



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN,
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN &
FAIR HOUSING PLAN

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OVERVIEW



- The City annually receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- The primary purpose of this program is to develop viable communities through the provision of decent housing, suitable living environments and expanding economic opportunities; principally for very low, low, and moderate income persons

OVERVIEW



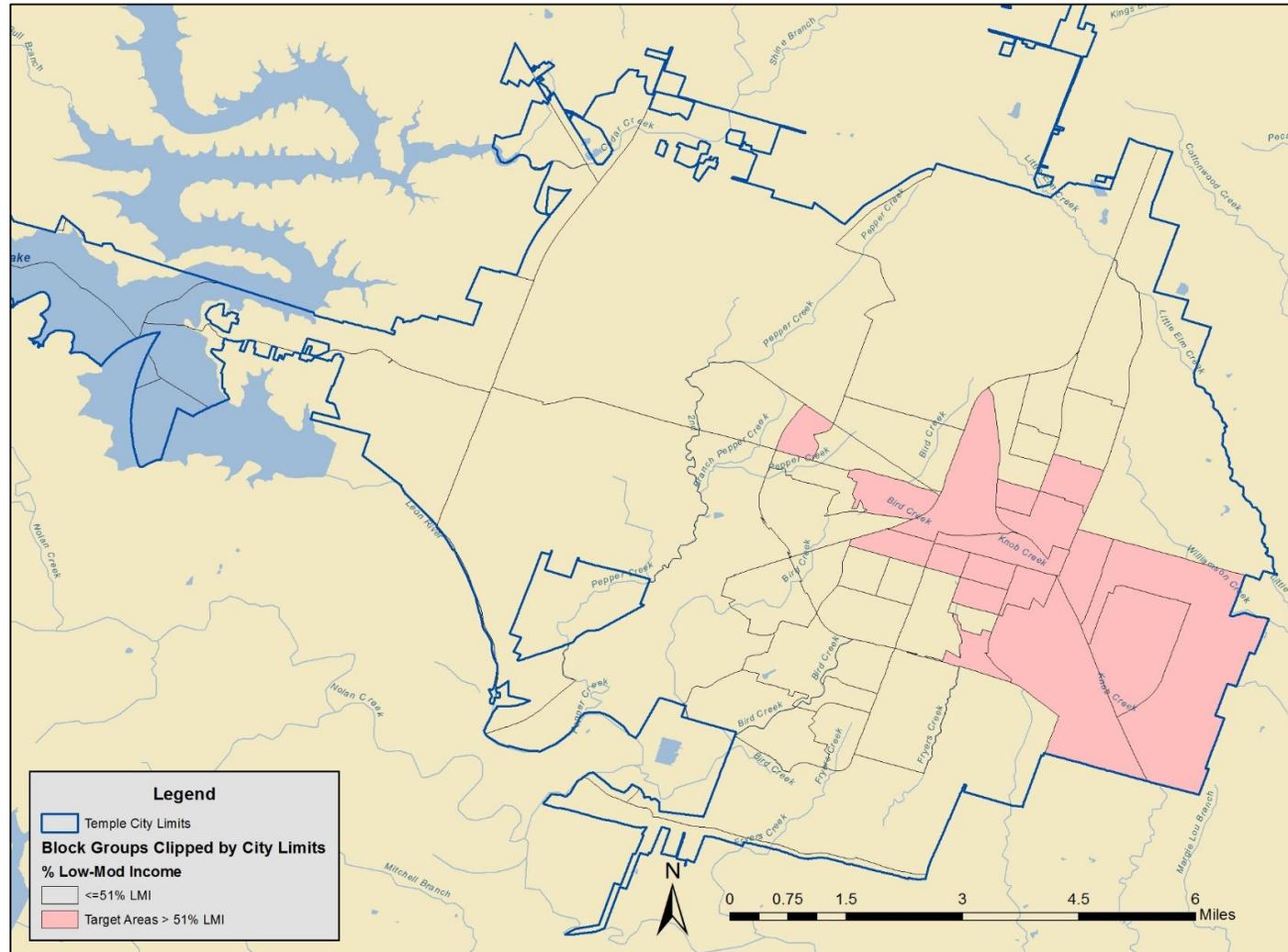
- As a recipient of these funds, the City is required to produce a Consolidated Plan to outline the goals and activities to be undertaken for a period of 5-years, to include Citizen Participation Plan and Fair Housing Plan
- In addition, each year the City is required to develop an Annual Action Plan that defines the programs to be implemented in the coming year, which address and support the 5-year Consolidated Plan

CONSOLIDATED PLAN



- The Consolidated Plan, adopted August 6, 2015, reflects the City's community development goals, as identified through the Needs Assessment
- 5-Year Goals/Priorities:
 - Owner occupied housing rehabilitation/reconstruction
 - Improving community accessibility through sidewalk/transportation enhancements
 - Expanded Support for Social Services to address needs of LMI children, youth, elderly and disabled
 - Removal of barriers to education, job training and Section 3 compliance
 - Affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing barriers to affordable housing

TARGET AREAS \geq 51% LMI



ANNUAL ACTION PLAN



- The Annual Action Plan reflects the City's funding priorities and identifies the projects proposed to receive funds under the CDBG program, on an annual basis
- The City will receive \$410,971 for its 2016-2017 CDBG allocation, this is an unheard of 15% increase in funding from 2015-16
- The City plans to reallocate \$14,947 from previous years to the 2016-17 Action Plan for a total of \$425,918 in funding

2016-17 CDBG ESTIMATED FUNDING	PRIOR FUNDING REALLOCATION	TOTAL
\$410,971	\$14,947	\$425,918

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN



- Why the Increase?
 - Statutory formula that uses several objective measures of community need
 - Poverty (30 – 50%)
 - Population / Growth Lag (< 25%)
 - Housing Overcrowding / Age of Housing (25 – 50%)
 - Data is pulled from the American Community Survey (Census Bureau)
 - Data is more readily available and updated, impacting funding levels annually
 - Meaning, based on available census information the City has experienced an increased community need in one or more of the above objectives

HISTORICAL ALLOCATIONS



Funding Amount



CDBG IN TEXAS



CDBG RECIPIENT	FUNDING AMOUNT FY16	FUNDING AMOUNT FY17
State Total	\$215,614,595	\$216,584,233
Minimum Allocation	\$177,667	\$177,455
Maximum Allocation	\$22,352,814	\$22,140,237
Average	\$2,695,182	\$2,707,303
Temple	\$357,357	\$410,971

ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT



- Three public hearings/meetings will be held during the development of these plans –
 - 06/16/16 – City Council meeting
 - 06/29/16 – Public meeting at Historic Post Office
 - 07/21/16 – City Council meeting
- In line with the requirements of the Citizen Participation Plan

PROPOSED ALLOCATION



ACTION	FUNDING AMOUNT
Public Service Agencies	\$57,500
Infrastructure Improvements	\$100,000
Housing Improvements	\$118,418
Demolition	\$70,000
General Administration	\$80,000
TOTAL	\$425,918

PUBLIC SERVICES AGENCIES

- \$57,500 is proposed for Public Service Agencies
- \$112,234 in funds were requested from 5 agencies



INFRASTRUCTURE



- \$100,000 is proposed for Infrastructure/Public Facility Improvements
- High need, as indicated on the FY15 Needs Assessment – focus on:
 - Sidewalk/Transportation Enhancements
 - Repair/Install sidewalks in qualified areas, impacting a neighborhoods ability to access public transportation, social and economic resources, improve safety and functionality
 - Installation of infrastructure elements (e.g. lighting and bus shelters) to improve overall streetscapes]
 - Public Facility Improvements
 - Expansion of adequate public facilities to low income neighborhoods

HOUSING



- \$118,418 is proposed for Housing Improvements
- High need, as indicated in the Needs Assessment – focus on:
 - Emergency Housing Repairs
 - Pre-Weatherization
 - Accessibility – Universal Design
 - Maintenance Education Classes
 - Financial Literacy / Credit Repair Classes
- Grant Program
 - Applicants would need to meet a threshold of requirements to receive funds and take the Maintenance Education Class to ensure continued upkeep and maintenance of their home

DEMOLITION

- \$70,000 for demolition
- This action enables the City to remove vacant and dilapidated structures to address blight



GENERAL ADMINISTRATION



- \$80,000 is proposed for General Administration, representing 20% of the total allocation

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN



- Outlines how, and when, the City will request formal and informal participation in the development and implementation of the CDBG programs
- Last updated in October 2014; language was made clearer and steps streamlined to encourage citizen participation
- Now being updated in response to the HUD direction on the recent Fair Housing rulings
 - The recent ruling requires the City to update the existing plan to ensure that all residents, businesses, non-profits and other interested parties have a vehicle by which they can become involved in how federal funds are spent at the local level

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN



- The CPP must provide for and encourage residents, particularly low- to moderate-income residents, those living in low- to moderate-income neighborhoods or blighted neighborhoods, racial/ethnic minorities and the disabled, to participate in the development of the plans and evaluation of reports
- Goals of the CPP are to:
 - Encourage citizen participation by all
 - Inform citizens of plans, including availability of funds for eligible activities
 - Give all citizens an opportunity to identify and respond to priority needs
 - Give all citizens an opportunity to identify and respond to priority proposed projects and the use of funds
 - Give all citizens an opportunity to review and comment on program performance

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN



- Plan defines the following:
 - *Encouraging citizen participation* – Process for Citizen Participation
 - *Planning process* – Public Meetings and Public Hearings
 - *Fair Housing* – **Certify the City affirmatively furthers Fair Housing**
 - *Evaluation Process* – Public notice of CAPER for review
 - *Building community awareness* – Use of various media to share information
 - *Public notice of projects* – Areas / methods where notice of Federal funding must be posted
 - *Purpose of Public Hearings*
 - *Notification of Public Hearings*
 - *Time and Location of Public Hearings*
 - *Citizen Participation at Public Hearings*
 - *Public Workshops* – Technical Assistance Workshop

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN



- Plan defines the following:
 - *Agency Training and Coaching* – Sub-recipient guidance (current or prospective)
 - *Requesting Information / Access to Information* – Public Information Act
 - *Amendments to the Consolidated / Annual Action Plans* – Substantial, Minor, Emergency
 - *Re-allocation of Funds*
 - *Amending the Citizen Participation Plan*
 - *Uniform Relocation Act*
 - *Displacement*
 - *Relocation*
 - *Section 3*
 - *Program Complaints*

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- Fair Housing Act – prohibits housing discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability and familial status concerning the sale, rental and financing of housing
- Recent SCOTUS rulings determined updated direction from HUD in the development of the Fair Housing Plan

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- CDBG entitlement jurisdictions must include a certification to affirmatively further fair housing through a Fair Housing Plan, under their Consolidated Plan
- Jurisdictions are required to:
 - Examine and attempt to alleviate housing discrimination;
 - Promote fair housing choice for all persons;
 - Provide opportunities for all persons and neighborhoods to receive the same level of services and amenities throughout the jurisdiction;
 - Promote housing that is accessible to persons with disabilities; and
 - Comply with all federal law and requirements regarding fair housing and non-discrimination.

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- The document includes the following:
 - Community involvement in developing the plan
 - Assessment of past goals and actions
 - Current assessment of fair housing – Attained for Needs Assessment and Census data
 - Review of Fair Housing Impediments, related to demographics, housing, access to opportunity, and legislative and regulatory
 - Fair housing priorities, goals, plan and action steps
 - Proposed possible actions

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- *DEMOGRAPHIC IMPEDIMENT:*
- Impediment 1:
 - Areas of segregation and minority and low-income concentration throughout Temple

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- *HOUSING IMPEDIMENTS:*
- Impediment 2:
 - Shortage of rental housing, in general; and affordable sound rental housing in areas of opportunity, specifically
- Impediment 3:
 - Shortage of affordable owner-occupied housing
- Impediment 4:
 - Possible predatory lending for homes in new subdivisions and denial of loans to minorities or moderate-income persons

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- *ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY IMPEDIMENTS:*
- Impediment 5:
 - Quality infrastructure and facilities are limited in some areas of the City
- Impediment 6:
 - Aging neighborhoods in Temple have numerous code violations and abandoned properties that are hindering the health and safety of the residents and preventing the areas from being desirable

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- *ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY IMPEDIMENTS (cont.):*
- Impediment 7:
 - There is a shortage of grocery store chains, pharmacy chains, big box stores and “dollar” stores in the areas of highest minority and low-income concentration. The assumed result is that the small stores and convenience stores have higher prices, fewer selections, fewer larger quantity packages, and more limited hours of operation
- Impediment 8:
 - Many of the schools in the areas of high minority and low-income concentrations have lower standardized test scores, higher student:teacher ratios and lower percent of staff with advanced degrees

FAIR HOUSING PLAN



- *LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY IMPEDIMENTS*

- Impediment 9:

- There are tax issues that add to lowering the cost of housing in Temple

- Impediment 10:

- Fair Housing Rights are not generally known in Temple

- Impediment 11:

- While the most stringent enforcement of fair housing legislation rests with HUD and the US Department of Justice, local jurisdictions have a role in compliance and enforcement, as well as in reporting steps taken to affirmatively further fair housing

PLAN ADOPTION SCHEDULE



- June 16, 2016 – Plans Presented to Council/Public Hearing
- June 17 – July 16, 2016 – 30-day Public Comment Period
- June 29, 2016 – Public Meeting
- August 4, 2016 – Staff Seeks Adoption of Plans by Council
- By August 19, 2016 – Adopted Plans Submitted to HUD
- October 1, 2016 – CDBG Plan Year Begins

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www.templetx.gov/cdbg



QUESTIONS?

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