Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

Each year Clackamas County submits an Action Plan explaining how the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) resources will be used to improve communities throughout the County. This is the annual implementation plan of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan addressing the Housing and Community Development needs in Clackamas County.

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The needs, goals and objectives were identified through collaboration with participating cities, County agencies and other public and private project sponsors. The goals of the Consolidated Plan are primarily targeted to low- and moderate-income residents of Clackamas County and were developed to:

1. Provide decent housing;

2. Establish and maintain a suitable living environment; and

3. Expand economic opportunities.

In implementing these goals the County has engaged the following long-term housing and community development objectives:

(1) Revitalization of distressed neighborhoods;

(2) Expansion and improvement of community services and facilities;

(3) Expansion and conservation of the housing stock;

(4) Expansion of employment opportunities for low and moderate income persons; and

(5) Elimination of conditions detrimental to the community's health and welfare.

The current Consolidated Plan covers the 5-year period beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2017. This is the third of five annual action plans for this period and covers the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2014. The action plan, developed with the input of citizens and community groups, serves four major functions:

(1) It is the County's application for funds available through the three HUD formula grant programs: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs;

(2) It is the annual planning document, built through public input and participation, for CDBG, HOME, ESG, and other related programs;

(3) It lays out expected annual funding resources, the method of fund distribution, and the actions the County will follow in administering HUD programs; and

(4) It provides accountability to citizens for the use of the funds and allows HUD to measure program performance.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The five (5) year goals described briefly here are listed in detail in AP 20 Annual Goals and Objectives on page 28 of this Action Plan.

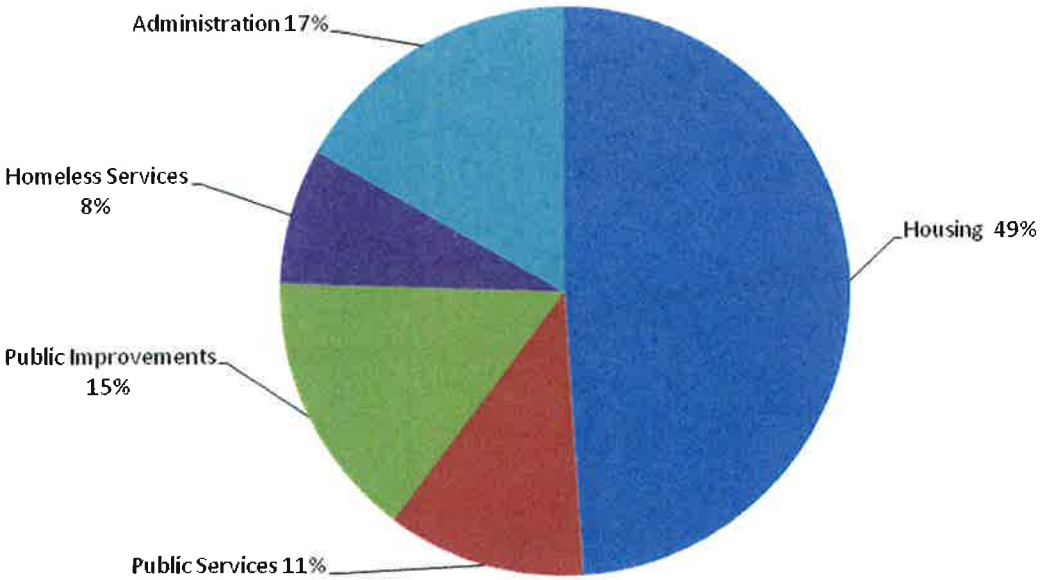
Clackamas County HCD has four (4) housing related goals to assist a total of 10,820 households over 5 years with housing units and information. On this goal HCD has assisted a total of 1110 households to date and plans to assist 4775 in program year 2014.

HCD has two (2) human services related goals to assist 750 households over 5 years with services. For the human services goal area HCD has assisted 1233 persons in approximately 200 households and plans to assist 490 people in 140 households in program year 2014. Lastly HCD has two (2) community development related goals to improve neighborhoods and facilities for 990 households. In the 2014 program year HCD plans to complete projects to benefit 917 people in 382 households and complete four neighborhood facilities. Specific projects for program year 2014 are listed in the 2014 Objectives and Outcomes chart.

Number	Project	Objective	Outcome
2014/0001	Housing Rehabilitation Program	Decent Housing	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0002	Grant Planning, Administration and Compliance	N/A	N/A
2014/0003	HOME Administration	N/A	N/A
2014/0004	Rent Well	Decent Housing	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0005	Housing Rights and Resources	Decent Housing	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0006	Home Base	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0009	Emergency Shelter Grant Program	Decent Housing	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0010	2012-2014 Homeless Count	N/A	N/A
2014/0011	Clackamas Cty. Service Dist. No.1 NCRA SHUAGP	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0012	Jackson Place Rehabilitation Project	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0013	SW Laurel Road Street Improvements	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0014	West Linn Adult Community Center Expansion	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0015	Multi-Family Rental Housing	Decent Housing	Affordability
2014/0020	SW Maple Road Street Improvements	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0021	Northwest Gladstone Infrastructure Rehabilitation	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0022	Save the Francis Ermatinger House	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0023	Bell Road Ped/Bike Improvements	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility
2014/0025	CHDO Operating Support Grant	N/A	N/A
2014/0026	Resident Services - Mentor Athletics	Suitable Living Environment	Availability/Accessibility

2014 Objectives and Outcomes

Allocation of 2014
CDBG, HOME & ESG Funds



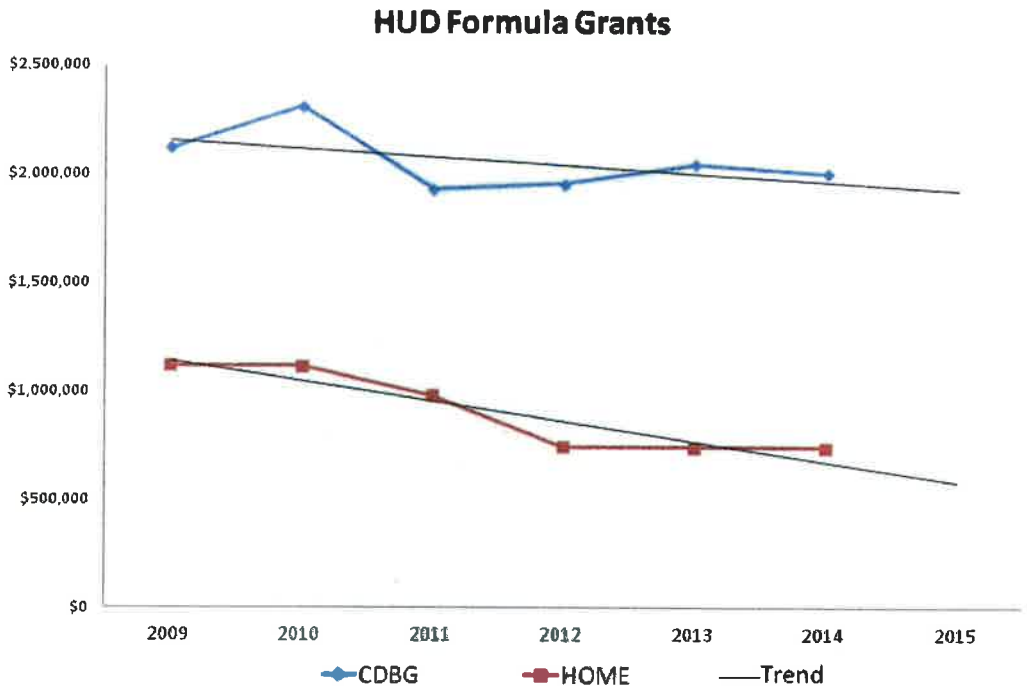
2014 Allocation of Funds

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Clackamas County's Housing and Community Development Division has met each of the annual goals established during the 2012-2016 Consolidated Plan development process. Two slow moving projects from program year 2012 that required additional community planning have been cancelled.

The last 2 projects from program year 2012 are a health clinic and Bell Road improvements. The Bell Road project is currently under construction with an anticipated completion date of October 30, 2014. The health clinic project originally for construction of a new clinic has since been revised to remodel an existing primary care clinic to provide more efficient services to the many low-income patients. This project should begin construction by August 1, 2014. The Chart below demonstrates a trend of declining CDBG and HOME funds for Clackamas County:



HUD Formula Grant Trends

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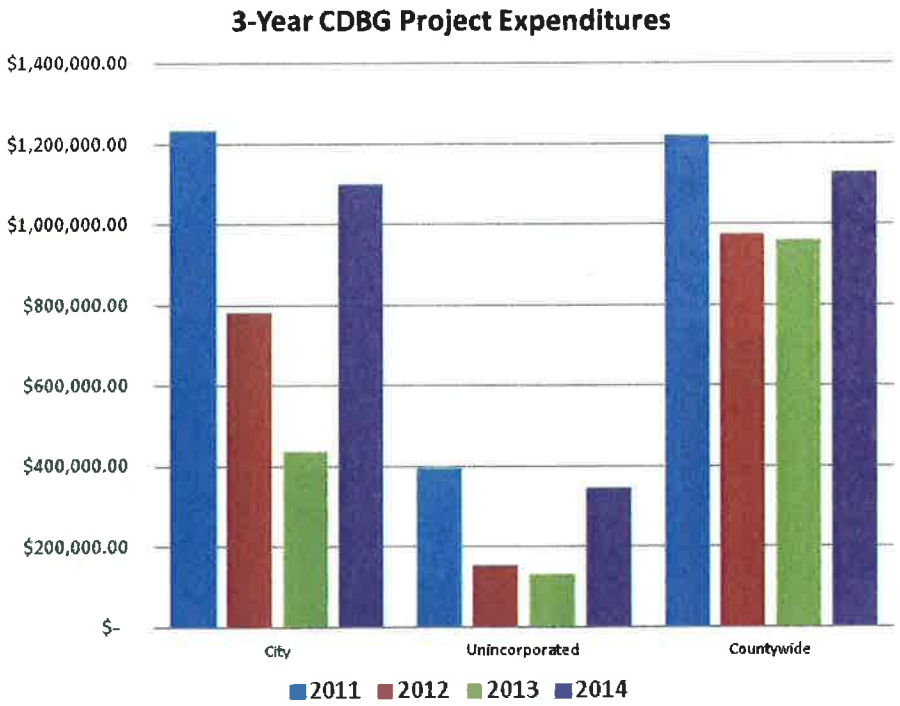

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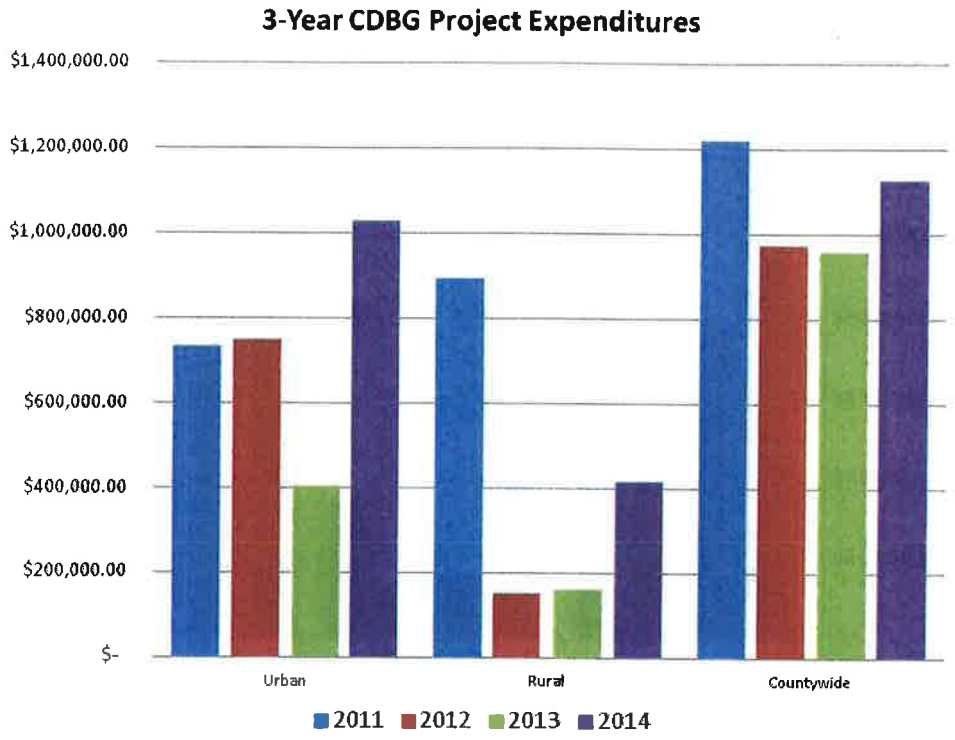

Rural and Urban Distribution of Funds

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Citizens, community members and agencies participate through community meetings and inclusion on the Citizen Participation list; an email distribution list. Meeting notices, application information and project information is distributed using this list and public notices in the newspapers of record. A public meeting notice was published in the newspapers of record, Oregon City/Clackamas Review on February 5, 2014 and in the Lake Oswego Review on February 6, 2014. A meeting notice, a schedule of dates for the Action Planning process and a list of Community Development projects were distributed to persons on the Citizen Participation list. Clackamas County now allocates CDBG funds for first 3 years of a 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

Proposals for the 2012-2014 planning cycle were requested in November and due in December of 2011. In reviewing these proposals the County used a selection process that emphasizes communication, compromise, and consensus. Working closely with all of the project sponsors Community Development program staff helped to prioritize each project and evaluate actual project costs. With a commitment to local match participation the County ensures a high degree of leveraging and maximizes the impact CDBG funds have on local communities throughout the County. A second allocation for the remaining 2

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years of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan will be conducted in late 2014 for the 2015 and 2016 program years. 2014 is the beginning of the 3rd year of our 5 year Consolidated Plan. As projects get cancelled the funds allocated for those projects are held for the following year to support new projects that will be selected as part of the 2015 and 2016 program year CDBG application funding cycle.

5. Summary of public comments

2014 Action Plan Public Input Meeting on February 26, 2014 at 6:00pm 15 community advocates attended the public meeting on February 26th. All persons present spoke about the need for services and housing for specific groups of people. Several people spoke about the increasing need for a range of housing for persons with mental illness. One person talked about the need for an ADA accessble entry to a community center serving families in a low-income neighborhood. A group spoke about the need for a foodbank building in a rural area. This group worried that if the school district sold the building they occupied then the foodbank would have no place to provide services. Another group talked about the need for eviction prevention public services programs such as RentWell and HomeBase. One person spoke on behalf of the increasing need for affordable accessible housing options for elderly and disabled persons. The full meeting summary and submitted testimony is attached in Appendix D

A Public Hearing held on April 10th with the Board of County Commissioners had 3 people speak on behalf of any housing assistance for pregnant teenagers, 1 person spoke on behalf of affordable housing projects in general, 1 person spoke on behalf of community development projects that help rural communities and th elast person spoke in support of a senior center expansion project. No one was opposed to any of the proposed projects. A full summary is included in Appendix D.

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

All public comments were accepted during the February 26 Public meeting and the April 10 Public Hearing. Comments were accepted verbally, by email and in written letters. A summary of comments is included in Appendix D of this plan.

7. Summary

The Housing and Community Development Division is identifying appropriate projects and completing those projects in a timely manner. Community Development staff working with 16 cities and towns, community partners and non-profit agencies are identifying projects and completing those projects within project budgets. Projects that do not make progress due to various factors are cancelled and the funds re-allocated based on Priority Needs areas and according to Funding Policies. Only 2 projects have been identified as slow moving projects from 2012. One of the two projects is under construction and the other is being revised to begin construction by August 1, 2014. Community members and partner agencies are supportive of the proposed projects.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	CLACKAMAS COUNTY	
CDBG Administrator	CLACKAMAS COUNTY	Housing and Community Development Division
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	CLACKAMAS COUNTY	Housing and Community Development Division
ESG Administrator	CLACKAMAS COUNTY	Housing and Community Development Division
HOPWA-C Administrator	CLACKAMAS COUNTY	Community Development Division

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

HOPWA funds are granted to nearby City of Portland for distribution through a six-county area that includes Clackamas County.

The Clackamas County Community Development Divisions works with 16 incorporated cities and towns and unincorporated rural areas to represent 386,000 citizens over 1800 square miles. Clackamas County is considered an urban county since most of the population lives in urban incorporated and unincorporated areas east of the Willamette river and just south of the City of Portland, Oregon.

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The Consiolidated Plan is also posted at www.clackamas/community development/plans