

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The Consolidated Plan is a collaborative process whereby a community establishes a unified vision for community development actions. It offers a local jurisdiction the opportunity to share the various housing and community development programs into effective, coordinated neighborhood and community development strategies.

The 5 Year Consolidated Plan (FY 2024-2028) for the City of Alliance describes the needs of low-and moderate-income residents, people with special needs, and homeless individuals and families. The Strategic Plan section outlines the goals, strategies, partners, and anticipated financial resources that will be available to implement projects using U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds. A companion document, the Annual Action Plan, sets forth the specific projects that will be available to implemented during FY- 2025. At the conclusion of each year, the City submits the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), describing the results in implementing projects.

HUD funding is intended to assist individuals and families that earn less than 80% of the Median Family Income (MFI) in a metropolitan area. HUD defines these categories based upon household income, adjusted for family size. Alliance is part of the Canton-Massillon Metropolitan Statistical Area (Stark and Carroll Counties). The FY-2025 income categories for a family of four are: Extremely Low Income; Very Low Income; Low Income, and Moderate Income for program definitions.

CDBG was established by Congress in 1974 with the passage of the Housing and Community Development Act. As a recipient of federal funds, the City of Alliance is required to submit to HUD each year an Annual Action Plan, which is based on the jurisdiction's 5-Year Consolidated Plan. The City's 5-Year Consolidated Plan, for the years 2024-2028, defines the direction the City will take in utilizing CDBG federal funds to address the national objectives in a manner that will produce the greatest measurable impact on our Community. The 5-Year Consolidated Plan was developed in accordance with the Consolidated Plan Submission for Community Planning and Development Programs Final Rule published in Part 92 Volume 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations for Community Planning and Development Programs.

This document provides information on program year FY-2025 and year two (2) of the City's Strategic Consolidated Plan 2024-2028. This second year Annual Action Plan will explain how the City of Alliance

intends to use its CDBG and HOME allocations in 2025/2026, and how the funded programs, projects and activities will address the priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan. The Plan facilitates and sets a specific course of action for the City's coordinated effort to review and create strategies to develop affordable housing and support services needs within the Community. The Plan builds on local assets and coordinates a response to the needs of the Community. The Plan integrates economic, physical, environmental, community and human development in a comprehensive and coordinated fashion so that families and communities can work together and thrive. In addition, the Plan sets forth detailed program goals, specific objectives, annual goals, and benchmarks for measuring progress as outlined in the 5-year Consolidated Plan.

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 Department of Planning & Development (P&D) focuses on creating viable neighborhoods, empowering Community organizations, and providing decent housing and economic opportunities. Recognizing that decent, affordable housing is a critical part of a viable neighborhood system, which also includes public safety, education, employment opportunities, business development and social service providers. These priorities represent a comprehensive approach to neighborhood vitality, housing availability, and affordability for all residents and adding value and opportunities to the Community as a whole.

The Department of P&D will continue its aggressive blight elimination efforts, support active citizen participation in monitoring nuisance properties through code enforcement, promote organizing efforts that improve the quality of life of the community and encourage the economic integration and revitalization of neighborhoods. In addition, the City will continue anti-poverty strategies, which emphasize job creation and retention through various methods of economic and community development. The City will continue to utilize a variety of tools to work cooperatively with the non-profit sector and the business community to leverage employment and economic activity in targeted areas within the City and to spark broader policy and systematic improvement to focus on jobs. Priorities:

- Improve the living conditions of distressed neighborhoods
- Fair Housing education and outreach
- Increase in affordable housing
- Create and preserve economic opportunities
- Increase self-sufficiency
- Strengthen neighborhoods and the quality of life for its residents
- Invest in community services and non-profit facilities
- Invest in historic preservation as economic development.

The provision of the goals is important for the City and its interest in providing quality services as a tool in the overall effort to promote Alliance as a healthy choice Community and the mainstay of an economically thriving area.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Over the years, the City of Alliance has used its federal entitlement funds to productively respond to community needs and to enable neighborhood residents, businesses, and other community stakeholders to achieve the highest possible quality of life. Community based organizations are essential to these goals for responding to community needs and for strengthening the social and economic infrastructure of Alliance City neighborhoods. These activities are under the direct control of the Department of P&D and are primarily funded by CDBG funds.

Prior activities have contributed to providing decent housing for homeless persons, improving the safety and quality of the stock of affordable housing, expanding economic opportunities for women and minorities, and therein reducing the impacts of poverty and generational poverty for many of the City's residents. Through the SPARK Alliance and the YWCA Navigators after School program, the City has been able to make contributions towards improving academic success for its residents. During FY-2024/2025, the City has made significant efforts through its' active demolition and code enforcement programs to reduce property deterioration and the influences of urban blight.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

In accordance with regulations 24 CFR 91.105 of HUD, and in an effort to ensure adequate and open citizen participation, the City of Alliance adopted a Citizen Participation Plan. The Plan outlines the procedures and processes used by the City of Alliance to solicit citizen input in the development of the **Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and Performance Reports**. The Plan also includes provisions defining Substantial Amendments to the Consolidated/Annual Action Plans and fostering citizen input on such amendments. A copy of the Plan is included in this submission.

As part of the citizen participation and consultation process, the Annual Action Plan is designed to be a collaborative process whereby a community establishes a unified vision for community development strategies. Although the City's Plan is intended to facilitate the participation of low- and moderate-income residents, including minorities, non-English speaking persons and persons with mobility, visual or hearing impairments, the Plan is most often developed with input from housing and service providers. To counter the lack of input from residents, the City has continued to make increased efforts

through the use of its website, social media, and traditional media such as radio and newspapers to reach out to the residents.

The Plan outlines the efforts to broaden public participation in the CDBG program. Public outreach includes print and electronic media, mailings to citizens, area social service agencies, schools, governmental agencies, and other community organizations, as well as innovations in the use of social media. In addition, the City offers to make arrangements for those who are non-English speaking and those who are hearing impaired when advanced notice is given. The public hearings are held in an ADA compliant environment so that people with disabilities may attend and offer input.

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.

No written comments were received.

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

No comments or views were received.

7. Summary

Any additional comments or considerations may still be made once the Annual Plan is in process. All public comments will be accepted and addressed. Comments should be submitted in writing to the Director of the P&D at 504 East Main Street, Alliance, Ohio 44601. All submitted requests will be included in this section when the Plan is submitted to HUD.

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

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

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
CDBG Administrator	ALLIANCE	Department of Planning and Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

This document discusses the CDBG funds received directly from HUD by the City of Alliance. This document is also part of a submission to HUD by the Stark Housing Consortium, representing the three jurisdictions of Alliance, Massillon, and the Stark County Urban County for funds through the HOME Program. These three jurisdictions formed a consortium to receive HOME funds jointly from HUD. By creating the Consortium, the total amount of HOME funds received by the group is greater than the amount of HOME funds that could be obtained by the individual jurisdictions. Cumulatively, that decision has brought Stark County thousands of dollars for local housing programs. Actions taken as the Stark Housing Consortium do not affect allocation of CDBG funds or other federal funds to the individual members.

The City of Alliance CDBG funds are administered by the City's staff. The oversight body for the P&D Committee is the Mayor and City Council. The P&D Department carry out a comprehensive program which includes some activities like housing rehabilitation, fair housing, economic development, and code enforcement.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

The Plan is available for public viewing by visiting the City website at www.cityofalliance.com or inquire about the Plan at the information desk of Rodman Public Library located at 215 East Broadway Street in Alliance, Ohio.

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

1. Introduction

The Annual Action Plan is designed to be a collaborative process whereby a community establishes a unified vision for community development actions. The process offers the City the opportunity to shape its housing and community development strategies. The Plan is developed with input from housing service providers. The City has always worked diligently to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers, private and governmental health & mental health, local government, and service agencies as directed by Section 24 CFR (91.215(l)).

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)).

In order to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private service providers the City has consulted with the following agencies: the Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter, Alliance for Children & Families, the YWCA, the CoC, and Stark County Regional Planning Commission for CDBG.

The City will continue to partner with the CoC in efforts to address the needs of homeless people and people at risk of homelessness. SMHA, Alliance for Children and Families, and ICAN, have a strong presence in the City. The P&D staff will continue to meet with any entity as requested or the need arises to enhance coordination.

In conjunction with Stark County Regional Planning the City's housing rehab program completes lead testing on all full rehabs if the home was built before 1978. These inspections and lab reports are completed/generated by the Canton City Health Department. The Department of P&D has weekly e-mails, phone conversations and regular meetings with SCRPC.

In coordination with the Alliance Health Department, the City provides free and confidential HIV rapid testing and counseling.

The P&D Department does not work directly with any correction institutions. However, it does work directly with the City's Judge and his Court's Civic Improvement Program. This program allows low to moderate income persons to work off their fines by assisting with needed services throughout the City. This is not a CDBG program but has provided financial assistance to individuals and helped some individuals acquire needed skills for future employment. Through a Countywide effort the City has removed the section of the employment application that used to ask, "Have you been convicted of a felony".

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 Mayor is an attending member of the Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County (HCCSC) interagency council. This membership allows the Mayor to assist in the creation of innovative strategies and solutions to address the problem of homelessness to include the development of supportive housing options. The HCCSC's goals are to prevent and end chronic homelessness in Stark County, to ensure a coordinated safety net of emergency services for individuals in short term and chronic homelessness and to coordinate and consolidate local efforts to provide a cost effective and streamlined system for addressing homelessness.

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

The City of Alliance is not a recipient of ESG funds.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Stark County Regional Planning Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Service-Fair Housing Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Alliance has policy and program discussions with this agency on an ongoing basis related to planning, community development and neighborhood revitalization issues. As a U.S. Census Bureau affiliate, this agency may also provide data, data analysis, and customized products to the community. This agency is the lead jurisdiction for the Stark Housing Consortium.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The City consulted with the AADVS on methods and cost associated with ways to improve the delivery of services to battered and abused spouses and families who reside in the emergency shelter. This is an unduplicated service in the City. The project involves working with families victimized by domestic violence to educate and recognize domestic violence to help them learn to live abuse free, healthier, and safer lives. The shelter is a confidential location to ensure the safety of the shelter and residents. Outcomes also include assisting with a higher education for residents, gaining employment and acquiring life skills necessary to achieve their ultimate goal of living free from abuse.</p>
3	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p>	<p>Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery</p>
	<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p>	<p>Housing Services - Housing Other government - County Foundation</p>
	<p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p>	<p>Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy HOPWA Strategy</p>

<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>The COC is the central point of entry for people seeking assistance with housing and social service needs. The activity includes intake, diversion efforts, coordinated assessment, triage and referral to homeless prevention, rapid rehousing, emergency shelters, and permanent supportive housing and social services. The program benefits individuals and families who are homeless or in imminent risk of becoming homeless (evicted). Households who are not in immediate need will be diverted to other community resources such as jobs.</p>
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All public meetings were advertised via social media and news outlets. The City continues to make efforts to improve its transparency with residents and organizations throughout the county.

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	Stark County Regional Planning Commission	The goals overlap in the interest of decreasing homelessness in the City and in Stark County by reducing the number of unsheltered homeless people, increasing the number of people residing in transitional housing and increasing the number of permanent supportive housing beds.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

The Department of P&D has contracted with the Stark County Regional Planning Commission to provide administrative assistance with the Housing Rehab, HOME and Fair Housing Programs. Ongoing coordination takes place between Stark County and Alliance on a regular basis regarding community needs, planning, and programs.

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

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

The public meeting and comment period requirements were held in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan.

All public hearings/meetings are held in an ADA compliant environment so that people with disabilities may attend and offer comment. The meetings are open to the public and agendas are distributed via e-mail, internet posting and hard copy postings. Meeting notes summarizing the discussion items and actions taken are posted online and made available at subsequent meetings to keep interested parties informed. All meetings are open to the public and provide a forum for citizens to participate in matters related to the City of Alliance's HUD Programs as well as providing staff an opportunity to review policy issues and obtain public feedback. In addition, City staff along with partner agencies, receive feedback from the public and other community stakeholders regarding the implementation of its HUD funded programs through presentations and attendance at various public meetings. The process involved for the allocation of each entitlement grant is based on goals and strategies outlined in the 2024-2028 Consolidated Plan for HUD Programs.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Members of the public, committee and City employees were in attendance.	Comments arose regarding the public services and allocations allotted to each	All comments were accepted and addressed.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Members of the public, committee and City employees were in attendance.	Comments arose regarding the housing rehab program and the allocated amount	All comments were accepted and addressed.	
3	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	Members of the public, committee and City employees were in attendance.	Comments arose regarding requests that monitoring forms and information regarding residents/households assisted be shared with the public	All comments were accepted and addressed.	
4	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	The estimated number of subscribers for the Alliance Review is 2,300 daily.	No comments received	No comments received	
5	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Varies	No comments received	No comments received	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2024-2028 must identify the federal, state, local, and private resources expected to be available to the City of Alliance to address priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Strategic Plan (**Table 14; Table 1 in Section AP-15**). The City of Alliance is a direct entitlement community for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Alliance receives an annual allocation of Federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for CDBG.

Alliance is also a member of the Stark County Consortium through which it receives funds from the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program. The Consortium members are the Stark County Urban County and the Cities of Alliance and Massillon. Information about the HOME Program and annual funding availability to the Consortium members is contained in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan for 2024-2028 prepared by the Stark County Regional Planning Commission.

Below is a breakdown of the anticipated CDBG funding available to Alliance.

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	619,064.00	0.00	64,138.00	683,202.00	1,875,000.00	The Expected Amount Available Remainder of Consolidated Plan is \$625,000 multiplied by three, representing Year 3 through Year 5. Annual allocations are a conservative

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: \$		
		Housing Public Improvements Public Services						estimate based on recent allocations.

Table 1 - 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

Public service activities, project-based allocations, and building improvements resulting from code enforcement administration leverage both private dollars and/or volunteer donations of time and/or money.

Road, sewer, and right-of-way improvements may receive funding through the CDBG program, which may be supplemented with other local, state, and/or federal funds through project partnerships.

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

The City of Alliance Park and Recreation facilities may be maintained, repaired, or modernized in order to increase the livability and sustainability of particular neighborhoods.

Publicly owned land (roads, right-of-way, sidewalks) may be improved above and below the surface to remedy infrastructure needs and to improve public access, safety, and availability.

The Stark County Land Reutilization Corporation (Land Bank) may hold vacant parcels and/or vacant buildings in Alliance. Vacant parcels may be

sold or become part of the Side Lot Disposition Program. Properties with buildings may be rehabilitated or demolished, after a case-by-case analysis, in order to improve the sustainability of housing in particular neighborhoods.

Discussion

In the event that there is:

A difference (increase or decrease) between the estimated FY 2025 CDBG Entitlement Grant funding listed in this document compared to the actual HUD allocations to be announced; or

A difference in the estimated and actual amount of carryover funds and/or program income from FY 2024 to FY 2025; or

The budgets for activities identified in the FY 2025 Annual Action Plan will be increased/decreased proportionally in relation to the overall change in funding.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing	2024	2028	Affordable Housing	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$190,086.00	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 200 Households Assisted Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit
2	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods	2024	2028	Non-Housing Community Development	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$210,620.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 600 Households Assisted Buildings Demolished: 10 Buildings Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 300 Household Housing Unit
3	Provide Needed Public Services	2024	2028	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Non-Homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development - Public Services	CDBG: \$79,859.60	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2500 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Increase Economic Opportunities	2024	2028	Non-Housing Community Development	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$65,823.60	Other: 500 Other
5	Reduce Homelessness and At-Risk Homelessness	2024	2028	Homeless	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Homelessness	CDBG: \$13,000.00	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 400 Persons Assisted Overnight/Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds added: 300 Beds
6	Planning and Administration	2024	2028	Planning and Administration	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide	Affordable Housing Homelessness Non-Homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$123,812.80	Other: 1000 Other

Table 2 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	The City will administer projects to improve the physical condition, health, and safety of residential neighborhoods with activities such as housing rehabilitation.

	Goal Name	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods
	Goal Description	The City will administer activities to improve the physical condition, health, and safety of residential neighborhoods with projects such as improvements to right of ways, and/or sewer lines, and/or public facilities, and building code enforcement. The City will fund activities to demolish abandoned, blighted buildings, as well as buildings that must be demolished due to emergency situations such as fire damage.
3	Goal Name	Provide Needed Public Services
	Goal Description	The City will focus on public service activities that maintain and improve neighborhood and household stability, such as but not limited to, programs related to children. The City will also provide fair housing services for both landlords and tenants. The City contracts with the Stark County Fair Housing Department for implementation of fair housing activities in Alliance.
4	Goal Name	Increase Economic Opportunities
	Goal Description	The City will provide code enforcement administration for commercial buildings. The City may implement the following types of projects which will increase economic opportunities: provide public infrastructure improvements to assist economic development, assist for-profit commercial or industrial companies with rehabilitation, removal of blighted structures or conditions in commercial districts, and/or new construction activities designed to create or retain jobs; eliminate substandard or blighted building conditions; implement downtown improvement or revitalization activities. The City may implement these types of projects using non-federal funds.
5	Goal Name	Reduce Homelessness and At-Risk Homelessness
	Goal Description	The City will assist Alliance residents both individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness by funding activities and/or projects that will be administered by the Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County.

6	Goal Name	Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	The City will utilize CDBG funding for administrative activities, including the overall management, coordination, reporting, and record-keeping requirements of the CDBG program. The City will also utilize CDBG funding for the provision of fair housing services and activities and memberships for historic preservation education materials.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Consolidated Plan sets goals and strategies to be achieved over the FY 2024 – 2028 period and identifies a list of funding priorities. The five (5) Consolidated Plan goals represent high priority needs for the City and serve as the basis for FY-2025 programs and activities identified in the Annual Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan goals are listed below in no order:

- 1) **Improve, Maintain and Expand Affordable Housing:** The City will administer projects to improve the physical condition, health, and safety of residential neighborhoods with activities such as housing rehabilitation.

- 2) **Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods:** The City will administer activities to improve the physical condition, health, and safety of residential neighborhoods with projects such as improvements to right of ways, and/or sewer lines, and/or public facilities, and building code enforcement. The City will fund activities to demolish abandoned, blighted buildings, as well as buildings that must be demolished due to emergency situations such as fire damage.

- 3) **Provided Needed Public Service:** The City will focus on public service activities that maintain and improve neighborhood and household stability, such as, but not limited to, programs related to children. The City will also provide fair housing services for landlord and tenants. The City contracts with the Stark County Fair Housing Department for implementation of fair housing activities in Alliance.

- 4) **Increase Economic Opportunities:** The City will provide code enforcement administration for commercial buildings. The City may implement the following types of projects which will increase economic opportunities: provide public infrastructure improvements to assist economic development, assist for-profit commercial or industrial companies with rehabilitation, removal of blighted structures or conditions in commercial districts, and/or new construction activities designed to create or retain jobs; eliminate substandard or blighted building conditions; implement downtown improvement or revitalization activities. The City may implement these types of projects using non-federal funds.

- 5) **Reduce Homelessness and At-Risk Homelessness:** The City will assist Alliance residents (individuals and families) experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness by funding activities and/or projects that will be administered by the Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County.

Based on these goals, the table below summarizes the priorities and specific objectives that the City of Alliance aims to achieve during the Annual Action Plan for FY 2025.

#	Project Name
1	Alliance Area Domestic Violence
2	Code Enforcement
3	Administration
4	Demolition Program
5	Fair Housing
6	Housing Rehabilitation
7	Alliance Community Pantry
8	ECEA (SPARK)
9	Stark County Mental Health
10	YWCA Navigators
11	YWCA Employment Assistance
12	FEMI Youth & Infant Supplies
13	Emergency Board Up
14	Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates
15	Downtown Improvements

Table 3 – Project Information

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

In accordance with the Consolidated Plan, CDBG and HOME funds are distributed using the following allocation priorities:

CDBG: Projects and programs are selected in accordance with the policies and procedures outlined in the Consolidated Plan FY-2024-2028. Please refer to section AP-35 above for further details.

HOME: HOME funds are dedicated to housing activities that typically preserve or create affordable housing. Uses may include rehabilitation, repair, and new construction. The intent of the HOME program is to provide safe and affordable housing to lower-income households, expand the capacity of nonprofit housing providers, strengthen the ability of state and local governments to provide housing, and leverage private sector participation in housing projects.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Alliance Area Domestic Violence
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$13,000.00
	Description	The Education Service Project is a service-oriented activity focusing on domestic violence education, employment training, financial literacy, tutoring children, and adult job preparation. The Education Service Project impacts on the health and well-being of clients through increased knowledge and program services. This service is un-duplicated in the City of Alliance. The funds will be utilized to pay for a portion of the salary of the Educational Services Coordinator.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number of adult and child victims of domestic violence the proposed activity will benefit is between 300-399 in the low- to moderate-income level. This project will educate the community on domestic violence awareness. As domestic violence is not limited to low- and moderate-income families, all in need will be assisted.
	Location Description	The Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter adheres to a strict confidentiality policy as mandated by the Family Violence Prevention Services Act, Victims of Crime Act and the Violence Against Women Act to protect the victims of domestic violence serviced by their agency. Many of the victims served are from one of the four (4) target areas. The physical location of the shelter is kept confidential to protect the victims and their families.
	Planned Activities	The Education Service Project is a service-oriented activity focusing on domestic violence education, employment training, financial literacy, tutoring children, and adult job preparation. The Education Service Project impacts on the health and well-being of clients through increased knowledge and program services. This service is unduplicated in the City.

	Project Name	Code Enforcement
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$110,547.00
	Description	The City of Alliance is dedicated to protecting the interest, health, safety, and general welfare of the public. Code Enforcement ensures housing for all citizens within the City of Alliance complies with the safe and suitable housing codes. Alliance City Council has adopted ordinances for planning, zoning, building health and housing to promote growth within the community, protect property values and encourage the best use of land within the City.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Estimated number of families that would benefit is approximately 500 low- to moderate-income residents in all four (4) target areas.
	Location Description	Locations are Citywide, with focus on the Target Areas
	Planned Activities	Activities include enforcement of the City ordinances in the Alliance community through various measures including housing ratings and violation processes. Corrections of Code violations will follow Federal Regulation 570.202.
3	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Planning and Administration

Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services Homelessness
Funding	CDBG: \$123,812.00
Description	Administration provides effective management of the City's CDBG Program; including compliance and expenditure of CDBG funding; preparation of documents; correspondence and funding agreements. Assistance is provided to the subrecipients in various areas such as budget, regulatory guidelines, bid creation and bid execution.
Target Date	6/30/2026
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 500 low- to moderate-income residents in the City of Alliance will benefit from the proposed activity.
Location Description	504 East Main Street, Alliance, Ohio 44601
Planned Activities	Planned activities will include but are not limited to: efficiently and effectively administering the CDBG program for the City of Alliance through the Department of Planning & Development, oversight of the City's single family housing rehabilitation and repair program, administration of the City's demolition program, the completion of the Analysis of Impediments for Fair Housing, The Annual Action Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report, oversight of new construction projects, to develop and study commission reports, advising sub-recipients and the community on the use of CDBG and HOME funds, assisting in enforcement, testing, outreach, education, other activities determined to be needed and to eliminate dissimilar impacts from poverty. The staff includes the Director of Planning & Development, Code Enforcement Administrator, Deputy Directors, and Administrative Assistants.
4	Project Name Demolition Program

	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Increase Economic Opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$76,021.00
	Description	This project will include the demolition of vacant, abandoned or severely damaged structures in residential or commercial areas. Post site demolition activities may include site clean-up and greening or other like activities. The demolitions will have a positive impact on the City as a whole.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated number of low- to moderate-income families to benefit from this project would be subject to the number of families living or working in the general neighborhood that the demolition/development will occur and where at least 51% of the units are occupied by low- to moderate-income households.
	Location Description	To be determined by the City Health Commissioner, Chief Building Inspector, Zoning Inspector and Code Enforcement Administrator.
	Planned Activities	Activities to be undertaken will be to primarily clean up or raze vacant, condemned residential or commercial structures that are deemed unfit for rehabilitation.
5	Project Name	Fair Housing
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Homelessness Public Housing

	Funding	CDBG: \$8,000.00
	Description	24 CFR 91.225 and 91.325 require entitlement communities to engage in fair housing by taking the appropriate actions to overcome the effects of identified impediments and to maintain records to document the analysis and the actions taken. It also requires that when funds are awarded in support of entitlement communities, certifications to affirmatively furthering fair housing are encouraged to ensure that recipients receiving funds meet one of the definitions of a fair housing organization. Eligible fair housing costs designed to meet AFFH include making all people aware of the range of housing options, enforcement education, outreach, avoiding under concentrations of people with low- to moderate-incomes, testing, interpretive guide, and other appropriate activities.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 low- to moderate-income families will benefit from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	The location will be Citywide but focus on all four (4) target areas.
	Planned Activities	In accordance with 24 CFR 570-201 (e), activities may include but not limited to making people aware of the range of housing options, enforcement, testing, outreach, education, other activities determined to be needed, working to eliminate disparate impacts from poverty, Analysis of Impediments to Fair housing, and administration for the City of Alliance's Fair Housing Program services.
6	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$147,000.00

	Description	This project allows for the rehabilitation, repair and upgrading to meet City code of existing single family, owner occupied, low- to moderate-income households within the City of Alliance. This project also allows for emergency repairs to residents who meet the same qualifications of the program.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The allocation would allow for four (4) full rehabilitations to low- to moderate-income, single family, owner-occupied residents or ten (10) emergency rehabilitations, or a combination of both depending on the qualified applicant's needs.
	Location Description	To be determined within low to moderate target and census tract areas within the City of Alliance.
	Planned Activities	To increase decent, affordable, and sustainable housing within the City of Alliance. Houses are selected within the City limits, then filtered for household income, debt to income ratios and then presented to the Committee before closing. Units are selected for elective rehabilitation for low- to moderate-income homeowners who meet the federal housing guidelines determined by the City of Alliance.
7	Project Name	Alliance Community Pantry
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$16,000.00
	Description	The north end of Alliance is a food desert, with no full-service grocery stores within at least two miles. The lack of good public transportation adds to the inability of many families to get the food needed. The Pantry assists low- to moderate-income families by supplementing monthly food purchases.
	Target Date	6/30/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number is well over 500 low- to moderate-income individuals that will be assisted through the proposed activity.
	Location Description	215 E. Market St., Alliance, Ohio 44601
	Planned Activities	The Pantry will use the funds to purchase items from sources in addition to Food Banks. This would include ground beef from local suppliers and personal care products. The Pantry helps households who are experiencing difficulties buying food due to increasing costs.
8	Project Name	ECEA (SPARK)
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,000.00
	Description	In alignment with the HUD and CDBG priorities, ECEA addresses the needs of low- to moderate-income people within the Alliance community by providing needed resources and quality services that promote the healthy early development and learning of young children.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated number of low- to moderate-income families that will benefit from the proposed activities is over five hundred (500).
	Location Description	285 W. Oxford St., Alliance, Ohio 44601 Servicing families in sections 7102, 7104, 7105 and 7108 census tracts.

	Planned Activities	The SPARK program pairs each participating child (3-5 years of age) and a family member with a trained parent partner. The parent partner works directly with the child and their family. The child is screened cognitively, medically, and socially to identify any development delays. A developmental learning plan is then developed based on the individual needs of the child. Parents are supported as they work with the parent partner to implement learning plans. The parents meet with the parent partners during each home visit. The child and parents receive a learning kit containing books, materials, and activities to continue the learning beyond the monthly home visits. This ongoing intervention is a critical component to positively impact the lives of children of low- to moderate-income families.
9	Project Name	Stark County Mental Health
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Reduce Homelessness and At-Risk Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Homelessness
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000.00
	Description	The Homeless Navigation Hotline's Centralized Intake and Coordinated Assessment significantly benefits low- to moderate-income individuals in the City of Alliance. The allocated funds will be used to pay the salary of a homeless navigation specialist. This position is responsible for gathering data from telephone callers who are homeless or precariously housed, providing referrals, service information and working with area agencies to provide shelter.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number of extremely low, very low- or low-income households that will benefit from the proposed activities is between 100 and 200.
	Location Description	121 Cleveland Ave. SW, Canton, Ohio 44702

	Planned Activities	Specialists gather demographic, situational and financial data from individuals and families who need shelter or other assistance located within the City of Alliance. Specialists complete diversion tools and refer callers to community/mainstream resources as appropriate; work to open records and cases in the HMIS and meet federal requirements for data needs; work with bed inventory to refer persons to shelters based on available beds, households and shelter requirements; assist shelters with data entry needs including programs and services, training and trouble-shooting access difficulties; and provide customer service support to shelters, other area agencies, county and federal entities.
10	Project Name	YWCA Navigators
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$19,000.00
	Description	This project provides a safe, productive, supervised environment at peak hours for at-risk behaviors for middle-school aged students.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will impact low- to moderate-income youth living in the City of Alliance. Students from any area may enroll, but the majority of those assisted will reside primarily in target area number 1 & 2 with an approximate number of 400 - 500 individuals.
	Location Description	Alliance High School - 400 Glamorgan St., Alliance, Ohio 44601 Alliance Family YMCA - 205 S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio 44601 Rodman Public Library - 215 E. Broadway St., Alliance, Ohio 44601 YWCA Alliance - 239 E. Market St., Alliance, Ohio 44601

	Planned Activities	This project will impact on the health and safety of children of the Alliance community. There is often a supervision gap for youth between the hours of 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. The program works to eliminate participation barriers during peak hours for youths with at-risk behavior, which includes crime and victimization. Students transition seamlessly from the school day to after school, eliminating transportation costs, hunger, and anxiety issues into a supervised productive, nurturing, and safe environment.
11	Project Name	YWCA Employment Assistance
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,000.00
	Description	This project assists low- to moderate-income individuals with the struggles that come between working and not being able to have the necessities to get to a place of employment, clothes needed for work, required background checks, fuel and items of the like.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Less than 100 individuals of low- to moderate-income are expected to benefit from the proposed activity.
	Location Description	YWCA of Alliance - 239 E. Market St., Alliance, Ohio 44601

	Planned Activities	The YWCA seeks funds to continue and expand efforts to assist low- to moderate-income women in Alliance to secure and/or sustain employment through the program by providing assistance that helps to eliminate barriers to work including transportation via gas cards or bus passes, appropriate job clothing and footwear, basic personal care items, work related credentialing, licensing, background check fees or tools. Women enrolled in this program increase their ability to find sustainable work, expand the available work force, increase the safety and health needs of the working families in the City and move towards a self-sufficient life.
12	Project Name	FEMI Youth & Infant Supplies
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,333.00
	Description	Reducing infant mortality rates in the Community and ensure parents/guardians of children from infant to teenager have a safe place to receive education, social and educational services which add value to their lives.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number of individuals and families is between 300-400.
	Location Description	425 E. Market St., Alliance, Ohio 44601
	Planned Activities	To purchase supplies, materials, incentives, childcare and food/meals for infant mortality classes and youth outreach. The program is designed to create free opportunities for youth to have a safe place to come and receive mentoring.
13	Project Name	Emergency Board Up

	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4 Citywide
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,000.00
	Description	Emergency board ups of doors, windows, and other access points of vacant, abandoned structures in low-to moderate-income areas for the health and safety of the public.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number of individuals and families is 100.
	Location Description	Target Areas 1-4 and Citywide
	Planned Activities	Board up of vacant, condemned structures.
14	Project Name	Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development -Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,526.60
	Description	The activity provides academic intervention and career pathway programming for youth ages 14-24, with multiple barriers to success. JOG helps youths at risk of dropping out of high school, and those who have already done so, complete their education and successfully transition to employment at a livable wage or post-secondary job training.

	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The approximate number of individuals/families that will benefit is less than 100.
	Location Description	400 Glamorgan St., Alliance, Ohio 44601
	Planned Activities	The activity provides academic intervention and career pathway programming for youth ages 14-24, with multiple barriers to success. JOG helps youths at risk of dropping out of high school, and those who have already done so complete their education and successfully transition to employment at a livable wage or post-secondary job training.
15	Project Name	Downtown Improvements
	Target Area	Target Areas 1 through 4
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$65,823.00
	Description	The activity provides funding to improve public infrastructure in the City's Historic Downtown. The Downtown has begun to see positive momentum in investment, and this activity seeks to aid this momentum with new public infrastructure to improve pedestrian experience.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will assist over 1000 residents in the City of Alliance.
	Location Description	Historic East Main Street Corridor

	Planned Activities	Activities of this project may include but are not limited to the following: Creation of a public restroom facility, adding street lighting for improved safety, and additional signage to assist in navigation.
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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

CDBG sub-recipient agencies in Alliance must provide benefits to residents of at least one of the four designated Target Areas, which represent a significant amount of the City's low- to moderate-income levels and hardest hit commercial and residential units. In addition, a majority of the City's minority and its lowest income households are clustered in the Target Areas. Applications from sub-recipients are scored on a range of measures and assigned numerical values. If the project is not located in one of the Target Areas, it receives a zero in the geographic location category. Some of the block groups in these Target Areas exceed 80% percent low- to moderate-income levels. The Targeted Areas are:

- **Target Area Number 1** is bounded on the north by East Broadway Street, on the south by South Street, on the west by South Union Avenue and on the east by Mahoning Avenue. Target Area Number 1 is an approximately 73% low- to moderate-income area. This Target Area is in Census Tracts 7104 and 7105. Projects in this area receive 20 points.
- **Target Area Number 2** is bounded on the north by a rail line, on the south by East Broadway Street, on the west by East Union Avenue and on the east by Mahoning Avenue. Target Area Number 2, comprising the City's historic downtown, is an approximately 65% low- to moderate-income area. This Target Area is in Census Tracts 7104 and 7105. Projects in this area receive 15 points.
- **Target Area Number 3** is bounded on the north by Vine Street and the City border, on the south by a rail line, on the west by North Union Avenue and on the east by Mahoning Avenue. Target Area Number 3 is an approximately 86% low- to moderate-income area. This Target Area is in Census Tract 7102. Projects in this area receive 10 points.
- **Target Area Number 4** is bounded on the north by West Vine Street, on the south by West Main Street, on the west by Klinger Avenue and Lexington Township and on the east by North Union Avenue. Target Area Number 4 is an approximately 46% low- to moderate-income area. This Target Area is Census Tracts 7102 and 7103. Projects in this area receive 5 points.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Target Areas 1 through 4	20
Citywide	80

Table 4 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

While most of the sub-recipients receiving funding do not allocate service by identifying low to moderate income areas, most of their clients tend to reside in these targeted areas. Therefore, the City of Alliance has developed priority levels based on these areas for the allocation of CDBG funds. The rationale for the creation of the boundaries was based on the percentage of low/moderate income individuals in each area, the age and condition of housing structures and the age and condition of the public infrastructure. Recipients of CDBG funds should provide benefits to residents of at least one of the four Target Areas in the City of Alliance. Applications from sub-recipients are scored on a range of measures and assigned numerical values. The City of Alliance would estimate that approximately 80% percent of CDBG funds will be dedicated to target areas. The remaining balance, but not more than the 20% of the cap, will be used for administrative purposes. In an effort to build viable neighborhoods, the Department of Planning and Development will review and coordinate all City plans for street improvements with funding for housing rehabilitation within targeted areas.

Discussion

The City would estimate that approximately 80% of the CDBG funding will be dedicated to the target areas with 20% used for administrative purposes. In FY-2025, the City will continue its efforts to work closely with the sub-recipients and Stark County GIS mapping center to create templates for tracking where CDBG monies are spent.

Included in this Plan is a Target Area Map and a Census Tract Map, a list of the City's CDBG sub-recipients and the Target Areas their projects will provide benefit to.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development defines affordable housing as "housing available for rental or purchase to low- or moderate-income households in which the occupants pay no more than 30 percent of their income for total housing costs, including utilities." HUD considers affordable housing to be those homes with a purchase price that does not exceed ninety-five percent of the median purchase price for the area. It is not uncommon for land use policies, rules and regulations to have unintended impacts on developers' ability to construct or reinvest in affordable housing. The following strategies will be used by the City in FY-2025 to remove or reduce barriers to affordable housing in the City of Alliance.

- Working on streamlining regulatory procedures.
- Working to reduce excessive development standards.
- Offer incentives for the development of low to moderate income housing.
- Market all programs to encourage affordable housing.
- Follow all legal requirements for public notice, meetings and adoption.
- Promote a strong public education campaign that is critical to successful affordable housing development.
- Hold public meetings and presentations to dispel myths about affordable housing.
- Educate the public about what benefits affordable housing would provide to the community.

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

The City of Alliance continues to participate in Stark County Regional Planning Commissions of Neighborhoods in an effort to maximize the impact of limited affordable housing funds. Funds are maximized by pursuing revitalization initiative in priority zones including targeted areas in the City of Alliance. Cooperation between the for-profit and non-profit housing and housing support groups is encouraged. Components of this approach are likely to include purchase and rehabilitation of for sale units, homeowner rehabilitation, new construction, rental rehab, rigorous code enforcement, homebuyer education and other supportive services.

SCRPC employs the Fair Housing Coordinator for Stark County. The Coordinator and the CD staff work together towards removing barriers to affordable housing, the Coordinator administers the Fair Housing Program for the City of Alliance. Fair Housing provides technical assistance to those individuals in the City of Alliance. The coordinator prepares all reports and documents, keeping in compliance with all HUD regulations, seminars, educational programs and advertising of fair housing for the City.

Promotional and educational literature and landlord/tenant brochures are available and are distributed to individuals, landlords and various organizations such as Stark County Legal Aid, the City of Alliance Courts and Police Departments, Alliance Health Department and Code Enforcement. They are also set out for the residents to take.

In conjunction with the Regional Planning Commission the City seeks to make efforts at improving the support services for seniors to help maintain independent living . Strategies to address this need include promotion of coordination among a greater range of support services. This includes, but is not limited to home maintenance, housing rehab aimed at improving handicapped accessibility and assistance in daily activities.

The Stark County Regional Planning Commission is the lead agency responsible for the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice contract for the City of Alliance. Regional Planning, Alliance and Massillon have recently completed an Analysis of Impediments to certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing. The final Analysis is on the City website.

Discussion

The Department of Planning and Development does not see the use of tools such as land use controls, land tax policies, zoning ordinances, building codes, user fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies on residential investment as impediments to affordable housing, but rather as creating accommodation to the choices for residential access which maintain the vitality of the existing housing stock.

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

Introduction

Looking forward to FY-2026 and beyond, the City acknowledges the difficulties that lie ahead as we face a consistent decrease in federal funding levels. Despite the obstacle, Alliance has several important public and private initiatives which are committed to addressing Community needs. Collaboration with nonprofit and private organizations within the priority Target Areas and coordinated individually by their sponsoring organization and through an informal City-wide network of organizations, foundations, non-profits, educational institutions, businesses, and governments.

The City of Alliance is a financial supporter of the INCUBOX Program. INCUBOX helps companies in the region grow from concept, to start-up, to early stage, to full of market expansion. They provide advice and connections to resources, local and regional, that connect students and community-based entrepreneurs to the real-world environment. The Director of Planning and Development and the Mayor attend meetings on a regular basis. This program is not funded by CDBG. INCUBOX accommodates both physical and virtual companies of any type including those that have no tech, low tech, and high tech. The City of Alliance coordinates with the Northeast Four County Planning Organization (NEFCO) in the creation of its Cooperative Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) which is submitted annually to the Economic Development Administration. The CEDS committee is comprised of private industry representatives, foundations, and public agencies (including SCRPC), working together to identify economic goals and priorities for this multi-county region, including scoring or projects to reflect those priorities. The Director of Planning & Development is a part of this committee and meetings.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Alliance will use CDBG funding to support the Early Childhood Education Alliance (ECEA) key program the “Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids” or (SPARK) Alliance project. The program teaches parents about the developmental and learning needs of young children. It also promotes a positive relationship between children, family, parents, and schools. SPARK is a holistic approach to education for children ages 3-5 and is a critical key to the overall development of Alliance’s youngest citizens in the effort of breaking the cycle of poverty.

The YWCA Alliance is awarded funding for the Navigators after School project. This project provides a safe and productive environment that works to promote academic and social enrichment opportunities for at-risk youth. The program operated by Synergy Alliance operates during peak hours for youth at-risk behavior to help eliminate youth crime, vandalism, and victimization. Family nights and enrichment activities are open to students, parents, and teachers.

The YWCA Alliance is also awarded funding for Employment Assistance. This program assists low- to moderate-income women in Alliance to secure and or sustain employment through the employment assistance program. The program helps to eliminate small barriers to work including transportation

(gasoline cards or bus passes); appropriate job clothing and footwear; basic personal care; assistance with work-related credentialing, licensing, and background check fees.

Funds will continue to be made for the educational services project operated by the Alliance Area Domestic Violence Shelter. This is an educational program for the clients of the shelter and the Community. It focuses on basic day to day education such as hygiene, financial management and domestic violence education.

The Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County organization is made up of both public and private housing and social service agencies. The City's involvement with this organization will continue to enhance the overall coordination between the City and other agencies working in the local area.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The effort to maintain quality affordable housing within the City continues to be a high priority for both the Planning and Building departments. Quality affordable housing units will continue to be rehabilitated by the City's CDBG and HOME funded housing rehabilitation programs in collaboration between the City of Alliance and the Stark County Regional Planning Commission and our sub-recipients.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

All federally funded projects are required to be completed in a lead-safe manner, which include construction and home-owner housing rehab. Every housing rehab application requires the home to be evaluated for lead, and all work is required to be completed by City licensed contractors. Through the Housing Rehabilitation program, each applicant is provided with an EPA brochure on lead hazards in the home and the contracted housing counselor explains the dangers as well.

- **Education and Training:** Education and training is the primary focus of the City's strategy. The strategy will incorporate the activities of program design, funding, and improved regulatory dialogue. The City will also continue to enforce the International Property Maintenance Code relating to nuisances to the extent permitted by Ohio law.
- **Program Design:** In designing and operating its Federally assisted programs, the City will follow regulatory requirements and will try to find ways to reduce the costs of lead-based paints hazard reduction requirements.
- **Funding:** In FY-2016, the City set up a program that added lead abatement to its Owner-Occupied Housing Rehab Program. To date, the City has completed lead abatements through its full rehab program. During FY-2025, the City will continue to seek public and private partners to increase the amount of funding for lead abatements. In addition, the City will investigate pursuing additional Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control grants.
- **Improve Regulatory Dialogue:** The City will continue to encourage a dialogue between appropriate state and federal officials to minimize any conflicts between state and federal laws pertaining to the identification or treatment of lead-based paints hazards.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City of Alliance has an informal plan from FY-2025 to continue into FY-2026 for poverty reduction. The City's strategy is a collaborative model which creates opportunities to access education, training, and economic development services, so that people living in poverty can obtain sustaining employment. The strategy identifies four focus areas:

1) Early Childhood Education; 2) Youth Education and Intervention Programs; 3) Adult Workforce Training Support and Development, and Employment Assistance; 4) Neighborhood Revitalization and Support.

Together, these focus areas represent a comprehensive approach to poverty reduction that links housing, education, workforce development, transportation, and health. The City of Alliance provides funding for a multitude of public service activities and neighborhood development projects targeted at reducing the barriers to low- to moderate-income families. The City's Economic Development Strategy contains four strategic objectives: Economic Base Growth, Middle-Income Jobs, Increase Neighborhood Businesses, Improve Training and Job Readiness of Area Residents. The ability to achieve education and skilled training allows individuals the opportunity to gain access to improve economic opportunities for themselves. The result provides the potential for reducing the number of families that rely on public service organizations for basic needs and requirements.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City is shifting from an application-driven process to a goal-driven, outcome-oriented process based on need and best practice. In addition, the staff of the Alliance Department of Planning and Development will conduct an ongoing examination of policies and other issues to enhance and improve the delivery of services in the community. The City of Alliance hopes to develop improvements that will be long range in scope yet preserve the quality of service already in place. The Strategic Action plan for FY-2025 that the City will focus on includes the following:

- Program development, directing investment, influencing outcomes, leveraging and geographic targeting, and increasing administrative efficiencies.

As an active participant in the Stark County HOME Consortium, the Cities of Alliance and Massillon, along with Stark County, work to create a successful County-wide community development plan. Additionally, with the increased participation of the Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County (HCCSC), the City can benefit from the variety of expertise of board and community members who target the addressed gaps and needs within the surrounding area. The ever-adapting Homeless Hotline has also become a great tool for the City with the newest expansion to include an assessment tool to assist in determining which service needs are required by each client so a more specialized referral and treatment plan can be delivered in a timely manner. As the HCCSC continues to evolve and increase its

services, the City of Alliance anticipates increasing the ability to service the local community by reducing the number of the City's homeless population.

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

The City of Alliance will continue to contract with the Stark County Regional Planning Commission to administer the Housing Rehabilitation program for single family, owner-occupied, and income qualified residents. In addition, the City of Alliance will be providing funding to various non-housing community development needs. It is the view of the City of Alliance Department of Planning & Development that by improving neighborhoods, assisting low-income residents, increasing the supply of affordable safe housing, and rehabilitating residential properties, the City's housing can become an engine for community development. The City will use funds for building demolition in low- to moderate-income tracts that have been condemned by the Alliance Health Department. Demolition of these properties will improve the appearance of the neighborhoods and address the health and safety issues associated with them. The Alliance City Health Department has a condemnation list of houses and commercial buildings across the City that are set for demo. CDBG funds will be expended to demolish as many properties on that list as funding will allow.

Ongoing interaction takes place between Alliance and Stark County. As members of the HOME consortium, SCRPC is under contract and therefore continues discussions and sends updates via e-mail regarding the programs and projects that are approved.

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Discussion

Developers, owners, and grantees must market housing opportunities to all persons in the housing

market, including the minority and limited English-speaking populations. All marketing efforts must be documented with sufficient records maintained by the issuer. The use of the Fair Housing logo or phrase “Equal Housing Opportunity” must be included on all signage and marketing documents pertaining to rental and housing opportunities.

Where there are five (5) or more units; developers, owners and grantees must adhere to Affirmative Marketing and Fair Housing practices in all marketing endeavors, eligibility determinations and other transactions. Failure to comply with the Affirmative Marketing Policy may result in the denial or dismissal of allocated CDBG funding.

In summary, the most significant barrier to a housing choice is affordability. In addressing this barrier, the City plans to continue its various housing programs as outlined in this document, as well as supporting the efforts of others to aid in the retention of the current housing stock and the development of new affordable housing.

A second impediment is the continuing lack of knowledge of Fair Housing Laws, especially as they relate to the protected classes of handicapped and familial status. The City plans to continue our efforts to educate property owners, tenants, and the greater Community at large by focusing our efforts on families with children and/or handicapped family members. The City of Alliance will continue to explore new venues and methods to promote education of and access to homeownership while stressing the importance of property stewardship as a tool for economic development and neighborhood stabilization.

Finally, the City of Alliance will continue to encourage a dialogue between appropriate state and federal officials to minimize any conflicts between state and federal laws, rules, regulations, or guidelines, and to promote education and training of staff to be familiar with these programs and guidelines.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

Recipients of the Housing Rehabilitation Program receive initial funding as a grant with the terms of residing in their home for a specified period of time. If the homeowner chooses to transfer or sell the home, they are liable to pay back the money that was granted for the full rehab. The City is also able to receive monies back if the owner of a property pays back the monies that were assessed to their taxes for demolition to the structure that was on the property. Currently, there are no properties or homeowners that have been required to pay back any of the block grant funding.

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.	80.00%

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Discussion

The City of Alliance uses a one-year period to determine overall benefits of CDBG funds to persons of low- to moderate-income (LMI). During FY-2025, approximately 80% of CDBG funding will benefit this population.

To update our decision-making process, a comprehensive review of the following areas should be concluded over FY-2025:

- Identification of fair housing concerns and problems through the creation of the updated Analysis of Impediments.
- Review of demographic data and income characteristics during program monitoring periods.
- Identification of Impediments to Housing Choice; and
- Review of existing programs, services, and activities.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

CITY OF ALLIANCE
AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING PLAN

THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS ACT (HOME) PROGRAM AND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM AND VARIOUS OTHER HUD FUNDED PROGRAMS REQUIRE THAT AN AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING PLAN (AMP) BE DEVELOPED AND FOLLOWED WITH THE GOAL OF SOLICITING ELIGIBLE PERSONS IN THE HOUSING MARKET AREA WHO ARE OTHERWISE NOT LIKELY TO APPLY FOR THE SAID PROGRAM(S) WITHOUT SPECIAL OUTREACH. THESE OUTREACH ACTION STEPS MUST BE IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, RELIGION, FAMILIAL STATUS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, OR DISABILITY. THE AMP HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN RESPONSE TO FEDERAL REGULATION (SEE 24 CRF 92.351) AND IS INTENDED TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE STEPS WHICH THE CITY OF ALLIANCE WILL TAKE TO MAXIMIZE OUTREACH TO APPROPRIATE POPULATIONS AND ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE TO MAKE ALL REASONABLE EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT THESE PROGRAMS AND HOUSING UNITS ARE MARKETED TO THOSE LEAST LIKELY TO APPLY. THIS FURTHERS THE CITY OF ALLIANCE'S EXISTING COMMITMENT TO NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY. PROVIDERS CONTRACTED UNDER THE HUD FUNDED PROGRAMS WILL SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING WITH THE CITY OF ALLIANCE.

THIS AMP IS DOCUMENTED AND MAINTAINED IN THE CITY OF ALLIANCE'S PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FILES, AND SHALL BE INCLUDED IN ALL HUD HOUSING PROJECT AGREEMENTS. PROVIDERS ARE HELD TO THE TERMS OF THE AMP BY THE REQUIREMENTS IN THESE APPLICABLE AGREEMENTS.

THE MAJOR OBJECTIVES OF THE AMP ARE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO NORMALLY MIGHT NOT APPLY FOR AVAILABLE HOUSING UNITS BECAUSE THEY ARE SOCIALLY AND/OR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED:

- BE INFORMED OF AVAILABLE HOME HOUSING UNITS
- BE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY
- HAVE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO RENT/ OWN HOUSING UNITS

1. METHODS FOR INFORMING THE PUBLIC, OWNERS, AND POTENTIAL TENANTS ABOUT FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAWS AND THE AMP

- A. THE CITY OF ALLIANCE'S DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SHALL INFORM THE COMMUNITY ABOUT ITS AMP THROUGH MAKING IT AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE DEPARTMENT WEBSITE ALONG WITH HAVING COPIES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.
- B. THE CITY OF ALLIANCE WILL MAKE USE OF THE EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY LOGOTYPE ON ANY HOUSING RELATED BROCHURE, WEBSITE PAGE, AND/OR OTHER WRITTEN

COMMUNICATION. THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT WILL DISPLAY FAIR HOUSING POSTERS WITHIN ITS OFFICE AND CITY HALL ENTRANCE.

- C. IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STARK COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT WILL CONTINUE ITS PRACTICE OF PROVIDING GENERAL INFORMATION AND REFERENCES TO PERSONS CONTACTING THEM WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING FAIR HOUSING AND RELATED TOPICS, WHICH INCLUDES MAKING AVAILABLE THE INFORMATIONAL BROCHURE ABOUT FAIR HOUSING PROVIDED BY THEIR PARTNER STARK COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

2. REQUIREMENTS AND PRACTICES EACH HOUSING DEVELOPER AND PROVIDER OF ANY HUD FUNDED HOUSING PROJECT MUST ADHERE TO IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE CITY'S AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING PLAN

- A. MAKE USE THE EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY LOGOTYPE OR SLOGAN IN ALL HUD FUNDED PROGRAMS RELATED ADVERTISEMENT, NOTICES, AND COMMUNICATIONS.
- B. CLEARLY DISPLAY A FAIR HOUSING POSTER IN A PUBLIC PLACE WITHIN YOUR OFFICE. POSTERS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.
- C. IDENTIFY THE MARKET POPULATION LEAST LIKELY TO APPLY FOR HOUSING AND THE MARKETING EFFORTS THAT WILL BE USED TO REACH THIS SEGMENT OF THE HOUSING MARKET POPULATION.
- D. NOTIFY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT WHEN VACANT HOME UNITS BECOME AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE OR RENT FOR THEM TO NOTIFY A LISTSERV OF INTERESTED COMMUNITY AGENCIES THAT SERVE CLIENTELE WHO ARE LIKELY TO BE INCOME ELIGIBLE FOR HOME UNITS.

3. PROCEDURES TO BE USED BY HOUSING PROVIDERS TO INFORM AND SOLICIT APPLICATIONS FROM PERSONS IN THE HOUSING MARKET WHO ARE NOT LIKELY TO APPLY FOR HOUSING WITHOUT SPECIAL OUTREACH

- A. FOR EACH HUD FUNDED PROJECT PROVIDERS WILL IDENTIFY THE MARKET POPULATION LEAST LIKELY TO APPLY FOR HOUSING AND THE MARKETING EFFORTS THAT WILL BE USED TO REACH THIS SEGMENT OF THE HOUSING MARKET POPULATIONS OUTSIDE OF NORMAL MARKETING PRACTICES.
- B. HOUSING DEVELOPERS/PROVIDERS WILL PROVIDE NOTICES OF VACANT UNITS OR UNITS THAT WILL BECOME VACANT WITHIN 30 DAYS TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.
- C. NOTIFY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT WHEN VACANT HOME UNITS BECOME AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE OR RENT FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT TO NOTIFY A LISTSERV OF INTERESTED COMMUNITY AGENCIES THAT SERVE CLIENTELE WHO ARE LIKELY TO BE INCOME ELIGIBLE FOR HOME UNITS.

4. RECORDS THAT WILL BE KEPT DESCRIBING ACTIONS TO AFFIRMATIVELY MARKET UNITS AND RECORDS TO ASSESS ACTIONS

- A. THE CITY OF ALLIANCE WILL KEEP COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE, AGREEMENTS, AND REPORTS OF CONDUCTED IN REGARD TO HUD FUNDED UNITS.
- B. HOUSING PROVIDERS WILL MAINTAIN RECORDS OF HOW VACANCIES WERE MARKETED AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FROM THE APPLICATIONS PROCESSED INCLUDING HOW APPLICANTS LEARNED OF THE UNIT BEING AVAILABLE. AN ANNUAL REPORT WILL

BE GIVEN TO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BY MAY 1ST OF EACH YEAR. RECORDS FROM EACH YEAR SHOULD BE MAINTAINED FOR FIVE YEARS THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD OF AFFORDABILITY.

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE CITY OF ALLIANCE WILL ASSESS THE SUCCESS OF AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING ACTIONS, AND WHAT CORRECTIVE ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN IF REQUIRMENTS ARE NOT BEING MET

- A. THERE WILL BE AN ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF THE SUCCESS OF THE AMP WITH A SUMMARY OUTLINED IN THE CAPER.
- B. THE SUMMARY IN THE CAPER WILL EXAMINE THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF PERSONS WHO APPLIED AND BECAME TENANTS OR OWNERS OF HOME FUNDED UNITS OF THE HOUSING MARKET AREA. IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS A LACK OF REPRESENTATION BY A SPECIFIC POPULATION, THE AMP WILL BE REVIEWED TO DETERMINE IF THE CHANGES ARE NECESSARY TO IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EFFORTS.
- C. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HUD HOUSING AGREEMENTS, A FUNDED DEVELOPER/PROVIDER IS CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED TO FOLLOW AND COMPLY WITH THE AMP AND FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL BE CONSIDERED AN EVENT OF DEFAULT. THIRTY (30) DAYS WILL BE GIVEN TO CORRECT ANY COMPLIANCE ISSUES FOUND. THE CITY OF ALLIANCE WILL HAVE THE OPTIONS TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION IF NECESSARY. CORRECTIVE ACTION MAY INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, IMMEDIATE REPAYMENT OF THE GRANT OF LOAN, OR DISQUALIFICATION FROM FUTURE HUD FUNDING.

PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE CITY OF ALLIANCE AMP:

PHONE NUMBER: (330)829-2235 OFFICE HOURS: 8:30AM- 4:30PM MONDAY - FRIDAY

OFFICE ADDRESS:
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
504 E MAIN STREET
ALLIANCE, OH 44601

FY 2025 Community Planning and Development Formula Program Allocations								
NAME	STA	Type	CDBG	RHP	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
State of Ohio	OH	Non-entitlement	\$45,588,088	\$1,322,915	\$22,917,887.40	\$6,238,787	\$2,967,494	\$4,886,255.62
Akron	OH	Principal City	\$5,830,829	\$0	\$1,494,470.34	\$514,137	\$0	\$0.00
Alliance	OH	Metro City	\$619,064	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Barberton	OH	Metro City	\$661,601	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Bowling Green	OH	Metro City	\$284,964	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Butler County	OH	Urban County	\$1,318,153	\$0	\$766,119.62	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Canton	OH	Principal City	\$2,536,505	\$0	\$659,234.32	\$224,251	\$0	\$0.00
Cincinnati	OH	Principal City	\$11,063,082	\$0	\$2,571,769.89	\$981,932	\$1,912,260	\$0.00
Clermont County	OH	Urban County	\$1,002,763	\$0	\$524,476.72	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Cleveland	OH	Principal City	\$19,463,970	\$0	\$4,257,956.71	\$1,764,744	\$2,368,588	\$0.00
Cleveland Heights	OH	Metro City	\$1,566,683	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Columbus	OH	Principal City	\$7,527,430	\$0	\$4,305,145.80	\$657,093	\$2,584,130	\$0.00
Cuyahoga County	OH	Urban County	\$4,227,608	\$0	\$2,581,380.72	\$356,413	\$0	\$0.00
Cuyahoga Falls	OH	Metro City	\$669,676	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Dayton	OH	Principal City	\$5,277,784	\$0	\$1,080,865.21	\$481,553	\$0	\$0.00
Delaware County	OH	Urban County	\$407,782	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
East Cleveland	OH	Metro City	\$937,765	\$0	\$213,163.12	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Elyria	OH	Principal City	\$728,601	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Euclid	OH	Metro City	\$998,865	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Fairborn	OH	Metro City	\$265,003	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Franklin County	OH	Urban County	\$2,026,554	\$0	\$803,456.50	\$179,429	\$0	\$0.00
Hamilton	OH	Metro City	\$1,279,648	\$0	\$330,444.17	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Hamilton County	OH	Urban County	\$3,798,710	\$0	\$1,325,937.64	\$297,319	\$0	\$0.00
Kent	OH	Metro City	\$264,952	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Kettering	OH	Metro City	\$509,132	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Lake County	OH	Urban County	\$1,352,458	\$0	\$450,279.80	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Lakewood	OH	Metro City	\$1,889,388	\$0	\$0.00	\$167,147	\$0	\$0.00
Lancaster	OH	Metro City	\$489,000	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Lima	OH	Principal City	\$1,009,995	\$0	\$243,935.61	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Lorain	OH	Metro City	\$1,303,710	\$0	\$497,901.90	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Mansfield	OH	Principal City	\$858,204	\$0	\$329,092.36	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Marietta	OH	Metro City	\$369,588	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Massillon	OH	Principal City	\$646,321	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Mentor	OH	Metro City	\$160,804	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Middletown	OH	Metro City	\$695,797	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Montgomery County	OH	Urban County	\$2,021,803	\$0	\$971,959.78	\$175,877	\$0	\$0.00
Newark	OH	Metro City	\$745,133	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Parma	OH	Metro City	\$949,665	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Sandusky	OH	Metro City	\$699,040	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Springfield	OH	Principal City	\$1,740,154	\$0	\$439,153.88	\$155,047	\$0	\$0.00
Stark County	OH	Urban County	\$1,396,925	\$0	\$807,395.35	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Steubenville	OH	Principal City	\$594,903	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Summit County	OH	Urban County	\$915,818	\$0	\$360,898.22	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Toledo	OH	Principal City	\$7,046,960	\$0	\$1,965,724.17	\$627,043	\$0	\$0.00
Warren	OH	Principal City	\$1,146,337	\$0	\$615,318.83	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Warren County	OH	Urban County	\$872,108	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Youngstown	OH	Principal City	\$3,266,480	\$0	\$584,977.36	\$290,441	\$0	\$0.00

Citizen Participation Plan

PROPOSED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The Department of Planning & Development is the responsible entity in the City of Alliance to administer the HUD funded Community Block Grant Program (CDBG).

Citizen Participation Plan Development Process

Prior to the adoption of the Community Development Department's Citizen Participation Plan, citizens were given the opportunity to comment. The draft plan is presented to the Community Development Committee at its March meeting at the same time as the CDBG proposed program. The plan is then made accessible to the residents of the City of Alliance through its website and a copy is available in the Rodman Public Library for a 30-day citizen comment period. As needed, the plan can be made into a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request. Any comments made by the public during the 30-comment period will be addressed by staff prior to the adoption of the final citizen participation plan. Furthermore, comments made may not always result in changes in the plan.

Community Development

Public Participation General Information

One of the main goals of the City of Alliance's Planning & Development Department is to provide the community with an opportunity to participate in an advisory role in the planning, implementation and assessment of its programs and projects. There are four main programs or plans that the Community Development Department undertakes and two main programs that the Stark County Regional Planning Commission's Community Development Department administers for the City. These programs are the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Consolidated Plan (5- Year Plan), the Annual Action Plan, the Consolidated Annual Performance Plan (CAPER), and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), respectively. Please see the list below outlining basic practices and policies utilized by the City of Alliance to ensure the public has access and knowledge to programs in their community:

Holding a "public meeting" entail:

- Not being required by law.
- Not making the discussion between the interested parties and comments public record.
- Attendees being able to ask questions and make comments, with the aid of a moderator to keep the meeting focused.

All meetings held by the Community Development Department are normally during the day and held at the City Administration Office located at 504 E. Main Street, Alliance, Ohio 44601. If necessary, meetings may be held in the evening. By holding meetings or hearings at the City Administration office building, they are accessible to the community through the following ways:

- The City Administration Building is ADA accessible.
- The City Administration Building is accessible to public transportation, including the location of a SARTA bus stop directly in front of the Administration Building.
- Meetings or hearings being held are advertised in the local newspaper and the City of Alliance's website, when applicable.
- Any documents created by the Department of Community Planning & Development that require public comment are made available on the City's website as well as a copy being available at the office, and local library.
- If a non-English speaking community member attends a meeting, they are encouraged to bring a translator (1.08% non-English speaking households in Stark County, Ohio, according to the 2013 American Community Survey). If an interpreter is needed, advance arrangements will need to be made. The plan is intended to facilitate persons with mobility, visual or that are hearing impaired.

Community Development Programs / Plans

1. Community Development Block Grant Program

The City of Alliance is the recipient of the federally funded CDBG program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Department of Planning and Development does all the overall planning and administration of the CDBG Program. The CDBG Program aims at developing viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, along with expanding economic opportunities, for persons of low-and moderate incomes.

Citizen participation is a vital role in the CDBG Program process. As established by Section 104(a)(2) of the Housing and Community Development Act and by the regulations at 24 CFR 570.486, there are key actions that need to be taken to ensure that citizens of a community where CDBG funded activities will take place, have an opportunity to participate in an advisory role in the planning, implementation and assessment of the program and projects. Therefore, the City of Alliance's Planning & Development Department includes the local community in the CDBG Program implementation by taking the following actions:

- Providing 2 public meetings each at different stages of the program.
- Providing citizens with reasonable advance notice of and the opportunity to comment on proposed activities.
- Providing citizens with contact information for submitting complaints and then responding to complaints in a timely manner.

Each program year the Planning & Development Department is responsible for:

- Publishing notices for the CDBG application workshop in the local newspaper.
- Sending invitations to non-profit agencies that have applied in the past or expressed an interest in applying.

- Posting notices on the City of Alliance’s website.

A public meeting is held to present the upcoming proposed funding plan and encourage discussion with attendees. The funding plan is also presented at the January CDBG Committee meeting for voting approval and updates to the Citizen Participation Plan. Once the Plan is approved by the CDBG Committee the public comment period commences on the proposed program.

At the end of the comment period and after the comments have been reviewed and considered by the Department of Planning & Development staff, the Plan is presented to City Council for final approval. The final CDBG Funding Program is sent for submission to HUD no later than 45 days prior to the start of the City’s federal fiscal year (July 1).

CDBG Substantial Amendments:

An amendment is deemed “substantial” when:

- A program is added or cancelled; or
- A considerable amount of money is being reallocated from one project to another, as determined by the Community Development Department; or
- There is a change to the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity (24 CFR Part 91.505).

Public participation is required when a substantial amendment is needed. The proposed substantial amendment is presented to the Community Development Committee at an emergency meeting. A public notice of the proposed amendment is published allowing for a 30-comment period. If comments are received by citizens, they will be considered prior to finalizing the amendment. The Planning & Development Committee votes to approve the amendment which is then published as the final amendment. Then the amendment is presented to the City Council for approval. In cases where urgency is a consideration, the comment period may be reduced to 15 days or less.

2. Consolidated 5 Year Plan (CP) and Annual Action Plan (AAP)

The consolidated plan is a five-year plan, updated every five years, in accordance with HUD regulations. The plan provides an assessment of needs in the community, including housing and homeless needs, a housing market analysis, and a strategic plan for the allocation of housing resources. The plan also includes the City’s priority community development needs that qualify under the CDBG program. Additionally, there is an assessment of the needs for infrastructure improvement, public facilities, public services, accessibility, economic development, fair housing, and planning needs.

The submission of the CP also contains the first year AAP. During the next four years only, the AAP is submitted.

Citizen Participation for the AAP is as outlined in the CDBG section of this document. The AAP summarizes the activities that the City will undertake utilizing CDBG funding during the fiscal year.

Citizen participation is critical during the preparation of the CP. Residents are encouraged to participate through the following ways:

- Completing a survey that is made available to groups targeted as able to provide input in terms of homeless, housing, planning, and non-housing community development needs to gather information and comments.
- Attendance of public meetings.
- Public comments are received at public meetings held throughout the preparation of the CP.
- All comments and views are considered prior to submission of the CP.

As a result of the public meetings held, objectives and goals of the community are established, and public comments are accepted. The CP is presented to the Community Development Committee and then there is a 30-day public comment period. Any comments or views taken into consideration by the staff are made note of in the final CP. The Plan is then presented to the City Council for approval and sent to HUD.

Consolidated Plan and Action Plan "Substantial" Amendments:

An amendment is deemed "substantial" when:

- There is a change to the allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds; or
- To carry out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the CP not previously described in the action plan; or
- To change the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity (24 CFR Part 91.505).

Public participation is required when a substantial amendment is needed. The proposed substantial amendment is presented to the Community Development Committee in a special meeting. A public notice of the proposed amendment is published allowing for a 30-day comment period. If comments are received by the citizens, they will be considered prior to finalizing the amendment. In cases where urgency is a consideration, the comment period may be reduced to 15 days or less. The Plan is then presented to the City Council for approval and sent to HUD and published as the final Plan.

Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)

The Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) is completed annually by the Community Development Department staff and submitted to HUD within 90 days after the end of the City's program year (June 30). Once the draft is completed the actions are as follows to encourage citizen participation:

- The draft CAPER is made available on the City's website and the Rodman Public Library for a 30-day comment period.
- A copy is available at the Department of Planning & Development

- All comments are reviewed by the staff of Planning & Development and included in the final CAPER.

At the end of the comment period, the CAPER is submitted to HUD.

HOME Program and Fair Housing Program

The Home and Fair Housing Program is administrated by Stark County Regional Planning Commission for the City of Alliance. All public meetings and hearings for these programs are held by the County and information for these meetings is available on the Commissions website at <http://www.starkcountyohio.gov/regional-planning>. Information on both programs can be found on their website as well. For more information on the processes and procedures please visit their website or call the Stark County Community Development Department at (330) 451-7399.



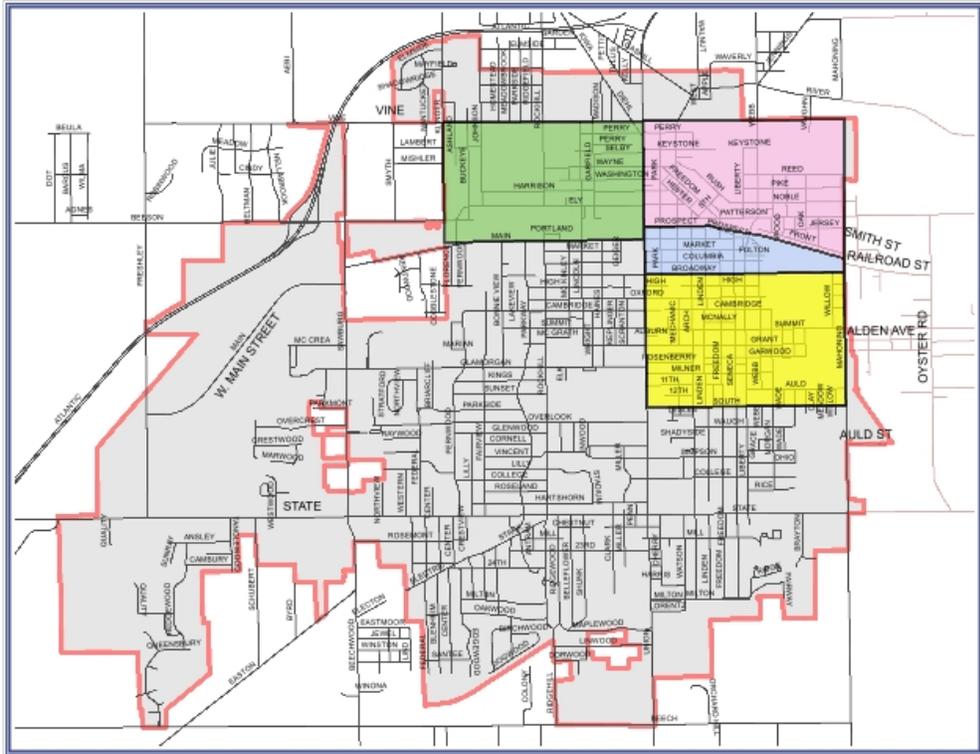
Low to Moderate Income Family Target Areas

City of Alliance, OH



Areas of Interest

- Target Area 1 (Yellow)
- Target Area 2 (Blue)
- Target Area 3 (Pink)
- Target Area 4 (Green)



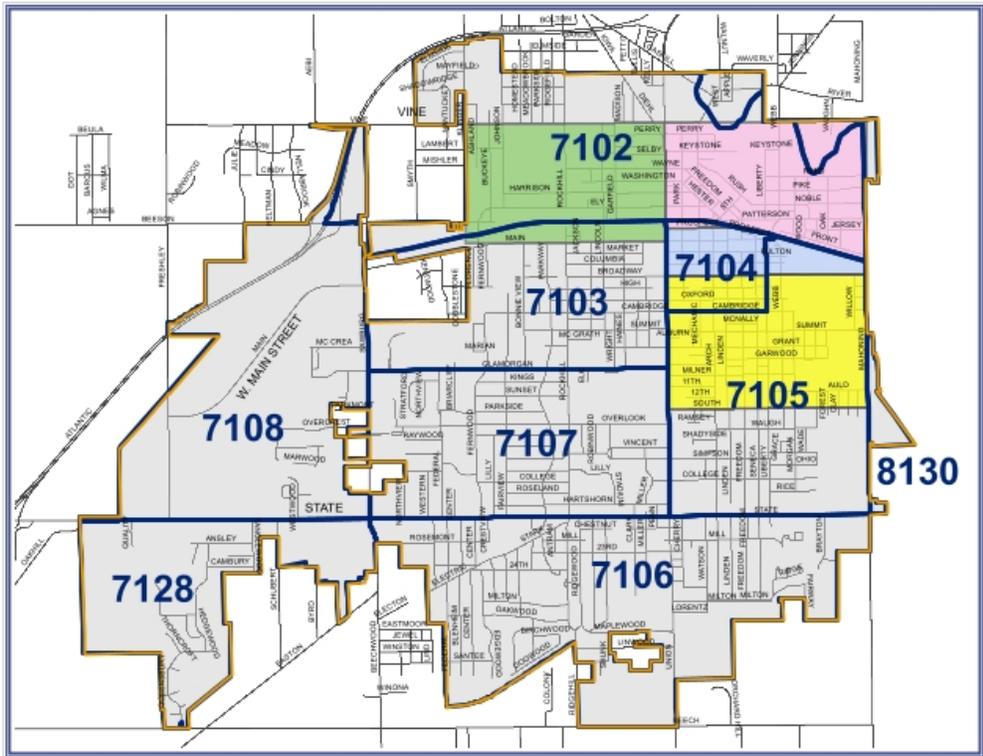
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Target Areas by Census Tract



Areas of Interest

- Census Tracts
- Target Area 1
- Target Area 2
- Target Area 3
- Target Area 4



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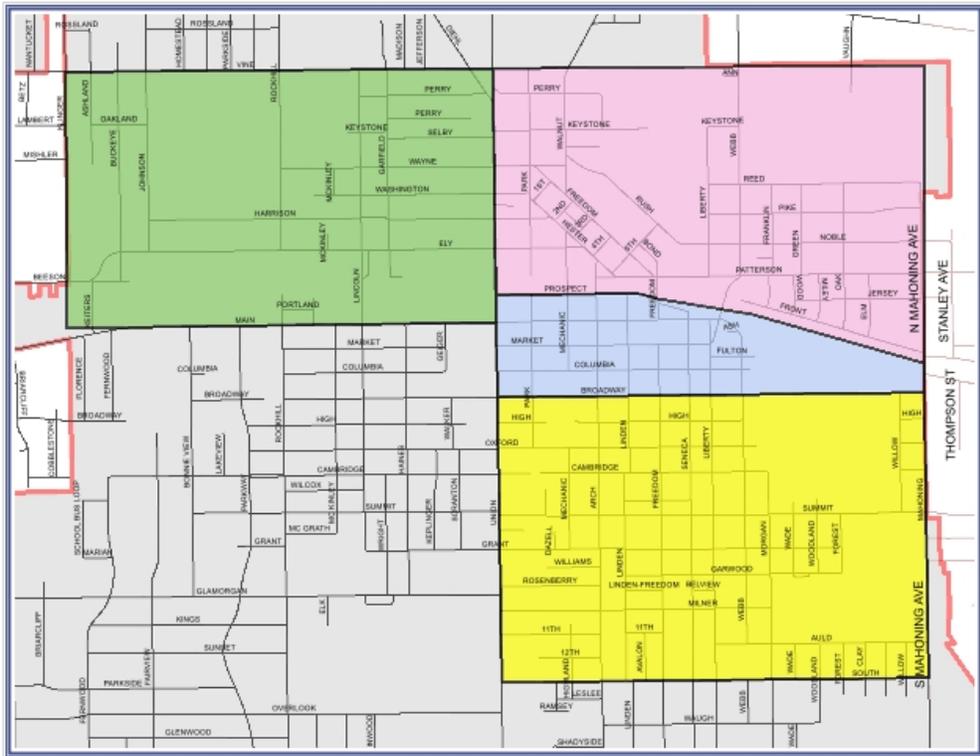
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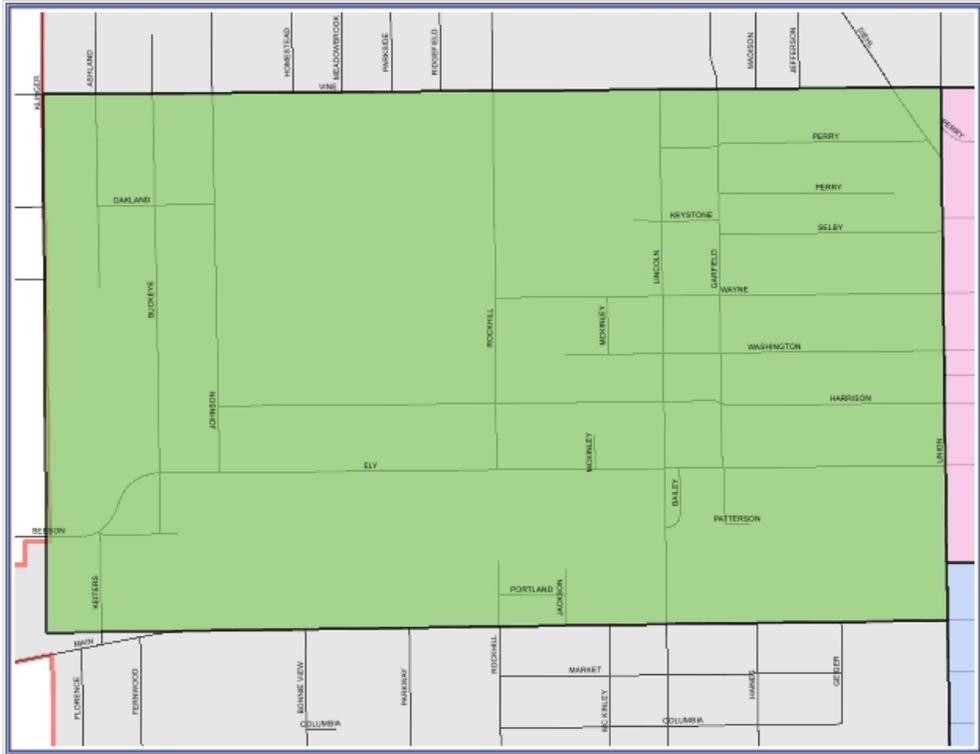
Low to Moderate Income Family Target Areas

City of Alliance, OH



Areas of Interest

- Target Area 1
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- Target Area 4



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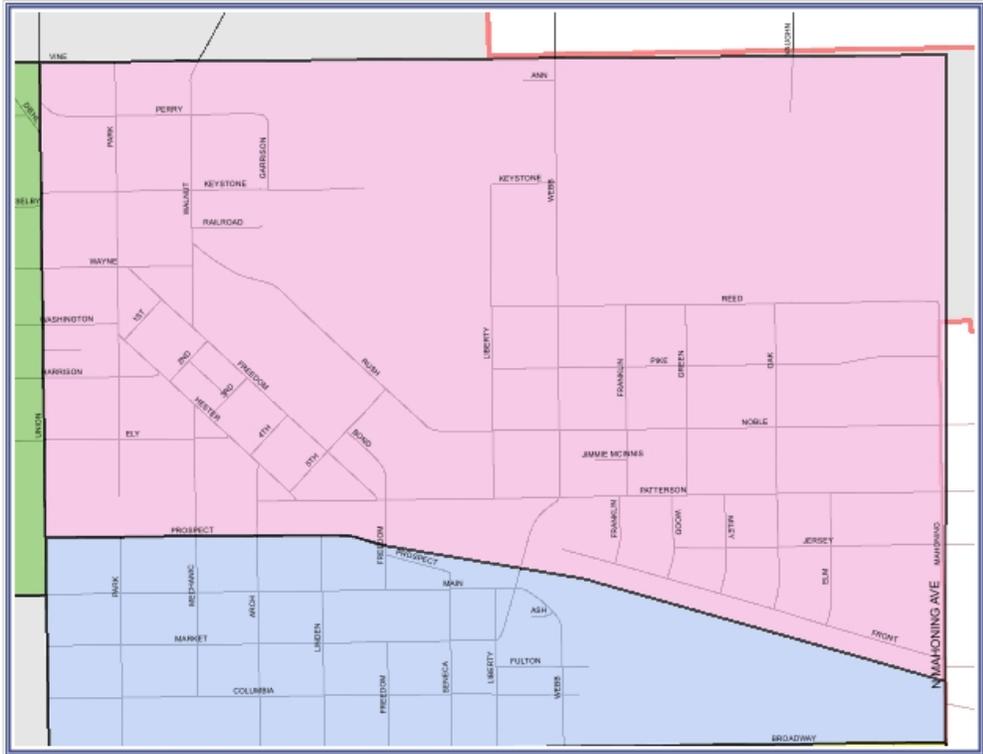


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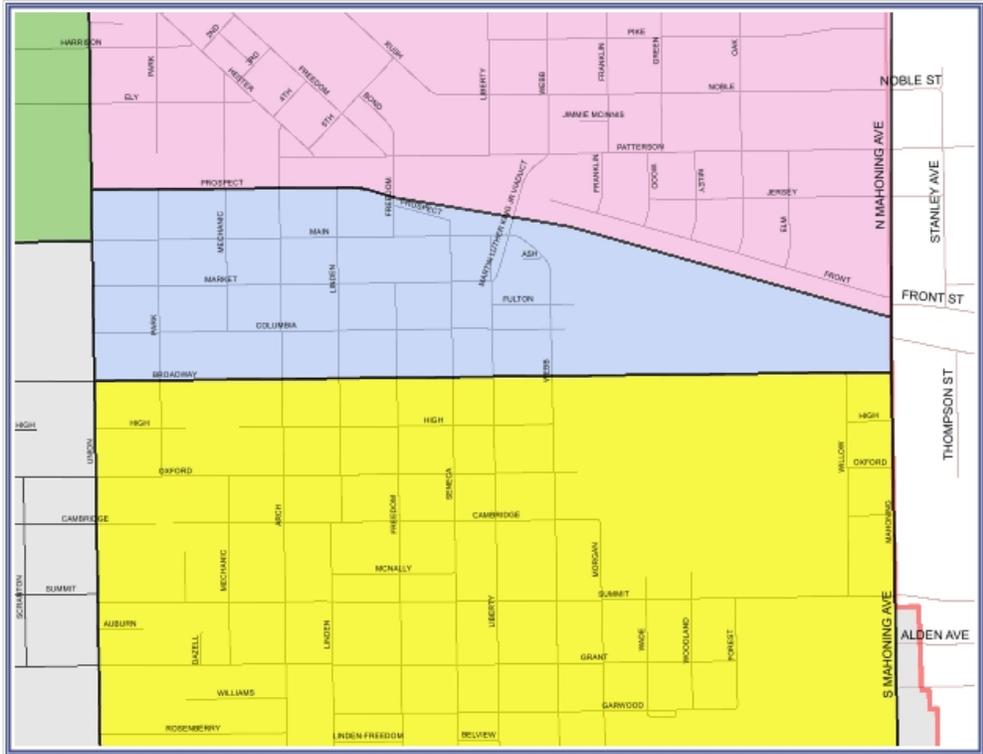
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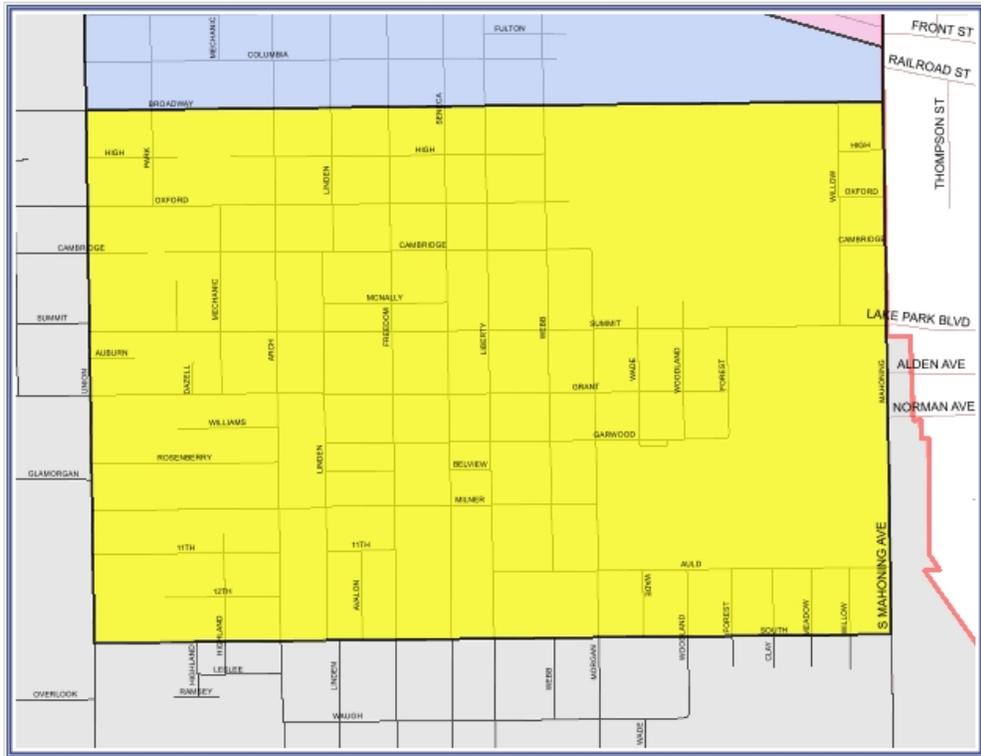
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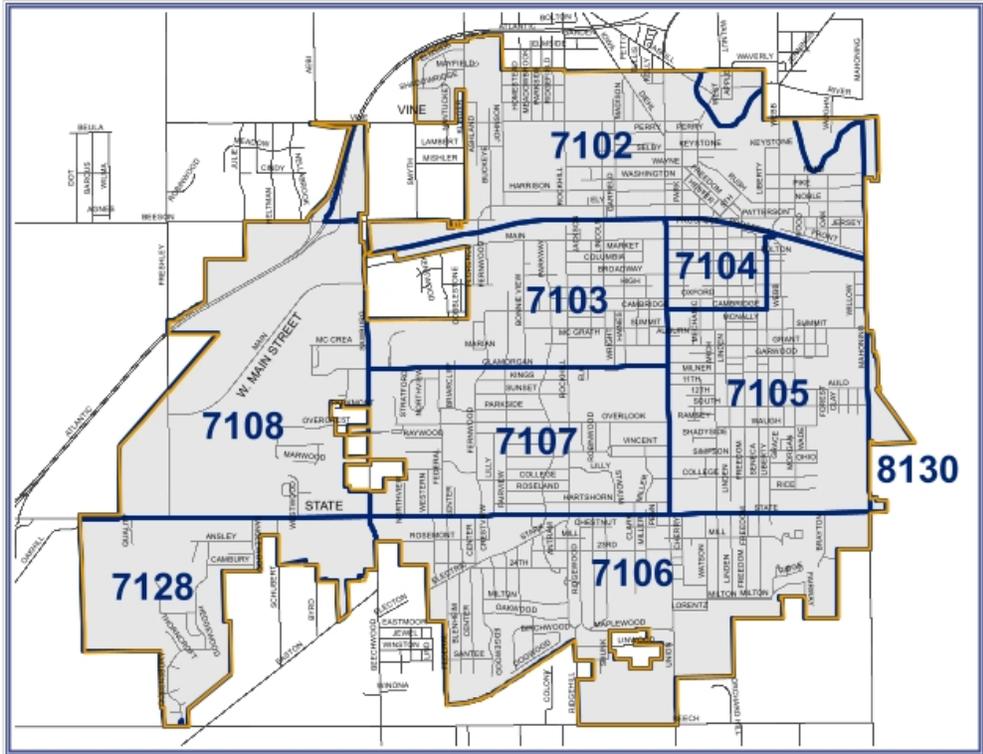
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City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A Meeting of the City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 9:00 am in the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the City Administration Building, 504 East Main Street, Alliance Ohio. To discuss the FY-2025 applications from subrecipients received at the City of Alliance Planning & Development Department. This meeting is required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to receive the federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Monies granted must meet one of the following National Objectives set by HUD: Benefit low to moderate income persons; to eliminate or prevent blight and slum; urgent need. Also discussed will be the carryover funds from prior years. Public comments will be accepted prior to the start of the meeting, no later than 9:00 am January 21, 2025, at the following email address: wearestarc@allianceoh.gov. Please provide your name, address, and telephone number for verification. ABE contractors are highly encouraged to attend the meetings.
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City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee NOTICE OF MEETING

A Meeting of the City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee has been scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2025, at 9:00 am in the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the City Administration Building, 504 East Main Street, Alliance Ohio. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and award the FY-2025 funding to subrecipients received at the City of Alliance Planning & Development Department from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funding awarded in conjunction with the City of Alliance Planning & Development Department will address the needs, goals, priorities, strategies, and activities outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan. These meetings are required by HUD to receive the federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Minnie's grant must meet one of the following National Objectives set by HUD: Benefit low to moderate income persons; to eliminate or prevent blight and slums or other need. Also discussed will be the carryover funds from prior years. Public comments will be accepted prior to the start of the meeting, no later than 9:00 am on February 3, 2025, at the following email address: weaverl@allianceoh.gov. Please provide your name, address, and telephone number for verification. MOE contractors are highly encouraged to attend the meetings.
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City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee Meeting Notice

A Meeting of the City of Alliance Planning & Development Committee has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 3:00 pm in the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the City Administration Building, 900 East Main Street, Alliance Ohio.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and award the FY-2025 funding to subrecipients received of the City of Alliance Planning & Development Department from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funded award is in continuation with the City of Alliance Planning & Development Department will address the needs, goals, priorities, strategies, and activities outlined in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. These meetings are required by HUD to receive the federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Meeting attendees must meet one of the following National Objectives set by HUD: Benefit low to moderate income persons; to eliminate or prevent blight and slum; urgent need. Any discussion will be the countywide funds from prior grant.

Public comments will be accepted prior to the start of the meeting, no later than 9:30 am on February 2, 2025, at the following email address:

sears@perc@allianceoh.org. Please provide your name, address, and telephone number for verification. ABE contractors are highly encouraged to attend the meeting. Date: February 11, 2025 Aca11026329

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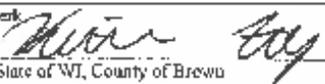
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD TO RECEIVE CITIZEN COMMENTS ON DRAFT FY 2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

The City of Alliance will receive comments on the draft FY 2025 Annual Action Plan for a period of 30 days during regular office hours from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Written comments on the draft FY 2025 Annual Action Plan should be directed by mail or email address listed below.

City of Alliance
Community Development Department
504 East Main Street
Alliance, Ohio 44601
Telephone: 330-821-3110
Email:

gurneysr@allianceoh.gov
PUBLIC REVIEW
The City of Alliance's draft FY 2025 Annual Action Plan will be available for public review at the following locations from June 2, 2025, to July 1, 2025:
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Alliance, Ohio 44601
Rodman Public Library
215 East Broadway Street
Alliance, Ohio 44601
Andrew Grove, Mayor
Published in The Alliance Review June 2, 2025;
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Company Name	Expiration Date	Address	City	State	Zip	County	Procurement Type	Business Type	Zip	email	Phone #
Sag Construction LLC	7/21/2019	366 Bedford Ave. New Canaan, OH 44130	Canton	OH	44706	Scioto	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44706	scott@msb.com	330-416-4432
Alto Ventrol Heating and Cooling LLC	4/18/2019	3733 South Ave. H.E. Conner, OH 44785	Canton	OH	44705	Scioto	Construction	Construction (HVAC/Heating and Air)	44706	heating@altoventrol.com	550-455-2192
Apex Drywall Construction, Inc.	7/20/2018	9521 NW Jackson Ave.	Canton	OH	44721	Scioto	Construction	Construction (Drywall)	44721	apexdrywall@apexdrywall.com	330-575-8394
Urban Green Solutions	1/26/2019	4237 East 1st NW	Canton	OH	44703	Scioto	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44708	urban@urbangreen.com	330-534-1323
First Choice Drywall	2/27/2010	940 D Home Dr	Youngstown	OH	44511	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (Carpentry/Drywall/Cabinetry/Etc.)	44512	firstchoice@firstchoice.com	330-783-0993
Leg'd Construction, Inc.	7/21/2019	543 Chetwin Hubbard Road	Youngstown	OH	44505	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (Painting)	44515	legd@legdconstruction.com	330-506-1204
ATCC Construction, Inc.	10/31/2018	25 Overhill Road	Warren	OH	44512	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44512	atcc@atcc.com	440-742-0691
AD Construction and Restoration	1/23/2018	4930 Market St.	Boardman	OH	44512	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44512	ad@adconstruction.com	440-519-8997
MS Green Enterprise, LLC	4/14/2018	388 East Jackson Ave	Warren	OH	44512	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44512	msgreen@msgreen.com	440-788-1006
Proven Works II (Trade Name) WAPCS CONTRACTORS	7/31/2019	956 South Ave	Warren	OH	44502	Mahoning	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44512	proven@proven.com	330-744-5320
Keenan Construction	1/26/2018	3895 Arlington Rd	Warren	OH	44005	Summit	Construction	Construction (Electrical)	44005	keenan@keenan.com	330-606-4000
Will Fly HVAC, Inc.	1/22/2019	1100 Tower Dr.	Warren	OH	44006	Summit	Construction	Construction (HVAC and Air)	44005	willfly@willfly.com	330-940-3000
J.R. Construction Inc.	8/24/2018	1007 Bank Street	Warren	OH	44006	Summit	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44006	jr@jrc.com	714-322-8816
Kingdom Construction & Exteriors LLC	1/5/2019	4127 Westbourne Blvd	Dayton	OH	45422	Summit	Construction	Construction (Carpentry/Drywall/Cabinetry/Etc.)	45421	kingdom@kingdom.com	330-715-0111
Weather King Heating and Air Inc.	12/16/2017	21 Meadow Lane Suite E	Warren	OH	44007	Summit	Construction	Construction (Mechanical)	44007	weatherking@weatherking.com	330-968-0281
Dean Construction Co.	11/27/2018	351 E. North St.	Adrian	OH	44824	Wayne	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44818	dean@deanconstruction.com	330-611-7943
Green Mile Group	7/31/2018	1000 W. Jackson Rd	Adrian	OH	44824	Wayne	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44818	greenmile@greenmile.com	330-453-0747
B & G Messner Remodeling & Construction	6/14/2018	282 11th Ave.	Adrian	OH	44821	Wayne	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44820	bng@bngremodeling.com	330-431-1264
J.H.C. Construction	4/1/2018	902 E. 1st Ave.	Adrian	OH	44827	Wayne	Construction	Construction (Carpentry/Drywall/Cabinetry/Etc.)	44827	jhc@jhc.com	330-610-1834
Proven Works III (Trade Name) WAPCS CONTRACTORS	7/31/2018	1281 East Ave.	Adrian	OH	44827	Wayne	Construction	Construction (Mechanical)	44827	proven@proven.com	330-672-6759
Eric Carroll Construction	9/2/2018	1070 Howell St	Adrian	OH	44826	Wayne	Construction	Construction (General Contractors)	44826	eric@ericcarroll.com	330-594-8986

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

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.

Uniform Relocation Act and 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, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

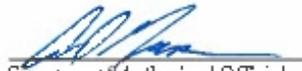
Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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.
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-111, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.


Signature of Authorized Official

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Specific Community Development Block Grant 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 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 objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan 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 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 CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having 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 (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) FY 2025 [a period specified by the grantee 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. 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.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

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 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 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 of Authorized Official

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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

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 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 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 of Authorized Official

Date

Title

Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

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

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



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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

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

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

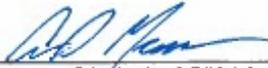
Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24-CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.



Signature of Authorized Official

7/7/25

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Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

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

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

1. For a period of not less than 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility.
2. For a period of not less than 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.



Signature of Authorized Official

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Date

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

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.

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Organizational Affiliation: CITY OF ALLIANCE, OHIO			
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* Email:	MAYOR@CITYOFALLIANCE.ORG		

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*9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text" value="City or Township Government"/>	
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/>	
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/>	
*Other (specify): <input type="text"/>	
*10. Name of Federal Agency: <input type="text" value="U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT"/>	
11. Assistance Listing Number: <input type="text" value="14.018"/>	
Agency Listing Title: <input type="text" value="COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS"/>	
*12. Funding Opportunity Number: <input type="text"/>	
* Title: <input type="text"/>	
13. Competition Identification Number: <input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text"/>	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </div>	
*15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: <input type="text" value="ADMIN. BOARD UP. CODE, DEMO, HOUSING REHAB, EBK, ARDYS, SPARK, PAIR HOUSING, YWCA, WANTEDY, TRI-COUNTY, SICKLE, & DOWNTOWN IMPV."/>	
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </div>	

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant: * b. Program-Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date: * b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="519,054.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="519,054.00"/>

19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?

a. This application was never available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach:

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 18, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** 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.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative:  * Date Signed:

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal interest in the title of real property in accordance with awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure nondiscrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 500, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4901 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616) as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.)
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 100(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	MAYOR
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
CITY OF ALLIANCE	07/07/2025

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Instructions for the HUD 424-B Assurances and Certifications

As part of your application for HUD funding, you, as the official authorized to sign on behalf of your organization or as an individual, must provide the following assurances and certifications. The Responsible Civil Rights Official has specified this form for use for purposes of general compliance with 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.501, and 146.25, as applicable. The Responsible Civil Rights Official may require specific civil rights assurances to be furnished consistent with those authorities and will specify the form on which such assurances must be made. A failure to furnish or comply with the civil rights assurances contained in this form may result in the procedures to effect compliance at 24 CFR §§ 1.8, 3.115, 8.57, or 146.39.

By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

As the duly representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant: (insert below the Name and title of the Authorized Representative, name of Organization and the date of signature):

- *Authorized Representative Name:
- *Title:
- *Applicant/Recipient Organization:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000a) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated rotating entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 39 or 38, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 148 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

4. Will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-15), as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 103, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing, except an applicant which is an Indian tribe or its instrumentality which is excluded by statute from coverage does not make this certification and further except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant

will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

5. Will comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.102 as applicable.

6. Will not use Federal funding to promote diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) mandates, policies, programs, or activities that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws.

7. Will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24 and, as applicable, Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(d)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 42, subpart 4.

8. Will comply with the environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property.

9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be paid for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying. I certify that I shall require all subawards of all fees (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct. **WARNING:** Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§ 287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. § 3729, 3802; 24 CFR § 206.104(b)(4)(iii)).

* Signature: 

* Date: (mm/dd/yyyy) - mm/dd/yyyy

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