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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

As a grantee of community development block grant (CDBG) funds, the City of Berwyn is required to prepare and submit a consolidated plan that addresses housing and community needs and an annual action plan that outlines the strategy for addressing those needs on a priority basis. In addition, Berwyn is a participating grantee in the Cook County HOME consortium under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and as such, participates in the County's consortium funding requests and plan submissions.

These plans and applications for CDBG funding are submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which is authorized by statute, regulations, and federal appropriations to fund eligible activities that meet these local priority goals and objectives and authorized national objectives.

This consolidated plan covers Program Years 2015 – 2019, and the accompanying action plan covers the first year of that five-year period.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This five-year consolidated plan outlines priority objectives and outcomes based upon the identified housing, community development, and economic needs of the City of Berwyn, and especially those primarily benefiting low- and moderate-income persons and geographic areas.

Priority needs include:

- Housing Rehabilitation and Blight Reduction
- Public Facilities and Infrastructure
- Supportive Housing and Services

As described below, the City's one and five year objectives are targeted to addressing these priority needs.

Outcomes are based upon measures and indicators mandated by HUD.

3. Evaluation of past performance

In spite of the economic downturn and foreclosure crisis of recent years, Berwyn has maintained its efforts to preserve and rehabilitate its affordable housing stock and provide additional assistance to the City's social service, special needs, and homeless shelter providers. At the end of each program year, the City reports these accomplishments and progress in meeting its objectives in its Comprehensive Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Among its other achievements, the City has participated in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), Community Development Block Grant Recovery (CDBG-R), and the Homeless Prevention and Rehousing Program (HPRP). This participation was designed to address the negative impacts of the foreclosure crisis and economic downturn and focus on those geographic areas and households in greatest needs.

In this regard, the City made the decision to allocate more funding to those direct, hands-on service providers, allowing limited funds to go directly to addressing urgent needs. All of the City's CDBG allocation benefited low- and moderate-income households and geographic areas.

Working closely with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the City has improved and expanded the administrative capacity of its Community Development Department (CDD) and other line departments, strengthened its relationships with the Berwyn Development Corporation and other local agencies, and formed new partnerships with adjoining municipalities, Cook County, and the State of Illinois. It has maintained its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing report and plan and reached out to the business, nonprofit, and philanthropic sectors to leverage funding and encourage citizen participation and consultations as described below.

The CDD is taking this opportunity to bolster its program delivery utilizing all of its revised and enhanced administrative procedures and policies. It fully anticipates that these steps will strengthen its ability to manage the City's CDBG Program and leverage these and other funds responsibly.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The Community Development Department (CDD) is the lead agency that administers the City of Berwyn's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Berwyn's consolidated and action planning process involves collaboration with a number of public, private, and governmental agencies and organizations that provide housing, economic development, health care, and social services, as well as the opportunity to hear from individuals and community groups and stakeholders. The City's Citizen Participation Plan governs this citizen participation process. In addition, the City's Community Relations Commission provides guidance on fair housing matters and the award of CDBG public service funds.

As part of this consolidated plan and action planning process, the City extended and aligned its citizen participation and consultation processes under the Cook County HOME Consortium.

5. Summary of public comments

The City received no comments directly from private residents. However, the City received letters from City agencies and departments and public service agency representatives identifying needs. Areas of greatest need included improving Berwyn's infrastructure (much of it over 100 year old), public safety and support for at-risk youth, improved ADA access, services for victims of domestic violence, housing and services for persons with developmental disabilities, Job training and economic development, and home energy improvements.

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

All comments provided during citizen meetings and focus groups were accepted and informed the priorities identified in the plan. No written comments were received.

The Process

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

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

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	BERWYN	
CDBG Administrator	BERWYN	Community Development
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1– Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The Mayor, as chief administrator, with the advice and consent of the City Council, directs the City's Community Development Department (CDD) and other city agencies to administer the City's CDBG Program. The CDD is headed by the Community Development Director, who oversees the staff of the CDD and consults with other City departments, outside agencies of state, local, and federal government, and subrecipients to accomplish the work of the Department in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The City Manager coordinates and directs the work of City departments and assures the City's coordination and compliance with Berwyn's CDBG Program.

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

1. Introduction

The consultation process is meant to enhance the flow and coordination of information between:

- Public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and service agencies.
- Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless.
- Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts; other public entities, including adjacent units of government.

The consultation effort provides insight into each of the major elements of the consolidated plan - current conditions and needs, priorities, resources, and proposed actions. Each consultation is intended to collect information that finds its way into the appropriate section(s) of the plan, including:

- Current conditions, put into historic context - better, worse, about the same as 3-5 years ago?
- Needs: what condition(s) are the people, places, facilities, buildings you work facing - about the same, decline, improvement?
- Resources: what resources/assets does your agency/unit of government, etc. have available now and what does the future hold - about the same, decline, increase. Are these resources the same or different than 3-5 years ago? What about the future?
- Priorities and Actions: What are your top priorities, based upon needs and/or opportunities? How have they/will they change?

The City of Berwyn structured the Consultation Process based on the activities undertaken two years ago, in 2013, and now updated to be part of the Cook County HOME Consortium submission. In 2013, the Community Development Department held four focus group consultations to gather information on: human services, economic development, infrastructure and facilities, and housing. Because these sessions were relatively recent, the city invited stakeholders and the public to help review and update the priority needs, as identified on April 29-30, 2015. The City also conducted follow up calls and requested letters be sent from stakeholders, generating 13 written responses.

Additionally, a separate meeting was held on the 2015 Action Plan in which all interested parties and groups were invited to submit applications for public service and public facility grants to be funded by the City's CDBG entitlement grant.

The City also consulted closely with Cook County and other Consortia members during the development of the Consortia's Consolidated Plan.

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 Berwyn's Community Development Department held four focus group consultations on April 29 and April 30, 2015 to gather information on: human services, economic development, infrastructure and facilities, and housing.

As part of this process, public notice was given for each of these sessions, and the public was given notice and opportunity to provide written comments before and after each meeting. In addition, all interested parties and groups were invited to submit applications for public service and public facility grants to be funded by the City's CDBG entitlement grant, and to respond in writing about the city’s community development needs and priorities.

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

All of the City's public service agency sub-recipients are advised to counsel their clients on available resources and to refer them to the appropriate private and governmental agencies. Berwyn relies primarily upon the Cook County Housing Authority to provide affordable rental assistance and services to low- and very-low income households wishing to reside in the city. It has also relied on organizations like the Oak Park Regional Housing Center to provide referrals to renters seeking affordable private rental housing and referrals to the Area Agency on Aging of Suburban Cook County and service providers for assistance in finding senior housing resources.

The City's recent experience in the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) with Oak Park and Cicero has brought new connectivity to the housing markets in each of those communities, which contain a fair number of low-income housing tax credit and other assisted properties. Similarly, activities to stem the tide of foreclosures in Berwyn has brought new liaisons with the private housing market and financial institutions that can serve as a resource for a number of the city’s social service agencies and their clients.

Similarly, agencies serving seniors are working together in the cities of Berwyn, Oak Park, Stickney, and Cicero. A single coordinator was hired to work with these agencies and provide liaison with other housing and social service providers. Literacy groups are also working together to avoid duplication and coordinate the delivery of ESL/literacy services. The Berwyn Library is helping in these efforts.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards and evaluate outcomes, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the administration of HMIS

Berwyn's member organization in the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County is the Berwyn Township, which coordinates Berwyn's Continuum planning and activities along with City's Community Development Department. This coordination and the ensuing consultations include meetings of the western CBSA, support of point-in-time counts; liaison with adjacent municipalities, participation with Cicero and Oak Park in the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP); support of the Homelessness Prevention Call Center and emergency shelters, and the provision of data for input into the Homeless Management

Table 2– Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	BERWYN PARK DISTRICT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Community Development
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meeting was held with Director. Identified ADA priorities.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	OAK PARK
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings were held with neighboring municipalities and agencies to collaborate in seeking new grants and other resources to address homelessness, mitigate the impact of foreclosures, and develop senior and other affordable housing. Berwyn will continue to meet with this municipality to identify other shared opportunities to address priority needs. Focus will be on long term, systematic change as outcomes, rather than immediate outputs.

3	Agency/Group/Organization	CEDA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Discussions were held with CEDA to work in partnership on helping families remain in or obtain affordable housing. CEDA Transitional Housing Program is designed to develop supportive housing and services that will allow homeless persons to live as independently as possible.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	CICERO
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings were held with neighboring municipalities and agencies to collaborate in seeking new grants and other resources to address homelessness, mitigate the impact of foreclosures, and develop senior and other affordable housing. Berwyn will continue to meet with these municipalities to identify other shared opportunities to address priority needs.

5	Agency/Group/Organization	ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Collaborating with IHDA regarding the National Stabilization Program to purchase, rehab and resell foreclosed homes. The City of Berwyn purchased 26 properties / 29 units with the \$4.8 Million grant received from HUD to assist in homeownership of low/mod income families. The City of Berwyn anticipates the remaining 6 homes will be sold by September 2015.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	West Suburban PADS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Berwyn partners with PADS by supporting 2 rotating emergency shelters in the city and provides an immediate, temporary crisis response for homeless men, women and children every night from mid-September through mid-May. The program transitions to permanent housing the most service-resistant populations - individuals and families living on the streets. The Homeless Prevention Program prevents the loss of housing by providing: one-time rental and/or utility assistance for individuals and families who are at imminent risk of losing their housing, or a security deposit and/or first month's rent for individuals and families leaving homelessness.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Housing Authority of Cook County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Tenant based rental assistance vouchers in use issued by the Housing Authority in the City of Berwyn by program type and special purpose, including Veterans Supportive Housing, Family Unification, and Disabled. Anticipated outcomes are related to the planning and funding of additional special needs housing programs, placement of additional renters in assisted units, and estimated need for additional homeless assistance.

8	Agency/Group/Organization	Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Service-Fair Housing Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings were held with the Alliance, neighboring municipalities and agencies to collaborate in seeking new grants and other resources to address homelessness, mitigate the impact of foreclosures, and develop senior and other affordable housing. Berwyn will continue to meet with the Alliance to identify other shared opportunities to address priority needs and prevent homelessness.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Cook County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Review and discussion of draft Con Plan/County Action Plan to determine priorities and potential areas of cooperation and support. Consultation on the City's participation in the Cook County Consortium. The City anticipates working closely with the County in seeking additional funds, sharing program and administrative resources, and supporting multi-jurisdictional initiatives.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Berwyn Public Health District
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings to discuss Continuum of Care, participation in the Alliance to End Homelessness in Cook County, and lead-based paint hazards. Anticipated outcomes and areas for improved coordination include the reduction of elevated lead blood levels; increased awareness and prevention of lead-based paint exposure; support for Continuum of Care funded projects and assistance in executing plans to eliminate homelessness. Support for general community education programs and information campaigns to promote and achieve a healthy community.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Relations Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City's Community Relations Commission will continue as the focal point for those experiencing or reporting housing discrimination. Additional counseling and intermediary services will be available from such groups as the John Marshall Fair Housing Legal Support Center, the Heartland Alliance, the Sergeant Shriver Center, the Chicago Community Trust and the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless. The Commission also plays a critical role in reviewing and prioritizing annual applications for CDBG-funded grants.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Solutions for Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Health Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Solutions for Care is an agency that deals with self-neglect and elder abuse assistance. They offer emergency assistance for older Berwyn residents, usually of low- to very-low income levels who may need temporary housing, cleaning and other services due to hoarding. Counseling to address hoarding behaviors may be included. Professional Care Coordinators are available for individual and family assessments.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	West Suburban Special Recreation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	WSSRA offers recreational services for persons with mild to severe disabilities. A meeting and general overview of the service WSSRA provides took place with CDD staff. WSSRA provides indirect services including consultation with other agencies serving persons with disabilities. They serve 11 communities with 210 children in Day Camp, of which 60 Berwyn children are from low-income families. Day Camps are held in different communities, including Berwyn, Cicero, Forest Park or Oak Park.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Children's Clinic
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Child Welfare Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	A meeting was held and a tour of the facility took place. The Clinic is a full service clinic that provides medical, dental and social services to children of families that meet the federal poverty income guidelines and who cannot afford the cost of health care. The medical clinic provides health care through well child visits and sick visits. These services include immunizations, and school physicals. The Dental Clinic provides preventative and restorative care, including oral exams, cleanings, fluoride treatments, sealants, cavity repair and root canals. They also serve the community by providing Portable Dentistry, with visits to individual schools. A full time therapist, a social worker/case manager and psychiatrist (all bilingual) offer counseling, evaluations and medication monitoring for children.

15	Agency/Group/Organization	PILLARS COMMUNITY SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	A meeting was held at the Pillars location in Berwyn. Pillars provides Mental Health, Addiction, and Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence counseling. Pillars serves sexual assault victims and domestic violence victims. All services are provided for residential, non-residential women and children at no cost. Services are provided by licensed therapists or social workers. Pillars provides advocacy at Bridgeview and Maybrook court houses and assistance with orders of protection. When needed, clients are able to stay at the Constance Moore house, which is an 18-bed shelter available for victims of domestic violence and their children. Shelter residents typically stay for 3 months and then move to transitional housing.
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Oak Park River Forest Community Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings were held with this foundation and other municipalities whose priorities focus on impact and needs within the community. The program focuses on the awareness of the lasting effects of domestic violence on families within the Latino community, and provides bilingual services to victims of domestic violence and their children. It also addresses the needs of LGBT seniors by offering outreach, socialization, health education, mental health counseling, and education on local, state, and federal programs for seniors. Berwyn will continue to meet with this foundation to identify other shared opportunities.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	United Way of Metropolitan Chicago
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	UWMC serves as the backbone organization generating, convening and coordinating resources across funders, service providers, government and civic leaders to deliver large-scale, measurable and sustainable impact across our region and improve access to high quality health services in Primary Care, Behavioral and Mental Health.

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

None.

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	Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County	Berwyn participates in and shares the goals of the Cook County Continuum of Care

Table 3– Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(l))

Narrative

Berwyn participates in the Cook County HOME Consortium. Cook County is the Consortium’s lead agency and is the coordinating body for the preparation and monitoring of the Consortium’s Consolidated Plan.

PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The Community Development Department (CDD) is the lead agency that administers the City of Berwyn’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Berwyn’s consolidated and action planning process involves collaboration with a number of public, private, and governmental agencies and organizations that provide housing, economic development, health care, and social services, as well as the opportunity to hear from individuals and community groups and stakeholders. The City’s Citizen Participation Plan governs this citizen participation process. In addition, the City’s Community Relations Commission provides guidance on fair housing matters and the award of CDBG public service funds.

The City held a public hearing on March 18, 2015 to provide the general public an opportunity to provide input into the consolidated/action plan. The public was also invited to participate in Focus Group Meetings on community and special needs services, economic development, infrastructure and public improvements, and housing needs to be held on April 29-30, 2015. While no citizens attended, the city followed up with additional outreach to stakeholders (see Consultation) and the City reviewed citizen input from priority need hearings held in 2013.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons
Newspaper Ad	Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	Public Hearing Held March 18 and April 29-30, 2015. No members of the public attended.	Discussion focused on infrastructure needs and priorities.	N/A

Table 4– Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

NA-05 Overview

Needs Assessment Overview

With input from the consultation and citizen participation process, the needs assessment paints a picture of Berwyn's needs related to affordable and special needs housing, Infrastructure and community development, and homelessness. The Needs Assessment identifies those needs with the highest priorities, which form the basis for the Strategic Plan section and the programs and projects to be administered.

Berwyn is a participating grantee in the Cook County HOME consortium under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. As a member of the consortium, Berwyn's housing needs assessment and market analysis are included in the Cook County Consortium Consolidated Plan, which has been developed in tandem with this document. This needs assessment focuses on non-housing community development needs.

NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs - 91.415, 91.215 (f)

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities: How were these needs determined?

A 2008 community-wide survey identified the needs and interests of residents. Since then, security has increased as a concern. Changing demographics have also created challenges. Berwyn's culturally diverse population requires greater insight and sensitivity to local needs and preferences.

The Park Districts report that they are serving approximately half of the elderly, frail elderly, and physically and developmentally populations that could benefit from their programs and facilities, leaving an unmet need of approximately 20,000 persons.

Increased operating costs require the Park Districts to "do more with less." Alternative revenue streams will be needed to ensure that fees and charges do not become an undue burden to those who wish to take advantage of the entire range of programs, services, and facilities offered.

Plans call for further development of the Liberty Cultural Center as a cultural and performing arts hub, upgrades to Proksa Park and others. Eight parks are in need of ADA renovations according to the Park Districts' transition plans. The Berwyn Park District's total capital needs over the next five years reach approximately \$1 million, with an additional \$250,000 needed for capital equipment.

The increased demand for library services is due to Berwyn's changing population characteristics. Much of Berwyn's student population growth has occurred in North Berwyn. North Berwyn School District #98's enrollment grew to 3,500 for the 2013-14 school year compared to its 2000 enrollment of 2,649.

To accommodate the needs of special need children most organized library programs are taken to the schools. Special needs programs are provided at Morton West and all the elementary schools.

The Berwyn Library system is also helping literacy/ESL groups to coordinate the delivery of their services and get more books and resource materials into the hands of those working with both children and adults needing these services. Berwyn's growing diversity requires translations skills and fluency in not only Spanish, but increasingly, Arabic and Polish, as well.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Improvements:

How were these needs determined?

Through its comprehensive planning and capital budgeting processes, Berwyn has made progress in assessing and improving draining system flows. Remaining needs and required improvements focus on reducing potential sewer backups and flooding. In addition to sewer repairs and replacements, these improvements include installing drainage systems in alleys located in eligible low-to-moderate income areas. An on-going program to upgrade sidewalks replaces broken and hazardous squares in these areas is also planned based upon priority need.

The following is an estimate of the on-going need for public improvements:

- Street resurfacing - \$1.3 million per year
- Concrete alleys - \$800,000 per year
- Water mains - \$3.0 million per year
- Sewer – \$2.5 million per year
- Arterial lighting - \$1.12 million (total cost for upgrades)
- Sidewalk - \$200,000 per year
- Residential lighting - \$5.0 million (total cost for upgrades)
- Signing - \$125,000 per year
- ADA accessibility - \$75,000 per year
- Curb and Gutter repairs - \$125,000 per year

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:

The gamut of public service needs range from emergency services to long-term assistance and care, primarily for dependent populations. Emergency services include help in finding food and clothing, shelter, and medical care. As emergency situations are stabilized, needs shift to such supports as locating jobs, child care, and housing counseling.

Seniors and dependent populations may need continued support and additional services, including delivery of meals and congregate dining, chore services, and recreational and educational opportunities. Youth also need truancy prevention and summer recreational and educational programs, as well as outreach and intervention services for youth at risk.

How were these needs determined?

Based upon studies conducted by the Continuum of Care, nonprofit service providers, and consultations with other governments and organizations, significant barriers have been defined, which restrict the ability of Berwyn's residents and special needs populations to enjoy a good quality of life and become productive, valued members of their respective communities.

In addition to shelter, services such as life skills classes, education enrichment, and employment placement are needed to encourage each individual to live as independently as possible. The percentage of students with special education needs in both the North and South School Districts approximates their total percentage in these districts. Hispanics are the largest race/ethnicity population in both Districts by a wide margin. Increasingly, language has become a barrier as English has become a second language to many in need. Approximately 25% of the students in both Districts have limited English proficiency.

Additional partnerships, like those encouraged by Illinois Partners for Human Service, are needed to find jobs and businesses that will employ adults with disabilities and train disadvantaged individuals to give them the skills necessary to be employed in the community. In addition, groups like Illinois Transition Planning are needed to assist in the transition of individuals and families moving through their life cycles.

Uncertainties caused by budget reductions and the introduction of National Health Care will continue to pressure the human service delivery system to be more innovative, efficient, and cost-effective. Agencies will have to deal with the stress of an increasing number of mergers, serving a broader and more diverse clientele, and providing a larger range of direct and referral services to this expanded client base. For example, school districts will have to find ways to share information with social service and healthcare providers, as they will have to share with benefits and employment agencies, and so on. Nonprofit and public agencies will have to learn how to share resources and collaborate, to a greater degree than ever before, on the planning, funding, and execution of their programs and activities in the community.

Housing Market Analysis

MA-05 Overview

As a participating grantee in the Cook County HOME consortium under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, Berwyn's joined a consolidated planning process in conjunction with Cook County and other participating grantees. Under this arrangement, Cook County takes the lead in the needs assessment and market analysis related to housing. A robust housing market analysis can be found in the Cook County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

Housing Market Analysis Overview:

As a relatively small city, housing problems are more associated with the age of the housing stock than its geographic location. Over 75 percent of the city's owner housing and 62% of its rental units were built prior to 1950, and while the majority is in good condition, some homes are showing signs of deferred maintenance and the need for rehabilitation.

With the rash of foreclosures, which have occurred throughout the city, and the downturn in the economy, Berwyn's housing has become more affordable to those not affected by job loss or financial decline. However, many senior homeowners and others have lost much of their equity and may not be able to move to more suitable housing. As a result, new buyers, many with extended families and children, are facing limited housing options and potential over-crowding.

While it is difficult to generalize about the income and family composition of foreclosed households, approximately 60% of the foreclosed homeowners are Hispanic, while approximately 40% of cost-burdened renters are Hispanic. Hispanics tend to have larger households with children and earn less than other race and ethnic groups in Berwyn.

For larger households, the smaller number of bedrooms found in many of Berwyn's rental units tends to cause over-crowding, and the unmet demand for larger units tends to drive up prices for those units in short supply.

Those with disabilities also suffer a shortage of appropriate housing. Providers estimate approximately 1,150 Berwyn with developmental disabilities require housing and supportive services. Agencies such as Seguin Services, Seguin RCA, and Oak-Leyden Developmental Services report waiting lists for adult group homes and children in foster care and an unmet need of nearly 1,000 persons.

Real estate professionals and planners are generally optimistic about the resurgence of Berwyn's housing market. Sales are up, values are increasing, and foreclosures are being resolved. Projections are for moderate increases in price. While this may impact affordability, it also provides some homeowners with additional equity and the ability to incur debt for needed repairs and improvements.

More recently, investors have come in to buy houses, often paying cash. After remodeling them, they have sold most of these houses to young buyers in their mid-to-late 20s, many with families. Many of these sales have been financed using FHA financing and low down payments. As home prices rise, fewer investors will find this strategy profitable, but it is hoped that young buyers will continue to find attractive and affordable financing available through FHA and local lending institutions.

Some of these young families have joined seniors and others in rental living, increasing the demand for larger units. Prices for all rental housing remains relatively affordable, but are likely to increase as well. A new wave of more affluent renters is also increasing demand for higher amenity rentals. This demand, and the mixed-use developments planned for the city's TIF districts, may encourage new rental construction over the next few years, freeing existing units for others.

MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets - 91.410, 91.210(f)

Introduction

Berwyn is fortunate to have many large employers. The attraction of additional high-quality retail establishments provides additional employment opportunities and the chance for promotion. The focus on mixed-use and transit oriented developments, as well as many other economic development initiatives, will continue to improve Berwyn's image as a good place to live and work.

Economic Development Market Analysis

Business Activity

Business by Sector	Number of Workers	Number of Jobs	Share of Workers %	Share of Jobs %	Jobs less workers %
Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction	31	0	0	0	0
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	2,531	1,350	13	16	3
Construction	651	145	3	2	-1
Education and Health Care Services	3,537	4,107	19	47	28
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,464	536	8	6	-2
Information	434	17	2	0	-2
Manufacturing	2,896	307	15	4	-11
Other Services	918	440	5	5	0
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	1,585	347	8	4	-4
Public Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	2,677	1,135	14	13	-1
Transportation and Warehousing	1,014	158	5	2	-3
Wholesale Trade	1,215	134	6	2	-4
Total	18,953	8,676	--	--	--

Table 5 - Business Activity

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS (Workers), 2011 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

Labor Force

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	29,001
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over	25,871
Unemployment Rate	10.79
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	23.12
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	7.53

Table 6 - Labor Force

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Occupations by Sector	Number of People
Management, business and financial	3,837
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	1,317
Service	2,920
Sales and office	6,644
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair	2,310
Production, transportation and material moving	1,867

Table 7 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Travel Time

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	11,414	46%
30-59 Minutes	10,160	41%

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
60 or More Minutes	3,047	12%
Total	24,621	100%

Table 8 - Travel Time

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Education:

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Less than high school graduate	4,203	564	2,054
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	6,000	753	1,713
Some college or Associate's degree	6,268	571	1,462
Bachelor's degree or higher	5,061	349	702

Table 9 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18-24 yrs	25-34 yrs	35-44 yrs	45-65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	247	590	1,095	1,987	1,034
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	935	1,151	739	1,259	577
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	1,303	2,725	2,731	3,016	2,243
Some college, no degree	2,051	2,138	1,783	2,279	902
Associate's degree	231	819	591	691	172
Bachelor's degree	367	1,338	1,438	1,382	261
Graduate or professional degree	23	553	565	853	137

Table 10 - Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	22,452
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	28,320
Some college or Associate's degree	31,031
Bachelor's degree	42,076
Graduate or professional degree	55,530

Table 11 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

The City's largest employer is McNeal Hospital, and education and health care are the sectors employing the greatest number of Berwyn residents. Berwyn is fortunate to have a number of major health facilities and hospitals in and near its borders. While not all of these jobs are high wage, they provide a good career path and opportunity for advancement for a number of Berwyn's residents.

A large number of residents are also engaged in retail sales and services. Berwyn's workers also take advantage of the proximity to cargo-oriented developments (COD) and industry oriented to rail freight (production, transportation, and material moving). Many of these jobs are in nearby communities such as Cicero that are oriented to warehouse and distribution space.

Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:

The need to fill the gap in minority- and women-owned business enterprises in Berwyn remains, but some progress has been made. A report of the 1997 Economic Census showed that minority firms totaled 14.4% and women-owned firms totaled 28.2% of the total number of businesses. The SBA and the State of Illinois have a number of loan programs and provide technical assistance to support minority- and women-owned

businesses and veterans, and efforts are underway to take advantage of those resources. In addition, the City encourages minorities and women-owned businesses to apply for and bid on its projects, which also include employment opportunities under Section 3 guidance.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

In recent years, Berwyn's workforce has experienced unemployment levels above the national average. This is especially true for younger workers and those with less than a high school education. In addition to job training needs, these youth often have a need for literacy/ESL classes, speaking Spanish, Polish and Arabic as their first language. A growing number of adults also need this education.

Recent upturns in the economy, and especially the opening of new retail businesses, will have a significant positive impact, providing new employment opportunities for these populations. However, many older adults may also be drawn to lower paying service jobs traditionally held by younger workers. Young and old alike will be challenged to learn the computer, technology, and business skills required to compete for the high-paying jobs of the future.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

The City of Berwyn and the Berwyn Development Corporation work in partnership with the local high school, neighboring college, social service providers, and national and independent businesses to provide job training programs and events. In recent years, there have been expos and seminars on ways to enhance and market job skills.

The City continues to explore the possibility of participating in an employer-assisted housing program with a number of public and private interests. Such a program would lower the cost of housing proximate to major employers. Studies have shown that this type of assistance increases the productivity of workers, while reducing commuting costs and giving employers a competitive advantage in hiring those who desire to live closer to their workplace.

Berwyn's school boards are also sensitive to the needs of its graduates, offering career counseling, ESL and literacy courses, and support for GED and adult education. Community colleges in the area also offer opportunities to develop skills and gain employment.

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)? If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

Berwyn is in the Cook County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), which is part of the eight county region of northeast Illinois.

Berwyn embraces the goals of the Cook County CEDS, which call for a regional focus on:

- Business development and retention
- A shift to green manufacturing and use of freight and multi-modal transportation
- Developing effective business incubators and a highly skilled workforce
- Commitment to a strong infrastructure, public transit, and high-speed rail
- Promoting diversity, while improving equal access to jobs and contracts

The City relies on its economic development and chamber services arm, the Berwyn Development Corporation (BDC), to provide businesses the resources they need to flourish in Berwyn. The BDC has an economic development division that identifies sites for businesses looking to expand, relocate, or start new and works closely with the Uptown and Downtown Commission to thoroughly analyze commercial corridors and new opportunities for economic development.

Berwyn's approach to economic development embraces many of the activities included in this comprehensive plan, including such infrastructure improvements as road repairs and sewer, sidewalk, and utility upgrades; rehabilitation of obsolete buildings, facilities, and housing systems; and job training and other workforce development initiatives.

Economic development assistance and financing for businesses will benefit not only those businesses but also those attracted to the new jobs that will be created. There is a growing need to fill the gap in participation by minority- and women-owned business enterprises. The SBA and

the State of Illinois have a number of loan programs and provide technical assistance to support minority- and women-owned businesses and veterans.

Discussion

In addition to the City's comprehensive plan, which was adopted in August 2012, Berwyn is guided by several initiatives underway or soon to be launched that will impact economic growth and leverage the Cook County CEDS' priorities.

- The HUD Sustainable Communities Initiative is providing three years of technical assistance and funding for sustainable projects. A mixed-use elderly housing project proposed by the City was recognized as a priority project. The Berwyn Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) study provided information about how to create a more inviting environment for this type of business development. Berwyn's three Metra stations provide a unique opportunity to institute a place-based approach to development – one of the top priorities of the Chicago region's "Go to 2040" plan.
- The City's four tax increment financing (TIF) districts have generated improvement of almost 300,000 square feet of commercial space over the past three years and generated millions of dollars in total development, including the redevelopment of blighted property at Harlem Avenue and Cermak into the Berwyn Gateway Plaza. Currently, the City has several projects that are under contract for redevelopment and new development that would add 51,000 sq. ft. of new retail development over the next 12 months.
- Neighborhood commercial centers and corridors, such as Roosevelt Road, have also benefited from comprehensive improvements of the public right-of-way and commercial developments. Architectural designs have brought an inviting look and feel to these areas that has encouraged new ventures and the expansion of long-time businesses. These developments have restored a "Main Street" feel and human scale to these areas.

The recent economic downturn and foreclosure crisis set the city's economic growth back, but it is recovering strongly. All signs point to a healthy, if slow, recovery. Employment remains a high priority for old and new residents and business interests alike. The City's school and library systems, workforce and service agencies, and private employers are committed to mainstreaming as many Berwyn residents as possible into good-paying jobs. Many organizations are offering or supporting counseling and training opportunities to support newcomers, many speaking English as a second language, and ready all residents for the many job opportunities that are likely to develop as the economy continues to improve.

MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

The relatively uniform age and condition of Berwyn's housing and the diversity of its housing types is one of Berwyn's greatest assets. As evidenced by the wide incidence of foreclosures, Berwyn does not have any areas that are more affected by housing problems, but the northern and central sections of Berwyn have historically seen more concentrations of incipient decline and deferred maintenance that has grown to other parts of the city in the past few years.

Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

While many low- and moderate-income households live in north Berwyn, these populations are found throughout the city.

What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

The City's new Comprehensive Plan states that the city "will achieve a high quality of life for residents, business owners, and visitors through a diversity of land uses and balance between the built and unbuilt environment."

Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

Berwyn has a vibrant mix of historic, mixed-use, and transit-oriented areas. Low- and moderate-income residents live in and enjoy all of these areas. The major corridors have a large number of businesses. Several properties on Cermak Road are registered on national and state registries of historic places. Large-scale retail developments are found along Harlem Ave. and other major streets. A focus on health care and mixed use is found in the Depot District to take advantage of MacNeal Hospital and related medical services.

Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

Housing problems are not concentrated in any area, with foreclosures, deferred maintenance, and incipient decline occurring throughout the city. Similarly, racial and ethnic minorities are not concentrated, even though these populations tend to have lower incomes. Per the 2010 Census, blocks 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5) are designated as low- and moderate-income. Given Berwyn's relatively small geographic area and population, these areas exhibit market characteristics and contain community assets similar to those in other areas of the city.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

Strategic Plan Overview

The strategic plan describes strategic the City will undertake over the next five years to address its priority community development needs, based upon community input, the needs assessment, and analysis of forecasted conditions for the housing market and the economy. The strategy identifies resources that are projected to be available to address these priority needs and the institutional structure to deliver these resources. Strategies to address homelessness, lead-based paint hazards, and poverty included.

SP-10 Geographic Priorities - 91.415, 91.215(a)(1)

Geographic Area

Table 12 - Geographic Priority Areas

General Allocation Priorities

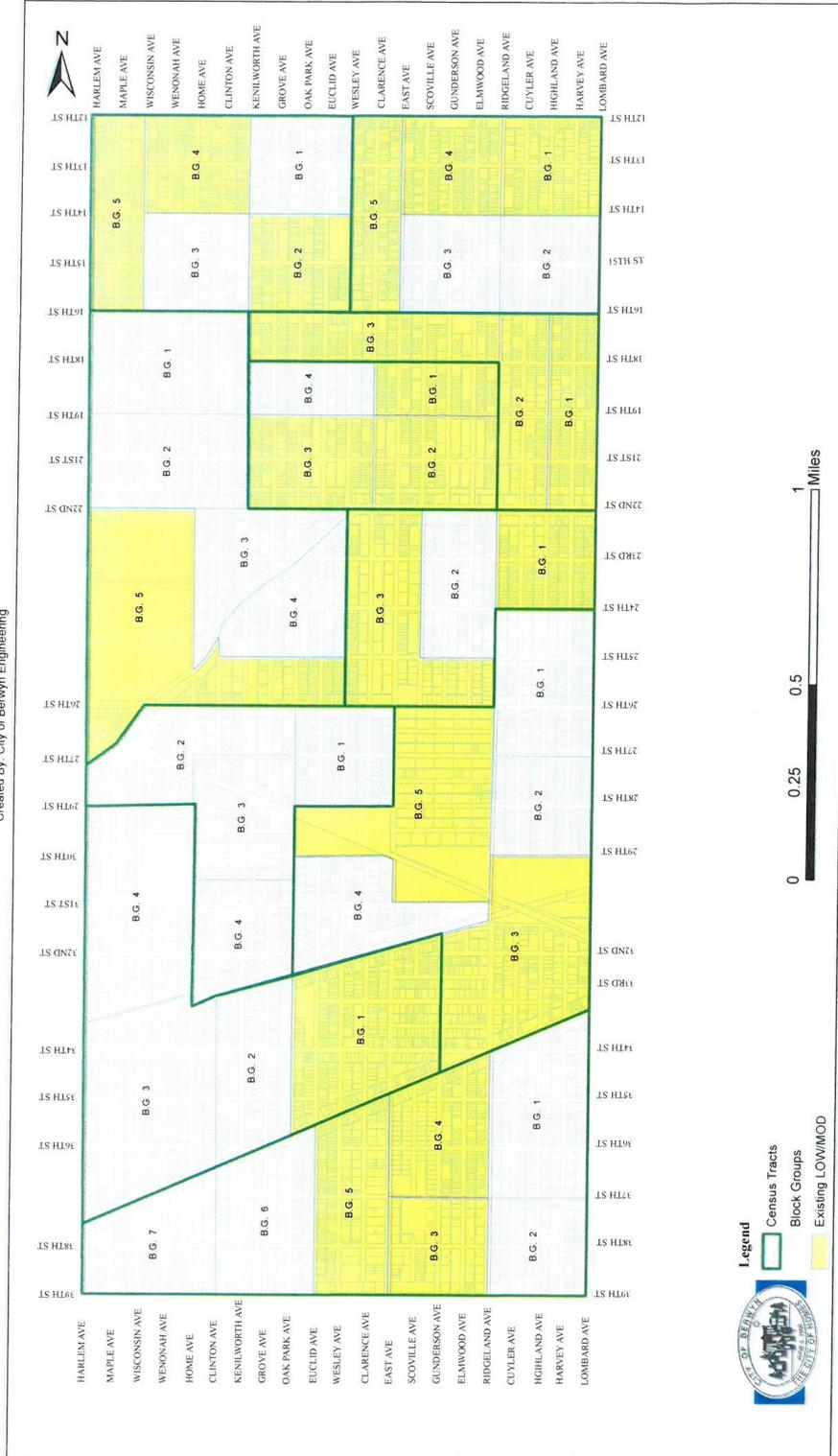
Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state

The City's CDBG allocation is devoted entirely to serving Berwyn's low-to-moderate income population. Census tracts have been identified where the majority of residents are low-to-moderate income. Berwyn is a small city of less than four square miles, and these low-and moderate census tracts are dispersed throughout the city with the exception of the southwest quadrant (roughly). CDBG Blight reduction and Public Improvements and Facilities activities will be targeted exclusively in these low- and moderate income areas.

The 2010 Census identified the following block groups as having at last 51% low- and moderate-income residents: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)

City of Berwyn CDBG Map (2010)

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2010 Low-Mod Income Block Groups

**SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.415, 91.215(a)(2)
Priority Needs**

Table 13 – Priority Needs Summary

1	Priority Need Name	Affordable Housing
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities
	Geographic Areas Affected	
	Associated Goals	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation
	Description	Rehabilitation and emergency repair of single family homes for low- and moderate income households and persons with disabilities.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Deferred maintenance and replacement of outmoded appliances and systems is costly and detracts from the marketability and value of surrounding property. Unless rehabilitation is carried out, future repairs will be more costly. Property owners are also denied the benefit of reduced energy costs and safe living conditions. Low and moderate-income persons and persons with physical or developmental disabilities may be particularly impacted. Additionally, citizens may not be able to afford emergency repairs for life threatening conditions or health and safety hazards, and emergency repairs may be necessary to alleviate these conditions.
2	Priority Need Name	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Priority Level	High

Population	<p>Extremely Low Low Moderate Middle Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development</p>
Geographic Areas Affected	
Associated Goals	Public Improvements and Facilities
Description	Infrastructure High priority needs including replacement and repair of Streets and Alleys, Sidewalks, and Sewers. Public facilities include senior centers, youth centers, recreational facilities and parkland, and public safety facilities.
Basis for Relative Priority	<p>The City's aging infrastructure causes flooding of streets and alley, unsafe sidewalks, and inefficient and potentially dangerous levels of street lighting. An aging infrastructure reduces the viability of both residential neighborhoods and nearby commercial corridors. Without a sound infrastructure it is difficult to attract businesses, and shoppers will find it difficult to park. Shoppers are more likely to buy locally if streets are well-light and well-kept. More commerce means more jobs and more revenue to fund City programs and services.</p> <p>Public facilities serve a wide range of interests and populations. The influx of youth adds new urgency to meeting their educational, cultural, and recreational needs in a safe setting. Similarly, many seniors need additional assistance and accommodations to enjoy their time at community gatherings. ADA improvements are needed at many facilities serving Berwyn's seniors and handicapped individuals. Public safety facilities are a priority because many of the City's existing facilities are outdated or located in areas that make it difficult to serve low- and moderate-income residents.</p>

3	Priority Need Name	Blight Reduction
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Middle Large Families Families with Children Elderly Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	
	Associated Goals	Blight Reduction
	Description	Inspection of blighted property in low- and moderate-income census tracts and block groups and administrative or legal action to get property owners to eliminate or remedy the problems. Encourage eligible homeowners to apply for assistance in the City's single family rehabilitation program.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Blight reduction is a critical element in maintaining confidence in the City's future. Investors, lenders, business owners and homebuyers alike need to know that their investment will maintain its value before they will make that investment. Existing property owners, businesses, and stakeholders need to know that their property and investments will also sustain themselves and offer a good return over time. Like rehabilitation, blight reduction costs more the longer it is deferred, making it a priority for immediate and on-going action.
4	Priority Need Name	Public Services
	Priority Level	High

Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
Geographic Areas Affected	
Associated Goals	Public Services
Description	CDBG funds allocated to City agencies and subrecipients that provide a broad range of services to youth, elderly, disabled, and other low- and moderate-income residents of Berwyn.

	Basis for Relative Priority	<p>Significant barriers restrict the ability of special needs populations to enjoy a good quality of life and become productive, valued members of their communities. In addition to shelter, services such as life skills classes, education enrichment, and employment placement are needed to encourage each individual to live as independently as possible. The percentage of students with special education needs in both the North and South School Districts approximates their total percentage in these districts. Hispanics are the largest race/ethnicity population in both Districts by a wide margin. Increasingly, language has become a barrier as English has become a second language to many in need. Approximately 25% of the students in both Districts have limited English proficiency.</p> <p>Uncertainties caused by budget reductions and the introduction of National Health Care will continue to pressure the human service delivery system to be more innovative, efficient, and cost-effective. Agencies will have to deal with the stress of an increasing number of mergers, serving a broader and more diverse clientele, and providing a larger range of direct and referral services to this expanded client base. For example, school districts will have to find ways to share information with social service and healthcare providers, as they will have to share with benefits and employment agencies, and so on. Nonprofit and public agencies will have to learn how to share resources and collaborate, to a greater degree than ever before, on the planning, funding, and execution of their programs and activities in the community.</p>
5	Priority Need Name	Reduce Homelessness
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Chronic Homelessness Individuals Families with Children Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of Domestic Violence

	Geographic Areas Affected	
	Associated Goals	Homelessness Services
	Description	Support of emergency and transitional homeless services.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Homelessness and threat of becoming homeless is debilitating. Without shelter, vulnerable populations often fall prey to further illness, poverty, and exposure to criminal elements. Many of the public service agencies funded through the City's CDBG Program are dedicated to providing assistance to these individuals and the growing number of families who are in harm's way. This need receives a lower priority because of the relative small number of people affected and the number of other resources dedicated to solving their problems. However, it is a high priority of the City of Berwyn as a whole to put housing first and eliminate homelessness completely.
6	Priority Need Name	Economic Development
	Priority Level	Low
	Population	Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	
	Associated Goals	
	Description	Economic development includes job training and creation, and assistance to revitalize commercial areas and aid businesses. While many of the activities will not be funded directly by CDBG, especially in the early years of this plan, they serve many of the same low- and moderate-income individuals and households.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Economic development is the key to eliminating poverty and providing opportunities for meaningful and productive employment for all. The city's retail and commercial sectors are gaining market share, and it is critical to capitalize on this momentum through use of the TIF Districts, transit and sustainable mixed use developments, and support for both the city's largest employers and its many small business owners and entrepreneurs.

Narrative (Optional)

Priority needs focus on providing decent, affordable housing and creating a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income persons.

Housing

Rehabilitation assistance for low- and very-low income single-family homeowners.

Acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction of rental units for low- and very-low income small households with emphasis on the elderly and frail elderly is a priority that may be pursued through the Cook County HOME Consortium.

Provision of assisted and supportive housing for special needs populations.

Provision of larger units, both rental and owner, for larger households with children.

Non-housing Community Development

Provision of funding for public facilities focusing on senior and youth centers.

Provision of funding to public service providers serving special need populations.

Support for commercial and mixed-use development of new and existing businesses.

SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.420(b), 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The City of Berwyn receives funds from only one of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) four formula allocation programs, the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The City is a participating grantee in the Cook County HOME consortium under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, but does not receive these funds directly.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,205,473	0	300,000	1,505,473	4,930,800	The expected amount over the five year period assumed a 5% reduction in the City's CDBG allocation for years 2 through 5, plus \$650,000 prior year funds to be reprogrammed. The \$650,000 in prior year funds includes both funds returned to the City's line of credit and, principally, unexpended funds from the Single-family Rehabilitation program that will be used for the same purpose. Of the prior year funds, \$300,000 will be allocated to Year 1 activities.

Table 14 - Anticipated Resources

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

While a match is not required, funds allocated to public services are highly leveraged by the social service agencies and providers that access other public and private resources to deliver their service and operate their facilities. Similarly, housing improvements funded by CDBG are often matched by other government programs and donations. Private investment in housing and commercial ventures often follow such public incentives. These improvements reduce the cost of utilities, emergency services, and maintenance and over time, may increase the property's value and equity, yielding additional property tax revenues.

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

As a mature community, Berwyn lacks a large measure of vacant and undeveloped land that could be used for community development purposes. Passage of the City's Comprehensive Plan provides an opportunity to target acquisitions for parks and recreation, new businesses, and affordable housing. The plan guides most of this activity to the Depot District and other areas that provide mixed-use opportunities. The plan also calls for the development of strategies to preserve historic properties, provide employer-assisted housing, and target neighborhood revitalization efforts. Much of this development must rely on new sources of funding and authority, such as the newly formed Cook County Land Bank, but existing resources, such as the TIF Districts, may also be utilized.

Discussion

As discussed in various parts of the plan, limited funding restricts the City's ability to address priority needs and objectives. The City has aggressively sought additional sources of funding and established beneficial partnerships with its many sub-recipients, nonprofit agencies and service providers, local business, and nearby jurisdictions. It will continue its close relationships with Cook County and the State of Illinois to seek and obtain additional resources from every available source.

SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.415, 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
Berwyn Community Development Department	City Agency	Affordable Housing Non-housing Community Development Needs Homelessness Planning	Jurisdiction
Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County	CoC	Homelessness Planning	Suburban Cook County

Table 15 - Institutional Delivery Structure

Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Homelessness Prevention Services			
Counseling/Advocacy	X	X	X
Legal Assistance	X	X	X
Mortgage Assistance	X		X
Rental Assistance	X	X	X
Utilities Assistance	X		
Street Outreach Services			
Law Enforcement	X	X	
Mobile Clinics	X	X	
Other Street Outreach Services			
Supportive Services			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse	X	X	X
Child Care	X	X	X
Education	X	X	X
Employment and Employment Training	X	X	X
Healthcare	X	X	X

HIV/AIDS	X	X	X
Life Skills	X	X	X
Mental Health Counseling	X	X	X
Transportation	X	X	X

Table 16 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above

The greatest strength of the City’s institutional delivery system is its ability to draw upon all available resources to plan and execute a comprehensive approach to community revitalization and economic development. The gaps in that system result in the inability of these organizations and individuals to obtain enough funding and resources to achieve the City’s goals and objectives.

Most recently, the uncertainty of federal funding and the number of program eligibility and policy changes that are either proposed or being implemented has brought great uncertainty to the community development field and to its many providers and participants. It has been, and will continue to be, difficult to develop longer-range plans and strategies against this backdrop of uncertainty and diminished funding.

The City continues to target high impact projects that can produce immediate and direct results, with a focus on higher productivity and attention to detail. CDD is undergoing additional training in IDIS and other areas such as environmental reviews to ensure that all federal requirements and HUD regulations are met.

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs

The City relies on a combination of private, nonprofit, and public institutions to implement its CDBG program. The same structure employed to complete this consolidated plan will be used to execute its goals through each of its action plans. The overall administration of the CDBG Program is the responsibility of the City’s Community Development Department (CDD). The CDD monitors each project, activity, and sub-recipient based upon its administrative procedures and Sub-recipient Monitoring Plan. Drawdown of funds is authorized only after a thorough accounting of each request on a reimbursable basis. The expenditure and accounting for each grant-funded activity is overseen by the City’s Finance Department.

SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$1,668,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 56 Household Housing Unit
2	Blight Reduction	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Blight Reduction	CDBG: \$265,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 30000 Household Housing Unit
3	Public Improvements and Facilities	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facilities and Improvements	CDBG: \$2,323,300	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 24600 Persons Assisted
4	Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$835,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6000 Persons Assisted
5	Homelessness Services	2015	2019	Homeless		Reduce Homelessness	CDBG: \$29,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 150 Persons Assisted

Table 16 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Provide rehabilitation assistance for housing owned or occupied by low- and moderate-income households and for persons with developmental or physical disabilities.
2	Goal Name	Blight Reduction
	Goal Description	Improve the viability of residential neighborhoods by reducing code violations and improving housing stock.
3	Goal Name	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Goal Description	Replacement of City’s aging infrastructure, including streets, lights, sidewalks, and water/sewerage systems, and rehabilitate and improve non-profit and neighborhood facilities, with an emphasis on providing improved access for youth, seniors and disabled residents (ADA accessibility).
4	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Provide seniors, youth and special needs populations with greater access to health and social services, educational, social and cultural activities, and transportation services.
5	Goal Name	Homelessness Services
	Goal Description	Support for the continuum of care and its partner organizations that promote emergency, transitional, and permanent supportive housing and reduce chronic homelessness.

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 91.315(b)(2)

Berwyn anticipates providing CDBG affordable housing assistance to 8 extremely low-income, 20 low-income, and 28 moderate-income families during the consolidated plan period. Extremely low-income and low-income residents will also be served through the Cook County Public Housing Authority and Cook County HOME Consortium.

SP-65 Lead-based Paint Hazards - 91.415, 91.215(i)

The City's strategy to address lead-based paint hazards is fully integrated into its housing policies and procedures:

Every at-risk child will be afforded lead-based paint testing.

- Blood lead testing and screening to children (focusing on six and under)
- Medical case management to lead-poisoned individuals (focusing on children)

Every home rehabilitated with CDBG funds will be examined for lead-based paint hazards and rehabilitated on that basis.

- Inspection of homes and working with families to identify and remedy the hazard (following HUD Lead Safe Housing regulations)
- Coordination of building code inspections, energy conservation, and other rehabilitation work to ensure corrective action within the scope of work and budget.

Every resident, homebuyer, lender, and real estate professional will be educated on the hazards of lead-based paint.

- Educating the public, professionals, and social service providers about lead poisoning and its prevention, especially for households with young children.

The City of Berwyn works closely with the Berwyn Health Department, Cook County Department of Public Health, and institutions like McNeal Hospital to test and treat those with elevated blood levels, focusing on children requiring referral. The goal is to treat, and prevent, lead poisoning through a collaborative effort of environmental health, integrated supportive services, and prevention.

While the City remains vigilant, the low number of positive cases suggests that the actual incidence of lead poisoning is significantly lower than the number of units identified as potentially hazardous might suggest.

The City has taken a proactive campaign to educate residents, contractors, and property owners on the potential hazard and test children who may have been exposed to the hazard. Since low- and moderate-income households occupy many of these units, the City's blight inspections, public education campaigns, and early interventions appear to be working. Further outreach will concentrate on reaching those Hispanic and black populations experiencing higher blood levels according to the County's lead risk index.

SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy - 91.415, 91.215(j)

Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families

How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan

To be successful an anti-poverty strategy must incorporate affordable housing and community development initiatives with education, job training, business development, and social services. These components must be inter-related, targeted, and coordinated with the overall strategy to revitalize Berwyn's neighborhoods and economy. Together, they create an overall environment that promotes self-sufficiency and economic independence. By forging partnerships, limited resources can be used more efficiently by eliminating duplications of service and filling gaps in the delivery system.

Youth Development

The goal is to provide every young person with the opportunity to participate in quality in-school and out-of-school programs that build career awareness and provide the training required to become productive students, workers, and citizens. Agencies have developed programs to use the summer month and after-school hours to explore career options. Many households do not speak English as a first language, and as a result, the number of children who do not speak English in kindergarten is also growing. Agencies are adding staff who speak Spanish, and increasingly, Polish and Arabic, to address these language barriers.

Employment Training

For youth and other job seekers, increasing marketable skills is a first step to gainful employment. Job placement, retention, and advancement are critical goals of workforce development and wage attainment.

Cultivation of relationships with employers, in collaboration with public agencies and service providers, can lead to a pipeline of qualified workers and filled job positions. They are a vehicle for economic self-sufficiency.

SP-80 Monitoring - 91.230

Describe the standards and procedures that the jurisdiction will use to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and will use to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements

The City of Berwyn's Community Development Department is the lead agency responsible for administering Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In addition to its own use of CDBG funds, Berwyn grants CDBG funds to Subrecipients (usually not for profit agencies serving the community) who administer public services and/or projects serving Berwyn's low-moderate income population.

Subrecipients are required to sign an agreement with Berwyn detailing the regulations, certifications, project and performance requirements and other requirements the Subrecipient must follow. Subrecipients are required to adhere to the same rules and regulations imposed on Berwyn by HUD.

Monitoring is a vital process in determining that Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are being used in a manner that complies with the rules and regulations of the CDBG program and all other applicable federal law. The purpose of monitoring CDBG-funded projects is two-fold:

- To ensure subrecipient compliance with all regulations governing administrative, financial, and programmatic operations
- To ensure realization of subrecipient performance in terms of accomplishments and timeliness

The City's CDBG project monitoring process will begin with the approval of the annual budget and continue until final closeout of each project. The process can be divided into the following four tasks:

- Risk Analysis
- Subrecipient Mandatory Meeting
- Desk Review of Pay Requests and Periodic Reports
- Annual Onsite Monitoring

Infrastructure and Housing Rehabilitation

On-site monitoring inspections are also conducted during and after any infrastructure construction projects, and/or rehabilitation of residential units. These inspections are carried out to ensure the quality of construction, and that the work is performed and completed on time. Berwyn has a delegated person to monitor all public facility construction projects to ensure compliance with all federal regulations including the Davis Bacon Act and Section 3.

Berwyn's monitoring goal is to ensure HUD rules and regulations are being met and Subrecipients are meeting their contractual obligations to the People of Berwyn. Berwyn also uses the monitoring process to determine if the goals stated in its Action Plan and Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) are being met.

First Year Action Plan

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Berwyn receives annual grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) formula grant program Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The City is a participating grantee in the Cook County HOME consortium under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, but does not receive these funds directly.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,205,473	0	300,000	1,505,473	4,930,800	The expected amount over the five year period assumed a 5% reduction in the City's CDBG allocation for years 2 through 5, plus \$650,000 prior year funds to be reprogrammed. The \$650,000 in prior year funds includes both funds returned to the City's Line of Credit and, principally, unexpended funds from the Single-family Rehabilitation program that will be used for the same purpose. Of the prior year funds, \$300,000 will be allocated to Year 1 activities.

Table 17 - 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

While a match is not required, funds allocated to public services are highly leveraged by the social service agencies and providers that access other public and private resources to deliver their service and operate their facilities. Similarly, housing improvements funded by CDBG are often matched by other government programs and donations. Private investment in housing and commercial ventures often follow such public incentives. These improvements reduce the cost of utilities, emergency services, and maintenance and over time, may increase the property's value and equity, yielding additional property tax revenues.

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

As a mature community, Berwyn lacks a large measure of vacant and undeveloped land that could be used for community development purposes. Passage of the City's Comprehensive Plan provides an opportunity to target acquisitions for parks and recreation, new businesses, and affordable housing. The plan guides most of this activity to the Depot District and other areas that provide mixed-use opportunities. The plan also calls for the development of strategies to preserve historic properties, provide employer-assisted housing, and target neighborhood revitalization efforts. Much of this development must rely on new sources of funding and authority, such as the newly formed Cook County Land Bank, but existing resources, such as the TIF Districts, may also be utilized.

Discussion

As discussed in various parts of the plan, limited funding restricts the City's ability to address priority needs and objectives. The City has aggressively sought additional sources of funding and established beneficial partnerships with its many sub-recipients, nonprofit agencies and service providers, local business, and nearby jurisdictions. It will continue its close relationships with Cook County and the State of Illinois to seek and obtain additional resources from every available source.

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 Rehabilitation	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$404,923	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 15 Household Housing Unit
2	Blight Reduction	2015	2019	Affordable Housing		Blight Reduction	CDBG: \$50,650	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 6000 Household Housing Unit
3	Public Improvements and Facilities	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facilities and Improvements	CDBG: \$631,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 12000 Persons Assisted
4	Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$173,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 600 Persons Assisted
5	Homelessness Services	2015	2019	Homeless		Reduce Homelessness	CDBG: \$5,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 25 Persons Assisted

Table 18 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Provide rehabilitation assistance for housing owned or occupied by low- and moderate-income households and for persons with developmental or physical disabilities.
2	Goal Name	Blight Reduction
	Goal Description	Improve the viability of residential neighborhoods by reducing code violations and improving housing stock.
3	Goal Name	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Goal Description	Replacement of City's aging infrastructure, including streets, lights, sidewalks, and water/sewerage systems, and rehabilitate and improve non-profit and neighborhood facilities, with an emphasis on providing improved access for youth, seniors and disabled residents (ADA accessibility).
4	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Provide seniors, youth and special needs populations with greater access to health and social services, educational, social and cultural activities, and transportation services.
5	Goal Name	Homelessness Services
	Goal Description	Support for the continuum of care and its partner organizations that promote emergency, transitional, and permanent supportive housing and reduce chronic homelessness.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

Following the priorities and goals laid out in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, Berwyn 2015 Action Plan prioritizes Infrastructure and public facility projects, housing rehabilitation, and Blight inspection, followed by a range of public service projects that primarily serve youth, seniors, and persons with special needs or experiencing homelessness.

#	Project Name
1	Administration
2	Blight Reduction
3	Single Family Rehabilitation
4	Sewer Replacement
5	Lighting Replacement
6	Sidewalk Replacement
7	Street Replacement
8	Berwyn Park District ADA Curb Cuts and Ramps
9	Recreation Dept. ADA Entrances
10	Recreation Dept. ADA Bathrooms
11	Senior Bus Program
12	Senior Advocate
13	Youth Crossroads Family Support Services Teen Trauma Program
14	Youth Crossroads Youth Intern Program Leadership Program
15	West Suburban Special Recreation Assoc. Seasonal Scholarships
16	West Suburban Special Recreation Assoc. Day Camp
17	Children's Clinic
18	West Suburban PADS - Emergency Shelter

Table 19 – Project Information

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

The City is providing up to the statutory 15% limit of its annual CDBG entitlement to meet public service needs and 29% for public facility and infrastructure needs. The remaining funds, other than those allocated to program administration and planning, will be devoted to housing and blight improvements (44%).

In addition to the compelling need, funds allocated to public services are highly leveraged by the social service agencies and providers that access other public and private resources to deliver their service and operate their facilities.

Similarly, housing improvements funded by CDBG are often matched by other government programs and donations. These improvements also reduce the cost of utilities and maintenance and over time, may increase the property's value and equity.

Public facilities receive priority because they serve a variety of low- and moderate-income household needs.

Public improvements directly affect public safety and protect the environment.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$240,923
	Description	Program administration and planning for CDBG Program
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Blight Reduction
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation Blight Reduction
	Needs Addressed	Blight Reduction
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,650

	Description	Inspector conducts walking exterior inspections exclusively in low/mod income census tracts (target area) for residential building code compliance, and promotes voluntary compliance with building codes and standards. Inspector also distributes lead-based paint education material and refers owners to city's owner-occupied rehabilitation program, as appropriate.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	The Blight Inspection program takes place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, the Blight program will cover these blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)
	Planned Activities	Blight Reduction
3	Project Name	Single Family Rehabilitation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Affordable Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$404,900
	Description	Provides zero interest no monthly payment loans to qualified low/moderate income homeowners for substantial rehab of owner occupied one to four family residences.
	Target Date	9/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	15 Low and moderate-income households
	Location Description	Scattered Site.
	Planned Activities	Provides zero interest no monthly payment loans to 15 qualified low/moderate income homeowners for substantial rehab of owner occupied one to four family residences.
4	Project Name	Sewer Replacement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
	Description	Electronic surveillance and replacement/rebuilding of sewer basins within flood-prone areas in low-and moderate income areas; replace sewerage where necessary.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Infrastructure programs will take place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, infrastructure activities will take place in the blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)
Planned Activities	Sewer Replacement.	
5	Project Name	Lighting Replacement

	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
	Description	Remove and replace street lights in low-and moderate-income census blocks with brighter, more efficient lighting.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Infrastructure programs will take place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, infrastructure activities will take place in the blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)
	Planned Activities	Lighting Replacement
6	Project Name	Sidewalk Replacement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Replace city sidewalks that are not up city standards and install ADA curb cuts in low-mod census tracts.
	Target Date	

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Infrastructure programs will take place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, infrastructure activities will take place in the blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)
	Planned Activities	Sidewalk Replacement
7	Project Name	Street Replacement
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$250,000
	Description	Remove and replace streets in low-and moderate income census blocks.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Infrastructure programs will take place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, infrastructure activities will take place in the blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5)
	Planned Activities	Street Replacement.

8	Project Name	Berwyn Park District ADA Curb Cuts and Ramps
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$26,000
	Description	Install ADA accessible curb cuts and remove architectural barriers at up to 12 park entrances in Berwyn
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Install ADA accessible curb cuts and remove architectural barriers.
9	Project Name	Recreation Dept. ADA Entrances
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$75,000
	Description	Update and replace building entrance including ADA compliant doors and sidewalks.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	

	Planned Activities	ADA Entrance and Doors replacement
10	Project Name	Recreation Dept. ADA Bathrooms
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Blight Reduction
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,000
	Description	Update bathrooms at Berwyn Recreation Department to make ADA compliant.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Recreation Dept. ADA Bathrooms
11	Project Name	Senior Bus Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Improvements and Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$90,000
	Description	Support of bus transportation program for Berwyn Seniors, including door-to-door service to doctor appointments and community activities.
	Target Date	9/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	City-wide.
	Planned Activities	Senior Bus Program.
12	Project Name	Senior Advocate
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000
	Description	Partial funding for position to coordinate programs for low- and moderate-income seniors in Berwyn, including coordination of door-to-door bus.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	City-Wide.
	Planned Activities	Senior Advocate.
13	Project Name	Youth Crossroads Family Support Services Teen Trauma Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,000

	Description	Fund staff to provide up to 300 at-risk Berwyn youth with school based trauma counseling services to reduce or eliminate school truancy and suspensions, street-gang association, fighting, bullying, illicit drugs and alcohol use, and depression.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	300 low-and moderate income youth.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
14	Project Name	Youth Crossroads Youth Intern Program Leadership Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	Engage 80 at-risk, low income Berwyn teens in the Youth Leadership Program that will include leadership development training, local community organizing and volunteer service, and social/recreational activities that enhance physical, social and mental well-being.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Youth Crossroads Youth Intern Program
15	Project Name	West Suburban Special Recreation Assoc. Seasonal Scholarships

	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	Provide scholarship assistance for approximately 45 Berwyn children with disabilities from low-income families to participate in WSSRA seasonal programs.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
16	Project Name	West Suburban Special Recreation Assoc. Day Camp
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	Provide Scholarship assistance for approximately 20 Berwyn children with disabilities from low-income families to participate in WSSRA Summer Day Camp.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	

	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	West Suburban Special Recreation Assoc. Seasonal Scholarships
17	Project Name	Children's Clinic
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$8,000
	Description	Provide preventative and restorative dental care for up to 500 children from low-income Berwyn families.
	Target Date	9/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Children's Clinic preventative dental care.
	18	Project Name
Target Area		
Goals Supported		Homelessness Services
Needs Addressed		Reduce Homelessness
Funding		CDBG: \$5,000
Description		Provide partial salary for homeless shelter manager at 12 rotating houses of worship.
Target Date		9/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	West Suburban PADS - Emergency Shelter

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's CDBG allocation is devoted entirely to serving Berwyn's low-to-moderate income population. Census tracts have been identified where the majority of residents are low-to-moderate income. Berwyn is a small city of less than four square miles, and these low-and moderate census tracts are dispersed throughout the city with the exception of the southwest quadrant (roughly). CDBG Blight reduction and Public Improvements and Facilities activities will be targeted exclusively in these low- and moderate income areas.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	

Table 20 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Discussion

The Community Development Program takes place exclusively in low/mod income block groups in Berwyn (target area). Per 2010 Census, the Program will cover these blocks: 8146.00 (BG 1,4, &5); 8147.00 (BG 2,4,& 5); 8148.00 (BG 5); 8149.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8150.00 (BG 1,2, & 3); 8151.00 (BG 1, & 3); 8154.00 (BG 1) and; 8155.00 (BG 3,4, & 5).

City of Berwyn CDBG Map (2010)

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

Introduction

Most underserved needs involve special needs populations and the provision of appropriate shelter and supportive services.

The City's underserved needs relate primarily to its aging housing stock and public infrastructure. Realizing that CDBG funds are severely limited, the City's program has made every effort to encourage owners to maintain their properties. It has worked with the federal, state, and county governments to apply for and implement an array of programs, ranging from foreclosures to homeless, and provide affordable housing opportunities to all those in need.

This plan provides insight into the interdependence of physical, social, and economic conditions in Berwyn. Underserved needs are primarily a function of the city's aging housing stock and infrastructure, and dependent populations are the mostly likely to bear the burden of these needs. Strategies to address such concerns as poverty, lead-based paint hazards, affordable housing and homelessness, and the physical environment are highly dependent on federal funding that appears to be on the wane. However, much can be achieved locally by working together cooperatively. The City has reached out to the County, the State, and nearby jurisdictions and they have all responded with a strong commitment to enhance coordination, develop institutional structures, and support community development. This plan, along with the City's new comprehensive plan and other local initiatives, provides a roadmap for that engagement.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City will continue to work with these parties and with nearby jurisdictions to ensure that the public, private, and nonprofit sectors are doing everything possible to meet the needs of the underserved. In addition, the City will continue its support for fair housing activities that target many of the City's underserved residents, providing equal access to housing and assisting those facing unfair treatment in the housing market.

Underserved populations in Berwyn include the elderly and disabled, and those seeking work that cannot find employment. The City will rely on its network of public and nonprofit service agencies, along with its ties to the private sector and economic development agencies, to provide an array of supportive services and limited financing. CDBG funds will also be used to fund ADA improvements at public facilities, benefitting persons with disabilities that are often underserved.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

To foster and maintain affordable housing, Berwyn will continue to take such actions as support efforts to:

- Educate the public, lenders, and housing providers about rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act. The city will join outreach campaigns to employ radio and print public service announcements, in English and Spanish, to let the public know what to do if they experience housing discrimination and to engage in enforcement actions if discrimination does occur.
- Purchase and resell foreclosed properties, and encourage the new purchaser to do the rehabilitation work necessary to bring the property into compliance with housing and building codes. Berwyn was successful in promoting this type of activity under HUD's "Officer Next Door Program" and more recently, through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program to address foreclosures.
- Focus on areas hardest hit by foreclosures, having the highest unemployment rate and concentrations of low-to-moderate income residents, which are likely to experience additional foreclosures.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Berwyn will continue to work with the Cook County Health Department and other agencies to increase public awareness of lead paint hazards. The Health Department will work with McNeal Hospital to test pre-school children for lead poisoning and coordinate these efforts with other hospitals such as Loyola serving the area. The City's Licensing Department will work with licensed day care providers and the school systems to distribute information to all parents and guardians of young children.

The City will follow its procedures for incorporating lead requirements into its housing rehabilitation programs and to the extent funds are available, remediate lead paint hazards through its Emergency Assistance Single Family Rehabilitation Program for low- and very-low income homeowners.

As it conducts its code inspections, the City will distribute advisory sheets to inform residents of potential lead-based paint hazards and provide instructions on how to avoid these hazards.

The City will also require its rehab supervisor and housing counselor to take the training necessary to maintain their certifications in lead inspections, hazard assessment, and lead safety. All contractors selected under the City's housing rehabilitation programs will be required to be lead certified.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families include those funded directly and indirectly by the CDBG Program. Regardless of the source of funding, Berwyn's approach to reducing poverty includes comprehensive measures to promote self-reliance, create new opportunities, and

ensure affirmative participation. It also includes reducing housing and transportation cost burdens and providing direct assistance to those at-risk of poverty and those presently confronting severe needs caused by poverty.

Berwyn will continue its efforts to reduce poverty among those able to work by assisting low-skilled residents to obtain skills training and employment. The City will join with adjacent municipalities in seeking job training and placement funding for low-income residents and encouraging employment opportunities in areas needing commercial revitalization and redevelopment. It will support the efforts of school systems, social service agencies, and economic development programs to assist job seekers in accessing job postings and referrals and in obtaining help with job applications and interviews. To the greatest extent feasible the City will follow the mandates of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended in providing opportunities for training and employment in connection with the projects awarded under its CDBG contracts. In addition, the City will encourage new and expanding businesses to hire Berwyn residents for jobs created through TIF and other development incentives. It will encourage groups supporting women and minority-owned businesses to do the same.

For those in poverty or on the brink of poverty, Berwyn will continue its partnerships with its sub-recipients and others in providing direct services, referrals, and mentoring. A major focus will continue to be the physical safety and improved health of all those threatened with isolation and exclusion, including those with disabilities, Veterans, the homeless and those at risk of homelessness, and victims of domestic violence and HIV/AIDS. A major effort to reduce the impact of service cutbacks and increased living costs, especially for seniors, will provide assistance with transportation, general home maintenance programs, and police protection and community facilities. While this may not reduce the level of poverty for some, it will ensure that resources are used to their maximum benefit, and may provide assistance to change their circumstances permanently for the better.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City has developed an effective team, both inside and outside local government, to implement the CDBG Program and leverage its limited resources. It will facilitate communication between City department and their staffs and continue to reach out to the public and community-serving agencies and stakeholders to discuss community development, housing, and related issues and opportunities.

The CDD is encouraging all of its staff, sub-recipients and community partners to maintain the highest professional standards and ethical conduct. All CDD staff will undergo training and recertification on an continuous basis through HUD and other vendors.

To the greatest extent feasible the City will follow the mandates of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended in providing opportunities for training and employment in connection with the projects awarded under its CDBG contracts.

As part of its annual action plan submissions, the City will certify that it is in conformance with CDBG and

other federal regulations related to the expenditure of its entitlement funds and related housing and community development activities. It will continue to meet its obligations for timely expenditure of these funds and utilize its own Finance Department and accounting systems to disburse funds that will also be tracked through HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS).

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

The City will provide input during the year to other City agencies, nonprofit organizations, and adjacent jurisdictions regarding consistency of their plans and proposals with the City's Consolidated Plan, as required under CFR Section 91.510.

The City's Community Relations Commission will continue as the focal point for those experiencing or reporting discrimination. Counsel and intermediary services will be available from such groups as the John Marshall Fair Housing Legal Support Center, the Heartland Alliance, the Sergeant Shriver Center, the Chicago Community Trust and the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless.

The City's sub-recipients will continue to support the City's homeless and non-homeless special needs populations. These agencies will continue to leverage and extend the limiting funding available through the CDBG Program. The City will encourage coordination and leverage of scarce resources to fill service gaps and eliminate duplications of service.

Discussion

This plan provides insight into the interdependence of physical, social, and economic conditions in Berwyn. Underserved needs are primarily a function of the city's aging housing stock and infrastructure, and dependent populations are the mostly likely to bear the burden of these needs. Strategies to address such concerns as poverty, lead-based paint hazards, affordable housing and homelessness, and the physical environment are highly dependent on federal funding that appears to be on the wane. However, much can be achieved locally by working together cooperatively. The City has reached out to the County, the State, and nearby jurisdictions and they have all responded with a strong commitment to enhance coordination, develop institutional structures, and support community development. This plan, along with the City's new comprehensive plan and other local initiatives, provides a roadmap for that engagement.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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

Discussion:

The City uses a single year (PY 2015) in determining the amount of CDBG funds that benefit persons of low- and moderate- income.

Appendices

Consultation and Citizen Participation Comments



Regina Mendicino
Grants Administrator
City of Berwyn
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6420 W. 16th St.,
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April 30, 2015

Dear Regina,

Please be advised that information contained in the Youth Crossroads Inc. 2015 grant proposal to the City of Berwyn Community Development Department may and should be used as a written submission for the City's CON Plan.

The safety and well-being of Berwyn youth and families is our primary concern and for the past 41 years Youth Crossroads has worked with tens of thousands of residents to achieve that objective.

We, along with Berwyn Park Districts, Police Department, library, and other social service providers recently completed a Youth Needs Survey with more than 2,200 Berwyn middle school and high school students participating. I am attaching that report for submission with your CON Plan, as it contains a wealth of information regarding youth perceptions of public safety, family life, and challenges faced by local young people.

Hundreds of those youth surveyed report a significant amount of stress in their lives caused by disruptive family life, neighborhood strife, and negative relationships with local police and school personnel. It is our hope that information contained in this report will instruct local government and other institutions as to new programs and community services that better meet the needs of our local youth and their families.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the City with evidence of local conditions and perceptions of young people that live in Berwyn. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you like further information about the report or anything else.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Terrazino".

David Terrazino
Executive Director

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Dear Ms. Mendicino:

On behalf of United Cerebral Palsy Seguin of Greater Chicago and the low-income people with developmental disabilities we serve, I hereby grant authorization and welcome the opportunity for the City of Berwyn Community Development Department to use any of the information included in our recent PY2015 CDBG Grant Application as written submission for the City's CON Plan.

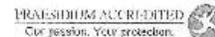
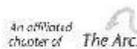
In addition, we offer this following input to the City of Berwyn on the four areas of focus to be addressed in the CON Plan related to use of CDBG funding:

Community and Special Needs Services

As you know, UCP Seguin provides job placement, training and housing services for low-income adults with developmental disabilities, and foster care and adoptive services for children with disabilities and other special needs. In all UCP Seguin serves more than 1000 individuals, of which more than 100 are residents of Berwyn.

We provide program services to adults and children with disabilities who are residents of Berwyn and other nearby communities at our Carr Center located at 31st Street and Central Avenue in nearby Cicero. The Carr Center, our central service and office facility since 1991, is a place of daily bustling activity where we provide support services to adults and children with developmental disabilities, home offices for 420 administrative and direct service staff, and a coordination site for more than 700 volunteers. At any one time, as many as 200 staff and more than 220 people with disabilities use this facility.

Across the street from the Carr Center, at Ogden and Central, UCP Seguin houses an earned income operation, called the Seguin Auto Center. Through this venture, UCP Seguin employs people with disabilities in cleaning and selling of used cars, which we acquire primarily through donations and offer a fee-based car-washing service staffed with a crew of low-income persons with disabilities. The Auto Center also serves as a drop-off site for UCP Seguin's electronics recycling operation, whereby we accept and process donated computers and other electronics for use in area schools, or for use within industries that re-purpose parts from these electronics. This venture fulfills UCP Seguin's purposes as a community economic development corporation.



In spring of 2009 UCP Seguin opened a new facility – Seguin Gardens & Gifts, a new greenhouse and retail facility – adjacent to the west side of the Carr Center. Seguin Gardens & Gifts, a “partner” earned income venture to the Auto Center, includes a retail gift shop, a greenhouse providing employment services for people with disabilities, and a horticultural therapy operation for people with severe developmental disabilities.

In addition, at this time UCP Seguin owns and operates 70 Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Fourteen of these homes are located in Berwyn, including three that were acquired in the past year, providing housing and support services to more than 45 low-income individuals with developmental disabilities.

Based on UCP Seguin’s huge investment in services to residents of Berwyn, and the significant number of properties in which services are provided, we believe that UCP Seguin’s needs match with several of the CDBG priority areas, including “Community and Special Needs Services”.

Economic Development

In addition to its nonprofit status, UCP Seguin is incorporated as a Community Economic Development Corporation. Through programs based at or next to the main Carr Center in Cicero, UCP Seguin is providing job creation, training and retention services to low-income individuals with developmental disabilities.

UCP Seguin has plans to expand existing earned income ventures, and to establish new ones for purposes of job creation for low-income people with developmental disabilities, as well as some non-disabled low-income individuals from Berwyn, through the following:

- Continued expansion of business within the Seguin Auto Center, focusing on the acquiring, cleaning and selling of used cars, and on offering car-washing and detailing services to the general public.
- Continued and expanded activities at the Seguin Gardens & Gifts greenhouse and retail facility adjacent to the Carr Center, focusing on jobs and training for hard-to-employ adults with severe developmental disabilities, including jobs for more than 50 low-income adults with disabilities, expansion of UCP Seguin’s Horticultural Therapy Program to serving 55-60 individuals annually with severe developmental disabilities. We plan to continue our expansion of the Gardens & Gifts business through sales at multiple locations throughout the western suburbs, employing persons with developmental disabilities in production, marketing and sales. We also continue to expand Seguin Lawn Care services to a variety of residential and commercial customers, as a part of our Seguin Gardens & Gifts activities.
- Continued expansion of UCP Seguin’s Computer and Electronics Recycling enterprise, focused on accepting and processing of donated computers and other electronics for use in area schools, or for use within industries that re-purpose parts from these electronics. Seguin Auto Center serves as the main drop-off site for the Berwyn-Cicero area. We are in great need of a facility to store and initially break-down donated goods until they are sent to our central processing location in Tinley Park. This effort also creates job opportunities for low-income people with disabilities.
- Continuation of the “UCP Seguin Market” weekend garage sales. These sales are an adjunct to Seguin Auto Center. UCP Seguin Market events are conducted on our parking lots at the Carr Center, occurring every Saturday and Sunday from late March through November. As many as 75 or more vendors purchase booths from UCP Seguin in order to sell their wares. These sales provide an opportunity for local citizens to market their own “cottage industries” while UCP Seguin is able to reach new customers for its Car Wash and Seguin Gardens & Gifts. In the end these UCP Seguin Market events mean more productive work opportunities for people with developmental disabilities.

- All of these activities are focused on providing jobs for people with severe developmental disabilities—which means increased empowerment, self-sufficiency, self-esteem and quality of life for individuals served by UCP Seguin.

All of UCP Seguin's activities associated with expanded economic opportunities will have the effect of promoting long-term economic and social viability of the Berwyn community.

Infrastructure & Public Improvements

Due to ongoing wear and tear, all of UCP Seguin's residential properties are in constant need of improvement in their safety and livability, through ADA-related renovations, replacement of unsafe structures such as worn roofs and windows, and other physical improvements.

Funding through CDBG grants is critical, to avoid having to utilize operational revenues to cover capital costs, and to maximize operational funding for UCP Seguin's primary mission: services to low-income people with disabilities.

UCP Seguin continues to seek improvements in our homes and our main day program facilities that will conserve energy resources, and provide utility cost-savings, such as through conversion to solar thermal hot-water and space heating systems, or installation of windows, doors and other physical structures designed for energy efficiency.

Housing Needs and Issues

UCP Seguin is the primary provider of residential services to low-income adults with developmental disabilities in Berwyn. UCP Seguin has a strong interest in not only maintaining its existing housing stock, but in acquiring any additional capacity as necessary to meet current and future needs of low-income individuals with disabilities seeking housing services.

- Currently four individuals with developmental disabilities from Berwyn are on UCP Seguin's waiting list for residential services, with a significant number of additional referrals for services expected as individuals age out of special education, and others seek services as their parents age or become infirmed.
- To increase the supply of supportive housing for persons with special needs, UCP Seguin must continue to be in position to provide supportive housing, which includes structural features and services to enable persons with special needs to live in dignity and as much independence as possible.
- UCP Seguin qualifies for and continues to be interested in securing any houses available from the City of Berwyn through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), in CDBG or other funding to acquire and renovate new homes, and CDBG funding for some initial rehabilitation required before opening any such home.

Note that in addition to CDBG funds allocated to UCP Seguin by the City of Berwyn, UCP Seguin also consistently receives important CDBG funds from Cook County, Oak Park, DuPage County and sometimes from Cicero. UCP Seguin has an annual capital budget of about \$800,000, of which CDBG funds are a major source of funding, amounting to about \$240,000 to \$400,000 annually. The State of Illinois does not reimburse agencies for capital needs as part of their funding for services. In short, the \$240,000 to \$400,000 in CDBG funding that UCP Seguin receives annually from various local governmental sources is crucial. These funds are used for major capital improvements to our 70 group homes where more than 280 very low-income people with developmental disabilities reside—and where UCP Seguin provides services at less than half the cost for similar services at large state institutions. These renovations address accessibility, safety and

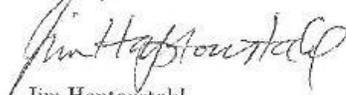
security, including bathroom renovations, fire sprinkler installation and ongoing needs associated with maintenance of older homes.

Without these funds, UCP Seguin will be forced to choose between two equally poor options: to allow these homes to become dilapidated and unsafe for the residents, or to cut staff who provide direct care to our clientele. Either of these choices will endanger the safety and well-being of the people we serve. Given these unwelcome options, we urge our elected officials to protect these citizens with disabilities, who are among society's most vulnerable individuals, by preserving this vital CDBG funding.

On behalf of everyone associated with UCP Seguin—people served, their family members, staff, and Board—we thank you for considering our input, on the City of Berwyn's CON Plan. We also thank the City of Berwyn for its ongoing and significant support of our vital services.

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (708) 222-4250 or by email at jhaptons@seguin.org.

Sincerely,



Jim Haptonstald
Executive Vice President

May 7, 2015

Regina Mendicino
City of Berwyn Community Development Department
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Dear Ms. Mendicino,

Thank you for the opportunity to add our input to the CON Plan for the City of Berwyn. Our belief is that services to victims of domestic violence are a priority for the city and fall within the Community and Special Needs Services section of the plan.

Domestic violence is the single leading cause of injury and death for women of all socio-economic, ethnic and cultural backgrounds. According to the Illinois Department of Health, more than 12 million women will be abused by a current or former partner sometime during their lives. According to the National Institute of Justice and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, each year in the U.S., an estimated 1.5 million women are physically or sexually assaulted by an intimate partner and approximately 500,000 women are stalked by an intimate partner. Women who leave their batterers are at 75% greater risk of being killed by their partner or boyfriends within the United States and within each community (E.B. Foam, M. Cascade, L.A. Moeller & N.C. Feeney, 2000).

In addition to adult victims, children are also the victims of domestic violence. It is estimated that 3.3 million to 10 million children in the United States witness domestic violence each year (Carlson, "Children's observations of interpersonal violence", 1984). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that the cost of intimate partner violence totaled \$8.3 billion for direct medical and mental health care services in 2003.

In 2011, there were 116,706 domestic crimes reported in Illinois. According to the FBI, 42% of all female homicide victims are murdered by a husband, partner or family member, and at least one-fifth of aggravated assaults against women take place in her home. From July 2012 to June 2013 there were 59 domestic violence related homicides in the State of Illinois (37 victims were female). There were also 12 perpetrators (all male) of Domestic Violence who committed suicide. In 2004, the Center for Impact Research reported that 56% of women in Chicago's homeless shelters reported that they had been victims of domestic violence. In 2003, the ACLU Women's Rights Project stated that in a national survey of homeless mothers one quarter reported they were physically abused, and in 2005, 50% of US Cities reported that domestic violence is a primary cause for homelessness. Often, women who are in violent relationships are restricted in the way they gain access to services, take part in public life, and receive emotional support from friends and relatives.

Sarah's Inn works in partnership with west suburban Cook County homeless service providers to develop coordinated responses to battered women, as well as provide the specialized counseling and housing services they require. Sarah's Inn works with Catholic Charities, PLCCA, CEDA, Housing Forward (formerly West Suburban P.A.D.S.), and Vital Bridges to help prevent homelessness in west suburban

Cook County. As a collaborative effort with our partner agencies, we receive funding to assist clients fleeing domestic violence situations to avoid homelessness.

Sarah's Inn provides a vital array of services and supports to assist clients fleeing domestic violence situations with safety planning, rent, mortgage payments, utility assistance, and security deposits for apartments. Our 24-hour crisis line services are critical for battered women and their children to avoid homelessness.

Funding is necessary to continue to support and expand our capacity to serve Berwyn residents experiencing domestic violence to ensure victims, including children, are able to find the necessary resources to live with a sense of safety.

Best Regards,

Carol Gall
Executive Director

In the last 12 month period, Sarah's Inn has received 225 calls on its 24-hour crisis line from Berwyn residents seeking support and information to help them address their experiences of domestic violence. Through those calls, trained Advocates create safety plans with the callers, listen to their situation and desires for moving forward, and make available the comprehensive services provided by the agency to address the individual and often complex needs of the caller and her children. Of those callers, 85 of them in the last year chose to access the broader services offered at Sarah's Inn. These represented more than 78 families from Berwyn.

Sarah's Inn utilizes a holistic approach to ending domestic violence that combines supportive services for the entire family focused not only on successful crisis intervention and emotional support to address the most common effects of trauma, but also the longer-term issues of realizing self-sufficiency. Emergency services include linking survivors with shelter, at times through our emergency hotel stay program, emergency transportation, use of our emergency food pantry, immediate economic assistance, and legal advocacy for obtaining orders of protection. More than 59 Berwyn residents received orders of protection through the help of our legal advocacy team. Post-crisis support for ensuring longer term stability includes linkages to job readiness training programs, ESL programs, transitional housing programs in addition to directly providing rental assistance, parenting support, group support, as well as ongoing advocacy with the courts and school systems. This ongoing support is essential: particularly in custody cases and for helping school counselors properly support the unique needs of children experiencing the trauma and domestic upheaval which are common to survivors of domestic violence.

Services to Berwyn residents in the last 12 months accounted for 917 hours of direct service. This is in addition to the 24-hour, 365 day crisis line service, which serves as the primary pipeline for individuals who need help. Through the direct services, all clients have improved their ability to stay safe. In addition, many of the women have found secure housing, are learning English, and are making connections with the community after years of living in almost complete isolation. Some have found employment in a tough economy and with little to no job experience. Funding from the Berwyn CDBG will ensure that Sarah's Inn has the necessary resources to continue to provide this essential service to residents of Berwyn and to continue to reach out and ensure best practices from first responders, such as the Berwyn Police Department. Currently Sarah's Inn has begun participating on the Berwyn Police Department's Crisis Intervention Team. This team is comprised of key police officials and social service agencies serving the Berwyn community and its goal is to best service community members with special needs, who are elderly, or are currently experiencing trauma such as domestic violence.



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RE: Letter advising that information in Pillars' Sexual Assault Program's PY15 funding request is pertinent to the Berwyn CDBG Consolidated Plan (CON Plan)

Dear Ms Mendicino:

Sexual assault is a problem in every community and every school district in Illinois as evidenced by the passing of Erin's Law in 2014. Erin's law mandates public schools throughout Illinois to provide sexual assault training to faculty and education about sexual assault to students and willing parents.

The CARE Center is the Berwyn-based satellite of Pillars' Sexual Assault (SA) program. Direct victim services include individual and family counseling for victims and their significant others and legal and medical advocacy on behalf of women, children and adolescents that are victims of sexual assault and abuse. CARE Center services also include a prevention education component. The program's community educator facilitates educational workshops addressing issues of bullying, gender harassment and sexual violence with the faculty, students and parents of Berwyn schools.

Pillars' Sexual Assault Program addresses the need for comprehensive services for survivors and their families of rape, incest, child sex abuse and dating violence. Please include useful portions of the grant proposal in the CON Plan.

Sincerely,

Lynn Siegel, LCSW
Vice-President of Domestic and Sexual Violence Services

Pillars aspires to build healthier communities by making connections and changing lives.



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Dear Ms. Mendicino:

On behalf of the IWS Children's Clinic, sponsored by the Oak Park River Forest Infant Welfare Society, I give permission for the City of Berwyn to use the contents of our PY 2015 CDBG application for the development of the City's CON Plan.

Furthermore, given the paucity of affordable dental care in our community and the surrounding area for low-income children, we would strongly encourage the City of Berwyn to specifically include pediatric dental care as a high priority public service, designate low-income children as an underserved population, and make a commitment to support the provision of dental care through CDBG grant making.

Geography is a major determinant of oral health in Illinois. Third graders from suburban Cook County, including Berwyn, are significantly more likely to have cavities and untreated decay (62% and 36%, respectively) than children from any other region in the state including the City of Chicago (51% and 17%, respectively). Children from suburban Cook County also have the lowest rate (18%) of dental sealants in place -- plastic coatings placed on the surface of children's molars and premolars to protect them from decay, a best practice intervention for decreasing cavities -- compared to 50% for the entire state of Illinois, making suburban Cook county the only region in the state below the target of 28% coverage ("Healthy Smiles, Healthy Growth 2013-2014", Chicago Community Oral Health Forum).

Poor oral health can have devastating short-term and life-long consequences for children including:

- Invasive, painful and costly dental treatments for infections including hospitalization

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- The loss of permanent adult teeth which can affect self-esteem and future employability
- Poor academic performance as oral pain decreases a child's ability to concentrate and ability to succeed in the classroom and is one of the primary reasons for school absences
- Stunted growth and development as pain from oral disease can affect the ability to chew, preventing children from getting adequate nutrition
- Impaired overall health as oral health disease makes the body more vulnerable to infections in other parts of their bodies such as the ears, sinuses and the brain. "A mouth with periodontal disease is an open wound".
- Increased risk of cardiovascular, reproductive, kidney and other systemic diseases; certain cancers; and low-birth weight and premature babies as adults. (American Academy of Pediatric Dentists, "The State of Little Teeth", January 2014).

However, there is a critical shortage of affordable dental care for low-income children in the Chicago area. Illinois' All Kids Medicaid program reimburses for dental care at a rate well below the actual cost of care (Medicaid reimbursement covers only 60% of the cost of care at the IWS Children's Clinic), discouraging private providers from taking public-paying patients. And few low-income families can afford the average \$142 cost per visit for dental care out of pocket. But only 5% of dentists practice in the health centers, dental schools and public clinics that constitute the dental safety net (Children's Dental Health Project "Moving on the Oral Health Provision in Health Reform: A Roadmap for Implementation", January 2011) and only 9 of 35 health centers in Cook County offer dental care. Finally, there is a deficit of pediatric dentists, dentists who are specially trained to treat children (AAPD, "The State of Little Teeth"). The scarcity of care is evidenced by the fact that our dental patients come to us from all over the Chicago region including distant suburbs like Aurora and Mundelein and the far reaches of the City of Chicago.

- Given the dire state of our children's oral health and their limited access to affordable dental care, we sincerely hope the City of Berwyn will continue to support the IWS Clinic's provision of dental care to low-income Berwyn children into the foreseeable future.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Lippitt, MHSA
Executive Director



OAK-LEYDEN DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

411 Chicago Avenue
Oak Park, IL 60302

April 30, 2015

Regina Mendicino, Grants Administrator
City of Berwyn
Community Development Department
6420 W. 16th Street
Berwyn, Illinois 60402

Dear Regina:

On behalf of Oak-Leyden Developmental Services, I am pleased to be able to have the opportunity to provide information to assist with Berwyn's Consolidated Plan (CON Plan) for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds.

With one Community Integrated Living Arrangement located in Berwyn, we feel a continued need for housing and services for people with developmental disabilities. Our goal is to provide support services and homes so the adults and children we serve can live as independently as possible within our community. Our support services include a variety of opportunities to develop skills that will help them be productive, valued members of their communities. There is a growing need for adults with developmental disabilities for services such as job training with multiple levels of work as well as life skills, social interactions and communication training to enable people to participate effectively in the community and function at their highest level of independence.

Oak-Leyden also sees an increased need to provide additional comfortable, family-like homes in communities such as Berwyn. Adults are provided 24-hour support and care that promote personal independence and physical well-being. Individualized services and support help adults with disabilities develop basic living skills so they may live as independently as possible. They are also offered opportunities to enjoy many recreational activities offered in their respective communities.

We hope the planning committee will take this information into consideration as it looks to the future. Please call me at 708-524-1050, extension 105 if you have any questions or would like to speak in more detail about these comments.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Atkinson
President and CEO

*Oak-Leyden Developmental Services is a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization. Donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Oak-Leyden certifies that no goods were exchanged as a result of this donation.
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Community Development Department
Regina Mendicino, Grants Administrator
6420 W. 16th St.
Berwyn, IL 60402

May 19, 2015

Dear Ms. Mendicino,

Thank you for the opportunity to allow us to make suggestions for the future Block Grant requests. We hope that we will be considered to apply.

Bonnie Buonicore is our Pre-K and Education Director, who passed along your email regarding Community Development Block Grant.

One of the areas we would like to include as part of the Community Development Block Grant criteria is scholarships for affordable child care for families that "fall through the cracks". Many of our working parents are making only \$100 over the cutoff annually to qualify for state subsidies, but are still considered low income. In addition, we have some parents who are turning down raises, because they will no longer qualify for assistance. For a family size of 2, whose income is over \$2,426 per month, or a family size of 3, whose income is over \$3,051 per month, they do not qualify for assistance. Some of our parents have said, "By the time I pay for child care with the salary that I earn, I can barely afford other necessities for my family." For those who are over income, their fee can be as much as \$1,000 per month compared to \$218 per month for those earning the maximum income to qualify according to the state's sliding fee scale.

As parents work toward earning a living wage and provide for their family, they get discouraged when they can't afford to pay for child care. Our concern is that these are the families who are the "working poor".

Another benefit of block grant funds would be for staff development. Many of our funding sources do not include training dollars. We like to hire within the community and some staff are hired with the minimum qualifications. The intention is that they enroll in college in order to increase their knowledge and skills. Our goal is to help the staff work toward having a better understanding of the early childhood field. Early childhood is a stepping stone toward kindergarten readiness and school success.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to express ideas and share our thoughts. We hope these ideas are considered. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (708)222-4503.

Sincerely,

Lurlean Chodora
Executive Director

May 4, 2015

Regina Mendicino
Grants Administrator
City of Berwyn
6420 W. 16th Street
Berwyn, Illinois 60402

Regina,

You are welcome to include any information that you believe is pertinent from our grant proposal during the CON Plan process. In addition to emergency shelter, we would like to state our support for outreach & engagement, supportive services and employment readiness services. All of these programs meet the CDBG national objective to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals.

Thank you for including Housing Forward in the planning process.

Sincerely,



Lynda Schueler
Executive Director



Regina M. Mendicino

From: Evan K. Summers
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 9:56 AM
To: Regina M. Mendicino
Cc: Brian L. Pabst
Subject: RE: Berwyn CDBG Issues

Regina:

Thank you for your note regarding the Berwyn CDBG CON Plan. As you know, Berwyn's CDBG program has been of vital importance to the City and we look to continue that relationship moving forward. From my position, I believe that CDBG's investment in infrastructure is of vital importance. The City of Berwyn is over 100 years old and much of its infrastructure is original. As time progresses, much of the infrastructure in the low-mod area will need to be replaced in order to maintain basic city services. It is my hope that in your upcoming CON Plan the City's infrastructure needs are highlighted.

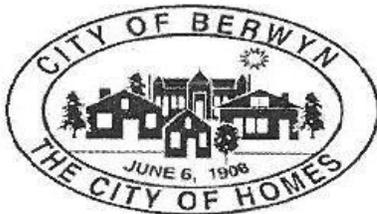
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Evan K. Summers
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From: Regina M. Mendicino
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2015 3:32 PM
To: Evan K. Summers
Subject: FW: Berwyn CDBG Issues



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Regina Mendicino, Grants Administrator
6420 W. 16th Street * Berwyn, Illinois 60402
Office: 708-795-6850 FAX: 708-749-9457

Dear Evan:

Every 5 years the City produces a Consolidated Plan (CON Plan) for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for the next 5 years. As part of the CON Plan process we ask leaders of our Community, like yourself, to let us know your thoughts on priority needs for how these funds should be spent. The CDBG



April 30, 2015

Ms. Regina Mendicino
Grants Administrator
Department of Community Development
City of Berwyn
6420 W. 16th Street, Berwyn, Illinois 60402

Dear Ms. Mendicino,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the priority needs of Berwyn for the production of a Consolidated Plan.

I would like to comments on the four (4) areas of need as outlined in your original communication.

Community Needs and Special Needs Services

Youth at risk programs, program fee assistance, teen counseling, homeless needs, and special needs programs need to be funded if Berwyn desires to be an inclusive community that does not discriminate based on ability, income, or age. I see seniors and children alike who struggle to survive. Local food pantries can not keep up with needed demand. Persons with developmental and cognitive disabilities need programs and support systems to function and enjoy an improved quality of life. Agencies such as Youth Cross Roads needs funding to reach out and serve all of the needed children and teens in our community.

Economic Development

Continuation of business development loans, job training, transportation for low income residents, and continuation of TIF related activities to reduce blight in all of our corridors.

Infrastructure & Public Improvements

The aging infrastructure needs to be addressed, particularly water mains and sewer lines that have been failing due to age. I believe a lot of the infrastructure is nearly 100 years old and is need of replacement and/or improvement. The combined sewer system as it exists does not have the capacity needed to handle the 125 year storms that seem to be occurring every year or two. The police department is in desperate need for more space as operations have outgrown the original space as planned and built. The City does not have enough open space according to national standards. New and redeveloped parks /open space can assist with storm water management by absorbing storm water that would otherwise flow into the combined storm sewer system. Several playgrounds are in need of upgrades or replacements to bring them into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act as well. ADA sidewalk and curb cuts need to be installed throughout the City and energy efficient lighting is needed in

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all public facilities and parks. The Cities only full size swimming pool needs to be rebuilt and brought up to code and into ADA compliance as well.

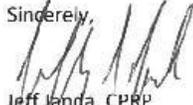
Parking continues to be an issue so additional parking areas in congested areas would be helpful.

Housing Needs and Issues

Residents need assistance with needed home energy upgrades and to return dilapidated housing stock to the viable housing roles. Over population of single family homes and apartments also needs to be addressed for life safety and health reasons.

I hope these quick comments are of assistance. If needed I can further expound on them.

Sincerely,



Jeff Janda, CPRP
Executive Director



Mayor
Robert J. Lovero

BERWYN POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Chief of Police
James D. Ritz

July 13, 2015

Regina Mendicino
City of Berwyn
Director Community Development
6420 W 16th St.
Berwyn, IL 60402

RE: City of Berwyn CON Plan

Dear Reggie,

In response to your request regarding the City's CON Plan, the administration of the police department has identified as our #1 priority, in terms of major improvement projects, to focus on our current facility and the immediate need for additional space. Construction of the current 43,000 square foot facility started in 1999 and we moved in and began operations in March of 2001. Our staff has increased significantly since that time with full time sworn police officers, full and part time support personnel, and auxiliary officers. In addition, we have also experienced a significant increase in calls for service as well as the institution of a number of community programs administered through the department which are geared to the education of children and adults alike on safety issues and concerns.

Last year we completed a 1st level feasibility study of our current facility and personnel with a design architect team and have a preliminary plan to add 4 additions to the current facility which would be an increase in size from the current 43,000 square feet to approximately 69,285 square feet. Preliminary costs for these additions came in at approximately 11 million dollars. We have also been working with the assistant city administrator on the city's 5 year Capital Improvement Plan and have included this project in that document as well. We had initially estimated a cost of 5 million dollars for "Police Department Expansion Project" in the 5 year Capital Improvement Plan. I realize there is a big difference in both of these preliminary cost estimates however we did not have the results of the 1st level feasibility study completed in time for inclusion with the city's plan.

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There remains much work left to be done with this project and we certainly hope that we can bring that eleven million dollar figure down significantly. Nonetheless, finding whatever funding possible through grant sources is our main focus due to the city's current financial obligations.

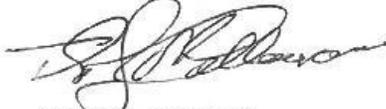
There are many more moving parts to this whole equation that could prove to be very useful in helping with costs. There needs to be much more discussion with police, emergency management, and city officials as well. I'm sure the police department is no different than other city department in terms of need. We are continuously searching avenues to find ways to do more with less funding.

We would be more than happy to discuss this project with you and your staff and look forward to hopefully being able to secure funding from CDBG for this project.

I hope this information is helpful for you. If you are in need of any additional or more in depth information please do not hesitate to contact me. I will be more than happy to discuss this matter with you and provide whatever documentation you may need.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,



Thomas J. O'Halloran
Division Commander
Administrative Services

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Notificación de Evaluación de Necesidades y Reuniones Públicas en Grupo de Enfoque Ciudad de Berwyn, IL, 2015 - 2019 Plan Consolidado ("CON Plan")

Se invita a ciudadanos y grupos interesados a asistir a las reuniones públicas para discutir el desarrollo comunitario y las necesidades prioritarias para ayudar a desarrollar el próximo Plan CON de Berwyn y guiar los gastos de la Subvención Global de Desarrollo Comunitario [Community Development Block Grant] (CDBG) y otros fondos, bajo el programa CDBG de la Ciudad. El Programa CDBG apoya el desarrollo comunitario y proyectos de mejoramiento en Berwyn para atender las necesidades de la gente de bajo y moderado ingreso. **Todas las juntas se llevarán a cabo en las Oficinas de Desarrollo Comunitario, 6420 W. 16th Street, Berwyn, Illinois. Contacto: Regina Mendicino, 708-795-8850.**

Grupo del Enfoque 1 - Miércoles, 29 de abril del 2015 a las 10 a.m. - RE: La Comunidad y Servicios de Necesidades Especiales

Objetivo: Identificar los servicios prioritarios de la comunidad para: ancianos, jóvenes, cuidado infantil, transporte, la aplicación del código penal, salud, salud mental e identificar las necesidades principales para las poblaciones de necesidades especiales: discapacitados, violencia doméstica, abuso de sustancias, desamparo, SIDA y niños abusados/descuidados.

Participantes: Grupos Comunitarios y organizaciones, agencias de servicio social.

Grupo de Enfoque 2 - Miércoles, 29 de abril del 2015 a las 2 p.m. - RE: Desarrollo Económico

Objetivo: Identificar las necesidades prioritarias de desarrollo económico (asistencia al comercio, entrenamiento de empleo y rehabilitación comercial/ industrial) para crear y retener empleos para los residentes de Berwyn de bajo y moderado ingreso.

Participantes: Comunidad comercial de Berwyn, organizaciones comerciales, propietarios e inquilinos de negocios.

Grupo de Enfoque 1 - Jueves, 30 de abril del 2015 a las 10 a.m. - RE: Infraestructura & Mejoras Públicas

Objetivo: Identificar las necesidades de infraestructura (calles, banquetas, callejones, alcantarillado, iluminación) e instalaciones públicas (parques, estaciones de bomberos y bibliotecas) dentro de áreas de bajo - moderado ingreso.

Participantes: departamentos municipales, funcionarios electos de la localidad.

Grupo de Enfoque 1 - Jueves, 30 de abril del 2015 a las 2 p.m. - RE: Necesidades y Problemas de Vivienda

Objetivo: Identificar las condiciones del mercado y las necesidades de vivienda (residencial, de alquiler, para ancianos, pintura con plomo, rehabilitación, propiedad de vivienda, vivienda justa y preservación histórica) para residentes de Berwyn de bajo-moderado ingreso.

Participantes: Agentes de Bienes Raíces, funcionarios de préstamos, acreedores, propietarios, inquilinos.

Se quiere la opinión del público para sugerencias en proyectos que podrían ser elegibles. Los ciudadanos tendrán la oportunidad de ser escuchados. Acceso y espacio disponible para personas discapacitadas. Las reuniones serán en inglés y español. Se aceptarán también comentarios por escrito.

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**Notice of Needs Assessment and Focus Group Public Meetings
City of Berwyn, IL, 2015 - 2019 Consolidated Plan ("CON Plan")**

Citizens and interested groups are invited to attend public meetings to discuss community development priority needs to help develop Berwyn's next CON Plan, and guide the expenditure of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other funds under the City's CDBG Program. The CDBG Program supports community development and improvement projects in Berwyn to meet the needs of low - moderate income people. **All meetings will be held at the Community Development offices: 6420 West 16th Street, Berwyn, Illinois. Contact Person: Regina Mendicino @ 708-795-6850.**

Focus Group 1 - Wednesday April 29, 2015 at 10am - RE: Community and Special Needs Services
Objective: Identify priority community services for: seniors, youths, child care, transportation, code enforcement, health, mental health, and identify priority needs for special needs populations: disabled, domestic violence, substance abuse, homeless, HIV/AIDS, and neglected/abused children.
Participants: Community Groups and organizations, social service agencies.

Focus Group 2 - Wednesday April 29, 2015 at 2pm - RE: Economic Development
Objective: Identify priority economic development needs (business assistance, employment training, and commercial/industrial rehab) to create or retain jobs for low-moderate income residents of Berwyn.
Participants: Berwyn business community, business organizations, business owners and tenants.

Focus Group 1 - Thursday April 30, 2015 at 10am - RE: Infrastructure & Public Improvements
Objective: Identify infrastructure needs (streets, sidewalks, alleys, sewers, lighting) and public facilities (parks, fire stations, and libraries) within low - moderate income areas.
Participants: Municipal departments, local elected officials.

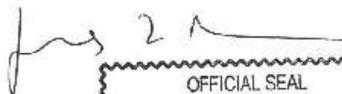
Focus Group 1 - Thursday April 30, 2015 at 2pm - RE: Housing Needs and Issues
Objective: Identify market conditions and housing needs (residential, rental, senior, lead paint, rehab, homeownership, fair housing, and historic preservation) for low-moderate income residents of Berwyn.
Participants: Realtors, loan officers, lenders, landlords, renters.

Public input is requested for suggestions on projects that would be eligible. Citizens will be given an opportunity to be heard. Access is, and accommodations are, available for persons with disabilities. The meetings will be in both English and Spanish. Written comments will also be accepted.

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Se notifica a todas las partes interesadas que la Ciudad de Berwyn ha preparado un Plan de Bloque de Desarrollo Comunitario de Subvención Consolidada efectivo del 1º de octubre del 2015 al 30 de septiembre del 2019 y un plan de Acción para el Programa del Año 2015 (colectivamente los "Planes"). Berwyn espera recibir aproximadamente \$1,205,473 para el Programa del Año 2015 del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano. Estos fondos serán para beneficio de personas de bajo/moderado ingreso y todos los Ciudadanos de Berwyn. Los planes listan prioridades para urbanización de una comunidad viable, una vivienda decente, un ambiente adecuado de vida y la oportunidad de ampliamento económico. Los planes atienden también el desarrollo económico, la vivienda, rehabilitación, servicios públicos y facilidades públicas.

Copias de los Planes, en borrador, estarán disponibles en un período de treinta (30) días para comentarios y revisiones comenzando el 30 de junio del 2015 en las oficinas de Berwyn en el 6420 W. 16th St., Berwyn City Hall, 6700 W. 26th St. y la Biblioteca Pública de Berwyn, 2701 Harlem Ave., todo en Berwyn, IL 60402 y en línea en www.berwyn-il.gov

El 20 de julio del 2015, en la Alcaldía de Berwyn, 6700 W. 26th St., Serán presentados los Planes para una audiencia pública ante el Comité del Concilio de la Ciudad por Entero a las 6 p.m. Todos los ciudadanos tendrán la oportunidad de ser escuchados. La aprobación final por el Concilio de la Ciudad será a continuación a las 8 p.m. en la Junta del Concilio de la Ciudad. Hay acceso y comodidades disponibles para personas discapacitadas. Las juntas estarán disponibles en inglés y español.

Cualquier persona puede comentar, hacer recomendaciones y preguntas sobre cualquier aspecto de los Planes, ahora o en la audiencia pública, incluyendo comentarios por escrito sometidos hasta el 31 de julio del 2015 a:

City of Berwyn
Regina Mendicino, Grants Administrator
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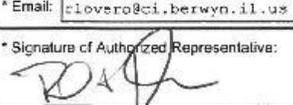
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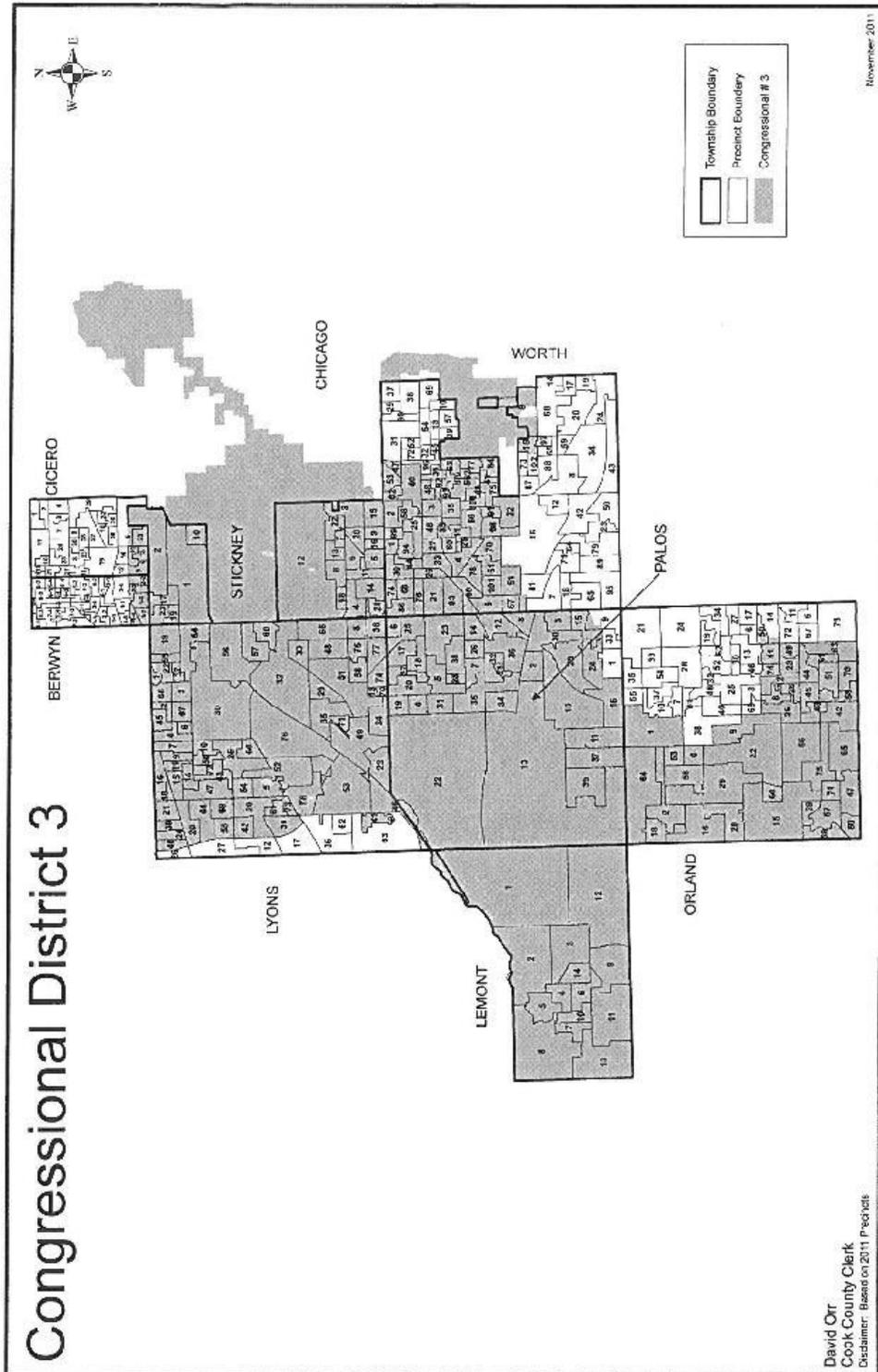
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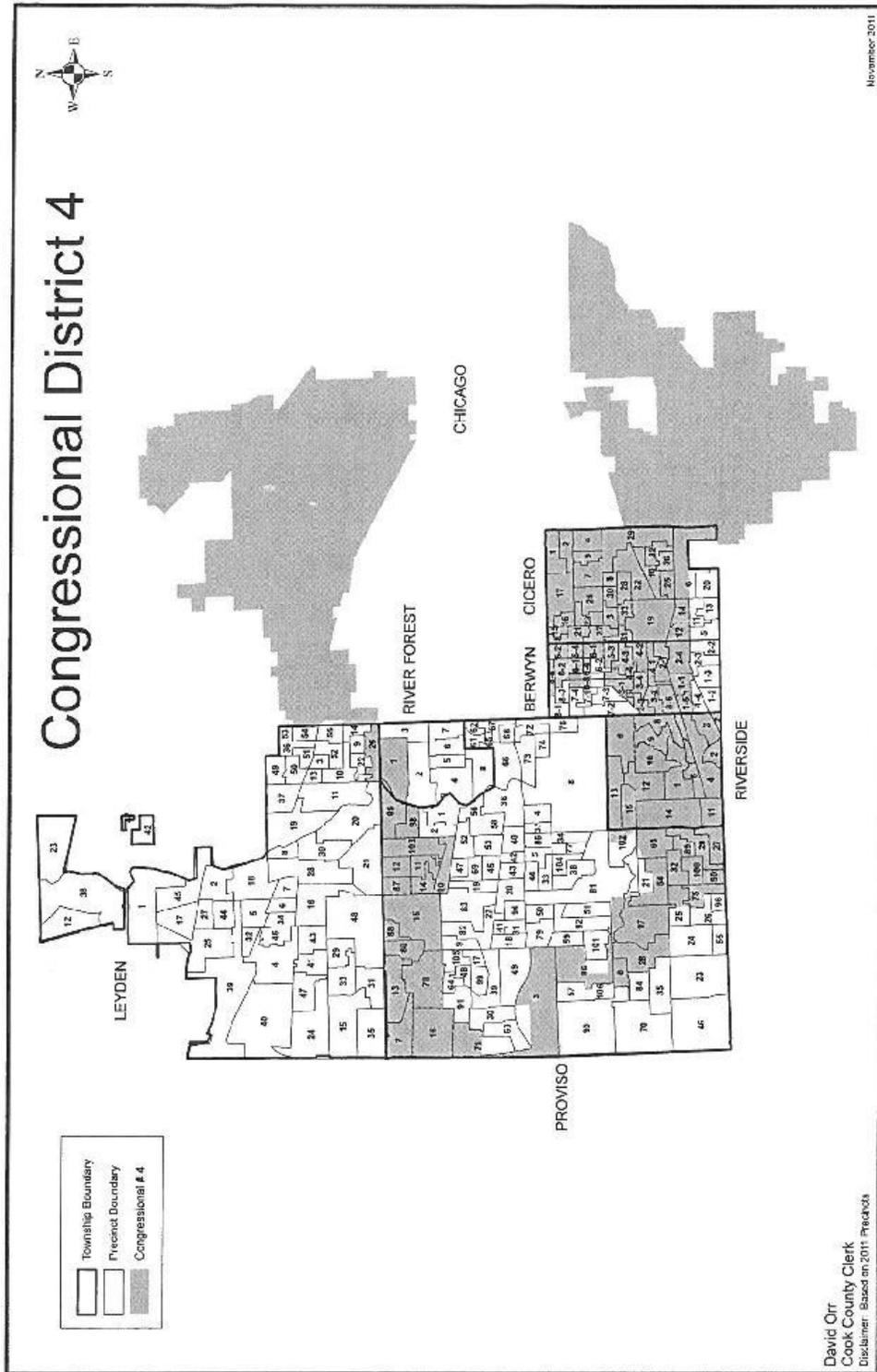
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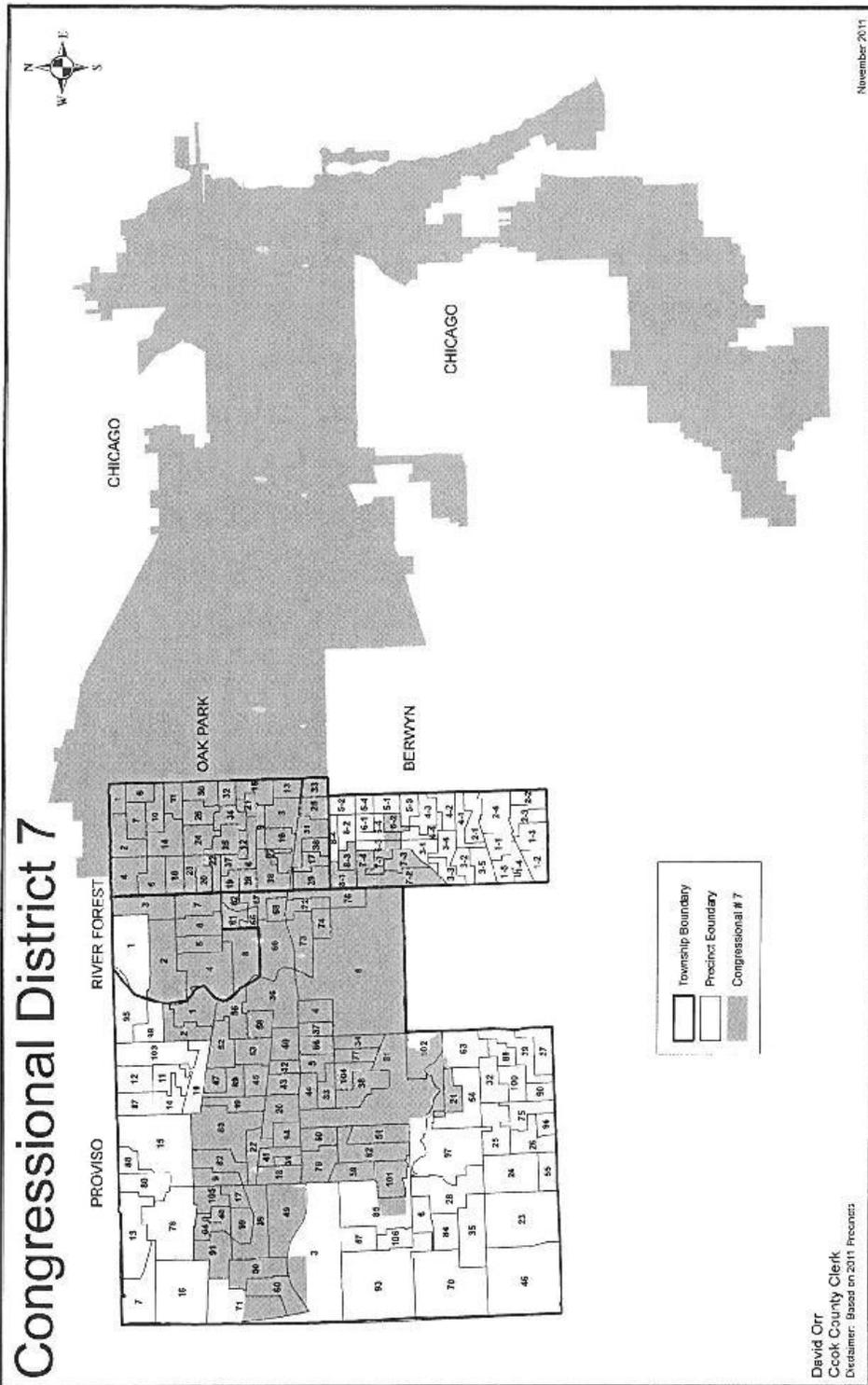
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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a. Applicant	LL3, 4
* b. Program/Project	LL3, 4
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>	
17. Proposed Project:	
* a. Start Date:	LC/01/2015
* b. End Date:	09/30/2016
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a. Federal	1,205,473.00
* b. Applicant	
* c. State	
* d. Local	
* e. Other	394,379.30
* f. Program Income	
* g. TOTAL	1,599,852.30
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
<input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	
* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
If "Yes", provide explanation and attach	
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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE	
<small>** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.</small>	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix:	Mr. * First Name: Robert
Middle Name:	
* Last Name:	Loverso
Suffix:	
* Title:	Mayor, City of Berwyn, Illinois 60402
* Telephone Number:	708/788-2660
Fax Number:	708/788-2675
* Email:	rloverso@ci.berwyn.il.us
* Signature of Authorized Representative:	 <input type="text" value="Robert Loverso, Mayor"/>
* Date Signed:	6/17/2015







STATE CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The State will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the state, 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 anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(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.

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

1. 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;
2. 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
3. It will require that the language of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this 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.

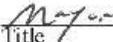
Authority of State -- The submission of the consolidated plan is authorized under State law and the State possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs under the consolidated plan for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable IIUD regulations.

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



Title

June 17, 2015
Date

Specific CDBG Certifications

The State certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §91.115 and each unit of general local government that receives assistance from the State is or will be following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR §570.486.

Consultation with Local Governments -- It has or will comply with the following:

1. It has consulted with affected units of local government in the nonentitlement area of the State in determining the method of distribution of funding;
2. It engages in or will engage in planning for community development activities;
3. It provides or will provide technical assistance to units of local government in connection with community development programs; and
4. It will not refuse to distribute funds to any unit of general local government on the basis of the particular eligible activity selected by the unit of general local government to meet its community development needs, except that a State is not prevented from establishing priorities in distributing funding on the basis of the activities selected.

Local Needs Identification -- It will require each unit of general local government to be funded to identify its community development and housing needs, including the needs of low-income and moderate-income families, and the activities to be undertaken to meet these needs.

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 have been developed in accordance with the primary objectives of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. (See 24 CFR 570.2 and 24 CFR part 570)

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

1. **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);
2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 199 , , and . (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;

3. **Special Assessments.** The state will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify to the following:

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.

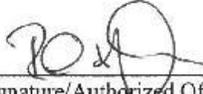
It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an 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 will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify that they have adopted and are enforcing:

1. 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
2. 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;

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.

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



Signature/Authorized Official

6/17/2015

Date

Mayer

Title

**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.



Signature/Authorized Official

6/17/2015

Date

Mayor

Title

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING REQUIREMENTS:

A. 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.

Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources

1	Data Source Name Berwyn public housing voucher data
	List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set. The Housing Authority of Cook County provided data on Berwyn residents to replace the default data in IDIS that included all of Cook County.
	Provide a brief summary of the data set. Data set included a breakdown of tenant based vouchers.
	What was the purpose for developing this data set? Data is customized for Berwyn rather than Cook County as a whole.
	How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?
	What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?
	What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?
2	Data Source Name U.S. Census / ACS Population and Household Data
	List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set. U.S. Census Bureau
	Provide a brief summary of the data set. Income data is no longer included in decennial census, the 07-11 estimates are 50,361. Source 2007-2011 ACS 5-year estimates. Table DP-03
	What was the purpose for developing this data set? More recent population and household data than is currently in IDIS was provided.
	Provide the year (and optionally month, or month and day) for when the data was collected. 2010 - US Census (Population) 2007-2011 ACS (Households)
	Briefly describe the methodology for the data collection. See Census Bureau/ACS

	<p>Describe the total population from which the sample was taken.</p> <p>See Census Bureau/ACS</p>
	<p>Describe the demographics of the respondents or characteristics of the unit of measure, and the number of respondents or units surveyed.</p> <p>See Census Bureau/ACS</p>

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 104(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.

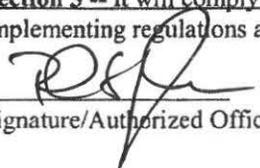
Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. 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;
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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

Date

August 1, 2015

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:

1. 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);
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2015 , _____ (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;
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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.

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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 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R;

Compliance with Laws – It will comply with applicable laws.



Signature/Authorized Official

8-1-15
Date

Mayor
Title

**OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION
CDBG**

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Signature/Authorized Official

8-1-15
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