



RESOLUTION NO. 6936

A RESOLUTION AMENDING ALBANY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM YEAR 2019 ACTION PLAN AS ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 6805 AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 6881

WHEREAS, the City of Albany is entitled to annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted the 2019 Action Plan by Resolution No. 6805 on June 12, 2019, that outlines how the City will address priority needs and goals identified in the City's 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City amended the 2019 Action Plan by Resolution No. 6881 on April 22, 2020, to incorporate the City's first special CDBG allocation of \$220,804 authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded a second special CDBG allocation from the HUD through the CARES Act on September 11, 2020, in the amount of \$249,360 to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, HUD approved a waiver of flexibility to allow a reduced comment and notice period on substantial amendments as part of the CARES Act to allow entitlement communities to respond quickly to address impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City held a competitive grant application process to evaluate community needs related to COVID-19 and then held a seven-day comment period on the proposed CARES Act amendments to the 2019 Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the city council held a public hearing on October 28, 2020, on the 2019 Action Plan amendments, and all comments were accepted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council hereby amends the 2019 Action Plan adopted by Resolution No. 6805 as described and attached hereto as "Exhibit A;" and

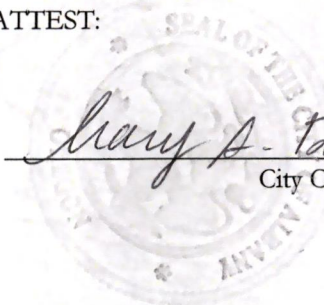
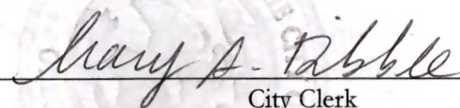
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. 6881 is hereby repealed.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2020.

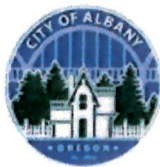


Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk



CITY OF ALBANY

2019 ACTION PLAN CARES ACT AMENDMENTS

STAFF SUMMARY

The City of Albany was allocated supplemental Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding from the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security act (CARES Act) to help prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of the coronavirus on individuals, families, and businesses. The City received notice of the first award of \$220,804 in April 2020; notice of the second award of \$249,360 was received in September. Both CARES Act awards are combined and included as one amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan.

The City allocated the first round of CARES Act funds to address economic and housing market disruptions to help Albany's small and independent businesses stay afloat during the pandemic and to keep residents housed. A majority of the second CARES Act award will be allocated to public service agencies to help residents impacted by COVID-19 and to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

PLAN AMENDMENTS:

*Proposed amendments are shown using red underline and ~~strikeout~~ formatting. Text in red underline font indicates new text. Text with ~~strike-out~~ formatting indicates text to be deleted. **Only applicable 2019 Action Plan sections are shown.***

AP-05 Executive Summary

The City of Albany is an entitlement jurisdiction receiving a federal formula grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The CDBG program requires entitlement jurisdictions to prepare a strategic plan every five years, called the Consolidated Plan, to identify housing, community, and economic development needs and priorities. The strategic plan identifies strategies for the city to follow in order to achieve the goals of the CDBG program "to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate income persons."

Each year, entitlement jurisdictions must submit an Action Plan to HUD that describes the specific planned uses for CDBG funding and how program requirements will be satisfied. The 2019 Action Plan is the city's second plan outlining how the city will target program year 2019 CDBG funds to address needs and goals identified in the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan.

A substantial amendment to the 2019 Action Plan was made in April, 2020 to include the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act CDBG allocation (CDBG-CV) of \$220,804 to prevent, prepare for and respond

to the impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on Albany residents. The amendment also included reallocating unspent funds to help businesses recover from the pandemic.

The City received notice of a second CDBG-CV award of \$249,360 in September 2020 and prepared a revised amendment to the 2019 Action Plan to incorporate the second CARES Act allocation.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The 2019 Annual Action Plan (2019 Plan) objectives and outcomes were developed through citizen participation and agency consultations over the past year, and needs identified in the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan. The 2019 Action Plan activities will benefit Albany's LMI residents, with funding priorities going to activities that work to prevent and reduce homelessness.

The following summarizes how the city will allocate 2019 CDBG program funds to activities that address 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan goals and objectives. The City received additional funding as part of the CARES Act to prevent and respond to the impacts of COVID-19 (CDBG-CV). The City added a Consolidated Plan goal to prepare for, prevent and respond to COVID-19.

- Prevent and Respond to COVID-19 - CDBG-CV funds will be used to provide services and needs to residents and businesses impacted by COVID-19, including emergency housing assistance, help businesses retain or rehire employees, provide emergency food boxes, and help the City respond to and prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- ~~— Create affordable housing opportunities — 2019 and carryover 2018 funds will be used to acquire, clear, and/or improve real property that will become affordable housing in the Consolidated Plan period. Home buyer assistance programs continuing with 2017 and 2018 carryover funds will help three LMI households become homeowners.~~
- Preserve and improve existing affordable housing through housing rehabilitation loans to improve the integrity, safety, and livability of at least three houses occupied by LMI residents.
- Reduce homelessness through public services grants to the three local shelters for case management and life skills/employment training for homeless youth and adults to help clients move into stable housing and general operations.
- Provide services to special needs and low-income residents – CDBG 2019 public services grants will support local child abuse prevention services, food boxes and furniture to homeless and low-income residents, and a senior companion program for elderly home-bound adults.
- Increase economic opportunities for Albany's LMI residents through technical assistance to microenterprises and entrepreneurs at the Linn Benton Community College (LBCC) Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to help establish businesses and create local jobs and provide small grants to microenterprises to offset business start-up costs and costs to create jobs.
- Remove blighting influences through housing rehabilitation in low-income census tracts.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Below is a summary of progress made in 2018 towards the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan goals.

Create affordable housing opportunities

- [Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services DevNW](#) provided down-payment assistance loans to three low- and moderate-income households who became Albany home-owners.
- Habitat for Humanity is in the process of purchasing a residential property that will provide home ownership opportunity for a low-mod single-mother.

Preserve and improve existing affordable housing

- [Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services DevNW](#) provided housing rehabilitation loans to four low- and moderate-income Albany home- owners to improve the integrity, safety, and livability of their housing.

Reduce Homelessness

CDBG public services grants were awarded to two local shelters to provide meals, food boxes, case management, and life skills/employment training for homeless youth and adults.

- Signs of Victory served 224 unduplicated residents in the first six months of their grant term.
- Jackson Street Youth Services has provided safe housing and case management to 22 youth in the first six months.

Provided needed services to Special Needs and low-income residents

- Family Tree Relief Nursery child abuse prevention services for 16 children and a total of 29 family members in the first six months.
- Furniture Share provided healthy food boxes and furniture to 894 formerly homeless and low-income Albany residents in the first six months.
- Senior Companion Program has served 17 elderly low- and moderate-income adults to date.

Increase economic opportunities for Albany's low- and moderate-income residents

- The city helped 16 Albany residents, including 13 Latino residents take business classes or receive business advising at Linn Benton Community College in order to help establish local businesses and create local jobs.
- The city provided small grants to two microenterprises to offset costs to expand operations and create jobs.

Remove Blighting Influences

- CDBG funds helped remove blighted conditions through housing rehabilitation programs and public improvements at Sunrise Park.

Further Fair Housing

- Fair housing education for public officials and staff and for emergency shelter staff are scheduled for May 13, 2019. Planning is underway to provide training for residents/tenants in Spanish.



Sunrise Park Remodel



Shelter Services

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The City followed the requirements in its Citizen Participation Plan in carrying out the process to develop the 2019 Action Plan. The City amended its citizen participation plan to include flexibilities provided for in the CARES Act to allow a reduce public comment period and public hearing notice and to hold virtual hearings. The City and CDC obtained public input on housing and community development needs and priorities to assist with development of the Plan through a public summit on homelessness, participation in community groups (such as the Homeless Engagement and Resources Team monthly meetings), and outreach efforts by staff and Community Development Commissioners. The second phase of public input included agency consultations and solicitation and evaluation of grant proposals.

The last phase was to obtain public input on the draft 2019 Action Plan and substantial amendments. ~~The City advertised the 30-day public comment period and provided notice of the June 12, 2019 public hearing using the following methods:~~

~~Notice was published in the Albany Democrat Herald on May 13, 2019.~~

~~Notice posted on city's website, news feed, and calendar on May 10, 2019.~~

~~Notice was e-mailed to agencies, interested parties and stakeholders on May 13, 2019 and June 4, 2019.~~

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.]

2019 program year funds: The City of Albany received the following comments from citizens, Community Development Commissioners, and area agencies and service providers through meetings, funding applications and agency consultations:

Summary of 2019 Needs and Priorities Identified through Agency Consultations:

- Case management and shelter services are needed for Albany's homeless and at-risk youth;
- Family support services are needed for families with children up to 6 years of age that have risk factors associated with child abuse and neglect to prevent abuse and foster care placements;
- Long-term homeless and vulnerable residents staying at Albany Helping Hands Shelter need help finding employment, preparing applications and resumes for interviews, and job skills training, so they can reduce the need for public assistance and build self-esteem.
- Signs of Victory Shelter needs operational support to meet increased needs and services when capacity tripled after moving to a larger facility 1.5 years ago.
- There are no funds available to help start-ups and entrepreneurs get established.
- Housing rehabilitation funding is needed to meet the demand.

2019 Plan Testimony Received:

- Stacey Bartholomew, resident and Albany Area Habitat for Humanity Board member and Creating Housing Coalition President spoke in favor of CDBG funds for affordable housing.
- Brigetta Olson, Chief Operating Officer for Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services (WNHS) spoke in support of the CDBG programs. WNHS manages the housing rehabilitation and home buyer down payment assistance programs for Albany. Many applicants for housing rehab are seniors on fixed income that want to age in place but can't afford to without assistance.

CARES Act Needs/Testimony Received:

- There is anticipated need for emergency housing assistance.
- Funding is a barrier to serving more Albany households with emergency food boxes.
- Businesses impacted by COVID-19 need help retaining and restoring jobs, adjusting business plans, PPE, and training for a different economy.
- Childcare is needed due to virtual school and increased pressures on families.
- Shelters and other providers are experience increased demand for services and increased expenses due to COVID-19, while fundraising has been impacted by the pandemic.
- Additional resources are needed to meet COVID-19 safety guidelines for shelters – such as more beds and temporary space to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- Residents need desks, tables and other furniture and equipment to work from home and help children with virtual learning as well as helping residents being moved into temporary housing due to COVID-19.

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

1. Introduction

The Community Development Commission (CDC) consulted with public and assisted housing providers, health, mental health, and service agencies in group settings to learn more about community needs and to foster collaboration among providers. The CDC meetings provided an opportunity for enhancing the existing coordination and delivery structure of housing programs, services for homeless, and health and social services. The CDC consulted with Linn County Health Services, Department of Human Services, Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments, Community Services Consortium, and all agencies that provide services to Albany’s homeless and special needs populations. Many of these agencies also participate in the Homeless Engagement and Resource Team (HEART) monthly meetings. City staff corresponds with these agencies and service providers periodically to assess existing programs and performance and help identify gaps in need that could be supported with CDBG-funded activities and programs.

The City and CDC consulted with service providers, economic development staff and agencies, businesses, shelters, child care and youth services providers, the school district, local action agency, and housing providers regarding needs to prevent and respond to the impacts of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

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

The complete list of agencies consulted for the 2019 Action Plan is not included in this exhibit due to the length of the content; agencies consulted for the second CARES Act award are included below.

1	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF ALBANY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Civic Leaders Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy Public facilities, accessibility and infrastructure needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Various City departments were consulted to gain insights into community and economic development needs, infrastructure and public facility needs, parks and recreation needs, housing and affordability needs, lead paint issues and practices, <u>COVID-19 response needs</u> , and the impacts of land use planning and policies on housing affordability. The city consulted with the police and city manager departments regarding the homeless solutions team. This consultation and coordination will be ongoing.

2	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Services Consortium
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Employment Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Regional organization Civic Leaders
	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 Strategy 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?	The Community Services Consortium (CSC) is the area community action agency that receives Community Services Block Grant funding to operate services in a three-county region that includes Albany. CSC provides housing services, rental and utility assistance, job training, Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG funds) to reduce homelessness in Albany. CSC was consulted for input about homelessness data and needs, emergency housing assistance and homeless needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic . Collaboration and consultation are ongoing.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany Helping Hands
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Albany Helping Hands is one of two large homeless shelters in Albany and they own several transitional houses for hard-to- house men and one for women with children. The City consulted on homelessness needs and eligible CDBG activities and needs to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and provide safe shelter .
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Signs of Victory Mission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Services - Food and hygiene
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Signs of Victory (SOV) is a homeless shelter with services in Albany, having recently expanded into a larger facility. The City consulted with SOV to identify the highest priority needs to help homeless and at-risk residents <u>and needs to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and provide safe shelter.</u>
7	Agency/Group/Organization	JACKSON STREET YOUTH SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Jackson Street Youth Services was consulted on the housing and services needs of homeless and at-risk youth in Albany, <u>and needs to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and provide safe shelter.</u> CDBG funds were awarded to provide youth case management and services to youth staying at the shelter or in transitional housing.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Greater Albany Public Schools
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-homeless Services-Education Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy 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?	Consultation with the school district (GAPS) McKinney Vento liaison and youth services coordinator is ongoing. The coordinator works with homeless and highly mobile students residing in the Albany district. The City receives homeless count data on children in the GAPS district. <u>The City also consulted with GAPS regarding virtual learning and prevention needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</u>
13	Agency/Group/Organization	C.H.A.N.C.E.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	Consultations with C.H.A.N.C.E. (Communities Helping Addicts Negotiate Change Effectively) regarding programming needs to support residents in recovery and with mental health issues, and homelessness needs is ongoing. C.H.A.N.C.E. is instrumental in helping homeless residents get into programs and residents in recovery get jobs and into stable housing. The City consulted about emergency housing assistance and homeless needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Linn Benton Community College
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Services-Employment Other government - State Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Linn Benton Community College, Small Business Development Center provides education, training, and counseling to small businesses through a team of business advisers and faculty. The City consulted with LBCC to determine needs of small businesses and how to create jobs for low and moderate-income residents, and how to help businesses survive, recover from impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and prevent COVID . CDBG funds support the LBCC microenterprise and small business development programs that will increase economic opportunities and jobs for LMI residents.
15	Agency/Group/Organization	State of Oregon Department of Human Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services - Victims Child Welfare Agency Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy 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?	DHS Local Department of Human Services staff participate in monthly HEART meetings and participates in the annual resource fair for persons experiencing homelessness. DHS provides data on child abuse, domestic violence, and foster home placements. The City consulted with DHS staff regarding childcare and programs available to residents impacted by COVID-19.

22	Agency/Group/Organization	Casa Latinos Unidos
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Health Service-Fair Housing Services to Spanish-speaking residents
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy Needs of Spanish speaking residents
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City staff consulted with Casa Latinos Unidos regarding needs of Spanish speaking residents, possible cdbg-eligible activities and ways to encourage participation in programs, <u>as well as ways to help the Latinx community impacted by COVID-19 and to prevent the spread of COVID.</u> Consultation is ongoing.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Federal
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City staff consults with Region 10 staff when questions arise regarding programs, eligibility and environmental reviews <u>and questions regarding CARES Act requirements.</u> Staff also consults HUD Exchange on a regular basis for training and best practices.
25	Agency/Group/Organization	The Salvation Army of Linn County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Regional organization Civic Leaders National civic and religious organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy 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?	The City of Albany interacts with the Salvation Army through monthly homeless engagement meetings. <u>The local Salvation Army provides food boxes to households so the consulted with the agency regarding needs to help residents impacted by the novel coronavirus pandemic. The organization is set up to increase services during the pandemic.</u>

26	Agency/Group/Organization	Family Tree Relief Nursery
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	The CDC held an agency consultation with Family Tree Relief Nursery to understand agency needs and goals for 2019. The agency works with families at high risk for child abuse and neglect. Staff provide case management, parent education, early childhood services and substance abuse support to prevent abuse and foster care placements. <u>The agency reports increased stressors on families with children due to the pandemic and increased need for help accessing resources and support.</u>
27	Agency/Group/Organization	<u>NEDCO (DevNW)</u>
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	<u>Business Leaders</u> <u>Community Development Financial Institution</u>
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	<u>Economic Development</u>
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	<u>NEDCO, doing business as DevNW and Community Lending Works, was consulted to continue an emergency small business loan program to help businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.</u>
28	Agency/Group/Organization	<u>United Way of Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties</u>
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	<u>Non-profit</u>
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	<u>Anti-poverty Strategy</u>
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	<u>The City is participating in a childcare needs work group being coordinated by United Way to identify needs created by the COVID-19 pandemic.</u>
29	Agency/Group/Organization	<u>Boys and Girls Club of Greater Albany</u>
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	<u>Non-profit</u>
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	<u>Anti-poverty Strategy</u>

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	<u>The City consulted with the local Boys and Girls club about needs to help families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and virtual learning.</u>
30	Agency/Group/Organization	<u>Mid-Willamette Family YMCA</u>
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	<u>Non-profit</u>
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	<u>Anti-poverty Strategy</u>
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	<u>The City consulted with the local YMCA about needs to help families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and virtual learning.</u>

AP-12 Participation – 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 2019 is in the second year of the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan, which used extensive outreach to determine five-year community priorities. Each year, the city prepares an Annual Action Plan that outlines the specific program activities to be carried out in meeting the Consolidated Plan strategies.

The city followed its Citizen Participation Plan in carrying out the process to develop the 2019 Action Plan. The CDC and staff focus on identifying gaps in priorities needs, creating partnerships and collaborations to foster successful projects, and leveraging funds to address needs for low income and homeless residents, services for special needs and low- income persons, and community and economic development needs. To broaden citizen participation to area Latina/Hispanic residents and to assess needs, the city held a meeting with Latinx leaders in the community. Consultations and input from these leaders are ongoing.

Input on community needs was gathered through a 2018 open house, 2018 homeless and affordable housing summit, community wide 'needs' survey, public hearings, outreach with local agencies, and advertising in the local paper, the Albany Democrat Herald. Citizen input and agency consultations helped to establish the five-year strategic plan priority needs and goals.

Additional direct consultation by staff and the CDC provided an opportunity to clarify and expand on the city's understanding of community needs and funding priorities for 2019. The CDC and staff also evaluated past performance to determine how funds could be most effectively utilized in 2019. The 2019 Plan activities were selected to address strategic plan goals and priorities.

The draft 2019 Action Plan was posted on the City's website and was available at the Albany Community Development Department, and at both Albany public libraries. The City advertised the 30-day public comment period and provided notice of the June 12, 2019 public hearing using the following methods:

- Notice was published in the Albany Democrat Herald on May 13, 2019.
- Notice posted on city's website, news feed, and calendar on May 10, 2019.
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The proposed 2019 AAP Substantial Amendments ~~#1 proposal was were~~ posted on the City's website, and notice of the comment period and public hearing were published in the Democrat Herald and emailed to agencies and interested parties. Staff also sought direct input from agencies on their needs related to the novel coronavirus pandemic.

CARES Act Substantial Amendment #1: The City assessed community needs due to COVID-19 through agency consultations, City departmental input, and public input. The City published notice of a 10-day comment period and notice of public hearing on April 12, 2020 in the Albany Democrat Herald and the City Council held a public hearing on April 22, 2020. The Community Development Commission also held a public meeting on the

proposed amendments on April 20, 2020. The City sent a press release out to all interested parties on April 10, 2020 and April 22, 2020.

CARES Act Substantial Amendment #2: The City used a competitive grant application process and input from prior public hearings to determine how to allocate the second CARES Act award. The City published notice of the public hearing and comment period on October 20, 2020, 8 days before the October 28, 2020 public hearing. A press release was published, and an email distributed to agencies and interested parties 7 days before the public hearing with information on the proposed CARES Act amendments, comment period and hearing.

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

As an entitlement jurisdiction, the City of Albany receives an annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund from HUD. The city’s 2019 annual formula grant is \$380,311. The city estimates \$ of prior year resources will be unspent on June 30, 2019. The city expects that all the prior year activities will be completed by December 31, 2019.

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	380,311	0	0	380,311	1,200,000	

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: \$		
<u>Other: CDBG-CV</u>	<u>public - federal</u>	<u>Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Services Other: CARES Act</u>	<u>470,164</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>470,164</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>CDBG-CV Round 1: \$220,804</u> <u>CDBG-CV Round 3: \$249,360</u>

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

CDBG-CV funds are anticipated to leverage private funds and donations to provide public services.

Anticipated leveraged resources for programs proposed in the 2019 Action Plan are identified below:

- Public Services – all public service subrecipients will provide a match of at least 100 percent; the city estimates a leverage of at least \$300,000. The primary source of matching funds is private donations but may include other state and federal funds.
- Housing Rehabilitation and Down Payment Assistance –programs will leverage around \$30,000 in public and private funds.
- Economic Opportunities – microenterprise assistance is anticipated to leverage \$20,000 in private funds.

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Due to the CARES Act supplemental funding and the need to provide emergency support due to the coronavirus pandemic, the City proposes to reorder and modify the 2019 Action Plan goals and objectives.

	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
<u>1</u>	<u>Prevent and Respond to COVID-19</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Non-Homeless Homeless Economic Development</u>	<u>Citywide</u>	<u>Create economic opportunities Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u>	<u>\$470,164</u>	<u>Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 400 Persons Assisted</u> <u>Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Households assisted</u> <u>Jobs created/retained: 10 jobs</u> <u>Businesses assisted: 10 businesses</u>
<u>2</u> <u>5</u>	Create Economic Opportunities	2018	2022	Economic Development	Citywide	Enhance Create economic opportunities for LMI residents	\$38,000 <u>\$127,311</u>	Jobs created/retained: 3-13 jobs Businesses assisted: 5 <u>13</u> Other: 10 (residents)
<u>3</u>	Reduce and prevent homelessness	2018	2022	Homeless	Census Tracts 204, 208.1	Reduce Homelessness	CDBG: \$36,500	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 400 Persons Assisted
<u>4</u>	Provide needed public services	2018	2022	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Fair housing	Census Tracts 204, 205, 208.1, 208.2	Reduce Homelessness Help non-homeless residents with special needs	CDBG: \$20,500	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 500 Persons Assisted
<u>2</u> <u>5</u>	Preserve affordable housing	2018	2022	Affordable Housing	Census Tracts 204, 205, 208.01, 208.2	Improve Existing Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$120,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 3 Household Housing Unit
<u>1</u>	Create affordable housing opportunities	2018	2022	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	Census Tract 204, 205, 208.1 208.2	Increase affordable housing opportunities	CDBG: \$89,311	Rental units constructed: 6 Household Housing Unit Buildings Demolished: 1 Buildings

Goal Descriptions

The proposed goals respond to community needs identified during the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan outreach

process and in the development of the 2019 Action Plan.

Staff comments: Original 2018 Plan goal #1 is being replaced with the goal below to respond to needs and impacts caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

1	Goal Name	<u>Prevent and Respond to COVID-19</u>
	Goal Description	<u>Prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of the coronavirus on individuals, families, and businesses.</u>
2	Goal Name	Create economic opportunities
	Goal Description	2019 funds of \$38,000 will enable low-mod income residents to access microenterprise and small business development courses at the community college and one-on-one advising for free or reduced fees and will provide small grants to microenterprises for job creation. (Other: 10 residents; Businesses assisted: 4; low-mod jobs created/retained: 4) <u>Reallocated 2019 funds of \$89,311 will provide emergency support to small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. (businesses assisted: 6; jobs created/retained: 9)</u>
3	Goal Name	Reduce and prevent homelessness
	Goal Description	Reduce homelessness by supporting local shelters and agencies that help homeless residents transition out of homelessness. PY 2019 CDBG public services grants will support these activities:- Youth shelter services and case management to help youth finish school, reconnect with families and/or skills to live successfully on their own. Shelter operations and programs at Signs of Victory Mission. Employment coordinator and job readiness program at Helping Hands Shelter.
4	Goal Name	Provide needed public services
	Goal Description	In the 2019 Action Plan, the city will provide public services grants to agencies that serve low-income and vulnerable populations, to include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family support intervention program to prevent child abuse and foster care placements. • Food boxes and furniture for low-and-moderate income residents to ensure every family has a bed, kitchen table and healthy food. • Senior companion program that matches low-income seniors with house-bound seniors for companionship and services.
5	Goal Name	Preserve affordable housing
	Goal Description	Maintain and improve the quality of Albany's affordable housing stock through housing rehabilitation.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

This section lists and describes the projects that will be carried out under the City of Albany Community Development Block Grant program during federal PY 2019 and includes the CDBG-CV awards. The projects reflect priorities that were identified in the development of the 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan, the 2019 Plan, and in assessing needs related to COVID-19. The City proposes to modify the original projects to address changing needs and incorporate the CARES Act funding. Project details are provided in Section AP-38 Project Summary.

#	Project Name
1	2019 Affordable Housing <u>Rehabilitation (14A)</u>
2	2019 Youth Shelter Services <u>(05Z)</u>
3	2019 Emergency Shelter Operations <u>(03T)</u>
4	2019 Homeless Employment Coordinator <u>CV Emergency Housing Assistance (05Q)</u>
5	2019 Child Abuse Prevention Program <u>(05L)</u>
6	2019 Food and Furniture Distribution <u>(05Z)</u>
7	2019 Senior Companion Program <u>(05A)</u>
8	2019 Microenterprise Assistance <u>(18A-C)</u>
9	2019 <u>Small Business Microenterprise Development and Support (18A-C)</u>
10	2019 Program Administration and Fair Housing Planning <u>(20, 21A)</u>
<u>11</u>	<u>CV Small Business Support (18A-C)</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>CV Public Services, Emergency Supplies and Response</u>

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

CDBG-CV: The City will allocate CARES Act CDBG-CV funds to agencies that provide services to residents and businesses to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of COVID-19 including food, desks, furniture, emergency response supplies, childcare, shelter, educational resources and case management, emergency housing assistance, assistance to small businesses impacted by COVID-19, and a small amount to program administration for emergency supplies and response needs.

2019 Year Program Funds: The Community Development Commission (CDC) evaluated performance of existing programs, assessed community needs through agency consultations and public surveys, and reviewed applications for all programs to determine allocation priorities for program year 2019. The CDC evaluated proposals against priority needs, existing resources and programs, gaps in service delivery, financial resources, and organizational capacity. -Another evaluation criterion is funding programs that provide the greatest need to Albany’s homeless and low- and extremely low-income residents.

Due to the economic impacts of the coronavirus, undistributed funds of \$89,311 will be allocated to the Albany Emergency Small Business Loan program to help businesses remain afloat, retain jobs, recover, and add back

jobs.

~~The CDC recommended combining some of the remaining 2018 CDBG funds and new 2019 funds to create a larger pot of funds for affordable housing. The city anticipates requesting proposals from the public and publicly supported housing agencies for projects that construct as many housing units and leverage as much other funding as possible.~~

The 15 percent cap for public services and lack of funding in general present obstacles to addressing some of the community’s greater needs, especially around reducing homelessness and creating more affordable housing. There is greater need than funding for critical public service activities to reduce homelessness and serve vulnerable residents, and to increase the supply of permanent supportive housing and affordable housing within the community.

AP-38 Projects Summary Information

The City proposes to modify the existing projects to address changing needs and incorporate the CARES Act funding.

1	Project Name	2019 Affordable Housing <u>Rehabilitation (14A)</u>
	Target Area	Low-Mod Census Tracts: 204, 205, 208.01, 208.02
	Goals Supported	Create affordable housing opportunities Preserve affordable housing
	Needs Addressed	Increase affordable housing opportunities Improve Existing Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$209,311 <u>\$120,000</u>
	Description	The affordable housing project will provide funds to increase and improve the supply of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents. The first activity will support property acquisition, clearance, demolition or infrastructure needs to create new affordable housing. The second activity will preserve and improve existing affordable housing by continuing the homeowner housing rehabilitation program.
	Target Date	6/30/202 <u>10</u>
	Number and type of families that will benefit	1. Real Property Acquisition, Clearance or Development. The city anticipates at least one household will benefit from property acquisition or clearance. <u>2. Housing Rehabilitation.</u> Three LMI households will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Blighted and vacant properties are being evaluated in <u>Most houses needing repair are in</u> Albany’s low-mod Target Area Census Tracts.
	Planned Activities	1. Acquire, clear or improve one property to create new affordable housing. 2. Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services will manage the housing rehabilitation program that provides a <u>No-interest deferred loans to low-mod homeowners for housing rehabilitation and energy efficiency improvements.</u>

2	Project Name	2019 Youth Shelter Services (05Z)
	Target Area	Census Tract 204
	Goals Supported	Reduce and prevent homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Reduce Homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$11,500
	Description	This Public Services activity will provide emergency and transitional shelter and support/prevention services to homeless and at-risk youth ages 10 to 18.
	Target Date	6/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit	This activity will benefit 20 Albany youth who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless annually.
	Location Description	Jackson Street Youth Services Albany House shelter is located at 1240 7th Avenue SE; Albany OR 97321.
	Planned Activities	The Albany House shelter has beds for 10 youth. This activity will provide both shelter and case management to homeless and at-risk Albany youth ages 10 to 18. Each youth works with trained staff to create a case plan. Most are approved for a 72-hour stay, which can be extended as circumstances require. Staff help youth with school, and give young people opportunities to exercise leadership, build skills, and get involved in their communities.
3	Project Name	2019 Emergency Shelter Operations (03T)
	Target Area	Census Tract 208.1
	Goals Supported	Reduce and prevent homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Reduce Homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000
	Description	Emergency shelter operations and programs will provide overnight shelter, food, services, and resources to reduce homelessness and move residents into permanent housing.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit	This activity is estimated to benefit at least 250 unduplicated homeless residents with extremely low incomes.
	Location Description	The emergency shelters are located at 450 11th Avenue SE, Albany OR 97322 and 613 9th Avenue SE, Albany OR 97322
	Planned Activities	Provide emergency overnight shelter for residents and provide food, hygiene, clothes, and services to help homeless residents obtain skills, healthcare, housing, and employment to reduce homelessness. Provide 103 overnight beds and detox room, food, hygiene, clothes, and increase shelter operations and services to provide a day use room and commercial kitchen.
4	Project Name	<u>CV Emergency Housing Assistance (05Q)</u>
	Target Area	<u>Citywide</u>

	Goals Supported	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u>
	Needs Addressed	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u>
	Funding	<u>\$105,000</u>
	Description	<u>Emergency housing assistance to pay rent or mortgages</u>
	Target Date	<u>6/30/2021</u>
	Number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<u>20 low-mod households</u>
	Planned Activities	<u>Up to 6 months of emergency housing assistance to households earning less than 80 percent of Albany area median income.</u>
5	Project Name	2019 Child Abuse Prevention Program (05L)
	Target Area	Census Tract 208.1
	Goals Supported	Provide needed public services
	Needs Addressed	Help non-homeless residents with special needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,000
	Description	Family Tree Relief Nursery (FTRN) will use a CDBG Public Services grant to prevent child abuse through the Therapeutic Childhood Program's home-based services provided to high-risk families with children under the age of three.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This public services activity is estimated to benefit 30 Albany residents in 10 households identified as at-risk for child abuse.
	Location Description	Family Tree Relief Nursery is in Census Tract 208.1. Past data indicate most residents served by this program live in one of the city's Target Area Census Tracts.
6	Project Name	2019 Food and Furniture Distribution (05Z)
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide needed public services
	Needs Addressed	Help non-homeless residents with special needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,000
	Description	This activity will provide healthy food and lightly used furniture to extremely low-income residents and poverty-level families. The goal of the program is to increase the stability and health of poverty-level individuals and families.
	Target Date	6/30/2020
	Number and type of families that will benefit	This activity is estimated to benefit 500 unduplicated extremely low-income Albany residents

	Location Description	This service is provided Citywide; however, most residents are living in poverty and live in one of the four city Target Areas.
	Planned Activities	2019 Food and Furniture Distribution
7	Project Name	2019 Senior Companion Program (05A)
	Target Area	Census Tract 208.2
	Goals Supported	Provide needed public services
	Needs Addressed	Help non-homeless residents with special needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$2,500
	Description	Low- and moderate-income seniors help house-bound seniors with daily needs and provide companionship.
	Target Date	6/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit	It is estimated that 30 senior residents will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Services will be provided to seniors citywide. The agency is in Census Tract 208.2
	Planned Activities	The Senior Companion Program matches low-income (200% poverty level) mobile seniors aged 55+ with home-bound seniors in exchange for a small stipend (other funds). Companions provide friendship and assistance to adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks, such as shopping or paying bills, and give families or professional caregivers time off. As a result, many seniors can remain independent in their homes instead of having to move to more costly institutional care. Roughly 10 companions will serve 15-40 hours per week.
	8	Project Name
Target Area		Census Tract 204 Census Tract 205
Goals Supported		Create economic opportunities
Needs Addressed		Create economic opportunities
Funding		CDBG: \$20,000
Description		Support entrepreneurs and existing microenterprises (businesses with 5 or fewer employees) with small grants <u>and support</u> to promote job growth.
Target Date		6/30/2020
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit		It is estimated that 2 microenterprises will receive grants and create at least 2 fulltime low-mod jobs.
Location Description		Specific microenterprises have not yet been identified for this funding.
Planned Activities		CDBG funds will provide financial support to Albany entrepreneurs and microenterprises to help them grow their businesses and create low-mod jobs. Small grants up to \$10,000 will offset startup costs and costs to create jobs for Albany residents.
	Project Name	2019 Small Business Development <u>and Support (18A, 18B, 18C)</u>

9	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Create economic opportunities; <u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u>
	Needs Addressed	<u>Create economic opportunities; Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u> Enhance economic opportunities for LMI residents
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,000 <u>\$107,311 (\$89,311 reallocated)</u>
	Description	<u>1. The Linn Benton Community College (LBCC) Small Business Development Center (SBDC) will provide training and technical assistance to Albany entrepreneurs, microenterprises and small businesses. (\$18,000)</u> 2. Emergency grants for Small Business with 25 or fewer employees impacted by COVID-19. (\$89,311)
	Target Date	<u>6/30/2021</u>
	Number and type of families that will benefit	It is estimated that 20 resident entrepreneurs, microenterprises or small businesses will take courses, or receive one-on-one business advising services, <u>and/or receive an emergency grant. The outcome is retained or created jobs.</u>
	Location Description	<u>Citywide and</u> Linn Benton Community College, 6500 Pacific Boulevard SW, Albany, OR 97321
	Planned Activities	Provide low and moderate income Albany <u>residents and businesses with residents that are entrepreneurs or business owners with business-free or low cost</u> courses, advising, and technical assistance, <u>and/or financial assistance to businesses impacted by COVID-19 and to prevent COVID-19</u> to support business <u>stability, growth, and to create or retain low-mod jobs for LMI residents.</u>
10	Project Name	2019 Program Administration and Fair Housing Planning (20, 21A)
	Target Area	Census Tract 204
	Goals Supported	Preserve affordable housing Reduce and prevent homelessness Provide needed public services Create economic opportunities Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19
	Needs Addressed	Increase affordable housing opportunities Improve Existing Affordable Housing Reduce Homelessness Help non-homeless residents with special needs Create economic opportunities Improve access to opportunities Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19
	Funding	CDBG: \$76,000
	Description	This activity provides planning and administration of the CDBG programs, including monitoring and reporting, preparing plans, agency consultations, contracts, etc. This activity also provides funding for fair housing and staff training.
	Target Date	12/31/2020

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Administering the CDBG programs will indirectly benefit around 800 Albany residents in PY 2019.
	Location Description	Albany City Hall, 333 Broadalbin St SW, Albany OR 97321
	Planned Activities	2019: Planning and Administration - Prepare Action Plan, CAPER, coordinate citizen participation, agency consultations, attend agency meetings, prepare subrecipient contracts and reporting forms, monitor subrecipients and grant projects, prepare environmental review records, process IDIS reimbursements and report accomplishments, coordinate fair housing education and outreach, etc.
11	Project Name	<u>CV Small Business Support (18A-C)</u>
	Target Area	<u>Census Tract 204</u> <u>Census Tract 208.1</u> <u>Census Tract 205</u>
	Goals Supported	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u> <u>Create economic opportunities</u>
	Needs Addressed	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u> <u>Create economic opportunities</u>
	Funding	<u>CDBG-CV: \$110,000</u>
	Description	<u>This project will assist small businesses impacted by COVID-19 to retain or create jobs during the pandemic and in recovery and prevent the spread of COVID-19.</u>
	Target Date	<u>6/30/2021</u>
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<u>It is estimated that 10 to 15 small businesses will receive assistance to help them stay afloat and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and retain or create jobs.</u>
	Location Description	<u>Business locations unknown but many are expected to be in several Target Area Census Tracts.</u>
	Planned Activities	<u>Grants to businesses with 25 or fewer employees impacted by COVID-1, advising, testing and prevention supplies</u>
12	Project Name	<u>CV Public Services, Emergency Supplies and Response (03T, 05D, 05L, 05M, 05N, 05W, 05Z)</u>
	Target Area	<u>Census Tract 204</u> <u>Census Tract 208.1</u> <u>Census Tract 205</u> <u>Census Tract 208.2</u>
	Goals Supported	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u> <u>Provide needed public services</u>
	Needs Addressed	<u>Prevent and respond to impacts of COVID-19</u>
	Funding	<u>CDBG-CV: \$255,164</u>

Description	<u>This project will provide emergency food boxes to households during the novel coronavirus pandemic and will support emergency needs and response to prevent and respond to COVID-19 within the City.</u>
Target Date	<u>6/30/2021</u>
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit	<u>This activity is estimated to benefit 400 unduplicated Albany residents impacted by COVID-19 and to prevent the spread of COVID-19</u>
Location Description	<u>These services will be provided Citywide; however, most beneficiaries are expected to live in one of the four Target Areas.</u>
Planned Activities	<u>Emergency food boxes will be assembled and distributed to low- and moderate-income households impacted by COVID-19.</u> <u>Provide shelter, childcare, and other public services and supplies to prevent and respond COVID-19.</u> <u>The City will purchase and distribute protective equipment and supplies to shelters and agencies to prevent and respond to COVID-19 within the City.</u>

No changes are proposed to Plan section AP-50 Geographic Distribution.

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

In this section of the Plan, HUD asks jurisdictions to indicate the number of households that will be assisted with an affordable housing program such as rental assistance, housing rehabilitation, or new housing.

The city is allocating \$89,311 in 2020 for the development of affordable housing projects, which will be combined with a 2018 carryover balance of \$103,000. Generally, it takes a couple of years for affordable housing projects to produce housing units ready for occupancy.

The City will allocate a portion of CARES Act funding to provide emergency housing assistance. It is estimated that 20 low-mod households will retain housing through this assistance and prevent homelessness and the spread of the coronavirus.

The Albany housing rehabilitation program will help improve the quality and livability of Albany’s existing affordable housing stock of at least three owner-occupied households. Prior year resources will continue the down payment assistance programs to promote home ownership in 2020, with the anticipation of serving two households.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	<u>26</u>
Special-Needs	0
Total	<u>26</u>

Table 1 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	<u>20</u>
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	4
Acquisition of Existing Units	2
Total	<u>26</u>

Table 2 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The City of Albany is committed to helping address the needs of homeless, extremely low, low- and moderate-income (LMI) residents obtain affordable housing. CDBG funds will help shelter providers provide services and case management to help residents get into permanent housing. CARES Act funds will help to prevent homelessness through emergency rental or mortgage assistance.

2018 and 2019 CDBG funds will support the home-owner housing rehabilitation loan program, which is anticipated to serve four (4) LMI households. Carryover 2017 CDBG funds will provide homebuyer assistance to at least two LMI households in 2019.

No changes are proposed to Plan sections AP-60 through AP-85 so they are not shown.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

The City of Albany has not generated any program income to date.

The City strives to ensure that CDBG funds are activities that serve low-mod individuals and households.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

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.	<u>90</u> 75.00%

The City anticipates 90-75 percent of CDBG funds, excluding program administration, will be used to benefit persons of low and moderate income in the 2019 program year, including CDBG-CV funds and unspent funds from the 2017 and 2018 program years that are carrying over into 2019.