

TOWN of BARNSTABLE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
ONE-YEAR ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2021
DRAFT RELEASED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

April, 14, 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

1. Introduction

The Town of Barnstable's Annual Action Plan covers the time period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The Annual Action Plan is mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to determine how the Town will use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the next year. The Town is expecting \$311,641 for the 2021 program year. The Annual Action Plan addresses housing, community development, revitalization and urgent needs in the Town of Barnstable (Town). It also develops the goals and objectives that the Town will fund and/or support in relationship to low to moderate-income persons and areas.

Development of the Annual Action Plan is a collaboration between Barnstable residents, service providers, neighboring towns, county, state, federal and local agencies to establish a unified vision to address the housing and community development needs in the community. It provides the opportunity for the Town of Barnstable to shape the housing and community development efforts over the next year into an effective, coordinated strategy. This strategy must meet the program goals of providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for low-moderate income persons.

The Coronavirus (COVID 19) is expected to have a significant and lasting impact on Barnstable and the global economy. Projects and activities that address conditions created by the virus are expected to be a high priority for the duration of this plan. Although many of the activities

funded in response expected to fall under the priorities below the Town may opt to use the maximum allowed for urgent need activities as needed.

Residents and other interested parties are encouraged to review the draft plans and submit written comments by May 14, 20201.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The primary objectives of the CDBG program is to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities for low and moderate income (LMI) residents. Priority needs were identified with outcomes corresponding to those needs are consistent the HUD performance measurement system.

Priorities identified meet a national objective and fall into one of three categories: Decent Housing, Suitable Living Environments, and Economic Opportunities. And one of three outcomes: Availability/Accessibility, Affordability, and Sustainability. Funds addressing these priorities in the next 5 years will not trigger a substantial amendment.

Affordable Housing: Projects that create or preserve affordable housing units, provide direct financial assistance to eligible homebuyers and other eligible housing activities for low and moderate income persons.

Economic Opportunities: Activities that create or retain jobs or economic opportunities for LMI persons; provide assistance to small businesses to establish, stabilize or expand their micro-enterprise business; and other eligible economic development activities.

Creating Suitable Living Environments

Public Facility, Infrastructure, and other Public Improvements: Improvements to public facilities, infrastructure or other public improvements that benefit LMI or special needs populations.

Public Services, capped at 15% of entitlement and prior year program income (CAP waived for CDBGCV funds for activities responding to COVID 19): Activities that provide services to LMI population and special needs population with or without a housing benefit. May prioritize activities to prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) or other needed services caused by the virus. Priorities may include child care services, food security for vulnerable populations, continuation of the youth scholarship program, expanding public safety services in the NRSA and programs targeted to most vulnerable populations.

Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)/Target Area: Eligible activities that stabilize the neighborhood including but not limited to activities that create or retain affordable housing, jobs or economic opportunities, public facility, infrastructure and other public improvements and services for low income and special needs populations.

Response to Support Infectious Disease or Other Urgent Needs: expectations to use CDBG funds to address needs arising in its wake of COVID 19 are expected. Although most activities undertaken in response are expected to meet the objectives above the Town is adding urgent needs as a high priority for the next 4 years. HUD limits the amount of funds that can be used to address urgent needs as indicated below.

Planning and Administration up to 20% of the entitlement amount and current year program income will be used for planning and administration activities.

Urgent Needs, Slum and Blight, and Historic Preservation activities are collectively capped at 30% of award for a 1, 3 or 5 year period as certified by the Town. Typically 1 year but may revise due to COVID.

Pre-award costs: May be incurred for eligible activities provided it is necessary for efficient and timely performance, compliance is met with related requirements, and the citizen participation process has been completed.

Carryover amounts may include funds committed to projects that haven't completed by year end but have demonstrated compliance with stated benchmarks in their agreements.

3. Evaluation of Past Performance

Overall past performance is consistent with Consolidated Plan goals identified included: affordable housing, economic opportunities, public facilities and infrastructure improvements, public services and improvements to the downtown Hyannis Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA).

In Program Year 2020, the Town focused resources on response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and addressing the resulting social, economic and public health impacts. Barnstable's CDBG-CV grant funded emergency child care services with the YMCA, a basic needs program with Duffy Health Center, and a grab & go nutrition program for seniors in cooperation with the Barnstable Adult Community Center.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Residents and agencies serving low/moderate income residents and special needs populations were asked submit written comments. See Consultation and Citizen Participation sections that follow for more details.

To notify the public of these opportunities to participate in the process, the Planning and Development Department (PDD) issued a press release that resulted in newspaper; radio and local cable channel 8 television announcements. Direct invitations were sent via email to participate in Plan review during the comment period. Town of Barnstable also used social media including Facebook and Twitter to announce meetings and public comment periods in an attempt to encourage a broader range of residents. Regional and other local agencies included reprints of announcements in their own newsletters including but not limited to Barnstable County Human Services Newsletter

- Draft documents available 4/14/2021
- Legal Notice April 9, 2021
- Press Release April 8, 2021
- Public Comments accepted through May 14, 2021
- Public Meeting Barnstable

5. Summary of public comments

Summary of comments received in public meetings and written comments received by May 14, 2021 will be included in the submission to HUD for approval.

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

Comments are generally accepted unless inappropriate, not relating to the CDBG program, or not eligible under program guidelines. The main reasons eligible projects or programs suggested are not included in the plan or funded: lack of resources to support, eligible entities unwilling or unable to undertake, or there are other resources available in the community to address those needs.

7. Summary

Comments received on this draft will be considered and included in the final document submitted to HUD for approval. Comments will be accepted through May 4, 2021. Participation in the process is greatly appreciated and used to help define priorities.

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

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

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	Barnstable Home Consortium	Barnstable County Human Services Dept.
CDBG Administrator	Town of Barnstable	Planning & Development Department

Table 1. Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The Town of Barnstable is a participating jurisdiction in the Barnstable HOME County Consortium program. The County is responsible for submitting the Consolidated Plans, Annual Action Plans, Substantial Amendments, and the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) to HUD for the Consortium. The Town of Barnstable is responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Substantial Amendments sections for the Town of Barnstable that are submitted through the County. The Town is also responsible for preparing and submitting the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER) directly to HUD.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

For more information regarding the Town of Barnstable CDBG Program please contact the Town of Barnstable, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, Elizabeth Jenkins, Director of Planning and Development, 508-862-4678, TDD#: 508-790-9801, Email: Elizabeth.jenkins@town.barnstable.ma.us

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

Introduction

During the development of the Program Year 2021 One Year Annual Action Plan, the Town of Barnstable consulted with local housing and human service providers (public and private), the Town staff, community partners including the Barnstable Housing Authority, Coastal

Community Capital and the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District, and residents to obtain their opinion on the housing, public service, economic development needs of Barnstable and the prioritization of action steps.

This was done through a public hearing, direct email contact, phone interviews and a 30-day comment period.

Agencies and organizations contacted included those who serve the homeless, disabled individuals and households, the elderly, people living with HIV/AIDS, low income residents, Medicare and Medicaid patients, local businesses, people struggling with mental health issues or substance abuse, as well as residents and businesses impacted by the new coronavirus COVID19. These agencies were both local and regional entities. This consultation provided an understanding of the housing and community development needs of Barnstable, especially the needs of its low income citizens. The agencies are also provided notice when the draft is available and encouraged to comment during the public comment period.

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)).

In addition to public meetings the Town consults directly with public housing providers and service agencies. Methods of outreach included meetings, phone calls, and email correspondence. Facilitated discussions on housing and community development needs, housing assistance and services for homeless persons, especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and unaccompanied youth, and persons who were recently homeless but now live in permanent housing; and potation programs and projects to address those needs.

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.

There is one Continuum of Care for Cape Cod and the Islands that includes the Town of Barnstable. The Town is represented on the Cape and Island Regional Network on Homelessness Policy Board of the CoC, currently by the Police department and Director of Pupil Services. Other members on the policy board include Housing Assistance Corporation, Duffy Health Care, Independence House, Elder Services, Cape Cod Council of Churches and the Regional Network to Address Homelessness. The Town consults with these agencies in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan. Policy Board members may change at times but representation for the Town and consultation with the agencies remain constant.

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

The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009 (HEARTH Act) amended the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, including major revisions to what is now titled the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program. The ESG program assists homeless households at risk of homelessness by providing the services necessary to help them quickly regain stable housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness.

Currently, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is awarded ESG funds for use in Massachusetts including Cape Cod. Neither the Town nor the County receives these funds directly from DHCD. Funds are provided for shelter support, rapid rehousing, and homeless prevention.

ESG funds are offered through a competitive request for proposal (RFP) on an annual basis. Public notices are issued giving the Towns on Cape Cod and Barnstable County opportunities to comment. DHCD recently awarded Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC) rapid rehousing funds. HAC is located in Barnstable and serves the Cape Cod region.

Requests for programs that fill in gaps in ESG services that meet CDBG requirements may be considered for use of CDBG funds.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable Housing Authority (BHA)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meeting, phone and email.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	HOUSING ASSISTANCE CORPORATION (HAC)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods, available funds
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Duffy Health Center Inc
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Services-Health Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.

5	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape & Islands Community Development, Inc. dba Coastal Community Capital
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Business and Civic Leaders Community Development Financial Institution
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meeting, phone, and email.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	REGIONAL NETWORK TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Other government - County Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by phone, and email.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Regional organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Child and Family Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business and Civic Leaders Business Improvement District (BID)
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	NAMI Cape Cod & Islands
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable Disability Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Business Leaders Voluntary Committee to Town Council
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Public improvements
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable Housing Committee (BHC)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Advisory Committee to Town Council
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provided notices of public meeting, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. CDBG update provided in March 19, 2019 meeting.

16	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable County Human Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape Organization for Rights of Disabled (CORD)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Action Committee of Cape Cod and the Islands, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Private Non-profit
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
19	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape Cod Community College
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Services-Employment Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	SALVATION ARMY CORPS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Services-Education Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Community Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape Cod Council of Churches, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless Consortium of Churches
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable Veterans Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Services - Veterans
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Needs - Veterans Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.

23	Agency/Group/Organization	American Red Cross
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Victims Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
24	Agency/Group/Organization	Town of Yarmouth
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Adjacent Community
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Partner Grantee in the Barnstable HOME Consortium. Direct consultations by meeting, phone and emails.
25	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape Cod Literacy Council
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
27	Agency/Group/Organization	Luke Vincent Powers Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Foundation

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
28	Agency/Group/Organization	Crystal Gardens Children’s Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
29	Agency/Group/Organization	Independence House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
30	Agency/Group/Organization	Department of Public Works-Barnstable
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meeting, phone and emails.
32	Agency/Group/Organization	Harwich Ecumenical Council for the Homeless, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meetings, phone, and emails.
33	Agency/Group/Organization	Barnstable Adult Community Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meetings, phone and emails.

34	Agency/Group/Organization	Town of Barnstable Recreation Division
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Youth and Community Service needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds. Direct consultations by meetings, phone and emails.
35	Agency/Group/Organization	CAPEABILITIES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Education Services-Employment Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.
36	Agency/Group/Organization	Cape Cod Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Community Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Provide notices of public meetings, available drafts, comment periods and available funds.

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

The Town has consulted all agency types.

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Regional Network to Address Homelessness on Cape Cod & Islands,	
Town of Barnstable Housing Needs Assessment & Housing Production Plan	Town of Barnstable, Planning & Development Department	Goals to increase the number of affordable housing options.
Town of Barnstable Local Comprehensive Plan	Town of Barnstable, Planning Board and Town Council	Goals to increase the number of affordable housing options.
Town of Barnstable Town Council Strategic Plan	Town of Barnstable Town Council	Goal to increase diversity of housing, promote economic development, address homelessness
Regional Policy Plan	Cape Cod Commission	Also promotes regional housing and economic development

Table 1 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

Efforts to enhance coordination with private industry, businesses, developers and social service agencies included outreach through the Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce, the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, and the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District. CDBG meeting announcements, availability of funds, document availability, and public comment periods are sent to these agencies which they then distribute to their members through email newsletters, website updates, and other postings.

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

(Summary of outreach and comments here)

Invited the public and other interested parties to comment on the draft Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan for a period not less than 30 days. Notice published in the Barnstable Patriot on **April 9, 2021** and Press Release issued **April 8, 2021**. Documents is available by **April 14, 2021** and accepting public comments through **May 14, 2021**. Press release is also direct emailed to CDBG distribution list. Additional notices posted online on Town Facebook page, in the eWeekly brochure.

As mentioned above, press releases and direct invitations used to encourage participation of local and regional institutions, the Continuum of Care, and other organizations including businesses, developers, non-profit organizations, philanthropic organizations, community and faith based organizations, low and moderate income residents, special needs populations in the development of the plan. Notices are posted in English, Spanish, and Portuguese and the Town website is capable of translating materials into about 100 different languages to help encourage participation of non-English speaking residents. Meeting places and documents are available in accessible locations and reasonable accommodations are available for persons with disabilities to participate in the process. Notices are also sent to public housing agencies to post to encourage public housing residents to participate in the process.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	TBD	TBD	TBD	
2	Press Release	Non-targeted/broad community	Issued 4/7/2021. Sent to media, posted on Town Website, Facebook, Town weekly newsletters, and Capecod.com.	TBD	TBD	
3	Internet Outreach	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Portuguese and Spanish Persons with disabilities Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Non Profit and other agencies	Direct email TBD DATE to area non-profit, business, and other community organizations that provide goods or services to low income and special needs populations.	TBD	TBD	

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)
4	Newspaper Legal Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Document availability and public comment period published in Barnstable Patriot April 9, 2021	TBD	TBD	

Table 2 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.420(b), 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

HUD announced the amount expected for the 2021 program year as **\$311,641**. The amount expected for remainder of Consolidated Plan (ConPlan) is an estimate provided level funded each of the remaining years. The COVID stimulus package amount is unknown at this time and will be updated when announced. Program income amount is unknown until received and prior year resources will be updated when current year invoices are processed through June 30, 2021.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	311,641	0	0	311,641	1,258,605	Expected amount for remainder of Conplan is an estimate provided level funded each year

Table 3 - 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

In addition to other funding resources available to help with consolidated plan goals, applicants are asked to demonstrate how CDBG funds requested will be leveraged with other funds.

- **Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds:** Funds for affordable housing, historic preservation, and open space projects expect a minimum of \$423,253 each for the 2021 program year.
- **Lombard Fund:** Trust funds available to assist very low income Town of Barnstable residents with housing/living expenses. Funds are typically used for rent or mortgage payments and utilities such as heating or electric bills.
- **Affordable Housing Growth & Development Trust Fund:** The AHGD Trust was awarded \$2.5 million in Community Preservation Act funds. Balance as of April 1, 2021 is \$2,003,677. To date, money has been allocated for emergency rental assistance.
- **MassDevelopment Transformative Development Initiative TDI Local Block Grant - \$60,000** have been distributed to small business for COVID-19 relief activities
- **COVID-19 CARES ACT** – The Town was awarded \$3.9 million under the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund. These funds are being used for the continuation of municipal services during a declared public health emergency, expanded public health mission, and services to support residents in their homes.

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

The Town of Barnstable has engaged the services of a development consultant to conduct a site analysis for the purpose of developing affordable housing at 1200 Phinney’s Lane, Hyannis, MA.

Discussion

Carryover amount is an estimate, includes funds committed to projects and subject to the actual amount remaining after processing activities through year end (6/30/2021).

Annual Goals and Objectives

SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 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	Decent Housing	2021	2024	Affordable Housing	Downtown Hyannis NRSA, Town-wide	Affordable Housing	\$67,538	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 5 Persons Assisted Rental units rehabilitated: 5 Household Housing Unit
2	Economic Opportunities	2021	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Downtown Hyannis NRSA, Town-wide	Economic Opportunities Urgent Need	\$67,538	Jobs created/retained: 10 Jobs Businesses assisted: 10 Businesses Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
3	Suitable Living Environment	2021	2025	Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Downtown Hyannis NRSA, Town-wide	Public Improvements Public Services	\$67,538 \$46,699	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Persons Assisted Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8 Households Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Persons Assisted
4	Urgent Needs	2021	2025	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Downtown Hyannis NRSA	Urgent Need		

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Decent Housing
	Goal Description	Projects that create or preserve affordable housing units for rent or homeownership. Activities may include acquisition of property for purpose of creating or preserving affordable housing units; rehab to preserve affordable housing units including public housing units for rent or homeownership; direct financial assistance to eligible homebuyers; and other eligible activities that create or preserve housing units that are affordable to households at or below 80% AMI or special needs populations.
2	Goal Name	Economic Opportunities
	Goal Description	Projects and programs that create or preserve jobs and economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons. May include continuation of the micro-enterprise loan program and may include emergency assistance to small businesses affected by COVID 19. Any other eligible activity that provides jobs or economic opportunities for LMI persons.
3	Goal Name	Suitable Living Environment
	Goal Description	<p>Public facilities, infrastructure, and other public improvements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligible activities may include acquisition or improvements to public facilities, infrastructure and other public improvement including but not limited to continuing the Senior Center Generator project and ADA improvements in the NRSA and other eligible activities. <p>Provide Public Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May allocate up to 15% of the yearly allocation for these activities. Continuation of the Youth Scholarship Program expected and estimated about \$15,000. Pending availability, funds may be used for activities providing a service to low and moderate income persons or special needs populations provided it is new or quantifiable increase over the current level of service. Potential for programs that provide services to seniors, youths, homeless or risk of, persons with mental illness, disabilities, or persons suffering from addiction and any other eligible public service activities. <p>Planning and administrative activities directly related to the CDBG grant. Including but not limited to preparation of Consolidated Plans, Annual Action Plans, Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER), Environmental Reviews and monitoring and documenting compliance with regulations and other eligible activities.</p>

4 Goal Name	Urgent Needs
Goal Description	<p>In response to the recent COVID 19 crisis, activities that address urgent needs as defined by HUD may be considered in the upcoming years. To qualify conditions must pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community; be recent or recently became urgent, within 18 months; the Town is unable to fund activities on its own and no other resources are available to address the needs.</p> <p>HUD limits funding to activities that address urgent needs, slums and blight, or historic preservation to an amount calculated by subtracting 20% from the award, then multiplying that balance by 70% which must be used for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons. The balance between 20% less than the award and the 70% amount can be used to address urgent needs, slums and blight or historic preservation activities. The Town may convert to a multi-year certification if needed to address urgent needs but expects many of the impacts to fall under the housing, economic, public improvement or service objectives.</p>

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)

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AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Town of Barnstable is expecting \$311,641 for the 2021 program year. At this time program income and carry over amounts are unknown. Priorities determined through citizen participation and consultation process.

Projects are consistent with the goals and objectives in the Consolidated Plan. The funding amounts used are for planning purposes and will be adjusted with the actual amounts are known. As indicated in the Executive Summary of this document funds will be used to address the following priorities:

- To create or preserve affordable housing options
- To support economic opportunities
- Improve public facilities, infrastructure, and other public improvements including but not limited to the Senior Center Generator project, ADA improvements in the NRSA, and other eligible projects and programs.
- Provide Public Services.
- Planning and administration (will receive up to 20% of entitlement amount and current year program income).

#	Project Name
1	Program Planning and Administration
2	Affordable Housing
3	Expand Economic Opportunities
4	Public Facility, Infrastructure, and other Public Improvements
5	Public Service Activities

Table 7 – Project Information

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

Input from residents, service agencies and other stakeholders through surveys, consultations, focus groups, and public meetings, as well as census and other data used to determine priorities.

Allocation priorities are based on Consolidated Plan goals, as well as consultations, public input, and fund requests while preparing this plan. Obstacles include lack of funding to address all the needs and lack of requests to address some of the needs identified.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION
	Target Area	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$62,328.20
	Description	Planning and administrative activities directly related to the CDBG program.
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Reported under the programs
	Location Description	Planning and Development Dept. 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601
	Planned Activities	Includes preparation of consolidated plan, annual action plan, consolidated annual performance evaluation, and documenting compliance with all related regulations.
2	Project Name	AFFORDABLE HOUSING
	Target Area	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
	Goals Supported	Decent Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	\$67,531
	Description	Activities that create or preserve safe, decent and affordable housing units for rent or homeownership. These activities may include acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation, creation of rental or homeownership units.

	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5
	Location Description	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NRSA
	Planned Activities	
3	Project Name	EXPAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES
	Target Area	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
	Goals Supported	Economic Opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Economic Opportunities
	Funding	\$67,531
	Description	Activities that create or preserve jobs or economic opportunities for LMI persons.
	Target Date	June 30, 2022
	Estimate the number and type of recipients that will benefit from the proposed activities	10
	Location Description	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
	Planned Activities	Continue micro-enterprise loan program and potential to add emergency business assistance program in response to COVID 19.
4	Project Name	PUBLIC FACILITY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND OTHER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS
	Target Area	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
	Goals Supported	Suitable Living Environment
	Needs Addressed	Public Improvements

Funding	\$67,538
Description	Public improvements may include acquisition for purpose of creating or preserving facilities or infrastructure serving LMMI and special needs populations, rehab to improve facilities, infrastructure or other eligible public improvements.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2
Location Description	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA
Planned Activities	
5 Project Name	PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES
Target Area	Downtown Hyannis NRSA
Goals Supported	Suitable Living Environment Urgent Needs
Needs Addressed	Public Services Urgent Need
Funding	\$46,699
Description	Activities providing services to LMI and special needs populations.
Target Date	6/30/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	20
Location Description	Town-Wide Program for Town of Barnstable; Downtown Hyannis NSRA

Planned Activities	Priorities may include continuation of the youth scholarship program, expanding the community service officer program year round, activities responding to COVID 19, child care, or serving the most vulnerable populations including but not limited to homeless persons, elderly, extremely low income and any other eligible activities providing services to LMI and special needs populations.
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AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

CDBG funds for the 2021 program year may be used for Town wide initiatives and for projects focused on revitalizing the Downtown Hyannis NRSA. The NRSA was extended for the duration of the Consolidated Plan 7/1/2020 – 6/30/2025. The area is located downtown Hyannis and includes the following census block groups: Census tract 125.02 block groups 2, 3, and 4; tract 126.02 block groups 2, 3, and 4; and census tract 153 block groups 2 and 3. Please see NRSA Area Map in the Consolidated Plan.

As indicated above, the proposed NRSA/Target Area populations have the highest poverty levels, the lowest income levels, and the highest minority concentrations. Assistance is expected to be directed to this area.

The purpose of the NRSA is to stimulate reinvestment, revitalize and stabilize neighborhoods, and provide economic opportunities for low and moderate income households. An NRSA designation allows relief from certain regulatory requirements making it easier to implement programs that foster economic empowerment for low and moderate income persons.

Although spending may be focused in the NRSA areas, eligible projects outside these areas will be considered.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Downtown Hyannis NRSA	55

Table 4 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Input from residents, business owners, local financial institutions, non-profit organizations, and community groups, census data, HUD's upper quartile analysis was used to develop the NRSA strategy area. The data included throughout this document and the in the Housing Needs Analysis supports the need to stabilize this area.

Discussion

Planned projects include but not limited to continuation of the Micro-Enterprise Loan Program (MELP) which is currently only allowed in the NRSA. Potential projects, if funding permits, may include but not limited to possible water line infrastructure and ADA access improvements. There is a potential to continue Commercial Façade Improvement Program (CFIP) with focus on sign and awning improvements

in the designated program area. The program cap for the CFIP may be reduced to less than \$2,000 per address.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

The Barnstable County HOME Consortium Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans include barriers for the entire region in which the Town of Barnstable is a participating jurisdiction. The Town is afflicted by the same barriers as indicated in the Consolidated Plan and summarized here.

Insufficient resources, federal housing policy, land use policies, scarcity of buildable land, limited wastewater infrastructure, and neighborhood and community resistance to development.

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 Town of Barnstable proposes the following strategies to address some of these barriers over the next five years.

Insufficient Resources:

Limited local funding sources are available for affordable housing.

- Affordable housing is identified as a high priority for the CDBG program. CDBG Funds are allocated to projects that create or preserve affordable housing units in the Town.
- The Barnstable Affordable Housing Growth Development Trust was allocated \$2.5 million in Community Preservation Funds to address affordable housing needs. Current Balance is \$2,050,000.

Housing Policies:

Updated the Housing Needs Assessment December 2014 and the Housing Production Plan November 2016.

Land Use Policies:

- Town adopted an Inclusionary Housing Zoning Ordinance requires a 10% affordable housing contribution for projects triggering compliance.
- Town adopted Accessory Affordable Apartment Ordinance allows for the development of affordable, deed restricted accessory rental units.
- Town is in the process of rezoning Downtown Hyannis, including NRSA areas, to promote housing production.
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Limited wastewater infrastructure: The Town is implementing a comprehensive wastewater management plan, created to address regulatory requirements to reduce nutrient loading in the Town's watersheds. The plan will extend public sewer service to 11,800 properties in the next 30 years.

Scarcity of buildable land

- The Town is evaluating the use of municipal land for affordable housing.

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

Below is a list of other planned actions to carry out the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan.

The Town's Planning & Development Department seeks to create and retain affordable, safe and decent housing, a suitable living environment, and a healthy local economy for all residents. These are supported by activities and services provided by several additional departments of the Town including Senior Services (senior housing, counseling, food security and other public services), Board of Health (public services), Town of Barnstable School District (public and health services), Barnstable Recreation Department, Finance Department (economic development), Police Department (public services) and the Fire Department (public services).

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The Town continues to focus on priorities and strengthen partnerships with other agencies to leverage these funds when possible. The Town will continue to work with community religious and civic organizations, the Town's Community Impact Unit and human service providers. This year is expected to continue to be challenging due to the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Projects that create or preserve affordable housing options for Barnstable residents are prioritized in this plan.

The Town also has other resources dedicated to affordable housing initiatives such as the Community Preservation Act funds and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The Town has adopted zoning and other policy changes to promote affordable housing activities such as the Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance, Accessory Affordable Apartment, Regulatory Agreements, Private-Initiated Affordable Housing Development (PIAHD) and Multifamily Affordable Housing District and the Growth Incentive Zone (GIZ). These changes have allowed for increased density and the inclusion of affordable housing development. The Planning & Development Department (PDD) hired a consultant to update the Housing Needs Assessment and the Housing Production Plan which were completed in December 2014 and November 2016 respectively. The Town continues to evaluate town owned land with respect to the feasibility of developing affordable housing. PDD continues to provide assistance to developers and residents interested in pursuing affordable housing opportunities.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

- Potential projects are reviewed to determine Lead Paint compliance levels
- Awarded projects are required and documented to comply with Lead Paint regulations
- Potential lead based paint hazards have been identified in the Consolidated Plan
- Lead hazard reduction activities may be funded with CDBG funds
- When possible, some housing programs allow higher amount of assistance to comply with lead paint hazards when triggered
- Home owner rehab programs evaluate for lead compliance and CDBG funds may be made available for lead hazard reduction activities.
- The Town and recipients are required to use a Certified Lead Paint Inspector to identify hazards and ensure compliance with relevant Massachusetts state and federal regulations.
- Grant recipients are required to comply with lead paint regulations.
- The Town's Homebuyer Assistance Program (HAP) was modified to provide additional assistance to address lead hazards

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The Town established a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) in an effort to provide concentrated assistance to the census block groups in Hyannis with the highest number of households with very low incomes and is requesting an extension to continue for the duration of this plan. Households at or below poverty level are eligible for CDBG funded programs such as housing and public services. Most of the rental rehab activities funded by the CDBG benefit extremely low income tenants or homeless persons. Although funding resources are limited to meet all the needs, as partners the town benefits from the Home Consortium's commitment to prioritize extremely low income households; the dedication of the housing authorities for public housing opportunities which allows the town to prioritize low and moderate income persons and thereby collectively contributing to reduce the number of poverty level families.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Downtown Hyannis Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) was established to target the use of CDBG funds in a more comprehensive strategy towards revitalizing an area determined economically disadvantaged. As indicated above, the goal of the NRSA is to:

Support economic empowerment through a more flexible CDBG funding process to increase economic opportunity, stabilize neighborhoods, and sustain revitalization.

Activities planned:

- Stabilizing existing residential neighborhoods by promoting home ownership and providing other direct assistance to homeowners;
- Providing incentives for a broader range of housing types for all lifestyles, ages and incomes through infill development and adaptive building reuse;
- Providing direct business assistance to create and/or retain year round jobs through micro-enterprise lending and other eligible economic programs
- Providing services that create economic opportunities or a homeownership in the area.

This cohesive approach is expected to stabilize neighborhoods, encourage reinvestment downtown and surrounding neighborhoods, and have greater visible impact in the community.

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

- Outreach efforts continue to engage agencies and form partnerships to carryout programs
- Continue use of social media and the website to further public outreach
- Strengthen partnerships with agencies serving low and moderate income persons and special needs populations
- The Barnstable Housing Authority (BHA) works with local service providers to run programs and select participants for publicly (BHA) owned properties
- BHA partnered with the Seniors Helping Seniors group to add a Senior Bullying Program
- The Town is providing financial assistance through the CDBG program to make improvements to housing units owned and operated by the housing authority

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

The Town of Barnstable is a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement community and can use CDBG funds for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons within the community; that work to prevent or eliminate the occurrence of slums and blight; and that are considered urgent because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community. A minimum overall benefit of 70% of the funds must be used to benefit low and moderate income persons. Funds are utilized by the Town to provide decent affordable housing, create economic opportunities and suitable living environments. In response to the COVID 19 crisis, funds may be used to address urgent needs.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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

Other CDBG Requirements

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

70.00%

Discussion

As the COVID 19 crisis continues to unfold, the Town anticipates the potential to use CDBG funds to address urgent need activities. Based on the severity of the situation may opt to use full 30% and certify for more than 1 year. When the needs meet the requirements of other objectives such as projects that create or retain jobs or housing will classify appropriately. **Update:** Overall benefit certification changed from 1 year to 3 years to allow flexibility to address COVID 19.

Attachments

