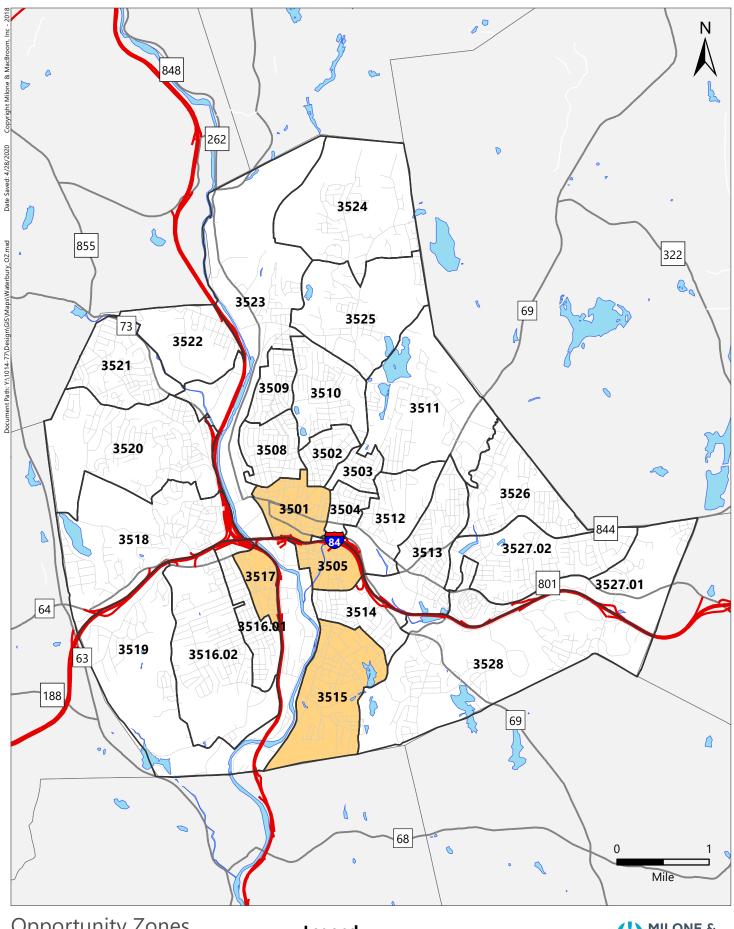


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Racially or Ethnically Concentrated Areas of Poverty (R/ECAPs)

Source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development

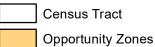


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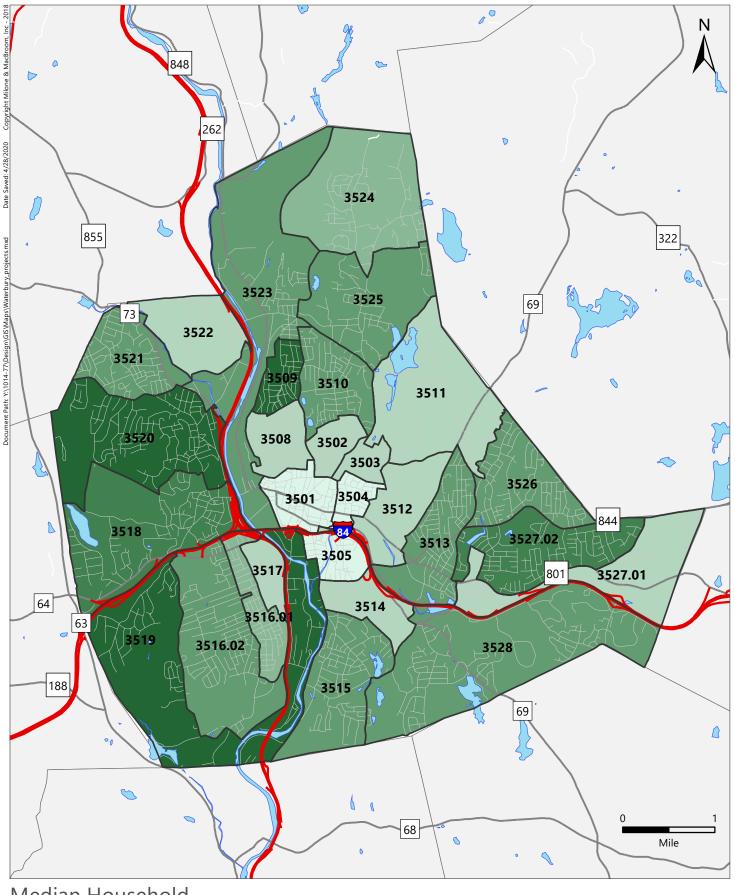


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Median Household Income: 2017



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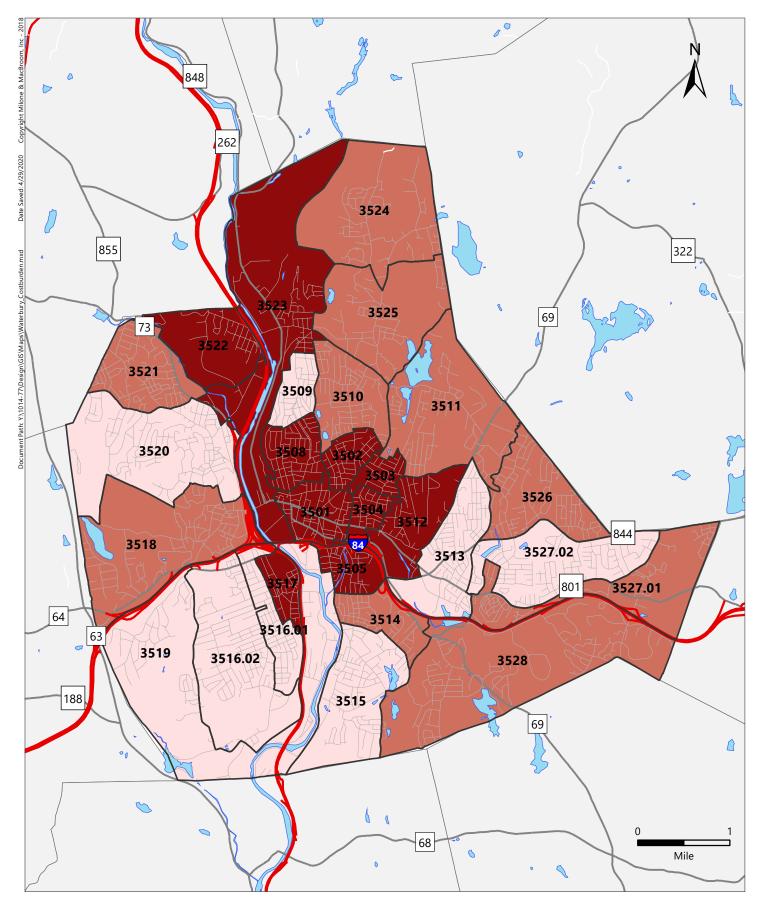


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Source: 2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates



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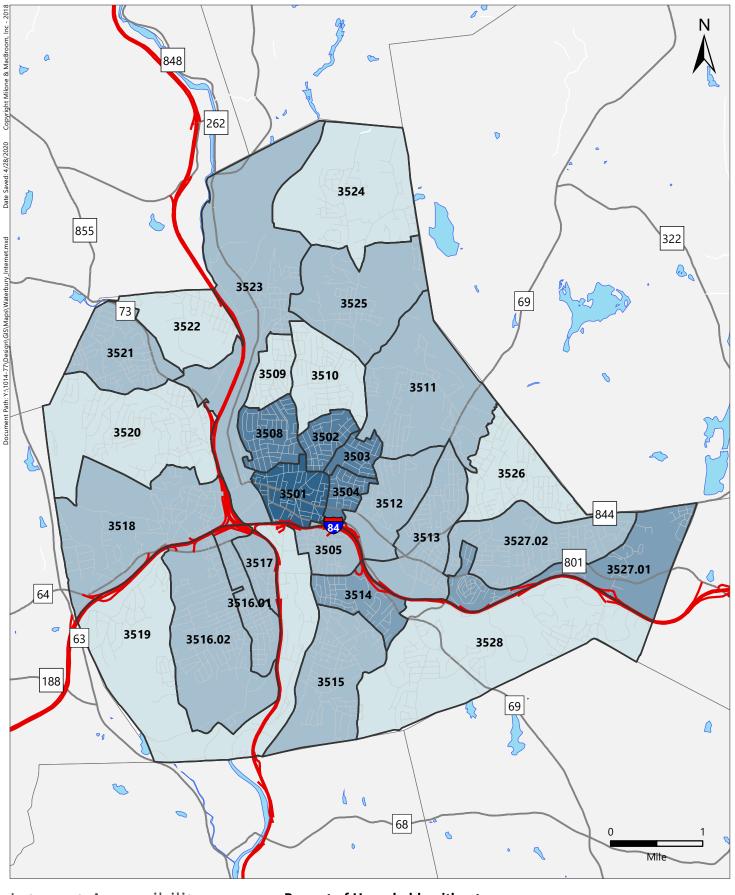


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Cost Burdened Households

35% - 45%

46% - 55% 56% - 65% MILONE & MACBROOM



Internet Accessibility



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Percent of Households without

Internet Access

Less than 20% 41% - 50%

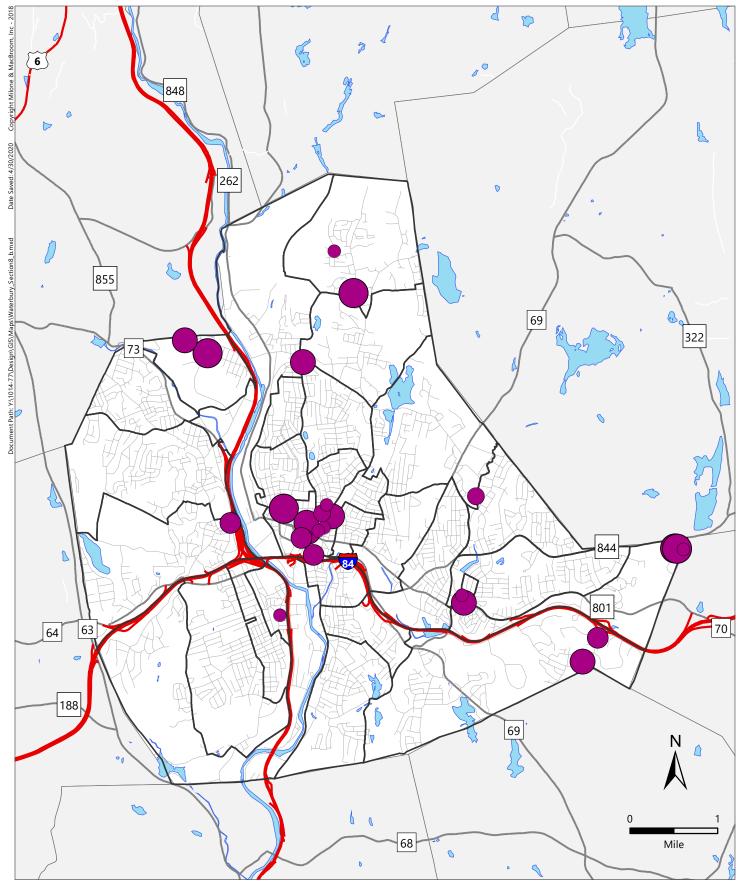
21% - 30% 51% or Greater

31% - 40%

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Source: 2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates



Section 8 Units



Section 8 Contracts by Number of Units



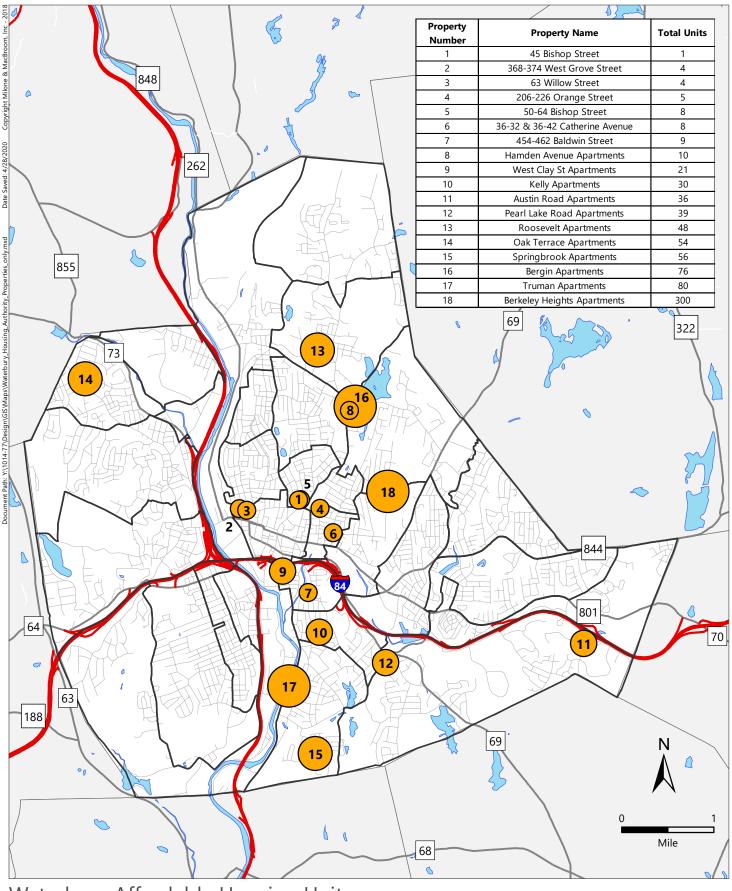
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Sources: HUD



Waterbury Affordable Housing Units



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Affordable Housing Properties by Total Units



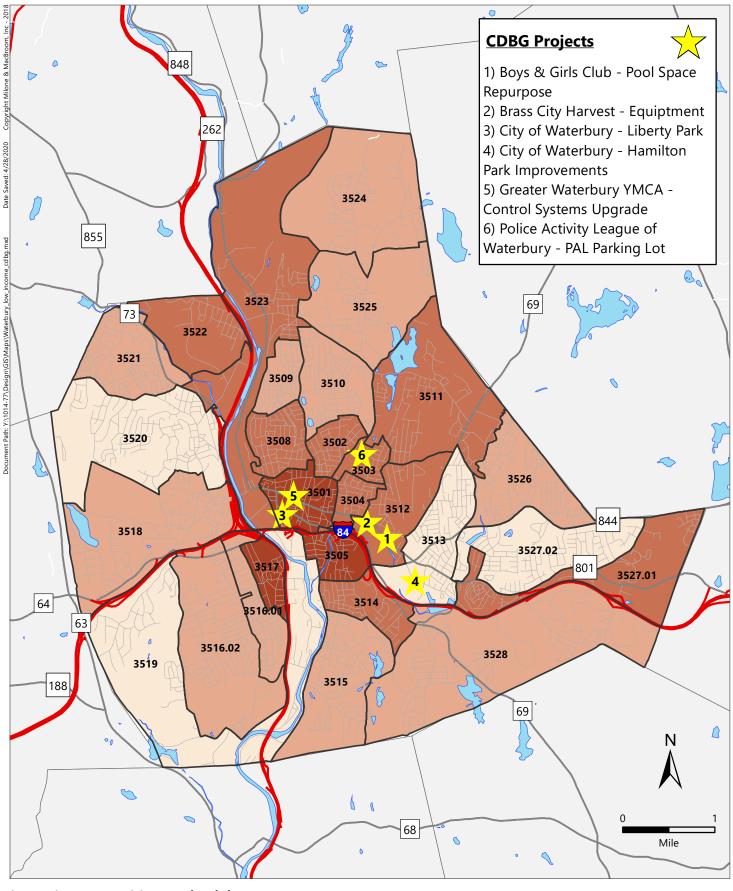
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Low Income Households & CDBG Projects



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Low Income Households





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Sources: Low Income Households: 2017 ACS 5-Year Estimates, CDBG Projects: City of Waterbury

SF 424 And SF 424 B &D Certifications

Community Development Block Grant Program

OMB Number: 4040-0004 Expiration Date: 12/31/2022

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | | | |
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| * 3. Date Received: 4. Applicant Identifier: | | | |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier: | | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: | |
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| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | | |
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| f. Name and contact information of p | person to be contacted on m | atters involving this application: | |
| Prefix: Mr. | * First Name | e: Michael | |
| Middle Name: | | | |
| * Last Name: LeBlanc | | | |
| Suffix: | | | |
| Title: Director of Finance | | | |
| Organizational Affiliation: | | | |
| City of Waterbury, Connecticut | | | |
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| * b. Applicant | | | | |
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| * 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process? | | | | |
| a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on | | | | |
| b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review. | | | | |
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| 21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001) | | | | |
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| Authorized Representative: | | | | |
| Prefix: Mr. * First Name: Neil | | | | |
| Middle Name: M. | | | | |
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| * 3. Date Received: 07/31/2020 | | 4. Applicant Identifier: | | |
| 5a. Federal Entity lo | dentifier: | | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: | |
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| 6. Date Received by | y State: | 7. State Application I | dentifier: | |
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| * a. Legal Name: | City of Waterbu | ry, Connecticut | | |
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| e. Organizational l | Unit: | | | |
| Department Name: Finance Department | | | Division Name: Community Development Program | |
| Desfin | | 7 | tters involving this application: | |
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| Title: Director of Finance | | | | |
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| 14.239 |
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| * a. Applicant | CT-005 | * b. Program/Project CT-005 |
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| * a. Start Date: | 10/01/2020 | * b. End Date: 09/30/2021 |
| 18. Estimated | Funding (\$): | |
| * a. Federal | | 899,666.00 |
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| a. This app | olication was made avail | lable to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on |
| b. Program | is subject to E.O. 1237 | 72 but has not been selected by the State for review. |
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Emergency Solutions Grant Program

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| * 3. Date Received: 07/31/2020 | | | | | |
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| 8. APPLICANT INFO | RMATION: | | | | |
| * a. Legal Name: Ci | ty of Waterbu | ry, Co | nnecticut | | $\overline{\neg}$ |
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| 06-6001900 | | | | 8779930220000 | |
| d. Address: | | | | | |
| * Street1: | 235 Grand Stre | eet | | | |
| Street2: | | | | | |
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| Department Name: | | | | Division Name: | |
| Finance Departm | nent | | | Community Development Program | |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | | | | |
| Prefix: Mr. | | 1 | * First Name | E: Michael | $\overline{1}$ |
| Middle Name: | | | | | _ |
| * Last Name: LeB | lanc | | | | |
| Suffix: | | | | | |
| Title: Director of Finance | | | | | |
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| City of Waterbury, Connecticut | | | | | |
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| U.S.Department of Housing and Urban Development |
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| 14.231 |
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| * a. Start Date: 10/01/2020 * b. End Date: 09/30/2021 |
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| * b. Applicant |
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| *f. Program Income |
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Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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

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

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

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

6/14/50 Date

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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

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

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

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

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

- 1.Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).
- 2.Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2021,2022 & 2023 a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.
- 3.Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

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

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

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

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

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

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

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

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Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs — It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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

CERTIFICATION FOR A DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

Certification for a Drug-Free Workplace

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

| Applicant Name | |
|---|---|
| City of Waterbury, CT | |
| Program/Activity Receiving Federal Grant Funding | |
| HUD Consolidated Plan (2020-2024) including FY 2020 Annual | Action Plan: CDBG, HOME and ESG |
| Acting on behalf of the above named Applicant as its Authoriz the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regard | ted Official, I make the following certifications and agreements to rding the sites listed below: |
| I certify that the above named Applicant will or will continue | (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and |
| to provide a drug-free workplace by: a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Applicant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition. | (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction e. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2) from an em |
| b. Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees | ployee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee or |
| (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; | whose grant activity the convicted employee was working unless the Federalagency has designated a central point for the |
| (2) The Applicant's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace; | receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant; |
| (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and | f. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calenda days of receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2), with respec |
| (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace. | to any employee who is so convicted (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such as |
| c. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph a.; | employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; o (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfacto |
| d. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph a. that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will | rily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program ap proved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, lavenforcement, or other appropriate agency; |
| employee will | g. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs a. thru f |
| 2. Sites for Work Performance. The Applicant shall list (on separate p HUD funding of the program/activity shown above: Place of Performance Identify each sheet with the Applicant name and address and the program. | mance shall include the street address, city, county, State, and zip code |
| Per the attached list of sites. | |
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| Check here if there are workplaces on file that are not identified on the attack. | ched sheets. |
| I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any inf Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802) | • |
| Name of Authorized Official Neil M. O'Leary | Title |
| A | Mayor Date |
| x In Mills | 6/19/20 |

CD Year 46 Drug Free Workplace Attachment

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| Place of Performance | Address | City | State | Zip |
| Boys and Girls Club of Greater Waterbury | 1037 East Main Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06705 |
| Brass City Harvest, Inc. | PO Box 11115 | Waterbury | СТ | 06704 |
| Catholic Charities, Inc. | 965 South Main Street | Waterbury | СТ | 90290 |
| Center for Human Development Hospitality Center | 690 East Main Street | Waterbury | СТ | 90290 |
| City of Waterbury | 235 Grand Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |
| Connecticut Legal Services, Inc. | 85 Central Avenue | Waterbury | СТ | 06051 |
| Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries, Inc. | 770 East Main Street | Waterbury | СТ | 90290 |
| Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury, Inc. | 135 East Liberty Street | Waterbury | СТ | 90290 |
| Literacy Volunteers of Greater Waterbury, Inc. | 267 Grand Street | Waterbury | CT | 06702 |
| Manufacturing Alliance Service Corp., Inc. (MASC) | 173 Interstate Lane | Waterbury | СТ | 06705 |
| Police Activity League (PAL) | 64 Division Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06704 |
| Safe Haven of Greater Waterbury, Inc. | 29 Central Avenue | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |
| Shakesperience Productions, Inc. | 117 Bank Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |
| St. Vincent DePaul Mission of Waterbury, Inc. | PO Box 1612 | Waterbury | СТ | 06703 |
| The Salvation Army | 74 Central Avenue | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |
| Walnut Orange Walsh Neigh. Revitalization Zone | 308 Walnut Street | Waterbury | CT | 06704 |
| Waterbury YMCA | 136 West Main Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |
| Waterbury Youth Service System, Inc. | 83 Prospect Street | Waterbury | СТ | 06702 |