

**City of Auburn
Community Development Block Grant
Overview of Substantial Amendments to the
2019 and 2020 Annual Action Plans**

A. BACKGROUND

- a. Each year the City of Auburn executes specific actions to implement the objectives and strategies of the five-year Consolidated Plan, which are outlined in the Annual Action Plan.
- b. As a result of the CARES Act signed by President Trump on March 27, 2020, Congress allocated additional CDBG funds to the City of Auburn “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19).” These funds, called CDBG-CV, are administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and are required to be incorporated into our CDBG planning documents.
- c. The Auburn City Council adopted the first substantial amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan in May, incorporating \$371,805 in CDBG-CV round 1 funding.
- d. On September 16, 2020, HUD notified the City of an additional (round 3) CDBG-CV funding allocation of \$541,197.
- e. Additionally, staff identified \$205,000 in unspent 2020 funds that can be reallocated to support public services in the community responding to COVID-19.
- f. The City of Auburn released a Notice of Funding Availability for these funds in October 2020. Applications were reviewed and scored by the City’s Human Services Committee, which voted unanimously on which programs to include in the draft Amendments.
- g. Therefore, the City is proposing the following plan amendment to address needs in the community related to COVID-19 with CDBG and CDBG-CV funds.

B. AMENDMENTS

- a. Amend the 2019 Annual Action Plan to allow for the allocation of \$541,197 in CDBG-CV funds.
- b. Amend the 2020 Annual Action Plan to allow for the reallocation of \$205,000 in unspent CDBG funds.
- c. Funds shall be awarded for the following purposes

Project	Total Allocation
Public Services – YWCA Eviction Prevention and Career Navigation (CV)	\$374,660
Public Services – YMCA Childcare Assistance (CDBG and CV)	\$150,000
Public Services – YMCA Food Assistance for Seniors (CDBG)	\$75,000
Public Services – Orion Employment Services (CDBG)	\$50,000
Public Services – YMCA Arcadia Shelter (CDBG)	\$50,000
Administration (CV)	\$46,537
Total Funds Included in Amendments:	\$746,147

City of Auburn CDBG 2019 Annual Action Plan Amendment

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

This substantial amendment of the 2019 Action Plan is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), in order for the City of Auburn to receive the allocation related to the third funding round of Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) from the CARES Act. This plan is amended to incorporate \$541,197 of CDBG-CV funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Of these CDBG-CV funds, the City is proposing that \$494,660 will be allocated to Public Services, with the remaining \$46,537 for program administration.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This Action Plan Amendment allocates a total of \$541,197 dollars in anticipated 2019 Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus funds (CDBG-CV), to support the Community Development Block Grant program. With the overall goal of preventing, preparing for, and responding to coronavirus, the following objectives and outcomes will be employed:

1. Support programs providing emergency subsistence and career support for low to moderate income Auburn residents
2. Support childcare assistance for families impacted by COVID-19.
3. Administer the Community Development Block Grant program to meet community needs related to COVID-19 and HUD requirements

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Consistent with the City of Auburn's amended Citizen Participation Plan, the amended 2019 Action Plan was made available for public review between December 2 and December 7, 2020 on the City of Auburn website and via email or mail, if requested.

Notice of CDBG-CV funds availability and the Amended 2019 Action Plan were posted on the City of Auburn Community Services webpage and in the Seattle Times on December 2, 2020.

5. Summary of public comments

Comments received will be reflected here.

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

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

**1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

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Notice of CDBG-CV funds availability and the Amended 2019 Action Plan were posted on the City of Auburn Community Services webpage and in the Seattle Times on December 2, 2020.

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	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community		Any comments received will be reflected here.		

Table 1 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Auburn anticipates receiving an additional \$541,197 in CDBG-CV funds, for a total to date CDBG-CV allocation of \$913,002.

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-CV	public - federal	Admin and Planning Public Services	\$913,002	0	0	\$913,002		

Table 2 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Discussion

The City of Auburn will use CDBG and CDBG-CV funds to support all eligible projects and activities that align with CDBG and CDBG-CV guidelines and regulations.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

Auburn's Annual Action Plan provides descriptions of proposals of how funds will be prioritized to achieve goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. Projects funded by the City will address the priority needs of providing assistance to prevent homelessness, ensure affordable housing and a suitable living environment. Projects and programs are selected through a competitive application process to ensure optimal quality services is provided to the community in use of the funds.

This amendment incorporates the following new projects:

#	Project Name
4	Public Services – Emergency Subsistence and Career Navigation
5	Public Services - Childcare

Table 3 – Project Information

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

The allocations proposed are based on the assessment of Auburn's needs, the resources available in the region, the availability of other funds also focusing on needs, and the purpose of CDBG-CV funds. Data from the City's most recent Community Needs Assessment was used in making a funding determination, as well as consultation with regional partners, other entitlement jurisdictions, and service providers in the community.

The City of Auburn released a Notice of Funding Availability on October 28, 2020, detailing the CV funds being made available and the application and review process. Staff were available to provide technical assistance through November 10, 2020, to any agency seeking to apply.

Applications were reviewed and scored by the City's Human Services Committee, with recommendations for funding approved at the November 23, 2020 Committee meeting. The following Public Service program areas are reflected in this amendment:

YWCA Eviction Prevention and Career Navigation: The combination of providing career and re-employment support along with rental assistance is an effective one to increase housing stability. The City of Auburn has seen a significant increase in unemployment filings and housing and economic insecurity since the onset of the pandemic. YWCA is committed to serving those who are disproportionately impacted by job loss or housing instability due to COVID-19. YWCA has demonstrated experience with managing federal funds.

YMCA Childcare Services (funded with a combination of CDBG-CV and 2020 reallocated funds): YMCA's

Childcare program will serve Auburn families with school aged children, prioritizing BIPOC communities, to provide social and developmental support for children and the opportunity for parents to maintain or increase work productivity. There is a high community need to for childcare supports as families navigate and respond to remote learning structures. The YMCA has demonstrated experience with managing federal funds.

Should additional CDBG-CV revenue be made available or one of the identified projects not fulfill their full contract amount, the additional resources shall be allocated to the following contingency project:

YMCA Eviction Prevention: This program would provide up to three months of rental assistance to households facing housing instability or eviction due to the COVID-19 crisis. The program would work to stabilize households to prevent eviction.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Emergency Subsistence
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	End Homelessness Ensure Decent, Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$246,805
	Description	Respond to the impacts of COVID-19 on Auburn residents by providing emergency subsistence support for low to moderate income renters or homeowners.
	Target Date	03/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 150 low to moderate income households in Auburn will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$71,537
	Description	General CDBG-CV administration and project management
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	n/a
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	General planning and administration of the CDBG-CV programs include: management of all CDBG-CV related finances, contracting for services, all grant reporting, monitoring of subrecipients and providing guidance of program implementation in Auburn.

3	Project Name	COVID-Related Health Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$100,000
	Description	These funds will support COVID-related health services (testing and treatment) for Low to Moderate Income Individuals at a Community Healthcare Organization. Funds must be used to support Auburn residents.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 100 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	Providing healthcare services which include testing and treatment for COVID-19.

4	Project Name	Eviction Prevention and Career Navigation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	End Homelessness Ensure Decent, Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$374,660
	Description	Respond to the impacts of COVID-19 on Auburn residents by providing emergency subsistence support paired with career navigation services for low to moderate income renters experiencing housing instability as a result of COVID-19.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 100 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.

	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	Provide emergency subsistence support along with career navigation to residents facing housing instability, addressing both the immediate and long term financial needs.

5	Project Name	Childcare Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ensure a Suitable Living Environment
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$120,000 CDBG 2020 Funds: \$30,000
	Description	These funds will support a childcare program for Auburn families with school aged children impacted by COVID-19 to provide social and developmental support for children and the opportunity for parents to maintain or increase work productivity.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 150 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	Providing a childcare program for low to moderate income families impacted by COVID-19.

City of Auburn CDBG 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Auburn anticipates funding for the duration of the Consolidated Plan from

- CDBG
- City of Auburn General Fund allocation for Human Services

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					2,520,000	Resources anticipated based on 2020 entitlement
		Admin and Planning						
		Economic Development						
		Housing						
		Public Improvements	<u>631,937</u>			<u>683,119</u>		
		Public Services	<u>632,034</u>	0	51,182	<u>683,216</u>		
General Fund	public - local	Public Services	490,000	0	0	490,000	2,000,000	General fund allocation to human services in the community.

Table 4 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local

funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City of Auburn relies on CDBG funds to support community and economic development projects and activities in efforts to support low to moderate income populations in the community. However, CDBG funds are not the only source of funds the City uses to support public services and community projects and activities. The City's general funds are used to support public services in addition to CDBG funds.

CDBG funds do not require matching funds.

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

Discussion

The City of Auburn will explore possibilities to utilize publicly owned land to address needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

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	Affordable Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$380,000 <u>\$160,000</u>	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 5 Households Assisted Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 65 <u>40</u> Household Housing Unit
2	Ending Homelessness	2020	2024	Homeless		Ending Homelessness	CDBG: \$265,000 <u>70,000</u>	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 165 Persons Assisted <u>Public Service Activities to respond to COVID-19 in the community (\$205,000): 173 persons assisted</u>
3	Community and Economic Development	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development		Community and Economic Development	CDBG: \$118,216	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 200 Persons Assisted
4	Planning and Administration	2020	2024				CDBG: \$109,903	Other: 0 Other

Table 5 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	The City of Auburn will engage in housing activities, collaborations, and partnerships to enhance opportunities for the creation and preservation of affordable housing. The City will plan for and support fair housing strategies and initiatives designed to affirmatively further fair housing choice, and to increase access to housing and housing programs.
2	Goal Name	Ending Homelessness
	Goal Description	The City of Auburn will support Public Service activities that work toward the following outcomes: 1) reduce the number of households becoming homeless; 2) reduce the length of time that households are homeless; 3) increase the rate of exits to permanent housing; and 4) reduce the number of households that re-enter the homeless system after exit to permanent housing.
3	Goal Name	Community and Economic Development
	Goal Description	In an effort to meet the need of Auburn's economic and demographic growth the City intends to fund programs and activities that will enhance the economy, accessibility, safety, and physical appearance of neighborhoods. Activities that would be eligible for funding include fair housing public services, public infrastructure and ADA improvements for public facilities. These investments help to ensure equitable opportunities for good health, happiness, safety, self-reliance and connection to community.
4	Goal Name	Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	General administration and project management

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

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#	Project Name
1	Housing Repair
2	Healthpoint
3	Employment Training Program
4	Sidewalk Accessibility Improvements
5	Affordable Housing Capital Improvements
6	Planning and Administration
7	COVID-Related Food Assistance
8	COVID-Related Behavioral Health Services
9	COVID-Related Employment Services

Table 6 – Project Information

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

The allocations proposed are based on the assessment of Auburn's needs, the resources available in the region, the availability of other funds also focusing on needs, and the purpose of Consolidated Plan funds.

Changes have been made to allocations and goals to make funds available for responding to the effects of COVID-19 on low to moderate income Auburn residents. These funds utilize the flexibilities that HUD provided lifting the Public Services cap for programs that prevent, prepare for, or respond to Coronavirus.

Should CDBG revenues exceed the proposed amount, the additional resources shall be allocated in accordance to the following guidelines:

- Fill gaps in human services primarily healthcare, homeless prevention and intervention and affordable housing accessibility.
- Increase funding for community development projects and activities including housing, community facilities and economic development.

If increases are not significant enough to enhance projects or activities funds may be placed in

contingency for programming later in the year or the following program year.

Should CDBG revenues come in lower than anticipated; the City will continue with its planned policy and to the extent allowed reduce funding allocations in homeowner rehabilitation projects and administrative activities.

Should CDBG revenues come in less than originally proposed, the City will continue managing the programs with decreased resources to the extent possible and reduce funding allocations in administrative activities and not public services.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Housing Repair
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$350,000 <u>160,000</u>
	Description	Maintain the affordability of decent housing for low-income Auburn residents by providing repairs necessary to maintain suitable housing for low income Auburn homeowners.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 65 <u>40</u> low to moderate income families will benefit from the housing repair program. As the City's largest homeless prevention program, housing repair ensures the sustainability of a safe home for some of Auburn's most vulnerable residents. Of the 65 <u>40</u> low to moderate income residents who apply for the program, over half of them are of the senior and disabled population.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	Activities include minor home repairs.
2	Project Name	Healthpoint
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ending Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Prevention and Intervention
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000

	Description	Providing healthcare services which include medical and dental to 150 or more low to moderate income, Auburn residents. This project is a public service activity.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 150 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Sidewalk Accessibility Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Community and Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Ensure a Suitable Living Environment
	Funding	CDBG: \$ 118,216
	Description	Provide sidewalk ADA improvements in low- to moderate-income areas of Auburn, improving accessibility, safety, and community connectedness.
	Target Date	12/31/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 200 low to moderate income Auburn residents will benefit from the improvements.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	Planned activities include sidewalk improvements to install missing sections or ADA-compliant curb ramps in the Forrest Villa area and on 2 nd St SE between N St SE and Pike St SE
5	Project Name	Affordable Housing Capital Improvements

	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Ensure a Suitable Living Environment.
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,000
	Description	Make funds available through an RFP process to nonprofit affordable housing providers in the City of Auburn for property improvements.
	Target Date	12/31/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 low income households will benefit from the proposed improvements.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	

6	Project Name	COVID-Related Food Assistance
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ending Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Food Access
	Funding	CDBG: \$75,000

Description	YMCA's Food assistance program is designed to deliver food to Auburn's senior population living in local low-income housing communities. This basic needs service is critical to seniors in Auburn and will provide additional and much needed food access to seniors in King County Housing Authority locations, especially as more Public Health restrictions are instituted and virus spread continues.
Target Date	12/31/2021
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 100 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.
Location Description	n/a
Planned Activities	Meal distribution to low income housing complexes in Auburn

7	Project Name	COVID-Related Behavioral Health Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ending Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Intervention
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Funds will be used to provide additional staff capacity to provide mental health support to young adult shelter clients impacted by COVID-19. Access to mental and behavior health services has been identified as a area of importance by the Needs Assessment. Isolation and quarantining measures has exacerbated need for mental health resources.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 60 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.

	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	

8	Project Name	COVID-Related Employment Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Ending Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Prevention and Intervention
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Employment support is critical during this time when Auburn is seeing a high unemployment rate and residents will need training for a new field for employment. Orion will provide both training for a path to employment and support to those entering a new field to maintain employment.
	Target Date	12/31/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	At least 13 low to moderate income Auburn residents will have benefitted from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	n/a
	Planned Activities	

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

The City of Auburn intends on distributing funds throughout the jurisdiction.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 7 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Due to the fact that all areas of Auburn have low to moderate income families dispersed throughout the entire City, the City intends on investing throughout the entire jurisdiction to ensure that all populations throughout the region have access to beneficial programs and housing opportunities.

Discussion

Due to the fact that all areas of Auburn have low to moderate income families dispersed throughout the entire City, the City intends on investing throughout the entire jurisdiction to ensure that all populations throughout the region have access to beneficial programs and housing opportunities.

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

Introduction

The City of Auburn will continue to work with service providers throughout the region in coordination to develop systems and strategies to promote their efforts in providing optimal, easily accessible services. The City will work to reduce the number of families in poverty, sustain relationships with employment training agencies, and work to preserve and increase the affordable housing stock in our community.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

By establishing a strong foundation of networks between local service providers, stakeholders and government agencies through committees and coalitions, the City will work in partnership to address obstacles and ameliorate barriers to meeting underserved needs. The collaborated organizations will develop detailed strategic plans that will delegate tasks, build systems and ongoing assessment of service delivery.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to maintain the affordability of decent housing for low income Auburn residents by allocating ~~over \$300,000~~ \$160,000 of CDBG funds to the City's Housing Repair Program. The program provides emergency repairs necessary to maintain safe housing for at least ~~65~~ 40 Auburn homeowners, many of whom are senior citizens and/or are experiencing barriers to safely accessing their homes due to physical disabilities.

In addition to Auburn's Housing Repair program, the City will maintain affordable housing by continuing to engage and partner with coalitions, committees and other government agencies to integrate and enhance efforts on the issue.

Auburn has been participating in multiple robust regional efforts to coordinate affordable housing activities in King County. One of these efforts, The South King Housing and Homelessness Partners (SKHHP) is a coalition formed by an interlocal agreement between the jurisdictions of Auburn, Burien, Covington, Des Moines, Federal Way, Kent, Normandy Park, Renton, Tukwila, and King County. The agreement allows for South King County jurisdictions to work together and share resources in order to effectively address affordable housing and homelessness. This collaborative model is based on similar approaches used in Snohomish County, East King County, and other areas of the country. The purpose of the coalition is to increase the available options for South King County residents to access affordable housing and to preserve the existing affordable housing stock.

Additionally, the City of Auburn has been an active participant in the recently formed Affordable Housing Committee of the Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC), with a City Councilmember sitting on the Committee as a voting member. The Affordable Housing Committee serves as a regional advisory body to recommend action and assess progress toward implementing the Regional Affordable Housing Task Force (RAHTF) Five Year Action Plan. The Committee functions as a point in coordinating

and owning accountability for affordable housing efforts across King County.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City of Auburn includes language in its CDBG contracts that require agencies to comply with HUD Lead-Based Paint Regulations (24 CFR Part 35) issued pursuant to the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. Sections 4831, et seq.) requiring prohibition of the use of lead-based paint whenever CDBG funds are used. In addition, the City notifies residents of potential lead-based paint hazards when it awards a Housing Repair grant. A copy of the pamphlet – "Protect Your Family from Lead In Your Home" is provided each Housing Repair client when the City conducts the initial inspection of their home.

The city takes additional measures when the age of the home indicates a possible presence of lead-based paint. Before housing repair work commences, the city contracts with a certified provider to undertake lead paint testing. When lead-based hazards are positively identified, the city works with the housing repair client and contractors certified in RRP Lead Abatement to implement the necessary mitigation and safety strategies.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City of Auburn's planned actions to reduce the number of poverty-level families within the context of this Annual Action Plan include but are not limited to:

- ~~Allocating \$10,000 to employment and training programs~~
- Allocating \$60,000 to healthcare services targeted at families who are uninsured or underinsured
- Prioritizing Public Service COVID response for low to moderate income households in Auburn, including food assistance for low-income seniors, behavioral health services for young adults experiencing homelessness, and employment services to help support re-training and re-employment. Additionally, \$30,000 of 2020 CDBG funds have been allocated to COVID-related childcare services through a 2019 AAP Amendment.
- Participate and partner with coalitions, committees and agencies that provide antipoverty services to develop and enhance strategies and efforts to reduce poverty level families
- Supporting the development and sustainability of affordable multi-family housing in Auburn

In addition, the city will continue to support and fund programs serving families living in poverty through

a competitive human services funding process.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City's planned actions to address the gaps and weaknesses identified in the strategic plan include:

- Maintaining partnerships with and participating in the South King County Housing and Homelessness Partnership, All Home of King County and other regional human service providers, coalitions and committees who address homeless issues. The City will also continue to work collaboratively with partnering organizations and groups to integrate and enhance services to provide optimal services to individuals and families currently experiencing or at risk of homelessness. In addition the City plans to allocate \$250,000 to emergency shelters and homelessness intervention services, and more than \$60,000 to emergency services such as food, financial assistance, clothing and healthcare.
- Take a comprehensive approach to consolidated and comprehensive planning to include all internal City departments, commissions, committees and task forces.

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

The City of Auburn has heavily contributed and intends to continue cultivating relationships between public and private housing and social service agencies. In addition the City will continue to participate in collaborations with the South King County Forum on Homelessness, the South King County Council of Human Services, Seattle-King County Housing Development Consortium and the King County Joint Planners Meeting.

In 2016 the City of Auburn started participating in Affordable Housing Week through the Housing Development Consortium along with other public and private housing agencies in King County to continue our partnerships in providing affordable housing in the region. The City will continue its participation in this annual event and look for other similar opportunities to raise build partnerships to support the preservation and enhanced affordability of housing in our community.

Discussion

The expressed goal of the City's Consolidated Plan is to reduce the number of people living in poverty within Auburn. The City intends to give funding priority to programs that in addition to complying with federal regulations and address a priority a outlined in the Consolidated Plan are consistent with all of the goals and objectives identified.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

The City of Auburn does not anticipate receiving any program income during the 2020 Annual Action Plan year.

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
 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
 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements
 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan.
 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities
- Total Program Income