

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The Federally-funded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program in the City of Eau Claire is administered by the City's Housing Division. The Federal government provides CDBG Program funding to states, counties and municipalities such as the City of Eau Claire through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City of Eau Claire was awarded \$531,057 and in addition approximately \$100,000 in Program Income (for total resources of \$631,057) to use towards housing, public services and rehabilitation activities that benefit low- and very low-income City residents. The City of Eau Claire will also receive \$303,571 in HOME Investment Partnership funding for the 2016 program year.

The amount of CDBG entitlement funds are program estimated to be available to implement *Annual Action Plan* Activities in 2016 are as follows:

<u>Federal Funding Program</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
<u>CDBG PROGRAM</u>	
2016 CDBG Entitlement Grant	\$ 531,057
2016 CDBG Program Income	\$ 100,000
CDBG Program Total	\$ 631,057

CDBG & HOME funds will be directed towards accomplishing the following primary objectives during 2016:

1. Provide decent, affordable rental and owner-occupied housing for low- and very low-income persons throughout the City;
2. Provide public services for low- and very low-income individuals and families;
3. Improve and expand emergency shelters, transitional housing facilities, and supportive services for homeless persons, to improve their living situations.

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.

SPECIFIC HOUSING OBJECTIVES

Priority Housing Needs:

The priority Housing Needs identified via the consolidated planning process include:

1. Renter households with:
 - household income less than 50% of the median family income (MFI)
 - cost burden greater than 30% of their monthly income
2. Owner households with:
 - household income less than 80% of the median family income (MFI)
 - homes that do not meet building code, energy, accessibility, or lead paint standards
3. First-time homebuyers with:
 - household income between 50% to 80% of the median family income (MFI)
 - inability to purchase a home

Priority Homeless Needs:

- Affordable Housing
- Transitional Housing
- Emergency Shelter
- Supportive Services
- Health Related care
- Food
- Rental Assistance/Security Deposit
- Job Training/Employment Readiness

Priority Community Development Needs:

Public Facilities & Improvements:

- General public facilities & improvements

Public Services:

- General Public Services
- Youth Services
- Battered and Abused Spouses/Children
- Security Deposits/Rent Assistance
- Employment Training / Readiness
- Crime Awareness
- Health Care Services

Other:

- Direct Homeownership Assistance
- Housing Rehab & Related Programming
- Residential Acquisition for Rehab
- Lead Based Paint Hazards
- CDBG Program Administration

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 of Eau Claire has had past success in implementing all projects included in the plan. These projects have met all timeliness deadlines and have benefited the low/mod population of the City. As reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Program Year 2014, the City:

Housing

- Assisted 2 homebuyer with direct homeownership assistance
- 11 new homeowners received rehabilitation loans to rehab their owner-occupied residential units, including the abatement of lead in 9 of those units and the abatement of asbestos in 2 units.
- 8 low/mod homeowners received HOME Weatherization Grants (6 – Eau Claire Housing Division & 2 – Western Dairyland)
- 2 single family home was purchased and will be rehabilitated for the Homeownership Program.

Public Services

- 68 persons facing domestic violence sought shelter and support services,
- 130 families received case management assistance to help care for their children,
- 1023 persons sought emergency shelter as a result of homelessness,
- 724 received primary health care services from the Free Clinic,
- 828 persons received meals from the Community Table soup kitchen,
- 48 households received rental assistance with the Tenant Based Rental Assistance program,
- 732 Hmong households received tenant/landlord counseling, 54 Women and minorities received employment & business start-up services
- 49 Women and minorities received employment & business start-up services
- 141 received Literary Assistance with the Chippewa Valley Literacy Association

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

an annual basis, public input is specifically sought in the following areas:

1. Action Plan Public Comment Period a 30-day public comment period is held in April/May upon completion of the CDGB funding process and prior to the Annual Action Plan submission in June. Citizens are invited and encouraged to review the Annual Action Plan and provide comments. Any comments received at the public hearing or during the public comment period are included with the plan.
2. A public comment hearing period is held on the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) which provides information on the status of performance of CDBG programming and, is held upon completion of the CDBG program fiscal year and completion of the CAPER, in October. Any comments received at the public hearing or during the public comment period are included with the report. Additionally, public notices are published whenever there are any plans and/or report amendments, and plan and/or report submissions seeking public comment. Public comment periods are at least thirty (30) days in length. Public comments are encouraged through meeting attendance or in writing. Citizens who wish to make written comments for consideration by the CDBG application committee may do so by sending their comments to: City of Eau Claire Housing Division, 203 S Farwell Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701. All written comments shall receive a written response, where appropriate, within ten days after the meeting at which the matter is considered.
3. During the 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application process, the Housing Division held three technical assistance meetings held on February 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and February 16, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. to help applicants complete their CDBG/HOME applications. The Housing Division also held four staff public hearings for comments and questions on the DRAFT 2016 Annual Action Plan by the CDBG/HOME Review Committee. Public Hearings were held April 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., May 3, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and May 11, 2016 at 1:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.

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.

Citizen comments and suggestions also would have been solicited in the Public Meeting agenda. Attendees were encouraged to communicate comments and suggestions regarding development of the 2016 CDBG Annual Action Plan to the City of any time during the Citizen's comment period ending May 24, 2016 via telephone, letters, or through the use of e-mail.

Children's Service Society, a Public Service agency, addressed the City Council at the April 25, 2016 Public Hearing to show appreciation for their continued support.

The City received no other citizen responses during the Public Meeting or throughout the comment period.

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

Despite efforts to publicize the public hearings/comment period, no further citizen comments were received.

7. Summary

Citizen comments and suggestions were also solicited in the Public Meeting agenda. Attendees were encouraged to communicate comments and suggestions regarding development of the FY 2016, *CDBG Annual Action Plan* to the City at any time during the Citizen's comment period ending Tuesday, May 24, 2016 via written comments or through the use of e-mail. The City received no citizen responses during the Public Meeting or throughout the comment period.

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

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

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	EAU CLAIRE	
CDBG Administrator	EAU CLAIRE	City of Eau Claire Housing Division
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	EAU CLAIRE	City of Eau Claire Housing Division
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of Eau Claire has been an Entitlement Community for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) since 1977 and the HOME Program since its inception in 1994. The grants are administered through the City of Eau Claire Housing Division. The Housing Division has the primary responsibility for ensuring compliance with all CDBG and HOME program rules and regulations as well as reporting to HUD.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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

1. Introduction

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division has in the past and will continue to work with the Eau Claire Continuum of Care group and specifically, Jeanne Semb, the coordinator of the group, to discuss issues as they face the Eau Claire Community.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction’s activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I))

The City of Eau Claire is in constant contact with various agencies to ensure funding priorities are in line with current community development goals. Specifically, the city's various departments, including the City Manager's Office, Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire, Department of Planning and Community Development and several Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO). The City is involved in ongoing discussions with the Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire regarding public housing priorities and needs.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The Housing Authority works with the members of the COC to identify those families and individuals who are in need of housing through referrals and applicant interviews.

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 City of Eau Claire does not receive ESG funds.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	EAU CLAIRE HOUSING AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire were contacted through email, newspaper, press release and city website of the public hearings for the CDBG/HOME grant allocations.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	BOLTON REFUGE HOUSE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Bolton Refuge House was contacted through email, newspaper, press release and city website of the public hearings for the CDBG/HOME grant allocations.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	WESTERN DAIRYLAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Western Dairyland was contacted through email, newspaper, press release and city website of the public hearings for the CDBG/HOME grant allocations.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Children Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network was contacted through email, newspaper, press release and city website of the public hearings for the CDBG/HOME grant allocations.

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

Because Western Dairyland is the lead agency in the preparation of these applications, they determine which groups to participate in the application process.

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	WESTERN DAIRYLAND	

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

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 of Eau Claire Housing Division began its citizens participation process on April 24, 2016 with an ad in the Eau Claire Leader Telegram Newspaper. It was followed by a public hearing that was held on Monday, April 25, 2016 at the Eau Claire City Council Meeting. On May 3 and May 11, 2016, staff public hearings were conducted in the City Council chamber to allow public involvement in the plan development process and comments on the proposed allocations.

Public Notices announcing the Annual Action Plan public hearings and comment periods were published both in the local newspaper, the *Eau Claire Leader Telegram*, and on the City of Eau Claire Community Development webpage. A notice was also sent to the local news media (WQOW & WEAU TV Stations and local radio stations), Government/Public Access Channel, the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire (UWEC), City of Eau Claire Library and the City of Eau Claire City Council members. In addition, the City sends direct email notices to the following organizations:

- Bolton Refuge House
- Chippewa Valley Free Clinic
- Children’s Service Society
- Eau Claire Police Department
- Hmong Mutual Assistance Association
- The Community Table
- Feed My People
- Western Dairyland, Inc.
- City of Eau Claire Public Works
- City of Eau Claire Public Health Department
- City of Eau Claire Neighborhood Associations

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Despite efforts to advertise, no public attended the public hearings.	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	
3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	N/A	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	http://www.ci.eau-claire.wi.us/departments/housing/housing-division/community-development-block-grant

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Eau Claire anticipates receiving the below CDBG Entitlement funds, program income and HOME funds for 2016 to address obstacles to meet underserved needs, foster decent housing, provide public housing improvements and resident initiatives, reduce the number of persons below the poverty line and enhance coordination between public and private housing. The results of these activities will be reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Priority Table

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	531,057	100,000	0	631,057	631,057	The City of Eau Claire will use the CDBG funding for various program and projects within the city limits of Eau Claire.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	303,571	0	0	303,571	303,571	The City of Eau Claire will use HOME funds for affordable housing projects.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

One of the requirements the Housing Authority has is that applicants for the CDBG Public Services grantees have additional sources of funding and not rely solely on the CDBG funds. All grantees that are funded supplement the CDBG grants they receive with funding from other sources.

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 Eau Claire will not use publically owned land of property to carry out this 2016 plan.

Discussion

There is a limited amount of publicly owned land. Currently, there are no plans to allow the Housing Division or the Housing Authority to use that property to create any Affordable Housing opportunities. Should any properties become available to us, we will attempt to seize such an opportunity to create housing, providing we have or can obtain the necessary financial resources.

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	Improve existing owner-occupied housing units	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$330,700 HOME: \$60,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 36 Household Housing Unit
2	Provide opportunities for homeownership to LMI HH	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$5,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 1 Households Assisted
3	Provide rent assistance to LMI HH	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$167,714	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 45 Households Assisted
4	Improve rental housing units for LMI households	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$45,500	Rental units rehabilitated: 1 Household Housing Unit
5	Mitigate or prevent homelessness	2015	2015	Homeless	Citywide	Public Services	CDBG: \$32,500	Homelessness Prevention: 1096 Persons Assisted
6	Provide services to assist LMI Persons	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Public Services	CDBG: \$56,600	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2555 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	Improve community facilities serving LMI persons	2015	2019	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Facilities	CDBG: \$69,500	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 396 Households Assisted
8	Assist micro-businesses	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Economic Development	CDBG: \$5,500	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 49 Persons Assisted
9	Public improvements in LMI neighborhoods	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	LMI Census Tracts	Neighborhood Revitalization	CDBG: \$5,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1200 Persons Assisted
10	Effective administration of programs	2015	2019	Administration	Citywide	Effective Administration of Programs	CDBG: \$126,257 HOME: \$30,357	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Improve existing owner-occupied housing units
	Goal Description	<p>The City of Eau Claire will use CDBG and HOME funding to provide installment and deferred loans and grants to LMI homeowners to bring their homes up to HQS and code compliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential Housing Rehabilitation • Historic Rehabilitation Program • Lead Remediation • Asbestos • ECHA HOME Weatherization
2	Goal Name	Provide opportunities for homeownership to LMI HH
	Goal Description	<p>The City of Eau Claire will allocate CDBG and HOME funds to the following to expand and preserve affordable housing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeownership Program • HOME CHDO
3	Goal Name	Provide rent assistance to LMI HH
	Goal Description	<p>The City of Eau Claire will allocate funding to the following to assist LMI renter households:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

4	Goal Name	Improve rental housing units for LMI households
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate HOME funds to the following to expand and preserve affordable housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HOME CHDO
5	Goal Name	Mitigate or prevent homelessness
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate CDBG funding to area non-profit organizations to provide homeless shelters.
6	Goal Name	Provide services to assist LMI Persons
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate funding to the following non-profit agencies to assist and improve services to LMI persons and families: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chippewa Valley Free Clinic – Health Services • Community Table – Soup Kitchen • Children’s Service Society – Child Abuse Prevention • Eau Claire Area Hmong Mutual Assistance Association – Housing Liaison
7	Goal Name	Improve community facilities serving LMI persons
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate CDBG funding to area non-profit organizations to provide homeless shelters.
8	Goal Name	Assist micro-businesses
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate CDBG funding to Western Dairyland for the Business Startup Program.

9	Goal Name	Public improvements in LMI neighborhoods
	Goal Description	The City of Eau Claire will allocate CDBG funds to the City of Eau Claire Public Works department for alley improvements special assessments reimbursement program.
10	Goal Name	Effective administration of programs
	Goal Description	Funding will be allocated from CDBG and HOME for administration costs to operate the programs.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

The City of Eau Claire City Council approved the following projects for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program's 2016 Grant year. The grant year runs August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Eau Claire City Council approved the following projects for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program's 2016 Grant year. The grant year runs August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017.

#	Project Name
1	HOUSING REHABILITATION
2	HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE
3	RENTAL ASSISTANCE
4	RENTAL REHABILITATION
5	PUBLIC SERVICES - HOMELESS
6	PUBLIC SERVICE - GENERAL
7	PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS
8	NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION
9	ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING
10	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Table 8 – Project Information

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

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division will continue to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs by continuing to service applicants on the Housing Authority waiting list with the Section 8 program, Public Housing, and other housing programs they have available. Although, this will not satisfy the entire need, it will help as much as possible. Other agencies such as *Western Dairyland*, *Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network* and *Bolton Refuge House* also receive CDBG and HOME funding to manage Transitional Housing units to provide shelter to homeless families.

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division/Housing Authority is an active participant in the monthly Continuum of Care (COC) meetings. The COC meetings include organizations such as *Western Dairyland*, *Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality*, *Bolton Refuge House*, *Community Table*, *Salvation Army*, *United Way*, *Eau Claire School District*, *Catholic Charities*, and *Habitat for Humanity*, *Women's Way*, *The Aging and Disability Resource Center*, *Hope Gospel Mission*, *Positive Avenues*, *AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin* and the *Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire*.

The City will continue to attend the COC meetings and work with Western Dairyland to conduct a "Point in Time Survey" yearly to gather information on community needs and work to address those needs as necessary.

Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	HOUSING REHABILITATION
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Improve existing owner-occupied housing units
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$330,700 HOME: \$60,000
	Description	This program will provide no interest loans to low and moderate income homeowners in the city of Eau Claire to make repairs and improvements to their homes that will improve the condition and increase the value of the home and beautify the neighborhood.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 40 low or moderate income families will benefit from these proposed activities.
	Location Description	All properties will be located in the city limits of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	Repairs and improvements that may be funded by this program may include: window and roof replacement, exteriors, lead-based paint hazard mitigation, electrical, plumbing and heating work, exterior doors, foundation work and insulation. CDBG funds will also be used for the salary of staff delivering the homeowner rehab loan program.

2	Project Name	HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide opportunities for homeownership to LMI HH
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	CDBG funds will be allocated to purchase and rehabilitated single family homes to sell to low-moderate income individuals/households.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1-2 single family homes will be purchased with the proposed funding in addition to previous years of CDBG funding.
	Location Description	The single family homes will be purchased within the city limits of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	Single family homes will be purchased and rehabilitated to sell to low-moderate income first time homebuyers. The homebuyer will obtain a mortgage through a bank or mortgage company and purchase the house through direct sale.
3	Project Name	RENTAL ASSISTANCE
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide rent assistance to LMI HH
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	HOME: \$167,714
	Description	HOME funds will be used to fund the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program.
	Target Date	7/31/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 45 low-moderate income individuals and/or families will benefit from the proposed program.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) will be provide rental assistance to LMI individuals and/or families.
4	Project Name	RENTAL REHABILITATION
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide rent assistance to LMI HH
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$69,500 HOME: \$45,500
	Description	IMPROVE RENTAL HOUSING UNITS FOR LMI PERSONS.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 400 low or moderate income families will benefit from these proposed activities.
	Location Description	All properties will be or are located in the city of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	CDBG funds will be allocated to provide rehabilitation to the homeless shelters for Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality, Bolton Refuge House and Western Dairyland Homeless Haven. HOME CHDO funding will be allocated to Western Dairyland for future purchase and rehabilitation of unit for transitional housing.

5	Project Name	PUBLIC SERVICES - HOMELESS
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide services to assist LMI Persons
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$32,500
	Description	CDBG funds will be allocated to mitigate or prevent homelessness.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1100 low or moderate income families will benefit from these proposed activities.
	Location Description	All the homeless shelters that will be assisted are located within the city limits of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	The CDBG award will assist with wages and benefits for the shelter hourly employees.
6	Project Name	PUBLIC SERVICE - GENERAL
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide services to assist LMI Persons
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$62,100
	Description	CDBG funds will be allocated to provide services to help LMI persons better connect to resources.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1000 individuals and/or families will benefit from the proposed activities to be funded.

	Location Description	All activities will take place within the city limits of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	CDBG Funds will be allocated to assist various public service agencies to operate homeless shelters and programs. The CDBG award will assist with wages and benefits for the shelter hourly employees.
7	Project Name	PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS
	Target Area	LMI Census Tracts
	Goals Supported	Public improvements in LMI neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Community Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	Assist community agencies serving LMI persons to acquire or renovate service facilities
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 100 low-moderate income residents will benefit from this program.
	Location Description	LMI census tracts within the city limits of Eau Claire.
	Planned Activities	The City of Eau Claire Public Works Department will use CDBG funding to assist LMI with special assessments associated with repaving alleys within their neighborhood.
8	Project Name	NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION
	Target Area	LMI Census Tracts
	Goals Supported	Public improvements in LMI neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Funding	CDBG: \$600
	Description	Provide public improvement and parks improvement projects in low-moderate income neighborhoods, as part of revitalization strategy.

	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximatley 12,000 people in low-mod areas will benefit fromthe proposed activites to be funded.
	Location Description	LMI census tracts
	Planned Activities	Neighborhood Associations will use the funding to assist with the cost of advertising their neighborhood assocation meetings.
9	Project Name	ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Effective administration of programs
	Needs Addressed	Effective Administration of Programs
	Funding	CDBG: \$125,657 HOME: \$30,357
	Description	PROVIDE EFFECTIVE OVERALL ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAMS.
	Target Date	7/31/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This is an administrative cost that is considered to meet the national ojectives of the CDBG program as a whole.
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Funding will be allocated from CDBG and HOME for administrative cost to operate the programs.
10	Project Name	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Assist micro-businesses

Needs Addressed	Economic Development
Funding	:
Description	Provide assistance to micro-businesses to generate jobs for LMI persons.
Target Date	7/31/2017
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	No activities planned for 2016.
Location Description	Citywide
Planned Activities	No activities planned for 2016.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The City allocates its funding in terms of two geographical area: citywide programs, and lower income census tract areas. Most activities except the river redevelopment project are citywide in nature, and are qualified on the basis of the income eligibility of their participants

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	85
LMI Census Tracts	15

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City of Eau Claire will use Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to address high priority needs, which were identified in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan; efforts will not necessarily be targeted geographically.

Discussion

The lower income population lives throughout the City and because of the smaller size of the City and its public transit system, most lower income people can participate in programs provided on a citywide basis.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	250
Non-Homeless	245
Special-Needs	50
Total	545

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	25
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	35
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	61

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The City's major housing programs to serve income eligible people are its housing rehab/lead program and its rent assistance programs.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The City of Eau Claire Housing Authority has been designated by HUD as a ‘High Performer’ agency, and strives to maintain that designation. The PHA has been creative and entrepreneurial in seeking various sources of public and private funding to expand its supply and type of affordable housing, including the acquisition of 20 scattered site family homes with (Neighborhood Stabilization Program) NSP funds, and the development of 3 family homes for transitional housing.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

The PHA has outlined a capital improvement program in its five year plan for 2014-2019 that includes gradual replacements of roofs, appliances, furnaces and air conditioners. The PHA has also stated its intent to conduct a physical needs assessment as part of an effort to improve the sustainability of its housing units.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

The City provides some funds to local non-profits to help develop housing that is then sold to income eligible households, as well as operates a small down payment assistance program. When Homeownership properties become available, Public Housing tenants are given the opportunity to apply for those units. If the tenant needs to be income eligible and have a good credit history. The Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire Down Payment Closing Cost Assistance Program also provides subsidized housing tenants the opportunity to purchase homes.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

N/A

HUD has designated the Eau Claire Housing Authority as a “high performer” for approximately the last 20 years.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

There are very few obstacles to addressing the need of chronic homelessness other than insufficient funding. The funding obstacle may be overcome in part due to the amount of Continuum of Care funding that agencies in Eau Claire have received and are reapplying for through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Each homeless agency or provider uses phone calls and e-mails to coordinate services to homeless households in Eau Claire County. Referrals are made directly to these agencies and tend to be made by local social service agencies, food pantries, churches, schools and law enforcement agencies. Self-referral by homeless households directly to homeless service providers is very common. Local agencies, churches and law enforcement agencies are aware of the resources that the agencies have available. If a referral is made to a homeless service provider and that agency is unable to provide assistance, the provider will assist in getting the homeless household to whatever resources are available.

The City will continue to participate in the Continuum of Care to help assess program effectiveness and coordinate referrals and use of resources among the participating agencies.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The City will continue to use its marketing resources and those of the Housing Authority to help households and agencies become familiar with the types of resources and programs offered through the City and the PHA.

The goals of the City of Eau Claire are to continue to support efforts of the Eau Claire Continuum of Care group and all other homeless service providers in the surrounding area. In order to reduce homelessness in Eau Claire, all homeless service providers need to continue to collaborate and share ideas and continue networking efforts to promote referrals.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

During the 2016 grant year, the City of Eau Claire will provide CDBG and HOME funds for essential services and operations to local emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities. The facilities listed below provide shelter and services to homeless families and children, single parents with children,

single men and women and victims of domestic violence who are in a homeless situation.

Bolton House Advocacy Program

Catholic Charities Sojourner House

Eau Claire Interfaith hospitality Network homeless shelter

Western Dairyland Homeless Haven program

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

Activities that will be undertaken during the 2016 grant year to prevent homelessness are:

- Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality will provide emergency shelter and support services to homeless families
- Western Dairyland will provide emergency shelter and support services to homeless families
- Bolton Refuge House will provide shelter and counseling for victims of domestic abuse
- The Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire has three transitional housing units that will provide shelter to homeless families
- Catholic Charities will provide shelter to homeless individuals.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Because the City of Eau Claire Housing Division does not receive and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), Supportive Housing, Shelter Plus Care, or SRO Program funds, a Discharge Coordination Policy is not required.

Discussion

The City is funding a tenant based rental assistance program in order to help prevent homelessness, as well as help move households from homelessness into a housed status.

The City is also funding several programs that aim to increase household skills in the areas of literacy, housing information and counseling, and family strengthening skills.

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
Tenant-based rental assistance
Units provided in housing facilities (transitional or permanent) that are being developed, leased, or operated
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds
Total

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction

In the 2016 grant year, the City of Eau Claire will continue to work towards eliminating barriers to affordable housing in the City. Eau Claire supports and funds a number of activities aimed at reducing or eliminating barriers to fair housing for lower-income persons wishing to reside in the City.

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

The City of Eau Claire will use CDBG funding on rehabilitation and lead remediation for owner occupied and rental properties of low-income persons in the City of Eau Claire. Eau Claire has a well-maintained supply of large, older single-family houses that are amendable to rehabilitation. The rehabilitation and lead remediation activities are a high priority need for the City of Eau Claire.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

The City of Eau Claire will undertake the following actions during the 2016 Program Year to address the needs and priorities included in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division will continue to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs by continuing to service applicants on the Housing Authority waiting list with the Section 8 program, Public Housing, and other housing programs they have available. Although, this will not satisfy the entire need, it will help as much as possible. Other agencies such as Western Dairyland, Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network and Bolton Refuge House also receive CDBG and HOME funding to manage Transitional Housing units to provide shelter to homeless families.

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division/Housing Authority is an active participant in the monthly Continuum of Care (COC) meetings. The COC meetings include organizations such as Western Dairyland, Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality, Bolton Refuge House, Community Table, Salvation Army, United Way, Eau Claire School District, Catholic Charities, Habitat for Humanity, Women’s Way, The Aging and Disability Resource Center, Hope Gospel Mission, Positive Avenues, AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin and the Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire.

The City will continue to attend the COC meetings and work with Western Dairyland to conduct a “Point in Time Survey” yearly to gather information on community needs and work to address those needs as necessary.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City of Eau Claire contracted with the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council to update the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The report is completed and the City of Eau Claire has reviewed the impediments and addresses those items of high priority.

The City of Eau Claire may address, but not limited to, the following identified in the product:

1. Lack of Housing Units Accessible to Persons with Disabilities

Eau Claire has a large proportion of older housing which lacks accessibility

The City of Eau Claire will allocate 2016 CDBG funding to the City’s rehabilitation loan program to provide no interest loans to homeowners in need of handicap accessibility.

The Housing Authority has recently added a handicapped unit to its Public Housing inventory and will

continue to make modifications to existing units as necessary.

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division also renovated one of their Homeownership properties, purchased with Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds, into a handicapped accessible single family home.

2. Shortage of Affordable Housing Supply Relative to Resident Income

The Eau Claire Housing Authority indicates that longest public housing waiting list is for two-bedroom units and units with four or more bedrooms

The City of Eau Claire will allocate 2016 HOME CHDO funds to Western Dairyland for future development of an Affordable Housing.

3. City of Eau Claire's Fair Housing Ordinance

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division will evaluate this determination and take steps to encourage the updating of the City's "flawed" Fair Housing ordinance as necessary.

The City of Eau Claire is currently working with the City of Eau Claire Attorney's office to adopt the State of Wisconsin Fair Housing ordinance.

The City of Eau Claire will continue to address the following in the 2016 grant year:

The Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire will continue to be responsible for receiving housing discrimination complaints. The Housing Authority receives the complaint in writing on the appropriate form and directs the complaint to the appropriate office for investigation.

The City of Eau Claire will continue to participate in the Continuum of Care meetings with community homeless and non-profit agencies to address housing for the most needy. The group meets monthly. The continuum of Care group continues to work on the City/County 10-year plan to end homelessness.

The City of Eau Claire awarded Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) funding to help address the need for rental subsidies.

Fair Housing ads will continue to run in the newspaper periodically throughout the year.

The City will continue to sponsor the annual Fair Housing poster contest during National Fair Housing month.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Specific actions that will be taken during the 2016 program year to address lead paint hazards would be:

City of Eau Claire Housing Division's Housing Rehabilitation loan program. This federally assisted program has regulations and requirements to deal with lead based paint hazards. The City of Eau Claire Housing Division has three trained employees that are state licensed as risk assessors/lead inspectors/supervisors by the State of Wisconsin.

The City of Eau Claire Housing Division has sponsored lead trainings for all CDBG/HOME and Housing contractors. The City plans to use future CDBG lead remediation funding to offer further Lead Based Paint Remediation training for both contractors and local landlords participating in the Section 8 Voucher Program.

The City County Health Department has received CDBG funding to fund an Environmental Health Specialist position, which enforces code compliance. The project involves a systematic housing inspection and housing code enforcement program, which would be administered in the entire area of the CDBG target area.

The Health Department also has three trained employees that are state licensed and has purchased an XRF machine, which has been shared with the City Housing Division.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City of Eau Claire Antipoverty Strategy focuses primarily on educational and economic development. To be removed from poverty, a person must have not only skills, but also the opportunity to use those skills.

In 2016, the City of Eau Claire is using CDBG funds to help support:

Western Dairyland Business Start-up will receive Community Development Block Grant funding for a business startup program benefiting women and minorities that are low income. Western Dairyland provides people in this program with skills and employment to become successful in the workforce, encourage the starting of their own business and to develop entrepreneurial skills.

Bolton Refuge House Vocational Advocacy was originally implemented to provide an employment advocacy component for victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault receiving services through Bolton Refuge House. The project provides direct assistance in locating and obtaining gainful employment, overcoming childcare barriers, transportation and providing community advocacy and education regarding domestic abuse and sexual assault.

Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network provides emergency shelter to the homeless families. As a part

of the program, the clients are provided with case management to help with finding a job and permanent housing.

Housing Authority of the City of Eau Claire provides a mechanism for breaking the poverty cycle through its affordable housing homeownership program for low-income persons.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City will encourage the collaboration of agencies that deal specifically with Community Development and housing objectives such as the Continuum of Care, Eau Claire Coalition for Youth, Eau Claire Board of Realtors, The Chippewa Valley Apartment Association and the Educational Opportunity Center's Partnering Committee.

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

Because the City of Eau Claire Housing Division does not receive an Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), Supportive Housing, Shelter Plus Care, or SRO Program funds, a Discharge Coordination Policy is not required.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	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.	100.00%

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The City of Eau Claire does not invest HOME funds to activities beyond what is referenced in Section 92.205 as eligible activities.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows: The City will provide financial assistance up to \$3,300 in the form of a deferred and forgivable loan. This loan is forgiven 20% each of the five years following the loan until it's completely forgiven after continual occupancy. If the homeowner sells the home within that five-year period, the repayment is pro-rated by the number of years they have lived in the house.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

The City of Eau Claire will allocate CHDO funding to agencies to purchase and rehabilitated affordable housing units. With each grant, the agency is required to sign a mortgage and promissory note that is filed with the County as a second mortgage on the property. The subrecipient agrees that the note shall become due and payable to the HOME program in the event that either of the following occurs: (a) title to or equitable ownership in the property is transferred to any person or entity other than the subrecipient or (b) the property is no longer occupied predominately by the subrecipient for a housing program occupied by low income persons.

In the event that the title to the equitable ownership of the property is occupied predominately by subrecipient for housing programs occupied by low income persons during the affordably period, all payments required under the terms of the note will be forgiven.

In the event of a voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property during the loan term, the (insert subrecipient or CHDO) will recapture all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer. This direct subsidy is provided as downpayment assistance in the form of a deferred payment 0% interest loan. If the net proceeds from a voluntary or involuntary sale are insufficient to repay the

amount of the HOME subsidy, the (insert subrecipient or CHDO) shall recapture the balance due on the loan or 100% of net proceeds from the sale, whichever is less. If there are no net proceeds from the sale, no repayment is required. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment and any closing costs incurred by the homebuyer.

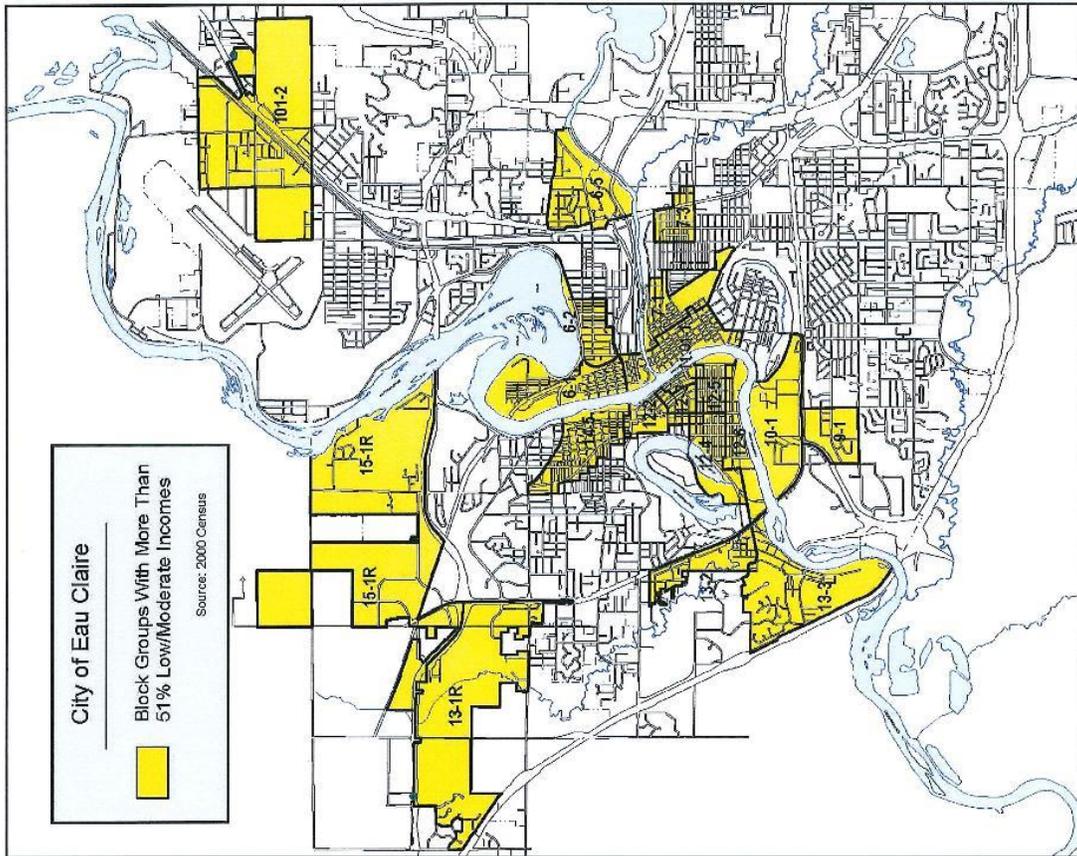
4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The City plans not to fund the refinancing of existing debt with HOME funds.

Attachments:

- 1) Census Map
- 2) Proof of Advertising
- 3) Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

Grantee Unique Appendices



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3/17/2016

and thereafter on the following dates to-wit:

3/20/2016

Signature *Robyn Brown*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this: 17 day of March, 2016

Signature *Ann R. Bennett*
 Notary Public.
 My commission expires 1-1 2017

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Housing Authority

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(Ord. Title, March 17, 20, 2016)
PUBLIC MEETING
 The City of Eau Claire Housing Division will hold an applicant and public meeting for the 2016 HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and HOME Applicants on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, 203 S. Farwell Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.
 The City of Eau Claire is eligible to receive \$531,057 for the 2016 grant year from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The grant income of \$100,000, resulting in available funds totaling approximately \$100,000, will be used to fund the HOME program. The HOME program is a federal HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding. The funding is targeted to assist income eligible low-income households in the City of Eau Claire.
 The meeting is designed to allow organizations that submitted winning applications for CDBG and HOME funding by the March 4, 2016 deadline to present their proposals and answer questions before the CDBG/HOME Review Committee and a public notice requesting funding applications was published in the Eau Claire Leader-Telegram on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 and also posted on the City of Eau Claire website, 2016 and also posted on the City of Eau Claire website.
 If there are any questions, contact the City of Eau Claire Housing Division at 785-3333. If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact the office by TDD (the number in the other specialized needs such as translator, sign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility) Housing Division contact this office.
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2nd day of Feb. 2016

My [Signature]
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Housing Authority

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...My [Signature]

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Housing Authority

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)



CPMP Local Grantee Certifications

Many elements of this document may be completed electronically, however a signature must be manually applied and the document must be submitted in paper form to the Field Office.

- This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 107(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug Free Workplace -- It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
 - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - b. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
 - a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - b. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted --
 - a. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - b. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Jurisdiction

Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

8. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
9. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
10. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

Signature/Authorized Official



Name

Dale Peters

Title

City Manager

Address

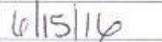
203 S Farwell Street

City/State/Zip

Eau Claire WI 54701

Telephone Number

715-839-4902



Date

Jurisdiction

- This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

11. Maximum Feasible Priority - With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
12. Overall Benefit - The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2___, 2___, 2___, (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
13. Special Assessments - It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

14. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
15. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

Jurisdiction

Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R, of title 24;

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

6/15/16

Name

Dale Peters

Title

City Manager

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203 S Farwell Street

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Eau Claire, WI 54701

Telephone Number

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This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

**OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION
CDBG**

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities, which are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

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This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

Specific HOME Certifications

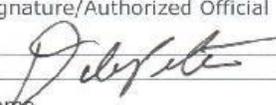
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance -- before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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HOPWA Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities -- Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building -- Any building or structure assisted under that program shall be operated for the purpose specified in the plan:

1. For at least 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For at least 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.

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This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

ESG Certifications

The Emergency Shelter Grantee certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion -- It will maintain any building for which assistance is used under the ESG program as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for at least 10 years. If the jurisdiction plans to use funds for purposes less than tenant-based rental assistance, the applicant will maintain any building for which assistance is used under the ESG program as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for at least 3 years.

Essential Services -- It will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure as long as the same general population is served.

Renovation -- Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services -- It will assist homeless individuals in obtaining appropriate supportive services, including permanent housing, medical and mental health treatment, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living, and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance.

Matching Funds -- It will obtain matching amounts required under §576.71 of this title.

Confidentiality -- It will develop and implement procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement -- To the maximum extent practicable, it will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, operating facilities, and providing services assisted through this program.

Consolidated Plan --It is following a current HUD-approved Consolidated Plan or CHAS.

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

Instructions Concerning Lobbying and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph three).
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant: Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code) Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here. The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace is required by 24 CFR part 21.

Place Name	Street	City	County	State	Zip

7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules: "Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15); "Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of *nolo contendere*) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes; "Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any

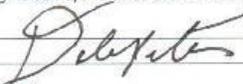
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controlled substance; "Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including:

- a. All "direct charge" employees;
- b. all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and
- c. temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Note that by signing these certifications, certain documents must be completed, in use, and on file for verification. These documents include:

- 1. Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
- 2. Citizen Participation Plan
- 3. Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan

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