

City of Eden Prairie 2017 Annual Action Plan

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Eden Prairie became a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement community in 2006. CDBG funds are allocated to the City directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City remains a part of the Hennepin County Consortium for purposes of the Five Year Consolidated Plan and HOME funding.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

The City of Eden Prairie will carry out activities that will provide for the preservation of the City's housing stock, provide affordable housing options, provide essential services to seniors, families and children and support Fair Housing activities.

The city's CDBG allocation will be used for housing rehabilitation, energy improvements, accessibility improvements and emergency repairs for the purpose of maintaining decent affordable housing. The city plans to rehab six low/mod income, owner occupied homes and assist 4 seniors with emergency grants during 2017.

The City's CDBG allocation will be used for affordable housing to help provide decent housing, while maintaining affordability and sustainability. CDBG funds will be used for a first time home buyer program to assist two low/moderate income households purchase their first homes. CDBG funds will be used by the West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust to help acquire one single family home, which will then be sold to a low/mod income first time homebuyer.

The city supports public service programs that provide assistance to low/moderate income seniors, families and individuals. These funds help provide access to suitable living environments, maintain affordability, availability and accessibility to housing activities. It is anticipated that 81 low/mod income Eden Prairie residents will be assisted through PROP, YMCA, and Senior Community Services.

The City will utilize CDBG funds to support fair housing activities through the Fair Housing Implementation Council.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Due to the limited amount of CDBG funds received, the city carefully considers each project to make sure that it will meet as many housing and community development needs as possible. There is particular focus on this with the public service agencies, requiring them to report of past performance and anticipated future performance when applying for funds. The majority of organizations receiving CDBG funding from the City of Eden Prairie meet 100 percent of their expected performance goals. These organizations continuously experience high demand for their services and give the city insight into community needs.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City of Eden Prairie is part of the Hennepin County Consortium, and therefore the City's Consolidated Plan is part of the Hennepin County Consortium Consolidated Plan. The City follows Hennepin County's Citizen Participation Plan, which calls for the Hennepin County Consortium Action Plan to be available for public comment 30 days prior to a public hearing before the Hennepin County Board. The Eden Prairie City Council holds their own public hearing and allows the public to comment on the proposed activities. Notice of the public hearing is published in the Eden Prairie News thirty days prior to the council meeting. The City's Human Services Review Committee responds to questions and inquiries about the plan, and makes recommendations to the City Council based on feedback. For the 2017 program year, the public notice was published on February 2, 2017 and the council meeting was held on March 7, 2017.

5. Summary of public comments

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

No comments have been received by the city of Eden Prairie.

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

No comments have been received or rejected by the city of Eden Prairie.

7. Summary

In summary, the City continues to serve as many low/moderate income households as possible. The city believes that its citizen participation plan as well as input from public service providers enables it to administer CDBG funds efficiently and to meet the needs of it's residents.

The activities to be undertaken during the 2017 fiscal year address the priority needs and local objectives as set forth in the Consolidated Plan. The activities that are part of the 2017 Action Plan are to be completed within 12 months from the time funds are allocated to the City of Eden Prairie.

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
CDBG Administrator	EDEN PRAIRIE	Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The city of Eden Prairie administers the city's CDBG program, but is a part of the Hennepin County consortium for purposes of the HOME program. The county is the lead of the consortium per the joint cooperation agreement.

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

1. Introduction

The City of Eden Prairie has a Development Review Committee comprised of staff from Housing and Human Services, Community Development and Planning, Engineering, Fire and Inspections. This committee meets weekly to review proposals for new development and projects. This group works directly with developers, non-profit agencies and other governmental agencies and transit authorities to ensure that all perspectives are considered throughout the review process.

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(l)).

It is anticipated that the South West Light Rail (SWLRT) line that will run from Minneapolis to Eden Prairie will have a significant impact on the community. Several working groups have been formed to work on various components of the project. One such work group is focused on housing along the new transit corridor, and includes staff from Hennepin County, the cities of Minneapolis, St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Minnetonka, Edina and Eden Prairie.

Maxfield Research was contracted to prepare a Corridor-wide housing inventory at the one-half mile, one-mile and two-mile radius surrounding each proposed transit station along the corridor. Eden Prairie is expected to have four transit stations. The inventory provides an analysis on housing conditions, population demographics, employment, education, community trends and so forth. The report will help communities understand where opportunities exist for housing, including affordable housing and other transit oriented development. A second study was conducted by Marquette Advisors which determined the gaps that currently exist in housing options. This information will assist policy makers in strategic planning for the appropriate mix of housing along the corridor. A Corridor Housing Strategy has been prepared for communities along the corridor to use to implement housing and economic development. A model Resolution was also prepared for elected officials to consider.

The City of Eden Prairie has developed many relationships with private and other public agencies from which it gathers input on its activities set out in the Action Plan and also seeks implementation of some of these activities.

The City is in contact with non-profit organizations (both those partially funded with City CDBG funds and those that are not) to learn about the changes in their clientele. Many of these organizations have seen an increase in clientele, including those who have never had to access the service in the past.

Finally, the City also works with various public agencies including other cities, Hennepin County, and state agencies. This collaboration allows the City to find out more about what these organizations are seeing in their community and help the City prepare for these issues which may arise.

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.

Members of the Minneapolis/Hennepin County Continuum of Care (CoC) & the Office to End Homelessness (OEH) help coordinate funding by participating on funding review committees and working to ensure consistent goals & data from all providers. The CoC's funding committee actively evaluates existing and proposed projects for service to the chronically homeless. Our street outreach team engages unsheltered people and works with a network of providers to find housing for families and individuals.

The CoC's Family Services Network meets monthly to identify and address issues in serving homeless families. Family services will be the first part of our CoC's Coordinated Assessment implementation, covering a continuum of services for families from prevention to permanent supportive housing. Amidst growing concern that more families were entering shelters each year and with a 25% repeat shelter stay within 2 years, a new initiative was launched in 2014 to better serve those families with longer-term rental subsidies, enhanced employment services, tighter connection to child care and more targeted use of permanent supportive housing for families with 3 episodes of homelessness in 3 years. Though still only a pilot, in January 2015, the number of families in county-contracted shelter was 24% lower than a year ago.

Domestic violence agencies are part of the CoC's Family Services Network planning process as well. In Minnesota, all openings in domestic violence shelters are coordinated in the Day One system. As our Coordinated Assessment system is implemented, domestic violence services and shelters will be encouraged to participate and features of the Day One system will be mimicked acknowledging the unique needs of families facing domestic violence and protecting their privacy.

Youth: The CoC addresses this youth with these plans & strategies: Prevention & RRH services by a network of providers, Youth Mental Health Outreach, Youth In-reach Worker for age 24 & younger in adult shelters, drop-in centers, StreetWorks Collaborative street outreach, housing opportunities & services for youth 17 & younger and 18-24, self-support assistance and training, annual Youth Connect events, Youth Opportunity Center, and Youth Service Coordination meetings. Minnesota recently enacted legislation that youth under age 18 who are sexually exploited are victims, not perpetrators, of a crime. The MN legislature also enacted funding for emergency shelters for sexually exploited youth.

Veterans: OUTREACH: Annual "Stand Down" for homeless veterans by Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV), collaboration with Minneapolis VA Mental Health Homeless Programs & VISN

Coordinator to provide outreach at adult Opportunity Center, shelters & Drop-in Centers, the VA's "Front Porch Group", VA MH Homeless Mobile Outreach program, and Minneapolis VA's Community Resource & Referral Center in downtown Minneapolis. SUPPORTIVE HOUSING: in collaboration with others, the CoC will solicit & support proposals for new housing opportunities for veterans using federal, state & local resources. PREVENTION: statewide SSVF grantee serves veterans in our CoC - over 70 in 2013 with direct assistance and dozens more with referrals. VASH: to date Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) has received & put into service 205 vouchers. The CoC works closely with VA's Coordinator for homeless programs and designated staff at MPHA.

HOPWA: CoC staff is part of MN HIV Housing Coalition, setting priorities & direction for this funding in MN. TANF: as part of CoC, Hennepin County Human Services administers this locally, targeting funding consistent with OEH goals & priorities, including homelessness prevention & RRH; Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY): CoC assists state recipient to review local proposals for this funding.

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

Eden Prairie does not receive ESG funds.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	EDEN PRAIRIE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Human Services Review Committee: This committee is comprised of City staff from a variety of departments, including Housing and Human Services, Zoning Enforcement, Police, Administration and Parks and Recreation. This group meets monthly to work on issues related to housing and human services. Each year, this committee reviews requests for funding from service providers and makes funding recommendations to the City Council. There are two sources of funding for human services, the City's general fund and CDBG. The recommendations are based on review of written proposals, site visits and other methods to determine the quality of the service and the overall value to the community.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The city holds an annual non-profit funding review with the Human Services Review Committee. To determine needs for low/mod income seniors living in Eden Prairie, the city consults with Senior Community Services. Senior Community Services is able to tell city employees what trends they are seeing in the senior community and what the greatest need is. Currently, as the population ages, many seniors are trying to stay in their homes longer. By providing chore services through the HOME program, they are able to help seniors avoid moving out of their homes.</p>
3	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p>	<p>People Reaching out to Other People</p>
	<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p>	<p>Services - Housing Services-homeless Transportation</p>
	<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development</p>

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The city holds an annual non-profit funding review with the Human Services Review Committee. To determine need and anticipated resources for low/mod income families living in Eden Prairie. The city consulted PROP to help with planning the best way to use CDBG funds to prevent homelessness. The city relies on PROP to forward their data to the city so that we are able to prevent homelessness before it becomes a problem. PROP helps the city understand that funding from the city is a high priority in the fight against homelessness. PROP assists Eden Prairie residents who are in danger of becoming homeless and need housing assistance. After consulting with PROP regarding car repair need in the community, it was determined that there is a large need for car repair assistance in Eden Prairie so low/mod income residents have dependable transportation to work and school.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	SOUTHDALE YMCA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The city holds an annual non-profit funding review with the Human Services Review Committee. To determine need and anticipated resources for low/mod income families living in Eden Prairie. The YMCA sees a need for before and after school care for low/mod income Eden Prairie children whose parents are working and are unable to afford quality child care for their children
5	Agency/Group/Organization	WEST HENNEPIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND TRUST
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The city consulted with WHAHLT to determine the need for affordable housing and the availability of housing in the city. WHAHLT struggles with finding available properties within Eden Prairie that are affordable. Finding affordable housing in Eden Prairie is a high priority for the city and working with WHAHLT is a way to attain this goal.</p>
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All agencies listed above were consulted.

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		
City of Eden Prairie Comprehensive Guide Plan	City of Eden Prairie	The city's Comprehensive Guide Plan lays out development of the city for the next 30 years. It also identifies affordable housing efforts within the city, which may be impacted by the city's CDBG efforts.
Corridor Housing Strategy	Hennepin County	The Corridor Housing Strategy studied the city's housing and economic development opportunities along the corridor.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

The City of Eden Prairie coordinates with Hennepin County, and the other entitlement communities that comprise the consortium, in setting the priorities of need, the citizen participation and the fair housing strategic plan for the five year span.

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

The Consortium supports and encourages the participation of citizens, community groups, and other interested agencies in both the development and the evaluation of the Plan's programs and activities. The citizen participation process is designed to encourage all residents, including non-English-speaking and minority populations. Extremely low and low-income persons are especially encouraged to participate in the process, particularly those individuals living in blighted areas and in public housing or other assisted housing. Attempts are made to include residents of areas where CDBG-funded projects currently exist or are proposed, such as assisted housing developments and targeted revitalization areas.

The Consortium worked with area community-based organizations, obtaining input from target populations through surveys, and meetings. Goals were set to best serve community and population needs.

The City of Eden Prairie's citizen participation process includes an RFP process that allows non-profit agencies to apply for public service grant funding. Through this process, the City engages with social service providers, the faith community and school district staff to learn about the needs in the community and how to best allocate public service funds in the most effective manner. Applicants, for the most part, live or work in Eden Prairie and by participating in the RFP process, they broaden their individual and organizational knowledge of how the city manages CDBG funds. The City's Human Rights & Diversity Commission receives a presentation when the RFP process is underway and Commissioners are encouraged to help spread the word about the potential funding source to non-profit service providers that may know.

The citizen participation process impacted goal setting by giving Eden Prairie a clear understanding of where the funds would be best allocated to meet the greatest needs in our community.

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 Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Attendance by two public service providers.	The comments were made by the public service providers and were related to providing information about the organization and thanking the city council for their support.	N/A	
2	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	No comments received	N/A	http://www.edenprairie.org/city-government/departments/community-development/housing-and-community-services
3	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	No comments received	N/A	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.420(b), 91.220(c) (1, 2)

Introduction

During the 2017 program year, the city will receive \$200,000 in grant funds and approximately \$30,000 in program income. The city will use these funds along with prior year program income to fund approved projects.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder 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	200,000	30,000	95,000	325,000	700,000	During the 2017 program year, the city will receive \$200,000 in grant funds and approximately \$30,000 in program income. The city will use these funds along with prior year program income to fund approved projects.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

matching requirements will be satisfied

When possible, federal funds are leveraged with additional resources. For the housing rehabilitation program, homeowners will use their own funds with the CDBG funds.

Affordable housing programs leverage additional county, state and federal funds for additional down payment assistance and rehab of purchased properties.

All public service agencies use CDBG funds to leverage additional public and private funds. In most cases, CDBG funds are only a small portion of their total budget. Commitment of CDBG funds by the city allows the public service agencies to seek out additional funding sources that require a commitment.

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

N/A

Discussion

The city anticipates receiving it's annual allocation along with \$30,000 in program income. The city does have prior year program income that it will use to fund projects.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Homeowner Rehabilitation	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership	CDBG: \$117,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit
2	Direct Homebuyer Assistance	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership	CDBG: \$105,000	Homeowner Housing Added: 1 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 2 Households Assisted
3	Senior Services	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$9,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 28 Persons Assisted
4	Emergency Services	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$34,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 16 Persons Assisted Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 17 Households Assisted
5	Youth Services	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Education, Outreach and Services	CDBG: \$10,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Persons Assisted
6	Fair Housing	2015	2019	Fair Housing	Citywide	Fair Housing	CDBG: \$2,000	Other: 1 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	Administration	2015	2019	Administration	Citywide	Administration	CDBG: \$23,000	Other: 1 Other
8	Rehab Grants	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Rehab Grants	CDBG: \$25,000	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 1 Business

Table 6 - Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	During the 2017 grant year, the City of Eden Prairie expects to rehabilitate 6 owner-occupied homes through the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program. The program is funded using CDBG formula funds and program income. The program provides up to \$30,000 for eligible repairs through an interest free, deferred loan, with a phased repayment. The loan is forgiven after 20 years. Applications are accepted year round on a “first come, first served” basis. Applicants qualify based on their household income and the amount of equity in their home. An emergency rehab grant program will also be available for seniors to receive grants up to \$5000 to make emergency repairs to their homes. It is expected that four emergency grants will be made in 2017.
2	Goal Name	Direct Homebuyer Assistance
	Goal Description	The city assists first time homebuyers through a downpayment assistance program and through the WHAHLT program. The city expects to provide 2 First Time Homebuyer loans and one grant to WHAHLT for acquisition. Downpayment assistance is an interest free deferred loan up to \$25,000 that provides 50% of the required down payment, \$5000 in closing costs and 10% principle reduction.
3	Goal Name	Senior Services
	Goal Description	Assistance to seniors with interior and exterior home maintenance (such as yard work, snow removal, and minor repairs) to help seniors remain in their homes with dignity and safety.

4	Goal Name	Emergency Services
	Goal Description	Provide assistance to households in danger of becoming homeless that need emergency assistance for housing costs (rent/mortgage). Provide emergency transportation assistance through the Emergency Vehicle Repair program.
5	Goal Name	Youth Services
	Goal Description	Provide low-income Eden Prairie parents, who may be working or attending school, with child care fee assistance.
6	Goal Name	Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Fair Housing activities include education for property managers, staff training, community outreach, and referral to Legal Aid. Funds are provided to Hennepin County for implementation of the Fair Housing activity.
7	Goal Name	Administration
	Goal Description	Administrative costs associated with the implementation of the CDBG program for the city of Eden Prairie.
8	Goal Name	Rehab Grants
	Goal Description	Provide rehabilitation grants to non profits that serve low/mod income Eden Prairie residents to update their facilities.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

As determined at the March 7, 2017 public hearing, and adopted by Eden Prairie City Council Resolution No. 2017-33, the city of Eden Prairie will undertake activities related to housing rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, public services, fair housing, and program administration.

#	Project Name
1	Housing Rehabilitation
2	Affordable Housing
3	Family Public Services
4	Senior Services
5	Fair Housing
6	Program Administration
7	Rehab Grants

Table 8 – Project Information

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

At a public hearing held by the Eden Prairie City Council on March 7, 2017 and through Eden Prairie Resolution No. 2017-33, the city has allocated its 2017 CDBG funds. The focus of the allocation continues to be on housing rehabilitation and affordable housing initiatives.

The City is in contact on a regular basis with a number of nonprofit agencies which coordinate and provide assistance for those who have underserved needs. During 2017, the City will continue to be in contact with these agencies to learn about the underserved need in the community and how the City can help meet these needs.

An obstacle to meeting underserved needs the City has encountered has been a lack of clients in its First Time Homebuyer Program. Due to the declining housing market in the area, the City has encountered a lack of available housing in the price range that is within reach of young families and individuals who qualify for mortgages in the range of \$150,000 to \$170,000. This lack of single family homes has become a barrier to first time homebuyers looking to purchase a home in Eden Prairie using the First Time Homebuyer Program.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Homeowner Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$117,000
	Description	Housing rehabilitation for low/mod income Eden Prairie homeowners
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that six low/mod income Eden Prairie families will benefit from the Housing rehab program and four low/mod seniors will benefit from the emergency housing rehab program.
	Location Description	This is a city wide program
	Planned Activities	Housing rehabilitation of owner occupied Eden Prairie homes.
2	Project Name	Affordable Housing
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Direct Homebuyer Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Preserve/Create Single Family Homeownership
	Funding	CDBG: \$105,000
	Description	Funding for down payment assistance for low mod income first time homebuyers and the WHAHLT program which assists low/mod income first time homebuyers.

	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Three low/mod income first time homebuyers will benefit.
	Location Description	This is a city wide program.
	Planned Activities	First Time Homebuyer down payment assistance WHAHLT - affordable housing acquisition
3	Project Name	Family Public Services
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Emergency Services Youth Services
	Needs Addressed	Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$44,000
	Description	Use CDBG funds to assist low/mod income Eden Prairie residents with child care, car repair, and emergency housing assistance.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Emergency Housing - 17 Car Repair - 16 Child Care - 20
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Emergency rent/mortgage assistance, child care subsidy and emergency car repair
4	Project Name	Senior Services
	Target Area	Citywide

	Goals Supported	Senior Services
	Needs Addressed	Education, Outreach and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,000
	Description	Provide maintenance and chore assistance to seniors.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	28 low/mod income seniors will receive chore service benefits
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Provide maintenance and chore assistance to seniors.
5	Project Name	Fair Housing
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$2,000
	Description	Fair housing activities
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Citywide

	Planned Activities	The city of Eden Prairie will participate in and help to fund fair housing activities through the Fair Housing Implementation Council, which provides support for fair housing activities. Activities include education for property managers, staff training community outreach and referral to Legal Aid. funds are provided to Henne[in County for implementation of the fair housing activity.
6	Project Name	Program Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$23,000
	Description	Implement and coordinate the CDBG program
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Implement and coordinate the CDBG program.
7	Project Name	Rehab Grants
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Rehab Grants
	Needs Addressed	Rehab Grants
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000
	Description	Provide grants to non profits for rehabilitation of facilities
	Target Date	6/30/2018

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Provide a rehabilitation grant to one non profit organization that serves low/mod income Eden Prairie residents.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Facility rehabilitation

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

All programs will be provided on a city-wide basis and will be directed to low/mod income Eden Prairie residents.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100

Table 9 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Because there are no concentrations of poverty or other significant factors, all programs are available city-wide.

Discussion

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

Introduction

In an effort to further the city's efforts in assisting low and moderate income households, the following are additional actions in which the city provides or participates in.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

As described in the Public Housing section, the City of Eden Prairie does not have oversight of and is not involved in the operation of public housing units, and therefore does not have a plan to address public housing improvements and resident initiatives.

The proposed actions the City of Eden Prairie will take to reduce the number of persons below the poverty line are seen in the public services programs we fund, both with our general funds and CDBG funds, which promote self-sufficiency. Funded social services programs such as the vehicle repair program, the emergency housing assistance program, Meals on Wheels, and others listed several times throughout this Action Plan have the common theme of helping people become or remain self sufficient. Helping people become or remain self-sufficient will reduce the likelihood that they will fall below the poverty line.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Eden Prairie uses many strategies to remove barriers to affordable housing. By using the land trust model, these properties remain affordable for 99 years. The City uses Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and other tools to help incent developers to build multi-family developments in Eden Prairie. City policy requires developers who receive public financing to set aside 20% of the units as affordable at the 50% Area Median Income (AMI). The City works with developers to incorporate affordable housing in all new proposed developments.

The City uses CDBG funds in the single family home rehabilitation program to help homeowners keep their properties viable and structurally sound. Without the home rehabilitation program, some of our residents, particularly senior citizens, could not afford to make the repairs which are necessary to stay in their homes.

The City of Eden Prairie allocates general funds for social services programs. These programs support people who are currently homeless, are facing homelessness or have other special needs.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Participants in the City's Housing Rehabilitation Program who reside in a house built prior to 1978 are required to have their home tested for lead-based paint prior to receiving a loan. The lead-based paint testing is completed by Hennepin County. If lead hazards are found, they must be corrected and the home must pass a clearance test before the project is considered complete. If the clearance test does not pass, the corrections and re-testing must continue until the home does pass. This process is completed following HUD regulations and guidelines.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The following are actions the City of Eden Prairie is taking to reduce the number of poverty level families

- Collaborating with and funding social service agencies in the community that assist families toward self-sufficiency.
- Partnering with nonprofits to offer financial management and budgeting classes for the immigrant community, particularly who have accessed financial support in the past.
- Job coaching program to assist poverty level adults in finding jobs, particularly those who have barriers with technology.
- Providing assistance to help poverty level families find affordable housing.
- Pursuing microenterprise pilot program to assist poverty level families in launching small businesses in the transit station areas.
- Raising the visibility of support services in the community so that families in need can find the help they need to move out of poverty.
- Educating the broader population about the needs of poverty level families in the community and holding collaborating events to work together to meet these needs and assist families in becoming self-sufficient

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The city of Eden Prairie is already working with many of the public service agencies that serve the community. These agencies receive general fund grants from the city as well as CDBG grants. The two organizations work together as part of a larger, broad-based effort. Since these relationships are working well, there are no planned changes.

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

The City of Eden Prairie coordinates a property managers group that meets quarterly to discuss challenges, opportunities and resources available to rental properties. Social services agencies participate in these quarterly meetings. The city's rental inspection program makes referrals as needed to city housing staff and social services agencies to provide resources to prevent displacement of

individuals and families due to deteriorating conditions. The City of Eden Prairie provides grant funding to Senior Community Services for chore services needed by elderly residents which allows the residents to remain safe in their homes. The city sponsors workshops by tenant advocacy agency HomeLine to help landlords and tenants both understand the respective responsibilities and to prevent displacement.

Discussion

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

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.

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	100,000
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:	100,000

Other CDBG Requirements

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

Discussion

The city will use any excess program income received for affordable housing and rehabilitation projects.