

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

In 2016, the City of Sarasota and Sarasota County adopted its 2016 - 2021 Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan is a five-year road map for local jurisdictions that receive Federal funds for housing and community development activities. The plan is used to identify housing, homeless, community development and economic development needs and to establish a strategic plan for meeting these needs.

Federal law requires each local jurisdiction receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program and/or Emergency Solutions Grant funds to describe its plan for providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for low and moderate income persons. The jurisdiction must set out a five year strategy that establishes priorities, identifies resources available to meet the goals and objectives of the jurisdiction and to establish a one year action plan.

The City of Sarasota and the unincorporated portion of Sarasota County are both entitlement jurisdictions that receive a direct allocation of CDBG funds each year from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The cities of North Port and Venice have elected to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Sarasota County and are a part of the Sarasota Urban County program. While a portion of the Town of Longboat Key is located in Sarasota County, the Town of Longboat Key elected to join the Manatee Urban County program.

Because the City of Sarasota receives a direct allocation of CDBG funds, the Sarasota Urban County program funds must be used to primarily benefit residents of the unincorporated portion of Sarasota County and the cities of North Port and Venice.

In 1992, the federal government established the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME). Neither the City of Sarasota nor the Sarasota Urban County met the funding threshold to receive a direct allocation of HOME funds from HUD. However, HUD allowed local governments to join with contiguous local governments to meet the funding threshold by forming what HUD called a consortium. One of the consortium members is designated as the "lead entity" and receives the HOME funding on behalf of all of the consortium members. The City of Sarasota is the lead entity for the Sarasota Consortium.

Consortiums are required to submit one jointly written Consolidated Plan on behalf of all consortium members. The lead entity is responsible for the preparation and submission of the joint Consolidated Plan. Each consortium member must also complete and submit specific sections within the Consolidated Plan. The joint portion and the City of Sarasota portions of the Consolidated Plan have the title "Sarasota" in the footer of the document. The reader will be able to identify the specific sections of the plan that Sarasota County was required to submit as those portions of the plan will have "Sarasota County" in the footer of the document.

Each subsequent year, local governments are required to submit an Action Plan describing the specific activities that will be implemented during the following year. This Action Plan covers the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

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 City of Sarasota and Sarasota County Commission have identified the following as priority needs in the 2016 - 2021 Consolidated Plan. The needs within each category are in no particular order.

High Priorities:

- Create a coordinated entry system for chronic homeless individuals that may include a shelter and / or triage center (homeless outreach);
- Provide rapid re-housing for the chronic homeless;
- Create additional permanent supportive housing for the chronic homeless;
- Create additional support teams to address the needs of the mentally ill and / or those with addictions;
- Create additional affordable rental units for individuals and families;
- Maintain the existing housing stock to prevent the loss of any additional affordable units; and
- Increase the number of Housing Choice Vouchers in the community.

Medium Priorities:

- Provide rapid re-housing and homeless prevention services for families;
- Provide easy access to services that are available to homeless individuals and families;
- Increase the number of affordable housing units available to special needs households;
- Provide financial assistance to families who are required to connect to public water and sewer;
- Create additional affordable owner-occupied units; Redevelop the existing public housing units;
- Provide fair housing training and education; and

- Provide financial support for the Homeless Management and Information Services system.

Low Priorities:

- Fund other public services benefiting low income residents; and
- Fund public infrastructure in low income neighborhoods.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Sarasota has not completed the first year of the 2016-2021 Consolidated Plan at the time this Action Plan is being submitted. To date, the progress in administering the first year Action Plan has been satisfactory and there is no reason to change the goals and activities proposed for the second year Action Plan.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Sarasota conducted an extensive citizen participation and consultation process during the development of the Consolidated Plan that lasted more than ten months. It included consultation with the continuum of care, the two public housing authorities serving Sarasota County, housing advocates and providers, the business community and neighborhood organizations.

During the development of the Consolidated Plan, a total of 9 public meetings were held on various subjects, including community needs, priorities and recommendations. As the plan was written, drafts were placed on the Office of Housing and Community Development website and e-mails were sent to neighborhood associations representing low income neighborhoods, housing providers, representatives of minority groups, social service providers, the business community and the public with links to the draft plans and requesting comments. These comments were incorporated into the plan.

As the plan was being developed, presentations were made to the Sarasota County Commission and the City Commissions of North Port, Sarasota and Venice to obtain input and to inform the public that the plan was being developed. Social media was used to publicize the public meetings and the draft plan.

During the development of this year's Action Plan, 2 public meetings were held. The draft was placed on the Office of Housing and Community Development website and e-mails were sent to neighborhood associations representing low income neighborhoods, housing providers, representatives of minority groups, social service providers, the business community and the public with links to the draft plans and

requesting comments.

Detail on the Citizen Participation and consultation process is described in detail in the Process section of this plan.

5. Summary of public comments

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

The only public comments received during the public comment period were that there was a need for additional housing for single homeless individuals.

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

No comments were received from the public asking for changes to the advertised Action Plan.

7. Summary

The extensive public outreach that was used by Sarasota allowed the community to have significant input in the development of the Sarasota Consolidated Plan. More than 100 individuals and organizations participated in the development of the plan. The success of these efforts is reflected in the final product and the fact that no negative comments related to the section year Action Plan were received during the 30 day public comment period.

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
Lead Agency	SARASOTA	
CDBG Administrator	SARASOTA	Office of Housing and Community Development
HOPWA Administrator	SARASOTA	Office of Housing and Community Development
HOME Administrator	SARASOTA	Office of Housing and Community Development
ESG Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The Office of Housing and Community Development (OHCD) is a joint City of Sarasota / Sarasota County agency and the OHCD Director reports to both the City Manager and the County Administrator or their designees. This Consolidated Plan was developed with the assistance of a Staff Steering Committee (Committee) consisting of staff from the City of Sarasota, Sarasota County and the cities of North Port and Venice. The committee met four times during the development of the Consolidated Plan and established the priorities, the funding recommendations and the projects that would be funded in the initial year.

The committee met once in 2017 to review the projects proposed for funding year 2 of the Consolidated Plan

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

1. Introduction

The City of Sarasota consulted with a wide range of public and private entities that provide housing, homeless services, services to special needs individuals, social service agencies and groups representing businesses. Table 2 in the 5 year Consolidated Plan lists many of the agencies that were contacted during the development of the Consolidated Plan.

These same agencies were sent a link to and given the opportunity to comment on the proposed Action Plan.

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

The Office of Housing and Community Development (OHCD) conducted nine public meetings during the development of the Consolidated Plan. There were four meetings, conducted throughout the county, that were used to identify community needs. A fifth meeting was held to discuss community needs with homeless providers and special needs agencies. Two meetings were held to discuss the priorities that should be included in the plan and two meetings were held to obtain comments on the draft plan.

OHCD staff conducted phone interviews with numerous agencies to obtain input for the needs section and priorities. The Directors of the Public Housing Authority and the Continuum of Care helped write the sections of the Consolidated Plan dealing with their agencies.

As sections of the Consolidated Plan were written, they were placed on the OHCD website. E-mails were sent to neighborhood associations, the Continuum of Care, the Public Housing Authorities, housing providers, social service organizations, the NAACP, agencies providing services to persons with special needs, the building industry, the chambers of commerce, the Sarasota Ministerial Alliance and interested parties to notify them that sections of the plan were published and inviting them to comment on the content.

The Action Plan was placed on the OHCD website during the public comment period. Neighborhood associations, the Continuum of Care, the Public Housing Authorities, housing providers, social service organizations, the NAACP, agencies providing services to persons with special needs, the building industry, the chambers of commerce, the Sarasota Ministerial Alliance and interested parties were sent an e-mail notifying them that the Action Plan was on the OHCD website and inviting them to comment on the content.

OHCD attempts to meet with providers at least annually to discuss the programs administered by OHCD and to obtain feedback on possible improvements.

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 Continuum of Care (CoC) has 63 members that broadly represent the community, including service providers, governmental agencies and the private sector. The CoC meets every two months to identify gaps in homeless services, establish funding priorities and to pursue an overall systematic approach to address homelessness. OHCD attends these meetings and works with the CoC to develop cooperative plans and strategies to meet the needs of the homeless.

During the development of the Consolidated Plan, OHCD staff talked individually with many providers and social service agencies to obtain the data used in this plan. The CoC sent e-mails to its members notifying them of the nine public meetings that were conducted during the preparation of the plan and to notify their members when sections of the plan were published on the OHCD website. One public meeting was held with the homeless providers to obtain input on the Consolidated Plan.

The CoC Executive Director assisted OHCD with the preparation of the sections of the Consolidated Plan dealing with homeless issues.

The members of the CoC were sent the link to the Action Plan during the public comment period and encouraged to comment on the draft Action Plan.

The CoC and OHCD staffs have initiated monthly meetings to coordinate programs administered by each agency.

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 Sarasota does not receive 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	SARASOTA COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy 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?	Sarasota County staff assisted in the preparation and reviewed the contents of the Consolidated Plan and served on the Staff Steering Committee that recommended the priorities for the uses of federal funds. The Director of the Office of Housing and Community Development jointly reports to the City Manager and the County Administrator.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF NORTH PORT
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	<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 Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint 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>City of North Port staff reviewed the contents of the Consolidated Plan and served on the Staff Steering Committee that recommended the priorities for the uses of federal funds. During the past fiscal year, the Director of OHCD made a presentation to the City Commission describing the Consolidated Plan and requesting input on the development of priorities for the use of federal funds.</p>
3	<p>Agency/Group/Organization</p>	<p>VENICE</p>
	<p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p>	<p>Other government - Local</p>

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy 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?	City of Venice staff reviewed the contents of the Consolidated Plan and served on the Staff Steering Committee that recommended the priorities for the uses of federal funds. During the past fiscal year, the Director of OHCD made a presentation to the City Council describing the Consolidated Plan and requesting input on the development of priorities for the use of federal funds.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF SARASOTA HOUSING AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Director of the Sarasota Housing Authority provided input in the development of each of the sections related to the Sarasota Housing Authority.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Venice Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Director of the Venice Housing Authority was asked to provide input on the public housing sections of the Consolidated Plan. The Consultant for the Venice Housing Authority provided data and input for the plan.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	SUNCOAST PARTNERSHIP TO END HOMELESSNESS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Director of the Continuum of Care attended a number of meetings during the development of the Consolidated Plan, prepared drafts of the many of the homeless sections and reviewed the final document.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Habitat for Humanity, South Sarasota County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Families with children Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Director of Habitat for Humanity, South Sarasota County attended both the Needs Section and Priority Discussion public meetings and provided input on the development of the plan. Habitat was sent a copy of the draft plan for comment and review.

8	Agency/Group/Organization	HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was invited to the public meeting on community needs and priorities. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	SALVATION ARMY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs and priorities to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.

10	Agency/Group/Organization	Jewish Family & Children's Service of the Suncoast
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	CATHOLIC CHARITIES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs and priorities to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Harvest House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Loveland Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	First Step
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.

15	Agency/Group/Organization	Coastal Behavioral Healthcare
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Health Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Norstar Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Private Developer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Foundation of Sarasota County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Foundation
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	Manatee Sarasota Building Industry Association
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.

19	Agency/Group/Organization	MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY CENTER -
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	LAUREL CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Assisted & Supportive Living
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Easter Seals Southwest Florida
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan and attended the public meetings on needs to provide input. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the needs section of the Consolidated Plan. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
24	Agency/Group/Organization	The Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency provided input on the market study section of the Consolidated Plan. The organization was sent the draft Consolidated Plan and asked to review and comment on the plan.
25	Agency/Group/Organization	Economic Development Corporation of Sarasota County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The agency attended the public meeting on the draft Consolidated Plan.

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

All applicable agencies were contacted.

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	Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness	The funding priorities established by the Continuum of Care are included in the Consolidated Plan.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

The Consolidated Plan and the 2017-2018 Action Plan were developed with the input and review of a Staff Steering Committee consisting of employees from the cities of North Port, Sarasota and Venice and Sarasota County. Presentations on the proposed priorities were made to the North Port City Commission and the Venice City Council.

The State of Florida and adjacent local governments were sent a link to the Consolidated Plan and the 2017-2018 Action Plan and asked to review and provide comments on the content.

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 Office of Housing and Community Development conducted nine public meetings during the development of the Consolidated Plan. There were four meetings, conducted throughout the county, that were used to identify community needs. A fifth meeting was held to discuss community needs with homeless providers and special needs agencies. Two meetings were held to discuss the priorities that should be included in the plan and two meetings were held to obtain comments on the draft plan.

The Office of Housing and Community Development conducted two public meetings during the development of the 2017-2018 Action Plan. The public participation process used during the development of the 2017-2018 Action Plan is described in this section.

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	A public meeting was held on May 2, 2017 at the North Sarasota Library to obtain input from the public on community needs. No members of the public attended.	No comments were received.	N/A	
2	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	A public meeting was held on May 3, 2017 at the North Sarasota Library to obtain input from the public on community needs. Two members of the public attended.	A comment was made that more housing is needed for single homeless individuals.	Funding for Permanent Supportive Housing for single homeless individuals and Rapid Re-Housing for single homeless individuals is included in the Action Plan.	

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)
3	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	A display newspaper advertisement was placed in the Sarasota Herald Tribune to notify residents that the consolidated plan was available for public comment and to notify residents of the 2 public meetings on the advertised Consolidated Plan.	None	N/A	

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)
4	Internet Outreach	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>The draft Consolidated Plan was placed on the OHCD website. Social media was used to inform citizens about the document. E-mails were sent to neighborhood associations representing low income areas, homeless and housing providers, social service agencies, including agencies representing persons with disabilities, public housing agencies and resident councils, agencies representing minorities and business organizations.</p>	None	N/A	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

This section describes the federal, state, local and private resources that are expected to be available to the City of Sarasota to address priority needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. The City of Sarasota is the lead entity for the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) and State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program for the City of Sarasota, North Port and Venice and unincorporated Sarasota County. All HOME and SHIP funds and accomplishments are included in the City of Sarasota's Action Plan regardless of where the funds are used. The Continuum of Care and Challenge Grant funds are allocated countywide and the amount that is included is 25% of that annual award, the amount estimated to be spent in the City of Sarasota.

The federal government has not adopted a 2016 - 2017 budget and so all of the federal awards are estimates based upon prior year funding. The state government has not adopted their 2017 - 2018 budget and so the amount of state funding is also an estimate.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	415,000	10,000	0	425,000	1,245,000	The annual allocation for 2017-2018 has not been allocated by HUD. The expected amount of funds is based upon the 2016 - 2017 allocation. In the event that the allocation amount is different from the estimate in this plan, the rehabilitation project will be adjusted. The estimated amount available for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is approximately four times the amount of the 2017 - 2018 funding.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	650,000	625,000	0	1,275,000	1,950,000	The annual allocation for 2017-2018 has not been allocated by HUD. The expected amount of funds is based upon the 2016 - 2017 allocation. The amount of Program Income is the amount estimated to be received between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017. In the event that the allocation amount is different from the estimate in this plan, the rehabilitation project will be adjusted. The estimated amount available for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is approximately three times the amount of the 2017 - 2018 funding.
Continuum of Care	public - federal	TBRA Other	200,000	0	0	200,000	600,000	Funding allocated by the Continuum of Care. The estimated amount for 2017 - 2018 is based upon 25% of the 2015 - 2016 award. The amount for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is 3 times that amount.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
General Fund	public - local	Admin and Planning Multifamily rental new construction Other	315,000	0	0	315,000	945,000	Funding from the City of Sarasota for homeless prevention and fair housing activities for each of the five years of the plan. Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is included for the redevelopment of public housing properties.
Other	public - federal	Other	150,000	0	0	150,000	450,000	Emergency Solutions Grant funds are allocated to the State of Florida and then subawarded to agencies serving the homeless in the City of Sarasota. The estimated amount for year 1 is based on the 2015 - 2016 award. The amount for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is 3 times that amount.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - state	Acquisition Admin and Planning Homeowner rehab Housing Multifamily rental new construction New construction for ownership Other	2,800,000	0	0	2,800,000	8,600,000	The State of Florida levies a tax on all real estate transactions and places those funds in an affordable housing trust fund. The funds are distributed to local governments to create and preserve affordable housing. The estimated 2017-2018 award is based upon the 2016-2017 funding. The amount expected to be received during the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is 3 times that amount.
Other	public - state	Admin and Planning TBRA Other	22,500	0	0	22,500	67,500	The Challenge Grant is a state program that awards funds to the local Continuum of Care for homeless assistance. The estimated amount for 2017-2018 is based upon 25% of the 2015-2016 award. The amount for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is 3 times that amount

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

The HOME program requires a 25% match from nonfederal resources. As of September 30, 2016, Sarasota had a match credit of \$794,897. This match credit may be used to meet the future match obligations required under the HOME program. If additional match is required, SHIP funds will be used to provide the local match. CDBG funds do not require a local match.

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

State law requires each local jurisdiction to identify publically owned land located within the jurisdiction that is suitable for affordable housing every three years. The City of Sarasota completed their most recent inventory of public lands available for affordable housing in 2016.

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	Provide housing and services to the homeless	2016	2020	Homeless		Homeless - Outreach Homeless - Rapid Re-Housing of Individuals Housing - Permanent Supportive Housing Homeless Management and Information System	CDBG: \$230,000 Continuum of Care: \$200,000 General Fund: \$285,000 Florida Challenge Grant: \$15,000 State Emergency Grant Solutions: \$35,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 11 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 250 Persons Assisted Housing for Homeless added: 4 Household Housing Unit
2	Maintain the existing affordable housing stock	2016	2020	Affordable Housing		Housing - Rehabilitation of Existing Units	CDBG: \$110,000 HOME: \$200,000 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP): \$1,000,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 52 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
3	Increase the number of affordable housing units	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Public Housing		Housing - Production of New Rental Units Housing - Production of New Owner Occupied Units	HOME: \$520,000 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP): \$750,000	Rental units constructed: 48 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 3 Household Housing Unit
4	Increase the number of special needs housing units	2016	2020	Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Housing - Special Needs Housing	State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP): \$500,000	Rental units rehabilitated: 4 Household Housing Unit
5	Preventing households from becoming homeless	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Homeless		Homeless - Homeless Prevention	Florida Challenge Grant: \$13,000 State Emergency Grant Solutions: \$15,000	Homelessness Prevention: 9 Persons Assisted
6	Fair Housing Training and Education	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs		Fair Housing	General Fund: \$20,000	

Table 2 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Provide housing and services to the homeless
	Goal Description	
2	Goal Name	Maintain the existing affordable housing stock
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Increase the number of affordable housing units
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Increase the number of special needs housing units
	Goal Description	
5	Goal Name	Preventing households from becoming homeless
	Goal Description	
6	Goal Name	Fair Housing Training and Education
	Goal Description	

Table 3 – Goal Descriptions

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

This section of the Consolidated Plan describes the specific projects that will be implemented with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds. It does not include projects funded with other funds, including the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program.

#	Project Name
1	Permanent Supportive Housing
2	Housing Rehabilitation
3	Administration
4	Rental Housing Development
5	New Owner Occupied Housing

Table 3 – Project Information

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

The City of Sarasota attempts to balance its use of federal and state funds to assist low income individuals and families living in impacted areas, but to also provide housing opportunities outside of racial and low income concentrations. Within the impacted area, funds will be made available to improve the existing public housing in the Newtown and Rosemary Districts and to rehabilitate existing owner occupied housing. Housing for the homeless and new affordable housing units will be disbursed to provide housing opportunities throughout the community and to reduce the number of additional residents requiring services in impacted areas.

The greatest obstacle to addressing underserved needs is the reduction in funding from the federal and state governments.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 4 – Project Summary

1	Project Name	Permanent Supportive Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Provide housing and services to the homeless Increase the number of affordable housing units
	Needs Addressed	Housing - Permanent Supportive Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$216,651 Continuum of Care: \$161,250
	Description	
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	13
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	Funding to create Permanent Supporting Housing units.
2	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Maintain the existing affordable housing stock
	Needs Addressed	Housing - Rehabilitation of Existing Units
	Funding	CDBG: \$110,000 HOME: \$208,616 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP): \$1,000,000

	Description	Funds to rehabilitate owner occupied homes.
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	100 homes owned and occupied by low income residents will be rehabilitated.
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	100 homes will be rehabilitated.
3	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$79,162 HOME: \$81,148
	Description	Funds to administer the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) programs.
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Rental Housing Development
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase the number of affordable housing units

	Needs Addressed	Housing - Production of New Rental Units
	Funding	HOME: \$301,724
	Description	Funds to create additional rental housing that is affordable to low income residents.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	48 low income, renters will be assisted
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	Create 51 units of rental housing for low income renters.
5	Project Name	New Owner Occupied Housing
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase the number of affordable housing units
	Needs Addressed	Housing - Production of New Owner Occupied Units
	Funding	HOME: \$220,000 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP): \$650,000
	Description	Funds that will be used to create new housing for persons with incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income.
	Target Date	9/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	4
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	Construct or rehabilitate 4 homes for occupancy by lower income owner occupants.

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

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

The City of Sarasota attempts to balance its use of federal and state funds to assist low income individuals and families living in impacted areas, but to also provide housing opportunities outside of racial and low income concentrations. Within the impacted area, funds will be made available to improve the existing public housing in the Newtown and Rosemary Districts and to rehabilitate existing owner occupied housing. Housing for the homeless and new affordable housing units will be disbursed to provide housing opportunities throughout the community and to reduce the number of additional residents requiring services in impacted areas.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City of Sarasota attempts to balance its use of federal and state funds to assist low income individuals and families living in impacted areas, but to also provide housing opportunities outside of racial and low income concentrations.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

Introduction

This section of the Action Plan specifies goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless and special needs households that will be provided with affordable housing within the program year. It only counts housing and does not include public services.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	20
Non-Homeless	75
Special-Needs	5
Total	100

Table 6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	25
The Production of New Units	5
Rehab of Existing Units	70
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	100

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The city will continue to provide beds at the Salvation Army to assist homeless individuals. The city anticipates assisting 5 families purchase homes and 70 homes will be rehabilitated.

AP-60 Public Housing - 91.420, 91.220(h)

Introduction

This section describes the actions that the City of Sarasota will take in the program year to carry out the public housing portion of the Strategic Plan.

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

It appears that the Sarasota Housing Authority (SHA) has been successful in receiving 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credits from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for the redevelopment of Orange Avenue Phase I. The city will be contributing \$716,000 in Surtax funds to assist with the financing of that project. The SHA has submitted a request to HUD to demolish 60 units of public housing at the Orange Avenue site. The SHA is in the process of rehabilitating 5 units at the Bertha Mitchel complex to make them accessible.

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

SHA continues to operate the Resident Council group that consists of 7 residents who meet monthly to discuss resident concerns. SHA is also currently offering a quarterly 1st Time Home Buyers class for Section 8 clients who are interested in participating in the home ownership program.

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

The Sarasota Housing Authority is not a troubled PHA

Discussion

Phase III of the Janie's Garden redevelopment project was completed in 2016.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities - 91.420, 91.220(i)

Introduction

This section describes the one year goals and action steps that the City of Sarasota will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy.

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

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

The City of Sarasota has entered into a contract with the Salvation Army to reach out to homeless persons to assess their individual needs and to connect them to service agencies in the community. It is anticipated that 100 individuals will be offered service during the next fiscal year.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Sarasota has instituted a "Housing First" approach to dealing with homelessness. The Housing First approach works to quickly place individuals in permanent housing and reduces the need for emergency shelter beds. The City of Sarasota has contracted with the Salvation Army to expand the number of emergency shelter beds for individuals who are homeless on a temporary basis from 10 to 20. It is anticipated that 100 unique individuals will receive emergency shelter during the program year.

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

In 2016, the City of Sarasota hired a housing locator to help homeless individuals find housing. The housing locator will identify housing for individuals receiving homeless vouchers through the Sarasota Housing Authority and the Emergency Solutions Grant funds.

The City of Sarasota and Sarasota County have budgeted SHIP funds to initiate a rapid rehousing

program.

The Jewish Family & Children's Services (JFCS) has coordinated the effort to address veteran homelessness in the City of Sarasota. The program has been very successful and the JFCS is nearing their goal of reducing veteran homelessness to "functional zero." Functional Zero means that at any point in time, the number of veterans experiencing sheltered or unsheltered homelessness in the community is no greater than the number of the average placement rate for veterans experiencing homelessness in the community.

The City of Sarasota and Sarasota County have created more than 200 units of Permanent Supportive Housing and / or Special Needs Housing. During the next year, the City plans to create an additional 9 units of Permanent Supportive Housing or Special Needs Housing.

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

Sarasota has a very strong system in place to prevent homelessness. Using both private and public financing, households experiencing a financial emergency are provided with the resources necessary to remain in their homes. The goal is that 75% of all households receiving assistance will remain suitably housed six months after the financial assistance ends.

All Faith's Food Bank plays a major role in preventing homelessness by providing food to families in need.

Discussion

The City of Sarasota and Sarasota County are working together to address homeless issues. In 2016 - 2017, the City hired the Florida Housing Coalition to prepare a report evaluating the homeless systems in Sarasota and to make recommendations for improvement. It is anticipated that those recommendations will begin to be implemented in 2017-2018.

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

Introduction

This section describes the actions that it will take during the next year to reduce barriers to affordable housing.

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

In the spring of 2016, the Affordable Housing Committee made recommendations on any Barriers to Affordable Housing that need to be addressed. The committee recommended that strategies to remove or ameliorate the barriers to affordable housing be developed in conjunction with the form based code that is currently under development.

The Committee is scheduled to continue meeting in 2017-2018 to formulate additional recommendations.

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

Introduction

This section of the plan describes the actions that the City of Sarasota will take to carry out the following strategies in the Consolidated Plan:

Foster and maintain affordable housing;

- Evaluate and reduce lead based paint hazards; Reduce the number of poverty-level families;
- Develop institutional structure; and
- Enhance coordination.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The greatest obstacle to meeting underserved needs is the lack of funding for affordable housing. The City of Sarasota's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) has been reduced from \$589,000 in 1990 to \$414,000 this year. Combined with the effects of inflation, the effect of the funding reductions makes it difficult to initiate meaningful programs to meet the needs of the underserved. At the same time, HUD is initiating new administrative burdens on grantees (for example the new Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Tool Kit, the computerized Consolidated Plan) without providing any additional financial resources to implement these administrative requirements.

The State of Florida has decreased funding for affordable housing by "sweeping" dedicated affordable housing funds into the general revenue.

The City of Sarasota will continue to educate its state and federal legislators of the lack of funding to meet underserved needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City of Sarasota has an active housing rehabilitation program to assist owner occupants maintain their home. All assistance is in the form of a 0% loan with no payments until the home is sold, transferred, no longer occupied by the borrower or 30 years, whichever occurs first.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Lead based paint hazard reduction is integrated into all housing programs in Sarasota County. The

specific actions that will be undertaken during the next program year include the following:

- Each applicant receiving rehabilitation assistance receives an EPA approved pamphlet on identifying and preventing lead based paint hazards;
- Homes built prior to 1978 receiving rehabilitated with federal funds are tested to determine if lead-based paint is in the home; and
- If lead is found, the lead based paint will be abated as required by federal law.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The Suncoast Technical College is currently located in a building that was purchased by the City of Sarasota using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The Technical College will be relocating to a new site in the Newtown area and will continue to assist low income residents attain their GED and provide vocational and business training. The City will assist the Technical College to identify a new appropriate site.

The City of Sarasota will continue their partnership with Career Source who provides dedicated staff to assist Newtown residents with job readiness skills which resulted in an increase in the number of applicants and hires.

The City of Sarasota will continue to sponsor the North Sarasota Entrepreneur Collaborative, with is a twelve week course taught on small business development.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of Sarasota has hired the Florida Housing Coalition to review the homeless delivery system, including the structure of the Continuum of Care and to make recommendations to enhance services and coordination. In 2017-2018, those recommendations will be implemented.

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

The City of Sarasota will continue to be an active participant in the Continuum of Care which coordinates homeless housing providers and social service agencies. The City also participates in the Community Alliance which brings together social service agencies and housing providers to enhance coordination.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

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

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

No other forms of investment beyond that identified in Section 92.205 is planned to occur.

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

The City of Sarasota is not planning to use 2016 HOME funds for homeownership activities.

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

All rental properties purchased or assisted with HOME funds will have a deed restriction placed on the property to ensure that it complies with the long term affordability requirements of the program. Projects will be monitored annually to ensure compliance.

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

Refinancing is not planned.

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- Preapplication
- Application
- Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- New
- Continuation
- Revision

*** If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):**

*** Other (Specify):**

*** 3. Date Received:**

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

B. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:**

City of Sarasota, Florida

*** b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):**

59-6000426

*** c. Organizational DUNS:**

0732257240000

d. Address:

*** Street1:**

1565 1st Street

Street2:

*** City:**

Sarasota

County/Parish:

Sarasota

*** State:**

FL: Florida

Province:

*** Country:**

USA: UNITED STATES

*** Zip / Postal Code:**

34236-xxxx

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Planning Department

Division Name:

OHCD

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

Mr.

*** First Name:**

Donald

Middle Name:

*** Last Name:**

Hadsell

Suffix:

Title:

Director

Organizational Affiliation:

*** Telephone Number:**

941-951-3608

Fax Number:

*** Email:**

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

*** Other (specify):**

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.218

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Grants

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

*** Title:**

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

2017 Action Plan

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

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

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="1,057,301.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="160,000.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="1,217,301.00"/>

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

a. This application was made 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

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** 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:

CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

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

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

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

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

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

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Excessive Force – It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its

jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

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

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

Compliance with Laws – It will comply with applicable laws.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Title

**OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION
CDBG**

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

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

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Title

Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

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

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

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

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

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Title