Recommendations for 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan Goals and 2023-2024 Funding Allocations for HUD Grants: CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA

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U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

HISTORY

- · Established in 1965
- Created as a part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty
- · Consolidated a number of other older federal agencies

MISSION

- · Address America's housing needs
- Improve and develop communities
- · Enforce fair housing laws

PURPOSE

- · Provide housing and community development assistance
- · Make sure everyone has access to "fair and equal" housing



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HUD Grants Overview

Four federal grants, totaling \$12-\$13 million per year

- 1. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):
 - · Low-Moderate Income families, housing, & services
- 2. HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME):
 - · Affordable housing
- 3. Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG):
 - Homelessness
- 4. Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
 - Housing/Services for persons with HIV/AIDS
- Application process:
 - Five-year Consolidated Plan sets broad strategic goals
 - Annual Action Plan specific projects and budgets
- · Council-appointed Community Development Council



What is the Consolidated Plan?



Consolidated Plan – combines four HUD grants

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)



City of Fort Worth – receives these grants and:

- Engages with community
- Develops annual budget and programs
- Identifies and prioritizes community needs and details how they will be addressed through comprehensive analysis and strategic plan
- · Monitors compliance
- Reports performance back to HUD

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Consolidated Plan for HUD Grants

- Set strategic priorities and goals for the next 5 years of HUD grant funding
 - Foundation for future one-year Action Plans
 - Consistency with other City Council priorities and initiatives
 - Nine recommended broad priority needs and goals
 - Funding recommendations must align with priorities and goals



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Proposed Co	onPlan Priorities and Goals
PRIORITY NEED	GOAL
Promote Affordable Housing for Renters and Owners	Increase neighborhood stability through homeownership assistance, Fair Housing efforts, and supportive services for renters and owners
Housing Preservation and Rehabilitation	Preserve and expand the supply of quality affordable housing throughout the City
Neighborhood Improvement and Revitalization	Enhance neighborhood development and revitalization throughout the City
Economic Empowerment and Financial Resilience	Support programs and services providing employment training and career readiness programs that promote self-sufficiency and household stability
Children and Youth Services	Support programs and services to prepare children and youth for success through educational, mentoring, training and related programs
Aging In Place	Support programs and services for older adults to access resources needed to age in their homes, while maintaining both their independence and quality of life
Accessibility Improvements	Improve accessibility in public facilities and housing, including architectural barrier removal
Homelessness Prevention and Special Needs Support	Provide housing and support services for persons experiencing and at-risk of experiencing homelessness; support efforts to achieve permanent housing
Healthy Living and Wellness	Support programs and services to improve the mental and physical health of low- to moderate income Fort Worth families



2023-2024 Grant Allocations

Funding Source	2023-2024
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$6,994,785
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	\$3,271,119
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	\$610,543
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	\$2,576,174
TOTAL FUNDS	\$13,452,621

Grant Period: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024



2023-2024 CDBG Proposed Budget Summary

Activity		Funding Recommended	
Public Services (15% Cap)	\$	1,049,218	
Housing Programs:			
- REACH /Project Ramp	\$	165,000	
- Priority Repair Program	\$	2,500,000	
- Cowtown Brush-up (Trinity Habitat subrecipient contract)	\$	455,000	
- Rehab/Construction Management (Program Delivery)	\$	610,000	
- Homebuyer Assistance/Housing Services (Program Delivery)	\$	180,000	
General Administration (20% Cap)	\$	1,398,957	
Major Project(s):			
- Rental Rehabilitation (Multifamily)	\$	636,610	
GRAND TOTAL	\$	6,994,785	

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CDBG Public Service Recommendations

Organization	Program	Program Type	ding mended
Housing Channel	Housing Counseling & Education	Affordable Housing	\$ 111,000
Guardianship Services	Money Smart+	Aging in Place	\$ 100,000
Meals On Wheels	Nutrition Program	Aging in Place	\$ 75,000
Cancer Care Services	Cancer Care Services	Special Needs	\$ 50,000
The Women's Center of Tarrant County	Employment Solutions	Employment Services	\$ 75,000
Easter Seals North Texas, Inc.	Employment Services	Employment Services	\$ 60,000
The Ladder Alliance	Tarrant County Workforce Development	Employment Services	\$ 80,000
NPower	Tech Fundamentals Workforce Training Program	Employment Services	\$ 25,000

CDBG Public Service Recommendations

Organization	Program	Program Type	Funding Recommended
Girls Inc. of Tarrant County	Girls Inc.	Children/Youth Services	\$ 100,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Tarrant County	Youth Development at Eastside Branch	Children/Youth Services	\$ 70,000
Camp Fire First Texas	Teens In Action	Children/Youth Services	\$ 50,000
United Community Centers, Inc.	Holistic Educational Literacy Program	Children/Youth Services	\$ 125,000
AB Christian Learning Center	Out of School Time Program	Children/Youth Services	\$ 78,218
Maroon 9 Community Enrichment Organization	Maroon 9 Teen Enrichment Program	Children/Youth Services	\$ 25,000
Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail, Inc.	City of Fort Worth Cradle to Career Initiative	Children/Youth Services	\$ 25,000

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CDBG Housing Rehabilitation: Project Ramp - \$165,000



- •REACH (Rehabilitation, Education and Advocacy for Citizens with Handicaps)
- •Architectural barrier removal program
- -Accessibility (ramps, grab bars, etc.) for persons with disabilities in households under $80\%\ AMI$
- •\$50,650 for one person, \$57,850 for two people



CDBG Housing: Priority Repair Program \$2,500,000

- \$2.5 million for eligible repairs
 - Up to \$25,000 per property, once per two year period
 - · Eligible repairs include:
 - Major Systems Repairs Only: Roofs, Plumbing, Water Lines, Gas Lines, Water Heaters, Electrical, HVAC, Rotted bathroom floors, Foundations on pier/beam homes
 - Ineligible repairs include:
 - Repairs to systems installed or repaired without proper city permits; systems covered by homeowner policies or previously paid for by insurance company; any repairs that constitutes non-compliance to HUD ER regulations
- Maximum home value: 80% of area median home price per Greater Fort Worth Association of Realtors (GFWAR)
- · Eligible homeowners must have incomes at or below 60% AMI
 - Majority of clients are elderly, disabled, and/or minority female heads of household
 - \$37,980 for a single person, \$43,440 for two people



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CDBG Housing: Cowtown Brush-Up \$455,000



- Volunteer-driven home-painting program for very low income homeowners
- Partnership with Trinity Habitat for Humanity since 2011 providing volunteers; agency has had primary program control since 2017
 - · Habitat supplies volunteers, paint, and supplies
 - Retains general contractor to prepare and prime the homes
- Two events per year (Spring April/Fall October)
 - · Target marketing in older neighborhoods
 - 2023 Events April 1/October 7
- Available for homeowners earning at or below 50% AMI
 - \$31,650 for one person, \$36,200 for two people



HOME Investment Partnerships Program

Activity	Amount
Grant Administration: (Limited to 10%)	\$ 327,111.90
Homebuyer Assistance Program	\$ 408,339.25
CHDO Operating: Housing Channel (Renaissance Townhomes)	\$ 45,000.00
CHDO Project: Housing Channel (Renaissance Townhomes)	\$ 490,667.85
Major Projects:	
- Fort Worth Housing Solutions Stop Six/Cavile Choice Neighborhood Grant (Babers Manor)	\$ 1,000,000.00
- Columbia Renaissance (Phase III)	\$ 1,000,000.00
Total 2023-24 HOME Funds	\$ 3,271,119.00

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Homebuyer Assistance Program - \$408,339.25

- Up to \$20,000 for low and moderate income first-time homebuyers
- Down Payment and Closing Costs
- Must receive 8 hours of homebuyer education
- Must remain in home for 5 years up to \$14,999;
 10 years for \$15,000 or more (or funds are recaptured)
- · Referred by Participating Lenders
- Maximum sales price \$239,000 (existing); \$252,000 (new construction)
- Available for prospective homebuyers earning at or below 80% AMI
 - \$50,650 for one person, \$57,850 for two people





CHDO Project – Housing Channel Renaissance IV \$490,667.85

https://www.housingchannel.org/



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Stop Six Choice Neighborhood Initiative – Babers Manor (Fort Worth Housing Solutions) \$1,000,000



Babers Manor

Ramey Avenue between S. Hughes Ave and S. Edgewood Terrace.

- Named for distinguished and faithful community leader, Mr. Clarence Donald Babers.
- 80-unit, mixed-income, family community.
- Combination of townhome and flat units.
- Competitive 9% tax credit aids financing, guarantees affordable rents.
- Target construction schedule:
- Construction start March 2024
- Substantial completion October 2025
- Project Architect Request for Proposals issued on October 4, 2022. Expect to make a selection in early November.
- General Contractor Request for Qualifications will be issued in early 2023.

https://stopsixcni.org/

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ESG Public Service Recommendations

Organization	Program	ınding mmended
Lighthouse for the Homeless	True Worth Place, Day Shelter*	\$ 158,400
The Salvation Army	Homelessness Prevention	\$ 130,220
Presbyterian Night Shelter	Emergency Shelter Services*	\$ 130,220
SafeHaven of Tarrant County	SafeSolutions for Fort Worth*	\$ 63,816
Center for Transforming Lives	Rapid Re-Housing	\$ 75,901
	Public Services Subtotal	\$ 564,752
	Administrative Costs**	\$ 45,791
		\$ 610,543

^{*}ESG regulations limit "Shelter Services" to 60% of total grant award - \$366,326.00
** Administrative Costs are capped at 7.5% of total grant award - \$45,791.00

HOPWA Public Service Recommendations

Organization.00	Program	unding mmended
	Supportive Services	\$ 708,200
Tarrant County Samaritan Housing, Inc.	Facility-Based Operations	\$ 251,023
Tarrant County Samartan Housing, Inc.	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 293,909
	Administration	\$ 46,859
	Tarrant County Samaritan Housing Subtotals	\$ 1,300,000
	Supportive Services	\$ 75,346
AIDS Outreach Center	Short Term, Rent, Mortgage, Utility (STRMU) Assistance	\$ 127,031
AIDS Outreach Center	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)	\$ 198,200
	Administration	\$ 29,273
	AIDS Outreach Center Subtotals	\$ 429,850

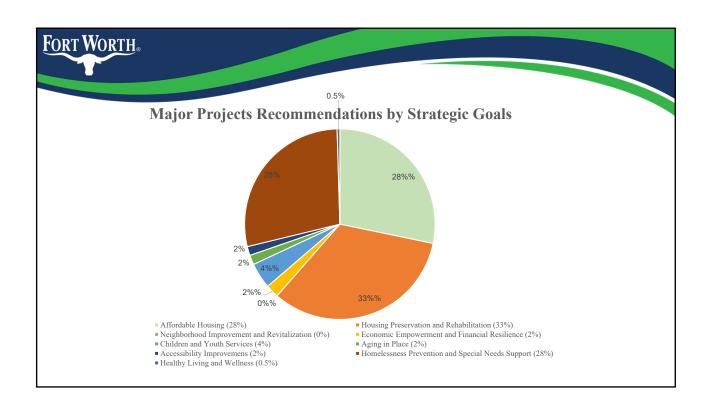
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HOPWA Public Service Recommendations

Organization	Program	Funding ommended
	Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Transition	\$ 624,400
City of Food Woods	Supportive Services	\$ 119,639
City of Fort Worth	Permanent Housing Placement	\$ 25,000
	Administration	\$ 77,285
City of Fort Worth Subtotals		\$ 846,324
	TOTAL	\$ 2,576,174

Note: *HOPWA regulations limit Administrative Costs to 3% of total grant award

FORT WORTH. Timeline Milestone Date Staff funding recommendations presented to Community Development Council (CDC) May 10 Draft Action Plan posted on website, distributed to City libraries/community centers June 30 June 30 Public comment period begins District 11 Public Meeting July 10 Action Plan public hearing held by staff July 12 Public comment period ends July 31 ConPlan/Action Plan presented to City Council Work Session August 1 Public hearing held by City Council; Council consideration and approval August 8 Action Plan due to HUD August 15 October 1 Program year 2023-24 begins 27





ConPlan/Action Plan Locations

Draft Consolidated Plan can be reviewed upon request at the following locations:

Location	Hours
Neighborhood Services Department City Hall Annex, 3 rd Floor Fort Worth, Texas 76102 (817) 392-7540	Monday – Friday 8am-5pm
East Regional Library 6301 Bridge Street Fort Worth, Texas 76112	Sun: Closed/Mon: 12pm-8pm/Tue: 10am-6pm/Wed: 12pm-8pm/ Thu: 10am-6pm/Fri: Closed/Sat: 10am-6pm
Southwest Regional Library 4001 Library Lane Fort Worth, Texas 76109	Sun: Closed/Mon: 12pm-8pm/Tue: 10am-6pm/Wed: 10am-6pm Thu: 12pm-8pm/Fri: Closed/Sat: 10am-6pm

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