



2019 City of Poughkeepsie

Annual Action Plan

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The 2017-2019 Dutchess County and City of Poughkeepsie Consolidated Plan is a comprehensive document promoting a coordinated approach to housing and community needs, and fostering the coordination of all programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Plan outlines the priorities by which the County and the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs, HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program and Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program will be invested over the next two years. Every year the City must produce an Annual Action Plan (AAP) to detail specific activities to carry out the Plan's priorities and goals. This document is the City of Poughkeepsie's 2018 AAP, which outlines the specific projects the City will undertake using CDBG funds to achieve the objectives in the Consolidated Plan. These projects cover the first year of a two year extension to the five year Consolidated Plan period. The City of Poughkeepsie is an entitlement community eligible to receive HUD funding through the CDBG program on an annual formula basis.

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 Consolidated Plan Strategic Plan outlines five major priority needs. These include:

Economic Development – Improve coordination and use of economic development programs and activities through the Community Development Block Grant Program to meet the economic challenges facing the City of Poughkeepsie, including economic development loans, facade improvement programs, improving sidewalks, crosswalks, parks, recreation areas, handicapped accessibility, transportation, water and wastewater improvements.

Public Facilities and Improvements – Support the use of CDBG public service funds for activities that specifically benefit and address meal programs, substance abuse, domestic violence services, counseling services, rent services, youth and job mentoring, youth activities, educational/after-school programs, services to senior citizens, and home rehabilitation.

Homeless Public Services – Support the use of CDBG public service funds for activities that specifically benefit and address the issues of housing, homelessness and homeless prevention. Priority will be given to programs which support the identified needs and goals of the Dutchess County Continuum of Care and the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, and are provided by agencies who actively participate in the Dutchess County Housing Consortium.

The following chart summarizes the Consolidated Plan goals, objectives and outcomes addressed with 2018 City of Poughkeepsie CDBG funds:

There are three HUD objectives:

- DH – Decent, Affordable Housing
- SL – Suitable Living Environment
- EO – Economic Opportunity

There are three HUD outcomes:

- 1 – Availability/Accessibility
- 2 – Affordability
- 3 – Sustainability

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The City has been successful in utilizing CDBG funds to improve public infrastructure in low to moderate income neighborhoods. Some of these projects include but are not limited to fire hydrant replacement, installing additional street lights, repairing and improving sidewalks and streets, demolition of various structures in blighted neighborhoods, and repairing and improving City pools and parks. The City has also been successful in providing funds to numerous non for profit agencies throughout the City that assist low to moderate income families through various youth/adult programs, activities, and projects. The City has been able to replace and improve necessary fire equipment as well as repairing and updating fire stations in the City.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City held a public meeting upon the release of the CDBG application where residents could learn about the program priorities and requirements, as well as ask questions regarding the program.

Applications were announced via email, public notice in the Poughkeepsie Journal, and on the City's website. Applications were posted on the City's website at www.cityofpoughkeepsie.com. Technical assistance was available during the application cycle. Applications were reviewed by City Administration and the Director of Social Development. After careful review of the submitted applications, recommendations were made to the City Administrator and the Mayor. A second public hearing was held at the end of the process on the draft Annual Action Plan.

The Social Development Director and the Administration reserves the right to increase or decrease project funding during the program year and to reallocate that funding based on a number of factors. These factors include but are not limited too, emergency needs, program or project continued eligibility, and program or project's performance in a timely manner.

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.

Several residents contacted the Social Development Office to inquire about the application process and the selection of funded projects. Attendees at the public hearing were in favor of the selected projects and asked how to be considered for funding in the future.

No written comments were recieved.

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

None.

7. Summary

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	POUGHKEEPSIE	Office of Social Development
HOPWA Administrator	POUGHKEEPSIE	Office of Social Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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

1. Introduction

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)).

The City of Poughkeepsie has two public housing agencies, the Poughkeepsie Housing Authority and the City of Poughkeepsie Department of Housing Choice Vouchers, formerly known as Section 8. Through the Dutchess County Continuum of Care (CoC), as a member, the City of Poughkeepsie works to enhance coordination between these housing providers and health, mental health and service agencies. Coordination with the CoC is described in more detail below.

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.

In Dutchess County the Continuum of Care is known as the Dutchess County Housing Consortium (DCHC). DCHC’s mission is to prevent and end homelessness by facilitating collaboration, planning, education, and advocacy efforts and by promoting the development and preservation of needed resources.

The Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development (DCDPD), author of the Consolidated Plan in coordination with the City of Poughkeepsie Office of Social Development, is co-chair of the DCHC, and the coordinator of the CoC’s annual program funding application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), known as the NOFA. As such, they have an intimate knowledge of the goals and objectives of the CoC and access to all of the CoC data. This includes data from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), Point-in-Time Count (PIT), Housing Inventory Count (HIC), Homeless Data Exchange (HDX), and the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR). Through this relationship with the DCHC, the City of Poughkeepsie can ensure that CoC goals are integrated into the Plan, and the CoC is informed of all funding opportunities under the programs covered by the Plan.

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 Department's Community Development Administrator is a co-chair of the Dutchess County Continuum of Care (CoC). On behalf of the CoC, the Department reviews and issues a CoC consistency certifications for potential Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) applications which insures that ESG applications are consistent with CoC goals. ESG performance standards are reviewed and approved by the CoC, and ESG performance is evaluated as part of the larger CoC performance review process which the Department also coordinates.

The Department is also the local point of contact for the CoC's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). In 2014, the Department coordinated the transfer of the HMIS system to a new provider (CARES), and acts as the primary link between CARES and HMIS agencies. The Department coordinated the HMIS Committee which reviews and approves policies and procedures, and HMIS administration and data. Through this linkage the Consolidated Plan has access to the most recent homelessness data and trends so Plan policies can reflect current needs.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Rebuilding Together Dutchess County, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Hudson River Housing
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	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 Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.

3	Agency/Group/Organization	Catholic Charities Community Services of DC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	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 Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Nubian Directions II
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.

5	Agency/Group/Organization	Dutchess Outreach
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities 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 Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Grace Smith House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-Education Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Market Analysis

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Boys & Girls Club
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Family Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Mid Hudson Aquatics, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.

10	Agency/Group/Organization	Mid Hudson Civic Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	The Bardavon 1869 Opera House, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	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?	Consulted with community development and submitted and application.

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

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	Dutchess County Housing Consortium	DCHCs mission is to prevent and end homelessness by facilitating collaboration, planning, education, and advocacy efforts and by promoting the development and preservation of needed resources. DCHC/CoC goals and activities were incorporated and prioritized in the Plans housing and homelessness priorities.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

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 City conducts extensive outreach during the development of an Annual Action Plan. Outreach is conducted via the internet, newspaper legal advertisements, and public meetings. The prime method for public comments is public meetings which are conducted during the application period and upon release of the draft Action Plan. Organizations and the public are also able to submit oral or written comments to the City at any time prior to the submission of the Plan to HUD.

Outreach for public meetings was conducted via the internet, newspaper legal advertisements, and posting in public locations. The City maintains an extensive Consolidated Plan e-mail list containing municipal officials, public service agencies, government agencies, economic development officials, advocacy groups and concerned citizens. A special effort is made to reach out to minorities with individualized outreach to minority advocacy groups, and advertising in the Poughkeepsie Journal. All outreach and meeting notices are posted on the City website.

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	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	N/A	N/A	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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)
3	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	All comments and recommendations were considered for the draft action plan.	Questions were received about the application process and with regard to how to be considered for funding in the future.	N/A	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Table 52 outlines the CDBG resources the City anticipates having available during the 2018-2020 extension period covered by the Consolidated Plan. It is followed by narratives about other resources these funds will leverage.

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	827,288	0	0	827,288	827,288	CDBG Funds allocated to Administrative Expenses, Infrastructure Projects, Economic Development, Public Services, and City Planning

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: \$		
HOPWA	public - federal	Permanent housing in facilities Permanent housing placement Short term or transitional housing facilities STRMU Supportive services TBRA	0	0	0	0	0	

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

The federal funding listed above is funding which is received annually to support activities outlined in this Plan. Although there are no guarantees of this funding, particularly in the current budget environment, the City has historically received these funds and expect to for the period covered by this Plan.

The City has a variety of resources to fund community development type projects. The most significant resource is local property taxes which have been under extreme pressure over the past several years. Other than CDBG funds, the City receives federal money for eligible transportation related projects. NYS also provides money to the City for infrastructure improvements through its Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS). These sources provide some leveraged capital to CDBG funded infrastructure improvement projects.

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

The City of Poughkeepsie regularly review tax delinquent parcels for their ability to help address Consolidated Plan goals. The City of Poughkeepsie is currently reviewing its process for disposing of tax delinquent properties. Traditionally the City has sold the tax liens which in some cases has resulted in properties revolving through the system from one absentee owner to the next. As part of the Distressed Property Initiative the City is consider taking and holding strategic properties and looking for responsible developers who will redevelop the properties in accordance with their Distressed Property Strategy and this Plan.

When City-owned property is sold at auction, community development and owner-occupancy are priorities established to help stabilize neighborhoods. To accomplish these goals, the following guidelines were established:

- 1) All one and two family houses and building lots zoned for one and two family houses will be sold only to owner-occupants or organizations that will rehabilitate the property for the sole purpose of selling the house to an owner-occupant. Houses that need extensive rehabilitation will not be offered directly to an owner-occupant unless the prospective purchaser has previous experience and financial capacity to undertake the work.

- 2) All multi-family and commercial buildings will be sold to investor/developers who possess some combination of the following: a demonstrated history of community involvement; a record of quality real estate development; a record of good property management; capacity to undertake and complete the project in the stated time frame; and proof of financial capacity to perform; good credit history; and a clean record with the City of Poughkeepsie.

Discussion

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	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Non-Housing Community Development		Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements	CDBG: \$487,288	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 26862 Persons Assisted
6	Substance Abuse Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Public Services - Non-homeless	CDBG: \$20,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1250 Persons Assisted
7	Senior Citizen Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Public Services - Non-homeless	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1250 Persons Assisted
8	Homeless Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Homeless		Public Services - Homeless	CDBG: \$76,500	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 49850 Persons Assisted
9	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Public Services - Non-homeless	CDBG: \$100,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 251507 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	Administration - City of Poughkeepsie	2013	2017	Adiminstration		Administration	CDBG: \$130,000	

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Substance Abuse Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	
7	Goal Name	Senior Citizen Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	
8	Goal Name	Homeless Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	
9	Goal Name	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	
10	Goal Name	Administration - City of Poughkeepsie
	Goal Description	

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The following projects were identified to provide funding for infrastructure and public services to maximize the benefit to the City of Poughkeepsie.

The City's 2019 CDBG funds will be allocated as follows:

#	Project Name
1	Infrastructure - Sidewalks and Street Improvements
2	Infrastructure - Code Enforcement
3	Infrastructure - Clearance, Demolition, and Cleanup of Contaminated Sites
4	Infrastructure - Neighborhood, Parks, Recreational Facilities
5	Infrastructure - Tree Planting
6	Administration and Planning
7	Public Service - City of Poughkeepsie Pulaski Park Pool
8	Public Services - Rebuilding Together Dutchess County
9	Public Services - Hudson River Housing
10	Public Services - Catholic Charities Community Services
11	Public Services - Nubian Directions II
12	Public Services - Dutchess Outreach
13	Public Services - Family Services (DAAC)
14	Public Services - Mid Hudson Aquatics
15	Public Services - Boys and Girls Club
16	Public Services - R.E.A.L. Skills Network
17	Public Services - The Art Effect
18	Public Services - Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley
19	Public Services - Bardavon Opera House

Table 7 – Project Information

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

The City's priority is to utilize CDBG funding to help benefit the residents in low/moderate income neighborhoods. The City is becoming more strategic with allocation methods, monitoring policies, project determination and balance regarding CDBG funds. The City is proactive in taking measures to monitor all CDBG activities to ensure that the grant funds do not just provide a service to residents of the City at a point-in-time but that the program, project and/or service has sustainability separate from CDBG grant funds. The City is also monitoring each program, project and activity for measurable outcomes which benefit low and moderate income residents of the City. Funds are allocated via a competitive application cycle. The most significant obstacle to addressing the needs of the underserved

is the lack of financial resources.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Infrastructure - Sidewalks and Street Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	
	Description	This City of Poughkeepsie Infrastructure project entails installation, repair and/or improvements of sidewalks, streets, street drains, storm drains, curbs, gutters, tunnels, bridges, traffic lights and traffic signs. This project also includes improvements such as landscaping and "streetscaping" such as the installation of trash receptacles, lighting, benches, and trees.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	To be determined.
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Infrastructure - Code Enforcement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	
	Description	Eligible code enforcement activities, salaries of Code Enforcers primarily part of the City's Anti-Blight Task Force, vehicle expenses, etc.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

3	Project Name	Infrastructure - Clearance, Demolition, and Cleanup of Contaminated Sites
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	
	Description	This City of Poughkeepsie Infrastructure project entails clearance and/or demolition of buildings and/or improvements, or the movement of buildings to other sites. This project also includes activities primarily to clean toxic, environmental waste or contamination from a site.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	To be determined.
Planned Activities		
4	Project Name	Infrastructure - Neighborhood, Parks, Recreational Facilities
	Target Area	College Hill Park
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	
	Description	This City of Poughkeepsie Infrastructure project entails the rehabilitation of facilities, playground equipment, grounds, and City parks that are primarily designed to serve a low/moderate income neighborhood and is used for social services or multiple purposes including recreational facilities.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities		

	Location Description	College Hill Park
	Planned Activities	
5	Project Name	Infrastructure - Tree Planting
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	
	Description	This City of Poughkeepsie Infrastructure project entails activities involving tree removal, planting and the overall beautification of streets and/or sidewalks.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	To be determined.
	Planned Activities	
6	Project Name	Administration and Planning
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Administration - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program
	Funding	
	Description	Administration includes overall program administration including but not limited to salaries, wages, and other related costs of office space, office supplies, grantee staff or others engaged in program management, monitoring, and evaluation. Administration and Planning also includes program planning activities , development of comprehensive plans, community development plans, energy strategies, environmental studies, area neighborhood plans, and functional plans.
	Target Date	12/31/2019

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
7	Project Name	Public Service - City of Poughkeepsie Pulaski Park Pool
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	The operation of Pulaski Park Pool and payment of the pool lifeguards during the summer months.
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Pulaski Pool
	Planned Activities	The operation of Pulaski Park Pool and payment of the pool lifeguards during the summer months.
8	Project Name	Public Services - Rebuilding Together Dutchess County
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Senior Citizen Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	Rebuilding Together Dutchess County provides critical repairs and accessibility modifications for low income homeowners in the City of Poughkeepsie. This program preserves affordable home ownership, stabilizes properties, their values, and enables seniors and individuals living with disabilities to live independently, reduce their energy consumption, and addresses health and safety risks.

	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
9	Project Name	Public Services - Hudson River Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Homeless
	Funding	
	Description	The Gail V. Webster Memorial Shelter for the Homeless provides a safe alternative to the streets and addresses emergency needs of homeless individuals and families. The program involves existing shelters and programs for the homeless, counseling and assistance in addressing immediate needs in locating suitable housing, employment, educational/vocational training, therapy, medical assistance, financial support, and other services.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	The Gail V. Webster Memorial Shelter for the Homeless
	Planned Activities	
10	Project Name	Public Services - Catholic Charities Community Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless Public Services - Homeless
	Funding	

	Description	This program provides comprehensive, ongoing case management services to meet the immediate needs of the City of Poughkeepsie residents who are risk of homelessness or who have difficulty affording basic necessities such as food, rent, utilities, and medication. This program provides eviction prevention and utility assistance.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
11	Project Name	Public Services - Nubian Directions II
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	Nubian Directions Youthbuild AmeriCorps Partnership (NDYAP) develops high quality workforce skills for low/moderate income youth between the ages of 16-24. The 12 month program provides HSE (formerly GED) and construction skills training while building a community of support and commitment to service.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
12	Project Name	Public Services - Dutchess Outreach
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeless Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Homeless
	Funding	

	Description	Dutchess Outreach Case Management and Emergency Assistance programs address homelessness through emergency housing and support services. This program provides access to food, counseling, referrals, advocacy services, and direct assistance to meet the emergency needs of homeless individuals or individuals threatened with homelessness through eviction prevention. Case managers help people find and secure suitable and affordable housing, and work with them on sustainability, household budgeting, and income strategies.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
13	Project Name	Public Services - Family Services (DAAC)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Substance Abuse Public Services - C/Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	Domestic Abuse Awareness Classes for Men (DAAC) is a psycho-educational program for men to address the crime of domestic abuse. Following an individual registration appointment, participants attend 26 classes, there is also an option for referral sources to mandate clients to attend 52 weeks. This program provides effective intervention to domestic violence offenders which is essential in addressing domestic violence in the community. DAAC also provides domestic violence classes for men at the Dutchess County Jail.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

14	Project Name	Public Services - Mid Hudson Aquatics
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	Mid Hudson Aquatics provides a citywide swim program that directly benefits and serves low/moderate income children and their families by providing access to city pools year round, swim lessons, swim suits, lifetime survival skills and the chance to develop socially and to be part of a team.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
15	Project Name	Public Services - Boys and Girls Club
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	The Afterschool Project (TAP) is a comprehensive afterschool education initiative designed to provide students in grades K-8 with the academic, social, and vocational skills they need to successfully graduate high school, enroll in college and enter the workforce. This program offers students access to positive youth development activities in the areas of academic enrichment, science, technology, leadership development, arts and culture, sports and recreation.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	

	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
16	Project Name	Public Services - R.E.A.L. Skills Network
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	R.E.A.L. Skills Network D.E.A.L. (Developing Esteemed Academic Life-Skills) and T.I.P.P. (Teen Intervention Program and Party) programs are extensive peer mentor apprenticeships, consisting of 20-25 students that encourage the development of self awareness and self esteem. Students participate in workshops that promote skills in public speaking, leadership, and community engagement. Students participate in an alternative to violence workshop which is an 18 hour program. This prepares apprentices to help facilitate and conduct educational workshops for T.I.P.P which is comprised of over 300 middle school students.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
17	Project Name	Public Services - The Art Effect
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	

	Description	The Art Effect's program is a youth workforce, job skills training program that addresses the needs of youth facing multiple barriers to employment through an arts based curriculum. MADLab is a Media, Art, and Design Lab that provides low income youth from the City with workforce development skills and paid compensation to incentivize attendance and ensure that they don not have to choose between supporting their families and engaging in job training.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
18	Project Name	Public Services - Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Youth Public Services - City of Poughkeepsie
	Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
	Funding	
	Description	Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley (on behalf of the Latinos of Poughkeepsie Soccer Club) will provide youth in the City of Poughkeepsie an opportunity to engage in a soccer club at a competitive level. The soccer club develops a sense of commitment, dedication, and work ethic in the youth of the City. It keeps them away from drugs, gangs, and other issues. There are 5 teams that serve 80 kids.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
19	Project Name	Public Services - Bardavon Opera House
	Target Area	

Goals Supported	
Needs Addressed	Public Services - Non-homeless
Funding	
Description	The Bardavon Opera House provides a Field Trip Fund (FTF) which is a subsidy program for tickets to the Daytime Series Children's performances \$3 each for Poughkeepsie public school students. This program will ensure that the arts are accessible to all Poughkeepsie school children and to provide quality arts education experiences for young people.
Target Date	12/31/2019
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
Location Description	
Planned Activities	

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

See map below depicting geographic area of entitlement.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Investments are made in census-defined low and moderate income areas or are the type of projects which are presumed to benefit low-income populations (e.g. homeless, substance abuse, handicapped).

The primary focus for CDBG allocations is the Consolidated Plan priorities. The City makes an effort to distribute funds, to the extent practicable. Past performance of projects is also a funding consideration.

At the time of the 2019 Action Plan, HUD is using 2000 Census Tract and Block Group geographies, while providing Low-Mod population data estimates, updated in FFY2014. Thus, the map below geographic boundary lines from 2000, but relatively up-to-date low-mod data. According to the 2000 Census, the City has 10 Census tracts; however, funded activities only occur in the tracts that reflect 51% or more low-mod population. This essentially leaves the entire 2210 Census Tract out and includes the rest of the City.

According to more current data (2007-2011 ACS), the median household income in Dutchess County was \$71,125, which is in stark contrast to the median income for the City of Poughkeepsie at \$39,041.

Discussion

AP-70 HOPWA Goals - 91.420, 91.220 (I)(3)

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:	
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family	0
Tenant-based rental assistance	0
Units provided in permanent housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds	0
Total	0

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

Introduction

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

There is a longer list of activities in the Dutchess County and City of Poughkeepsie Analysis of Impediments. The following is a list of specific initiatives which have yet to be implemented which the County and City will focus on during the 2019 program year:

Impediment #1: Home Rule, Land Use Regulations and the Local Land Use Approval Process

1. Provide technical assistance to municipalities to facilitate local approvals.
2. Implement tracking system and fact sheets for goals set in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment.
3. Revise and implement Model Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance
4. Sponsor education and training sessions

Impediment #2: Limited Infrastructure

Water and Sewer

1. Provide subsidies, using the resources of the CDBG Program, WWA and the Partnership for Manageable Growth

Transportation

1. Utilize CDBG funds as appropriate to improve transportation services and pedestrian needs.

Impediment # 3: Local Opposition to Change/NIMBY

1. Sponsor community leadership training
2. Create website which provides links to existing articles and research on NIMBY issues

Impediment #4 - Limited Fair Housing Resources

1. Develop fair housing education, marketing, outreach and advisory capacity

Impediment #5: Limited Subsidized Housing and Assistance Programs

1. Increase availability of information on available and proposed affordable housing

Impediment #6 - High Cost of Living

1. Identify and evaluate parcels that present opportunities for affordable housing development
2. Dedicate CDBG and HOME resources to defray the cost of land for fair and affordable housing

Discussion

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

Introduction

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City will continue to support those public services which promote long-term meaningful change, whether it be permanent, stable housing, youth and work force training programs for the City's youth, daily meal programs, substance abuse programs or services for senior citizens. The obvious obstacle is declining funds for these programs, and the City will be more strategic in its application of funding in order to leverage the most benefits.

The City will maintain its role with the County and within the Continuum of Care to provide the oversight and coordination required under the HEARTH regulations.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City does not expect to lose any units from its assisted housing inventory during 2019.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Lead removal will continue to be addressed through the HOME Program and the County's Senior Citizen Owner-Occupied Property Rehabilitation Program. All lead-based paint is removed from substantial rehabilitation projects funded by the HOME Program. Additionally, HOME funds may be used to address lead-based paint problems in properties with a known lead-base paint problem. The County has an EPA qualified risk-assessor on retainer who is used for the County's Senior Citizen Owner-Occupied Property Rehabilitation Program. The County will notify local contractors of opportunities to become certified for the removal of lead-based paint in an effort to increase the number of contractors who can work with the program and increase general knowledge among the contracting community. Rebuilding Together conducts lead safe training for its volunteers to insure their program is in compliance with HUD regulations. It also invites outside contractors to help expand general knowledge in the community.

The City's Section 8 Housing inspector has been trained in identifying lead base paint hazards in units that are or will be occupied by households with children under the age of six.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will be more strategic in its application of funding in order to support those programs which not simply address the symptoms of poverty but address the causes of poverty. Thus, work force development, particularly among the City's youth, will be a priority, as well as supportive services for the homeless such as locating suitable housing, educational/vocational training, and other services.

The City will continue its focus on funding programs which help create long term meaningful change, including helping families out of poverty.

Under the CDBG program Hudson River Housing, Dutchess Outreach and Catholic Charities Homeless Prevention Case Management are just a few programs that are focused on reducing the number of poverty level families in the City. Catholic Charities provides short term financial assistance to rapidly re-house homeless families and keep those at-risk of homelessness housed. The financial assistance is provided within a longer term case management framework which seeks to address long term financial concerns and help families develop a plan for long-term financial security. The Hudson River Housing Program is focused on providing a safe alternative to the streets and addresses emergency needs of homeless individuals and families. The program provides counseling and assistance regarding locating suitable housing, employment, educational/vocational training, therapy, medical assistance, and other services. The Dutchess Outreach Program is focused on emergency food distribution, grant assistance, eviction prevention, and support services for those in need.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City's Department of Planning and Development has relationships in several different spheres - government, local municipalities, private developers and businesses and public service agencies. Through these relationships it can help create bridges between these different communities which may not have much opportunity to interact. The City can introduce affordable housing developers to community and municipal leaders, it can provide advice to municipal leaders on the real impact of affordable housing and it can connect housing developers and public service providers so they can work together to address their clients housing needs. The City can introduce business developers to municipal and community leaders to work together to address the business expansion in the City. These relationships and communication between individuals should help strengthen the existing institutional structure.

The City will be working to streamline implementation of its CDBG projects and the City's standard orientation will be enhanced to provide information of HUD deadlines, Consolidated Plan priorities, and the application process.

The City will continue to use its extensive mailing list to inform all parties about the availability of CDBG resources.

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

The City will work with the CoC to increase participation by public and private housing agencies as well as critical public service agencies in CoC activities. The CoC is currently in the process of identifying these groups and will do outreach to encourage participation in the CoC.

Discussion

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

The City does not include program income for potential use in the 2018 Action Plan. Any program income received is credited to the revolving loan fund and not used to supplement the proposed activities.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)	
Reference 24 CFR 91.420, 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	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.	
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	
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.	100 %

