

ANNUAL ACTION Plan



CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI FY2025/PY2024

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Corpus Christi (City) is a federal entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The City receives this designation through the application; administration, execution, and compliance of HUD funded programs by the City's Planning and Community Development Department (PCDD).

As a HUD entitlement community, the City is required to prepare an Annual Action Plan (AAP) to implement federal programs that fund housing, community development and economic development. FY2025/PY2024 AAP represents the second year of the City's Five-Year Consolidated Plan for HUD Fiscal Years 2023-2028 as ratified by the City Council and accepted by HUD.

The FY2025/PY2024 AAP is the City of Corpus Christi's application to HUD for entitlement grants and identifies the proposed programs and projects to be funded during the City's Fiscal Year (FY) 2025. The following three HUD entitlement grants are covered in the AAP:

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- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG): The primary objective of the CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities through the provision of improved living environments, expansion of economic opportunity, and suitable housing. Funds are intended to serve low and moderate-income residents and areas.
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): The HOME program is dedicated to increasing the availability, quality, and access to affordable and decent housing for low-income households.
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): The purpose of the ESG program is to assist individuals and families regain both temporary and permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness.

The FY2025/PY2024 annual allocations will receive the following for the three grant programs: \$2,659,704 in CDBG funds; \$1,355,913 in HOME funds; and \$234,083 in ESG funds. An additional \$300,000 from CDBG Program Income and \$175,684 in CDBG reprogrammed funds. Also, \$250,000 in HOME Program Income is included. The total resources for the 2nd year of the Consolidated Plan are \$4,975,384.

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 Strategic Plan provides a framework to address the needs of the City for the next five years using approximately \$2.6 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$1.3 million in HOME funds and \$234,000 in ESG funds annually. The three overarching objectives guiding the proposed activities are:

- Providing Decent Affordable Housing
- Creating Suitable Living Environments
- Creating Economic Opportunities

Outcomes show how programs and activities benefit low- and moderate- income areas of a community or the people served. The three outcomes that will illustrate the benefits of each activity funded by the CDBG program are:

- Improve Availability/Accessibility
- Improve Affordability
- Improve Sustainability

Activities funded this year will support at least one objective and one outcome. The City's framework for realizing the objectives and outcomes include the following goals:

- Increase and Maintain Affordable Housing for low-income households
- Provide a Suitable Living Environment through public facilities and infrastructure improvements
- Blight Removal
- Provide public services and programs related to healthy outcomes for low- and moderate-income persons and households
- Address Homelessness

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Evaluation of past performance continuation

Additionally, partnerships with organizations like Rising Tide Ministries enabled targeted interventions, such as the Safe at Home program, aiming to enhance aging-in-place outcomes for low-income older adults by addressing home environment needs. These endeavors contribute to preserving existing affordable housing stock and ensuring the well-being of vulnerable populations.

The City's commitment to tenant-based rental assistance programming and strategic utilization of HOME funds, alongside leveraging city-owned property for Low-Income Housing Tax Credit projects, underscores its dedication to fostering the creation of new affordable housing units.

Furthermore, with the approval of the City's HOME ARP plan by HUD in PY22, efforts are underway to implement programs effectively. Notably, adaptations stemming from the CARES Act related to COVID-19 have been seamlessly integrated, demonstrating the City's resilience and responsiveness in addressing emergent challenges.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

A series of Public Meetings and Technical Assistance (TA) workshops for the City's FY2025/PY2024 AAP which include CDBG, ESG, and HOME Programs were conducted on February 28, 2024, February 29, 2024, March 3, 2024, March 6, 2024, and March 7, 2024. TA meetings occurred on April 4, 2024. The purpose of the Public Meetings and TA workshops were to provide program information, receive comments concerning housing and community needs and answer questions regarding request for proposals and the overall application process. All interested persons of low- and moderate-income residing in CDBG eligible areas were invited to attend. A first reading public hearing for the FY2025/PY2024 will be held on July 16, 2024 during the scheduled City Council meeting to receive public comment.

Also, the City took part in several measures in an effort to broaden public participation. In addition to the public hearings/meetings, the City conducted several consultations virtually, one-on-one meetings, and calls with local stakeholders including affordable housing agencies, homeless service providers, social service providers, health care and mental health providers, and the Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care.

The purpose of these public meetings was to assess needs and to obtain the views and comments of individuals concerning the City's housing and community development needs for the year and align with the 5-Year Con Plan priorities. For those who were unable to attend the meetings in person, the meetings were on Facebook and the City's YouTube Channel.

In efforts to broaden citizen participation efforts, the public meeting and TA schedule was published in the Corpus Christi Caller Times, in both English and Spanish and posted on the City's webpage.

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.

During the public comment period, multiple meetings were held with Development Services to receive comments on the plan. As a result, funding for Code Enforcement and Neighborhood Cleanups are included.

Mission 911 provided comments during the first reading of the ordinance expressing their disappointment in not receiving funds.

AHRI provided comments during the second reading of the ordinance expressing their disappointment in not receiving funds.

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

All comments were accepted.

7. Summary

In summary, the AAP has been developed with extensive community input as noted above and reflects the needs of the City.