

TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
Annual Action Plan: Program Year 2019



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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The Town of Summerville administers the Town's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The CDBG Entitlement Program provides annual grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low-and-moderate-income persons. Every five years, the Town prepares a Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan is designed to help CDBG grantees assess affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions, and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The consolidated planning process serves as the framework for a community-wide dialogue to identify housing and community development priorities that align with the funding priorities of the CDBG program. The Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a concise summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan.

The Town of Summerville's Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2019 outlines the activities that will carry out the goals and objectives of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The Town's CDBG allocation for Program Year 2019 is \$248,016. The funding will be used to carry out the projects identified in this action plan. Throughout the development of this Annual Action Plan, Town staff consulted its Consolidated Plan, local non-profits, Town Council, and the citizens of Summerville. Staff also evaluated past performance when determining priority activities for the 2019 Program Year. The pages that follow identify the various activities that the Town proposes to undertake, the allocation for each activity, the outcomes expected, and the various entities responsible for carrying out each project. Planned projects will benefit low-and moderate income residents of the Summerville community by providing: homeless assistance, fair housing promotion and counseling, and street infrastructure improvements

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The CDBG Entitlement Program provides annual grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low-and-moderate-income persons. The Town of Summerville has developed its 2019 Annual Action Plan based on the data, priority needs, and goals identified in its 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, as well as the findings and recommendations of the 2016 Analysis of Impediments. The priority needs identified in the Consolidated Plan include: (1) Homeless Assistance/Support, (2) LMI Community Infrastructure Improvements, (3)LMI Streetscape and Lighting Improvements, (4) LMI Recreational and Community Facilities, (5) Quality, Affordable Housing, and (6) Economic Development Initiatives.

To provide for those needs, the Town developed the following Consolidated Plan Goals:

- Homeless Assistance
- Provide Street Infrastructure Improvements
- Provide Decent, Affordable Housing
- Drainage/Stormwater Improvements
- Provide Recreational and Community Facilities
- Support Economic Development Initiatives
- Promote Fair Housing

Based on the priority needs and goals established in the Consolidated Plan, the Town plans to address the goals of Homeless Assistance, Promote Fair Housing Counseling, and Street Infrastructure Improvements during the 2019 Program Year through the following projects:

- Program Administration
- Fair Housing Counseling
- Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services
- Street Infrastructure Improvements

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

During the first two years of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, the Town made significant progress toward its goals to provide street infrastructure improvements through the revitalization of Hutchinson Square Park (2015) and the construction of sidewalk along West 2nd North Street (2016). Both projects also benefit the low-and-moderate income Census Tract 107, a designated geographic priority area identified in the Consolidated Plan. Town staff used the information on past performance to evaluate its Consolidated Plan goals and current community needs to develop priorities for the 2019 program year, which directs funding toward several of the other goals identified in the Consolidated Plan including: Homeless Assistance, Fair Housing Promotion, and Street Infrastructure Improvements.

During program year 2016, the Town conducted an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Study, which provided insight into potential impediments and recommendations for overcoming potential barriers. Based on the recommendations of this study, the Town prepared a substantial amendment to its 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan in order to incorporate Fair Housing Promotion as a formal goal. Although the body of the Consolidated Plan emphasized that the Town would encourage and promote fair housing, in order to allocate funds, build projects and activities in IDIS, and report on accomplishments, the Town determined it was necessary to add Fair Housing Promotion to its Consolidated Plan goals (SP-45). Additionally, the Town incorporated Fair Housing Education and Outreach and Fair Housing Counseling into the 2017 Annual Action Plan, in order to address identified impediments to fair housing. The fair housing promotion activities funded in 2017 are progressing well, however, because of scheduling and the time required to develop a new program, the Education and Outreach activities are slightly behind the goals outlined in the 2018 Annual Action Plan.

During Program Year 2017 and 2018, the Town also funded Homeless Assistance activities. The subrecipient organization managing this project has made significant progress in its programmatic goals, and continues to increase its administrative capacity. The Town also started a neighborhood-wide drainage improvement project in the Robynwynn Subdivision, which the Town continued to fund through Program Year 2018. By evaluating its past performance and providing ongoing training to new and existing staff, the Town has been able to diversify the use of CDBG funds and achieve established goals of the Town's Consolidated Plan and of the CDBG entitlement program.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Town followed its Citizen Participation Plan during the development of its 2019 Annual Action Plan. Citizens were provided a 30-day comment period to review and submit comments on proposed activities. The Town also held two public hearings, one to gather input on community needs, and one to gather comments on the proposed projects and allocations. Notice of the Public Hearings and availability of a draft of the 2019 Annual Action Plan were advertised in the local newspaper and on the Town website. Elected Town officials, key Town staff, nonprofit organizations, and Town residents were all consulted during the development of the 2019 Annual Action Plan.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

A summary of public comments is in the AD-26 section of the final plan under the Citizen Participation attachment.

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

Per the Town's Citizen Participation policy, all public comments are formally documented and responded to by Town administrative staff. Any comments received are summarized and attached in the AD-26 section.

7. Summary

The Town of Summerville receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the CDBG Entitlement program. CDBG funds may be used to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services, which primarily benefit low-and-moderate income persons. With the 2019 allocation of \$248,016 the Town intends to carry out the following projects during the 2019 Program Year:

Program Administration-- \$31,500

Funding allocated for Program Administration will be used to conduct administrative activities and functions necessary to maintain compliance with the rules and regulations of the CDBG program which may include newspaper advertisements, citizen participation activities, postage,

preparation of environmental review materials, report and action plan preparation, staff training, etc.

Fair Housing Counseling—\$9,000

Funding allocated for Fair Housing Counseling will promote fair housing through one-on-one counseling related to the following: buying a home, renting, default and foreclosure, credit, predatory lending, reverse mortgages, Landlord/Tenant law, the Fair Housing Act, landlord/tenant mediation, and enforcement of fair housing laws. The funding will also support the 24/7 Fair Housing Hotline. Activities will be directed and carried out through the Charleston Trident Urban League, a sub-recipient organization.

Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services—\$28,000

Funding allocated for Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services will support the operations of the Lowcountry Home of Hope, a local transitional shelter for homeless men in the Summerville community. The shelter provides beds for up to 16 men at any one time, and will serve approximately 100 men during program year 2019. The project will be directed and carried out through the Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope, a sub-recipient organization.

North Hickory Street Sidewalk Project—\$179,516

Funding allocated for the North Hickory Street Sidewalk Project will be to install needed sidewalk infrastructure on North Hickory Street. This project will connect West 5th North Street (HWY 78) to existing sidewalks at Doty Park and route pedestrian traffic to the public facilities on Hickory Street and ultimately to the existing sidewalk at West Richardson Avenue. The scope of the planned project will also include any necessary engineering design costs, and erosion control measures.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	SUMMERVILLE	Grants Administration/Town of Summerville

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

All planning, coordination and implementation of Consolidated and Annual Action Plans are the responsibility of the Town of Summerville. During Program Year 2019, Town Finance and Administrative staff will maintain complete and accurate records to document compliance with HUD policies and other applicable Federal regulations which are required for administering the CDBG Program in accordance with applicable Code of Federal Regulations. During the course of implementation of the 2019 Annual Action Plan, Town staff will consult with its assigned CDBG Field Office when it has questions or is in need of guidance. The Grants Writer and Assistance Finance Director for the Town, as well as program managers in various Town departments and sub-recipient non-profit organizations will carry out the activities proposed in the this Action Plan.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Citizens and other members of the public should contact the Town of Summerville for information, questions, or concerns related to the Town's CDBG Program. A copy of the Town's Five-Year Consolidated Plan, recent Annual Action Plans, and Consolidated Annual Performance Reports (CAPER) are available for the public to view on the Town's website, <http://summervillesc.gov/cdbg>, or by visiting Town Hall Administrative Office located at 200 S. Main Street, Summerville, SC 2948 during normal business hours, Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

1. Introduction

Key members of the Town's staff assisted in the development of the Town's 2019 Annual Action Plan including the Grants Writer, Assistant Finance Director, Director of Public Works, Director of Administration and Economic Development, Director of Parks and Recreation, and the Stormwater Manager. During the project planning process, the Grants Writer also consulted Council and various community development non-profits. Throughout the Plan development process, Town citizens were also engaged to offer comments on the draft Annual Action Plan through public hearings, local newspaper advertisements and the Town's website.

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

While no activities directly related to the CDBG program were undertaken to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and service agencies, during the 2018 program year the Town participated in the Mayors' Commission on Homelessness and Affordable Housing, a joint commission bringing together four regional municipalities on the issue. At these meetings Commission members are briefed on the various services including health and mental health services available to low-and-moderate income persons throughout the region. The Town is now better able to refer citizens to appropriate agencies and resources throughout the community and greater Charleston region.

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

The Town of Summerville works with Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope to better understand the needs of the homeless population within Summerville's jurisdiction.

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

The Lowcountry Homeless Coalition, the region's Continuum of Care, consulted the Town in the development of its application for funding to HUD. The Town found that the application, as presented to the Grants Writer, was consistent with the Town's Consolidated Plan. The Town will not receive ESG funds from the Continuum of Care's application to HUD, and was not involved in determining the funding request. The homeless shelter facility within the Town of Summerville, Lowcountry Home of Hope, is a small men's shelter that is not a member of the Continuum of Care and currently does not receive ESG or any other source of Federal funding.

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

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments (BCDCOG)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Market Analysis Analysis of Impediments
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	During Program Year 2016, the BDCCOG prepared the 2016 Town of Summerville Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing. The study provided an in-depth housing and market analysis, information on potential impediments to fair housing, and recommendations for overcoming barriers to fair housing. The Town used this study to develop its 2019 Annual Action Plan.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Dorchester County Community Outreach bda Lowcountry Home of Hope
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Town consulted the Home of Hope to better understand the local homeless population and needs within the community. The Home of Hope provided a proposal for CDBG funds to support operations of an emergency and transitional shelter.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	CHARLESTON TRIDENT URBAN LEAGUE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Service-Fair Housing

What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Fair Housing Impediments
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Town consulted with the Charleston Trident Urban League, which has been identified as the only HUD-certified Fair Housing Counseling Agency in the tri-county area. The CTUL was able to provide the Town with information on the potential barriers to fair housing, and actions that may be taken to reduce those barriers. The CTUL proposed several projects for CDBG funding to address fair housing concerns.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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

Agencies not consulted during the development of the 2019 Annual Action Plan included those whose primary activities involve public housing. Summerville, Dorchester County, nor Berkeley County has an established Public Housing Authority or an agreement with any specific public housing agency. Additionally, the Town’s CDBG allocation is not sufficient to adequately fund public housing activities.

The Town publicized the development of the Annual Action Plan and consulted with any and all groups or persons who contacted the staff or council regarding the program.

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	Lowcountry Homeless Coalition	During program year 2019, the Town plans to fund homeless assistance services and provide funds to support the operation of a homeless shelter in the Summerville community. The Town is also involved in the Mayors' Commission on Homelessness and Affordable Housing, which consults the Lowcountry Homeless Coalition for information on the continuum of care.
Summerville Analysis of Impediments	Summerville/BCDCOG	The Town of Summerville used the Analysis of Impediments completed in December 2016 to develop its Fair Housing Promotion initiatives set forth in the 2017 Annual Action Plan. Based on the findings and recommendations of the report, the Town found it necessary to amend its Consolidated Plan goals to include Fair Housing Promotion and to implement Fair Housing Counseling as projects for the 2019 program year.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Town of Summerville Vision Plan	Town of Summerville	The Town of Summerville Vision Plan is a thirty-year community vision for Summerville that seeks to preserve the Town's historic charm while proactively planning for a vibrant, prosperous future. The Vision Plan provides a framework for community and economic development initiatives, including community revitalization, transportation, land use, job growth, and the development of community recreation centers. The Vision Plan was vital to the creation of the Consolidated Plan as well as the 2019 Annual Action Plan.
OurRegion OurPlan	BCDCOG	The Town of Summerville consulted the BCDCOG OurRegion OurPlan, a vision plan for the tri-county region that includes goals and strategies for economic growth and community development, affordable housing development and preservation, and infrastructure improvements.
HUD Strategic Plan 2014-2018	HUD	The Town of Summerville consulted HUD's strategic plans and considered HUD's priorities, especially in the development of the Town's Homeless Assistance and Fair Housing Promotion goals.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

During the development of the 2019 Annual Action Plan, the Town also consulted the 2016 Town of Summerville Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, prepared by the Charleston-Berkeley-Dorchester Council of Governments. The Town also consulted the Charleston Trident Urban League (CTUL) to gain insight on fair housing and other housing issues within the Town of Summerville. The Grants Writer was able to learn more about the needs of the community, the fair housing counseling process, the array of public service programs including first-time homebuyer programs that are offered by CTULs staff, and how these programs are geared toward removing barriers to fair and affordable housing.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The 2019 Annual Action Plan was prepared in accordance with the Town's Citizen Participation Plan. Notice of the 2019 draft was advertised in the local newspaper and on the Town's website. Copies of the draft Action Plan were made available for public review between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall and on the Town's website beginning on April 5, 2019 through the end of the Public Comment Period, which concludes on May 6, 2019 at 5:00PM. In addition to the formal public comment period, the Town planned two public hearings: (1) the first on March 4, 2019 at 5:30PM to gather input on the community development and housing needs of the town, and (2) the second on April 8, 2019 at 4:00PM to provide information on the Town's draft of the 2019 AAP including proposed activities and allocation estimates. The hearings offer citizens an opportunity to comment on the 2019 AAP and also provided the Town with a forum for surveying the ongoing needs of community groups and other organizations that typically serve low-and-moderate income persons.

Town staff considers, documents, and formally responds to all comments received from citizens during the 30-day public comment period before submitting its AAP to HUD for approval. All comments that are received via written correspondence, e-mail, or orally at public hearings are included as an attachment to all developed Action Plans. The Town accommodates the special needs of disabled persons and/or persons with limited language proficiency if it is notified at least 72 hours in advance of public meetings or hearings.

The Town began its citizen participation process and drafted the AAP prior to the official announcement of HUD funding allocations, the Town used the following contingency plan to adjust activity allocations according to the actual allocation once published by HUD:

Estimated Program Administration: Program Administration Activities are subject to a 20% cap of the total CDBG allocation. General program administration activities, which include the costs of newspaper advertisements, postage, photographs and prints, staff training, consultation and preparation of the Town of Summerville's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan etc., are estimated to cost \$31,500 for program year 2019.

Estimated Public Service Activities: All public service activities that the Town undertakes with CDBG funds, whether carried about by the Town or a sub-recipient, are limited to 15% of the total annual CDBG allocation. Should the Town receive an allocation greater than the estimated \$230,000, the proposed allocation for Homeless Assistance activities will increase proportionally, not to exceed the total amount requested. Should the Town receive an allocation less than the estimated amount. The Town will allocate the public service cap based on the percentages proposed in this AAP.

Estimated Other Activities: Other activities listed in this Annual Action Plan will decrease or increase proportionally based on the actual CDBG allocation.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Responses/Attendance	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted and Reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Residents and leaders of the Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope attended the First Public Hearing on 3/04/2019.	Residents in attendance voiced their gratefulness that the Town plans to continue support for the CDBG Homeless Assistance goals and the Home of Hope. A resident inquired on stormwater and drainage improvements within Summerville. Staff referenced the Robynwynn Neighborhood Drainage/Stormwater Improvements Phases I and II. Staff made the residents aware that funding received from HUD for the CDBG program must maintain a minimum of 70% of the allocation directed towards a LMI area.	The Town considered any comments given for the 2019 AAP and included any relative comments in the summary as well as in the appendix of the Annual Action Plan.	http://summervillesc.gov/391/Public-Notices
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Residents of the Town of Summerville attended a Second Public Hearing on 4/9/2019.	Residents in attendance were made aware of the drafted action plan that was available for review online/in the grants office at Town Hall. A resident voiced supported for the N. Hickory Sidewalk Project. No further comments were given in regards to the action plan or The Town's proposed direction of funding.	The Town considered any comments given for the 2019 AAP and included any relative comments in the summary as well as in the appendix of the Annual Action Plan.	http://summervillesc.gov/391/Public-Notices

3	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Ad listed in The Post and Courier on 2/17/2019 in regards to the Annual Action Plan and Public Hearing I on 3/4/2019.	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Comment period will begin on 4/5/2019 and continue for 30 days ending on 5/6/2019.	Comment period will begin on 4/5/2019 and continue for 30 days ending on 5/6/2019.	Comment period will begin on 4/5/2019 and continue for 30 days ending on 5/6/2019.	http://summervillesc.gov/155/Community-Development-Block-Grant-CDBG-P
5	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Ad listed in The Post and Courier on 3/24/2019 in regards to the Annual Action Plan and Public Hearing II on 4/8/2019.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The Town of Summerville is receiving a \$248,016 allocation of CDBG funds to undertake the initiatives and projects planned for Program Year 2019. This amount represents 100% of the Federal resources that will be available to the Town to commence the activities outlined in this Action Plan. Local financial resources will cover any incurred project overages. If at any time during the Program Year changes to allocated resources need to be made, any necessary amendments to this Action Plan will be made in accordance with the Town's Citizen Participation Plan and applicable HUD regulations.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	248,016	0	0	248,016		

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

While no matching requirements will be associated with monetary resources utilized during completion of planned project activities, the Town anticipates that its support of homeless initiatives in Summerville will serve as a catalyst for increased private investment in the local shelter and associated services for homeless persons.

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

No publically owned land will be used to carry out the identified needs and associated projects outlined in the 2019 Annual Action Plan. Encroachment permits to gain permission to access to right-of-way areas will be required for the planned sidewalk project activities.

Discussion

Because the Town began its citizen participation process and drafted the AAP prior to the official announcement of HUD funding allocations, the Town established the following contingency plan to adjust activity allocations according. The estimated allocation for 2019 was \$230,000.

Estimated Program Administration: Program Administration Activities are subject to a 20% cap of the total CDBG allocation. General program administration activities, which include the costs of newspaper advertisements, postage, photographs and prints, staff training, consultation and preparation of the Town of Summerville's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan etc., are estimated to cost \$31,500 for program year 2019.

Estimated Public Service Activities: All public service activities that the Town undertakes with CDBG funds, whether carried about by the Town or a sub-recipient, are limited to 15% of the total annual CDBG allocation. Should the Town receive an allocation greater than the estimated \$230,000, the proposed allocation for Homeless Assistance activities will increase proportionally, not to exceed the total amount requested. Should the Town receive an allocation less than the estimated amount. The Town will allocate the public service cap based on the percentages proposed in this AAP.

Estimated Other Activities: Other activities listed in this Annual Action Plan will decrease or increase proportionally based on the actual CDBG allocation.

The final allocation released by HUD for The Town of Summerville is \$248,016. Below are both the estimated amounts presented in the Annual Action Plan draft and the final amounts proposed for the 2019 Annual Action Plan.

Final Program Administration: Program Administration Activities are subject to a 20% cap of the total CDBG allocation. General program administration activities, which include the costs of newspaper advertisements, postage, photographs and prints, staff training, consultation and preparation of the Town of Summerville's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan etc., are estimated to cost \$31,500 for program year 2019. The Town's 2019 allocation amount of \$248,016 brings program administration at 12.70% of the allocated amount and under the cap allowance for CDBG from HUD.

Final Public Service Activities: All public service activities that the Town undertakes with CDBG funds, whether carried about by the Town or a sub-recipient, are limited to 15% of the total annual CDBG allocation. The Town received an allocation for Program Year 2019 of \$248,016, with costs for public service activities are \$37,000 and 14.91% of the total allocation.

Final Other Activities: Other activities listed in this Annual Action Plan include the North Hickory Sidewalk Project. This project will cost \$179,516 and will be 72.38% of the 2019 program year budget.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Homeless Assistance	2015	2019	Homeless		Homeless Assistance/Support	CDBG: \$28,000	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 100 Persons Assisted
2	Promote Fair Housing	2015	2019	Fair Housing			CDBG: \$9,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 250 Persons Assisted
3	Provide Street Infrastructure Improvements	2014	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 107	LMI Community Infrastructure Improvements	CDBG: \$179,516	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 5572 Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Homeless Assistance
	Goal Description	During program year 2019, the Town will provide CDBG funds to support the operations and services of the Home of Hope, a transitional shelter for homeless men.
2	Goal Name	Promote Fair Housing
	Goal Description	During Program Year 2019, the Town will provide funding to support Fair Housing Counseling through the sub-recipient organization Charleston Trident Urban League. CTUL is a HUD-certified Fair Housing Counseling agency.
3	Goal Name	Provide Street Infrastructure Improvements
	Goal Description	This project will enhance citizen mobility and safety during the use of street infrastructure facilities.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

During the 2019 program year the Town of Summerville plans to fund several projects that will benefit low-and-moderate income persons residing in the community. The projects proposed were selected based on the goals and priorities set forth in the Town’s five-year Consolidated Plan, which included an in-depth market analysis and needs assessment, as well as the 2016 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Program Administration 2019- Program Admin
2	Fair Housing Counseling 2019- Public Service
3	Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services 2019- Public Service
4	N. Hickory Street Sidewalk Project

Table 7 - Project Information

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

During program year 2019, the Town will continue to make significant investment in infrastructure located in Census Tract 107, a low-and-moderate income area and geographic priority area designated in the 2015-2019 ConPlan, through the N. Hickory Sidewalk Project. The project will install needed sidewalk infrastructure on North Hickory Street. This project will connect West 5th North Street (HWY 78) to existing sidewalks at Doty Park and route pedestrian traffic to the public facilities on Hickory Street and ultimately to the existing sidewalk at West Richardson Avenue. It will improve the quality of life for the residents of Census Tract 107. The Town has proposed to allocate \$179,516 in CDBG funds during Program Year 2019. This accounts for over 70% of the Town’s total estimated CDBG allocation.

The Town plans to allocate \$28,000 in CDBG funds toward homeless assistance, which will be carried out through the sub-recipient organization, Dorchester County Community Outreach, dba Lowcountry Home of Hope. As the only homeless shelter in the Summerville community, the Home of Hope provides critical support for the homeless population in the Town. The Home of Hope may house up to 16 men at any given time, but has reported seeing more than 100 come through the shelter or receive a meal or other assistance during their first year of operation (2015-2016).

CDBG funds to the Charleston Trident Urban League (CTUL), a certified fair housing counseling agency, as a subrecipient organization to carry out fair housing counseling activities. The counseling activity has shown progress and the Town believes that continued investment in Fair Housing Counseling will not only help meet its responsibility to affirmatively further fair housing, but also meet critical needs in the community. The Town has also allocated \$9,000 for Fair Housing Counseling (approximately 4.03% of the 2019 CDBG allocation, which will serve approximately 250 persons through one-on-one counseling and a 24/7 Fair Housing Hotline.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information- Table 8

1	Project Name	Program Administration 2019- Program Admin
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeless Assistance Provide Street Infrastructure Improvements Promote Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance/Support LMI Community Infrastructure Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$31,500
	Description	Conduct administrative functions to maintain compliance with rules and regulations of the CDBG program.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
2	Project Name	Fair Housing Counseling 2019- Public Service
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Promote Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,000
	Description	Provide financial assistance to a HUD-certified, non-profit sub-recipient to provide fair housing counseling in the Summerville community.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Funding allocated for Fair Housing Counseling will promote fair housing through one-on-one counseling related to the following: buying a home, renting, default and foreclosure, credit, predatory lending, reverse mortgages, Landlord/Tenant law, the Fair Housing Act, landlord/tenant mediation, and enforcement of fair housing laws. The funding will also support the 24/7 Fair Housing Hotline. Activities will be directed and carried out through the Charleston Trident Urban League, a sub-recipient organization.
3	Project Name	Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services 2019- Public Service
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Homeless Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance/Support
	Funding	CDBG: \$28,000

	Description	Provide financial assistance to the Home of Hope for the operations and services of the transitional housing facility/homeless shelter.
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	Funding allocated for Home of Hope Homeless Assistance Services will support the operations of the Lowcountry Home of Hope, a local transitional shelter for homeless men in the Summerville community. The shelter provides beds for up to 16 men at any one time, and will serve approximately 100 men during program year 2019. The project will be directed and carried out through the Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope, a sub-recipient organization.
4	Project Name	N. Hickory Street Sidewalk Project
	Target Area	Census Tract 107
	Goals Supported	Provide Street Infrastructure Improvements
	Needs Addressed	LMI Community Infrastructure Improvements LMI Streetscape and Lighting Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$179,516
	Description	
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

During the development of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, the Town identified Census Tract 107 as a priority geographic area. According to 2010 US Census Data used in the development of the Consolidated Plan, Census Tract 107 is low-and-moderate income tract based on Summerville’s exception grantee percentage of 44.66%, and qualifies as a low-and-moderate income area for performance of CDBG projects. Census tract 107 is comprised of three block groups totaling 5,572 residents. The entire census tract is 50.2% low-and-moderate income and has a 50% minority profile as follows:

White- 50%, African American/Black- 44%, Hispanic- 6% and Asian- <1%

Approximately 72% of program year 2019 CDBG funding will be directed to Census Tract 107 for the North Hickory Sidewalk Project.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Brownsville Neighborhood	0
Census Tract 107	72

Table 9 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The Town has designated Census Tract 107 as a target area for CDBG funded projects in its Five-Year Consolidated Plan. CDBG funding will allow the Town to utilize a significant portion of current and future funding allocations to provide needed street lighting upgrades, safety enhancements, drainage improvements and sidewalk/pavement upgrades. The investment in Census Tract 107 during program year 2019 will continue with the North Hickory Sidewalk Project.

Discussion

The CDBG Program requires that each CDBG funded activity principally benefit low-and-moderate income persons, aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight or meet a community development need having a particular urgency. With respect to activities that benefit residents of a given area, at least 51% (44.66% for Summerville as an exception grantee) of the area's residents are generally required to be of low-and-moderate income status.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

During its first five years as a CDBG entitlement community, the Town successfully completed the rehabilitation of five single family homes and helped Dorchester Habitat for Humanity with financial support for the construction of three single family homes on Weber Drive and two single family homes on North Palmetto Street. While there is certainly an ongoing need to support affordable housing initiatives for low-and-moderate individuals and families in the Summerville community, many of these needs will remain unmet due to the lack of a public housing authority, a limited amount of entitlement funding, and lack of a staff resources or a Community Development department. Feedback received during the development of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan showed that most community members preferred that CDBG entitlement funding allocations be directed towards infrastructure improvements or public facility projects that benefit the greatest number of low-and-moderate income persons and/or enhance citizen safety.

The Town recognizes the importance of decent, affordable housing and the effect that it can have on the overall economic development and vitality of low-and-moderate income areas. As such, the Town included support for local non-profits that provide housing opportunities to low-and-moderate income families as a goal in its current Five-Year Consolidated Plan. As in previous years, the Town reached out to Habitat for Humanity; however, the organization has not had any eligible projects within the Town’s jurisdiction over the last several years. Due to a lack of eligible projects within the Town’s limits and given the limited funding allocation, the Town will not fund affordable housing through rental assistance, the production of new units, rehab of existing units, and/or acquisition of existing units during program year 2019. The Town will continue to work with local non-profit organizations in future years to meet the goals established in the Consolidated Plan.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

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

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

Discussion

By using CDBG funding to support the construction of five single-family homes in the Summerville community, the Town has established a successful partnership with the Dorchester Habitat for Humanity organization. Although no housing initiatives will be supported with program year 2019 entitlement funds, the Town will continue to maintain and build its relationship with Habitat for Humanity and similar organizations so that it may participate in future construction initiatives planned for the Summerville community. Based on the amount of housing resources that can be provided with limited financial contributions and the lack of Town staff to operate and run an ongoing housing rehabilitation program, the Town feels that partnering with a local non-profit, such as Habitat, on housing initiatives is the most beneficial housing activity that it can undertake at present. Staff also continues to provide residents with information and resources on local organizations providing assistance as requested.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Public housing needs will not be addressed in the 2019 Annual Action Plan. The Town of Summerville does not have a local or county housing authority or a formal partnership agreement with any other local public housing agency. Therefore, traditional public housing units are not available in the Town of Summerville or Dorchester County. Housing authorities located in the Charleston Metropolitan Area include Charleston County, the City of North Charleston and the City of Charleston. The operational authority of these agencies does not extend to the Town of Summerville. South Carolina Regional Housing Authority #3 administers and serves Dorchester County and Berkeley Counties with tenant-based assistance through the Section 8 Voucher Program for these types of housing units.

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

The Town does not plan to take any measurable actions during the 2019 Program Year to address the needs of public housing.

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

N/A- The Town of Summerville does not have a local or county housing authority

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

N/A- The Town of Summerville does not have a local or county housing authority.

Discussion

The absence of a public housing authority is a recognized concern within Berkeley and Dorchester Counties, and was cited in the 2016 Town of Summerville Analysis of Impediments as a potential barrier to fair housing.

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

Introduction

While the Continuums of Care and local non-profit and government agencies serving the homeless population of South Carolina have made great strides in the last several years, the 2018 PIT Count revealed a total of 3,933 individuals experiencing homelessness in an emergency shelter, transitional housing, or unsheltered across the state. In 2018 The Lowcountry Homeless Coalition indicated that a total of 451 persons experienced homelessness in the lowcountry region, which includes Berkeley, Dorchester, and Charleston counties all within jurisdictional boundaries of The Town of Summerville. Research has shown that actual homeless estimates may be three to six times higher than the conducted Point-In-Time counts.

During program year 2019, the Town of Summerville plans to reduce homelessness and support homeless assistance by providing CDBG funds to non-profit sub-recipient organization, Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope. The Home of Hope provides emergency and transitional housing, sheltering up to 16 men at any given time. The Home of Hope provides meals, food, showers, and helps homeless men get back to on their feet and into jobs, with the ultimate goal of achieving self-sufficiency. The Town will provide \$28,000 to support the operations and services provided by the shelter. Through this investment of CDBG funds, the Home of Hope will provide shelter for approximately 100 men over the 2019 program year.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Due to the lack of a specialized staff and the financial resources, the Town will not take direct actions to reach out to homeless persons; however, through CDBG grant funding support provided to the Home of Hope, homeless males in the Summerville community will experience supportive services offered by the staff and board of the shelter.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The Town of Summerville intends to award CDBG funding in the amount of \$28,000 to the sub-recipient non-profit organization Dorchester County Community Outreach, dba Lowcountry Home of Hope for homeless assistance services. As a sub-recipient of CDBG funds, the Home of Hope has proposed to operate an emergency and transitional shelter that will serve approximately 100 men during the 2019 program year.

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

During the 2019 program year, the Home of Hope will carry out activities to help homeless persons transition to permanent housing and independent living. During 2018, the shelter reported providing shelter to 100 individuals. Of these, 63 (successfully moved out of the shelter with permanent housing options and employment through the services and support provided by

the Home of Hope. Based on these results, the shelter can expect approximately 67% of its residents to make a successful transition from homelessness to independent living, or approximately 67 persons based on the goal for 2019.

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

The Town does not intend to work directly with health care, mental health, or other publicly funded institutions or directly fund activities that benefit non-homeless special needs persons during the 2019 program year.

Discussion

Due to a lack of available monetary resources, the Town has chosen not to fund any direct non-homeless special needs initiatives during the implementation of its current Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The Town recognizes that persons falling into this category, including those with mental and/or physical disabilities and persons living with HIV/AIDS, are present not only in Summerville, but also throughout the greater Charleston Metropolitan Area. However, most supportive services that benefit and aid these populations are located in urbanized areas of Charleston County. Town staff will continue to offer referrals and provide contact information to any person who may call seeking information about available supportive services. In this way, the Town will do its best to encourage and support the efforts of larger, Charleston area jurisdictions that have the resources to offer supportive housing services and/or provide funding to Charleston area non-profits that support these special needs.

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

Introduction:

The Town is committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing to ensure that viable, sustainable communities are accessible to all persons. Before becoming an entitlement jurisdiction, the Town supported affordable housing by participating in the Small Cities CDBG Program. During Program Years 2012 and 2014 of its entitlement, the Town assisted in provided affordable housing and maintaining the existing housing stock by allocating funding to housing rehabilitation activities and partnering with Dorchester Habitat for Humanity to help prepare five lots for construction of homes for low-and- moderate income residents. During the on-going implementation of the current Five-Year Consolidated Plan and future Consolidated Plans, the Town will seek to increase community awareness of the need for affordable housing by publicly supporting affordable housing projects, supporting the efforts of local non-profits that develop quality affordable housing and developing strategies that support affordable housing that meets community standards.

HUD requires CDBG entitlement jurisdictions to conduct an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing as a means to identify barriers that may exist and actions that may be taken to address and mitigate barriers associated with fair and equitable housing. During 2016, the Town utilized the services of Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments to complete an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Study. The study analyzed the Town's laws, regulations, administrative policies, procedures and practices were reviewed to assess how each affects the location, availability and accessibility of housing, as well as how external conditions and the housing and economic market effect fair housing choice.

The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing revealed several impediments to fair housing in the Summerville community:

- Lack of Local Housing Agencies and Resources
- General Public Awareness of Fair Housing Issues and Laws
- Enforcement of Existing Fair Housing Laws
- Transportation
- Financial
- NIMBY-ism

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

Based on the recommendations of the Analysis of Impediments, the Town of Summerville amended its Consolidated Plan to include Fair Housing Promotion as a goal, and in doing so, allowed CDBG funds to be allocated toward specific activities targeted to build awareness of fair housing issues and provide counseling for those who may experience housing discrimination. During program year 2019, the Town will allocate funding toward Fair Housing Counseling. This project will be carried out by the Charleston Trident Urban League, a local HUD-certified fair housing counseling agency.

The Town is also in the process of developing its Unified Development Ordinance to ensure that

applicable codes and ordinances relating to zoning and development are consistent and would not restrict minority housing or business development. Consistent and unified ordinances should create additional opportunities for more affordable and workforce housing in the Summerville community for individuals of varying income levels.

Discussion:

The Town recognizes that significant impacts to mitigate housing impediments will likely occur over an extended period of time. The success of the implementation of the study's recommendations will be gauged by feedback received from Town staff, members of the community, and leaders of local non-profit and community organizations. The Town will report the results and impact of any implemented measures to mitigate fair housing impediments in both its annual Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports and future Annual Action Plans.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Participation in the CDBG Program requires or encourages entitlement grantees to take action and plan initiatives to help address existing issues in the areas of poverty, affordable housing, underserved needs, lead-based paint mitigation, internal program management capabilities and exterior agency coordination. The items below will address and outline actions in these areas that the Town plans to undertake during program year 2019.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Based on the recommendations of the Analysis of Impediments, the Town of Summerville amended its Consolidated Plan to include Fair Housing Promotion as a goal, and in doing so, allowed CDBG funds to be allocated toward specific activities targeted to build awareness of fair housing issues and provide counseling for those who may experience housing discrimination. During program year 2019, the Town will allocate \$9,000 in funding toward Fair Housing Counseling (15% public services cap). This project will be carried out by the Charleston Trident Urban League, the only local HUD-certified fair housing counseling agency. This project will serve approximately 250 persons in the Summerville community, including those with disabilities or language barriers.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Because The Town does not have a Community Development Department or staff members devoted to creating and maintaining affordable housing, and because Summerville does not have a County Housing Authority or an agreement with a public housing agency, continuing and strengthening its ongoing partnership with local nonprofit organizations is currently the best way in which the Town can contribute financial and intellectual resources for providing affordable housing to the community. In addition to maintaining relationships with local nonprofits, the Town participates in the Mayors' Commission on Homelessness and Affordable Housing, a multi-jurisdictional body that is responsible for establishing the Housing First Model in the Charleston MSA, and will provide guidance for implementing the model, advocating for homelessness and affordable housing, and gathering resources for implementation.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The Town does not plan to undertake any housing activities with CDBG funds during program year 2019 that would require the mitigation of lead-based paint hazards. The Town will continue to make HUD Lead Hazard Information pamphlets available to all citizens, upon request. The Town will also continue to provide informational pamphlets and notices, where applicable, during any future rehabilitation activities in which it may engage. Prior analysis of the Town's housing stock by the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments indicated that the median year of construction of owner occupied homes in Summerville was 1985 and the median year of construction of rental units was 1979. As such, it is reasonable to conclude that minimal lead abatement work would be necessary during any future housing or building renovation activities that may occur.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Due to the limited amount of monetary resources available to help poverty level families, the Town's overall anti-poverty strategy can only take place over a significant period of time, with

each successive year providing additional benefits. The Town is committed to assigning monetary resources to initiatives which address the short-term needs of low-and-moderate income residents and feels that this is primarily accomplished by making infrastructure improvements to low-and-moderate income neighborhoods. Infrastructure improvements help inject funds into the overall economy and are the essential building blocks for long-term neighborhood revitalization. The Town also recognizes that the needs of low-and-moderate persons are addressed through helping the community retain its affordable housing stock. Affordable housing related projects benefit not only individual families, but also contribute to the stability and safety of low-and-moderate income neighborhoods.

In recent years, the Town has invested significant CDBG resources in sidewalk infrastructure in Census Tract 107, which is a low-and-moderate income area. The 2019 Annual Action Plan will continue the emphasis that the Town has placed on infrastructure initiatives through major stormwater and drainage improvements in the Robynwynn neighborhood, which is located in Census Tract 107. The project will revitalize the community, provide safe, suitable living environment and efficient drainage, and alleviate the threat of potential flooding to the neighborhood.

While no specific actions or activities are planned to reduce the number of poverty level families residing in the Summerville community, the drainage/stormwater improvement project planned for program year 2019 will benefit poverty-level families residing in low-and-moderate income neighborhood areas by providing them with basic public infrastructure facilities that should be available in all suburban and/or urbanized areas. The rehabilitation of the public facilities in these neighborhoods may lead to future economic development opportunities that can improve the status of poverty stricken community areas and the families that reside in them.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

During program year 2019, the Town will take the following actions to further develop and enhance institutional structure: send key staff members to available CDBG-related training courses; participate in HUD webinars to enhance knowledge of the CDBG program and cross-cutting requirements; work with sub-recipient organizations to train their staff on the CDBG administrative requirements as needed; and develop relationships with neighboring jurisdictions and non-profit organizations that carry out community development programs.

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

During program year 2019, the Town will participate in the Mayors' Commission on Homelessness and Affordable Housing. Members of the commission are briefed monthly on the various social services agencies throughout the region that are equipped to serve low-and-moderate income persons and persons with special needs. This knowledge will allow the Town to better refer the public to the appropriate agencies for questions or programs that the Town does not have the capacity to address.

Discussion:

The activities proposed in the 2019 Annual Action Plan were developed to address the priority needs and goals identified in the Town's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, as well as the

recommendations of the 2016 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

The Town of Summerville does not expect to have funds available from program income, section 108 loan guarantees, surplus from urban renewal settlements, returned grant funds, or float-funded activities. During program year 2019, 100% of CDBG funded activities will benefit low-and-moderate income persons.

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%

HUD requirements stipulate that at least 70% of CDBG funds benefit low-and-moderate income persons over a 1, 2, or 3 year period. According to 24 CFR 570.200 (a)(3)(i), this calculation does not include the cost of administration and planning activities eligible under 24 CFR 570.205 and 570.206, which are presumed to benefit low and moderate income persons in the same proportion as the remainder of the CDBG funds. Therefore, 100% of the activities proposed for program year 2019 will benefit persons of low-and-moderate income.

2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan: Summary of Comments

March 3, 2019: Public Hearing I

Residents of Summerville and the leaders of the Dorchester County Community Outreach dba Lowcountry Home of Hope attended Public Hearing I:

- Residents in attendance voiced their gratefulness that the Town plans to continue support for the CDBG Homeless Assistance goals and the Home of Hope.
- A resident inquired on stormwater and drainage improvements within Summerville. Staff referenced the Robynwynn Neighborhood Drainage/Stormwater Improvements Phases I and II.
- Staff made the residents aware that funding received from HUD for the CDBG program must maintain a minimum of 70% of the allocation directed towards a LMI area.

April 8, 2019: Public Hearing II

Residents of Summerville attended Public Hearing II:

- Residents in attendance were made aware of the drafted action plan that was available for review online/in the grants office at Town Hall.
- A resident voiced supported for the N. Hickory Sidewalk Project.
- No further comments were given in regards to the action plan or The Town's proposed direction of funding.

April 5- May 6, 2019: Public Comment Period

KATHY WINDHAM TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE
200 S. MAIN ST
SUMMERVILLE SC 29483
Attn: Rebecca Jackson

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF CDBG FUNDS

The Town of Summerville anticipates receiving approximately \$230,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2019 program year (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020). These funds will be used to support activities that accomplish the goals and objectives outlined in the Town's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The Town of Summerville is accepting applications for CDBG funds from qualified non-profit organizations located within or serving residents of the Town of Summerville. Applicants must propose an eligible activity that meets a National Objective, AND which also meets one of the following goals of the Town's Consolidated Plan: Homeless Assistance; Provide Decent, Affordable Housing; Provide Recreational and Community Facilities; Promote Fair Housing. For more information on the Town's CDBG program and to download an application, visit: <http://summervillesc.gov/cdbg>. Applications must be submitted by February 8, 2019 at 5:00PM to: Town of Summerville, Attn: Rebecca Jackson, 200 S. Main Street, Summerville, SC 29483, or rjackson@summervillesc.

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me this 15th day
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A.D. 2019

Alexandra B...
advertising clerk



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**Town of Summerville
Public Notice
2019 CDBG
Annual Action Plan**
Notice is hereby given that the Town of Summerville plans to submit its 2019 Annual Action Plan for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or before June 28, 2019. An Action Plan is developed and submitted annually to meet HUD's statutory requirements to receive CDBG funding and provides a concise summary of the activities the Town intends to carry out with its annual CDBG allocation.

A public hearing to obtain community input on the housing and community development needs of the Town of Summerville will be held on March 4, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Training Room, 200 South Main Street, Summerville, SC. The public hearing will include a presentation of the CDBG program objectives, the goals of the Town's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, and potential projects for the 2019 program year. The public may also provide input on community needs in advance of the hearing by contacting Rebecca Jackson at 843-851-4234, or rjackson@summervillesc.gov, or by mail at the address listed above. An additional public comment period and public hearing will be scheduled following the completion of the Annual Action Plan draft. Funding for all potential projects will be contingent upon the Town receiving a 2019 CDBG allocation from HUD. The Town of Summerville does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its federally assisted programs or activities. Assistance will be provided to accommodate the special needs of disabled persons and persons with limited English language proficiency. Please contact the Town Hall officials at (843) 871-8000 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting if auxiliary aids are required.

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Alaina Bennett
advertising clerk



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Public Notice 2019 CDBG

Annual Action Plan
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A draft of the Town's 2019 AAP will be available for public review Monday-Friday, 8:30AM to 5:00PM at Summerville Town Hall, or on the Town's website, www.summervillesc.gov/cdbg, beginning on April 3, 2019 - May 6, 2019. The 30-day public comment period will conclude on May 6, 2019 at 5:00PM. Written comments on the 2019 AAP may be addressed to the following: CDBG Public Comment, Town of Summerville, 200 S. Main Street, Summerville, SC 29483, or emailed to ad@summervillesc.gov.

A PUBLIC HEARING to obtain community input on the draft of the 2019 AAP will be held on April 8, 2019 at 6:00PM in the Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Training Room, at the address above. The public hearing will include a presentation of the CDBG program goals and objectives and the proposed activities for the 2019 program year. A public hearing to obtain input on the development of the 2019 AAP was held on March 4, 2019, and all public comments were considered. Funding allocations for all proposed activities are based upon an estimated annual allocation of \$230,000, and will be contingent upon the Town's actual 2019 CDBG allocation from HUD. The Town of Summerville does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status or disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its federally assisted programs or activities. Assistance will be provided to accommodate the special needs of disabled persons and persons with limited English language proficiency. Please contact the Town Hall officials at 843-871-6000 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting if auxiliary aids are required.

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Public Notice - 2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Summerville plans to submit its 2019 Annual Action Plan for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or before June 28, 2019. An Action Plan is developed and submitted annually to meet HUD's statutory requirements to receive CDBG funding and provides a concise summary of the activities the Town intends to carry out with its annual CDBG allocation.

A public hearing to obtain community input on the housing and community development needs of the Town of Summerville will be held on March 4, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Training Room, 200 South Main Street, Summerville, SC. The public hearing will include a presentation of the CDBG program objectives, the goals of the Town's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, and potential projects for the 2019 program year. The public may also provide input on community needs in advance of the hearing by contacting Rebecca Jackson at [843-851-4234](tel:843-851-4234), or rjackson@summervillesc.gov, or by mail at the address listed above. An additional public comment period and public hearing will be scheduled following the completion of the Annual Action Plan draft. Funding for all potential projects will be contingent upon the Town receiving a 2019 CDBG allocation from HUD.

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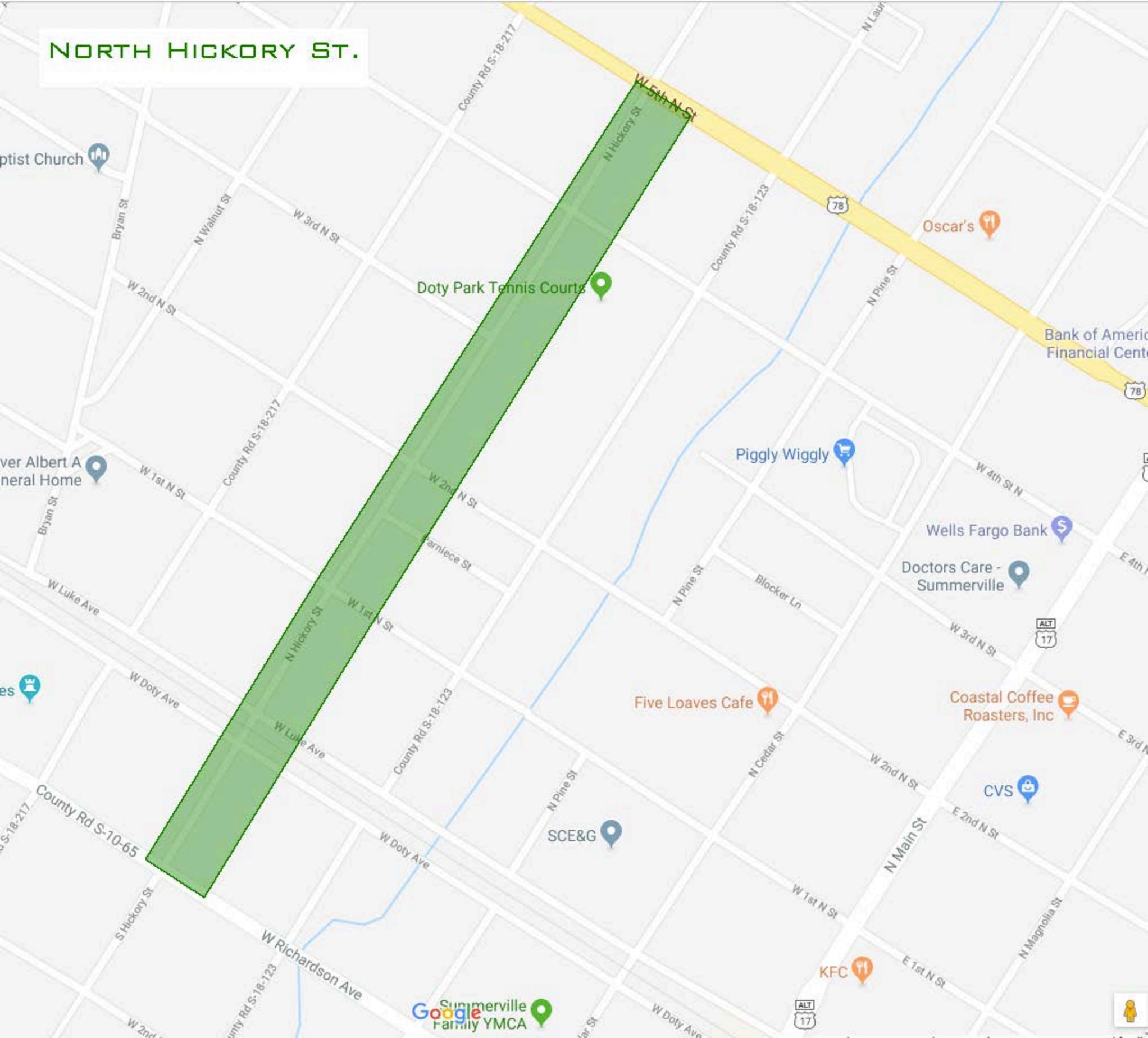
Notice is hereby given that the Town of Summerville plans to submit its 2019 Annual Action Plan for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or before June 25, 2019. An Action Plan is developed and submitted annually to meet HUD's statutory requirements to receive CDBG funding and provides a concise summary of the activities the Town intends to carry out with its annual CDBG allocation.

A draft of the Town's 2019 AAP will be available for public review Monday-Friday, 8:30AM to 5:00PM at Summerville Town Hall, or on the Town's website, www.summervillesc.gov/cdbg, beginning on April 5, 2019 - May 6, 2019. The 30-day public comment period will conclude on May 6, 2019 at 5:00PM. Written comments on the 2019 AAP may be addressed to the following: CDBG Public Comment, Town of Summerville, 200 S. Main Street, Summerville, SC 29483, or emailed to rjackson@summervillesc.gov.

A public hearing to obtain community input on the draft of the 2019 AAP will be held on April 8, 2019 at 4:00PM in the Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Training Room, at the address above. The public hearing will include a presentation of the CDBG program goals and objectives and the proposed activities for the 2019 program year. A public hearing to obtain input on the development of the 2019 AAP was held on March 4, 2019, and all public comments were considered. Funding allocations for all proposed activities are based upon an estimated annual allocation of \$230,000, and will be contingent upon the Town's actual 2019 CDBG allocation from HUD.

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