

# City of Grants Pass CDBG Program & Annual Action Plan

## 2016-2017 Needs & Priorities Public Hearing

April 20, 2016 City Council Meeting  
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# Subject

- Public hearing regarding housing and community development needs and priorities for Year 2 Action Plan for use of Community Development Block Grant Funds
- **Purpose:** To obtain citizen views before the draft Annual Action Plan is developed and published for comment:
  - “To obtain views of citizens on housing and community development needs, including priority non-housing community development needs, and
  - To receive public comment on how the proposed CDBG or other publicly funded activities will address the needs of the City’s predominantly lower-income households.”

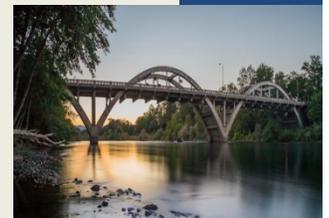




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## Relationship to Council Goals

- This supports the Council's goal of LEADERSHIP by encouraging citizen participation to help identify ways CBDG grant funds can be used to:
  - KEEP CITIZENS SAFE
  - Encourage ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES
  - Facilitate SUSTAINABLE, MANAGEABLE GROWTH, and
  - Maintain and expand our INFRASTRUCTURE to meet community needs.
- No action is required this evening





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## Opportunities to Provide Input:

### Information to Help Inform Input

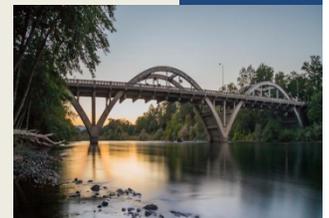
- Public Workshop & Open House (April 14, 2016)
- *Brief Summary at Start of April 20 Hearing*
- Webpage
- Contact Staff
- (City Council Workshop on May 9)

### Public Input on Needs, Priorities, and Projects for 2016-2017: Annual Action Plan & Possible Consolidated Plan Revisions)

- ★ Public Workshop & Open House (April 14, 2016)
- ★ Survey (by April 29)
- ★ Provide Written Comments (at or before April 20 hearing)
- Public Hearing (April 20, 2016)

### Public Input on 2016-2017 Action Plan (and Possible Consolidated Plan Revisions)

- 30 Day Public Comment Period (later, ~mid-June)
- Public Hearing (later, ~late-July)
- Plan submitted to HUD by mid-August





# Background

## CDBG Program

### CDBG Purpose & Goals

Provide flexible grants to assist cities and counties in development of viable urban communities by providing **decent housing**, a **suitable living environment**, and by **expanding economic opportunities**, principally benefitting low- and moderate-income persons.

### State/Small Cities Program

- Compete with other cities for federal funds allocated to state
- Grants consistent with state's Consolidated Plan and priorities

### Entitlement Cities

- Direct federal allocation each year
- Cities develop **5-Year Consolidated Plan** to guide use of funds – local needs
- Cities adopt **Annual Action Plan** for projects funded each year – local needs
- Cities conduct annual performance reporting (CAPER)





# CDBG Goals and Objectives

## Goals:

- Develop viable urban communities by:
  - Providing Decent Housing
  - Providing a Suitable Living Environment
  - Expanding Economic Opportunities (Principally for LMI Persons)

## National Objectives:

- (No more than 15% to Public Services Activities):
  - Predominant (>51%) LMI Benefit, at least 70% of funds
  - Reduce & Eliminate Blight
  - Urgent Need

## Eligible Activities:

- 19 Categories of Eligible Activities (and list of ineligible activities)





# Background

## Grants Pass CDBG History

### Previously Applied through State Administered/Small Cities

- Food Bank
- Small Business Development Center Microenterprise Assistance
- Early Childhood Center
- Women's Crisis Support Team
- Options

### Now Entitlement Community

- Granted Entitlement Community Status 2013/2014
- Developed/Adopted first 5-Year Consolidated Plan in 2015
- Developed/Adopted first 1-Year Annual Action Plan in 2015
- Approximately \$220,000/year (\$1,100,000/five years) for activities after planning/admin.
- Now implementing projects in Year 1 Action Plan
- End of Year, will complete annual CAPER (performance report)
- **Now seeking input to develop Year 2 Annual Action Plan for 2016-2017**
- **Approximately \$240,000 this year for activities after planning/admin.**





# Background

## Consolidated Plan

### Consolidated Plan Contents

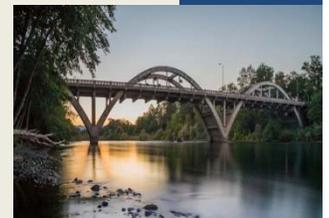
- Process (PR)
- Market Analysis (MA)
- Needs Assessment (NA)
- **5-Year Strategic Plan (SP)**
- 1-Year Action Plan (AP)



### Strategic Plan



- **Affordable Housing Strategy**
- **Public Housing Strategy**
- **Homelessness Strategy**
- **Other Special Needs (Non-Homeless - Housing and Supportive Services)**
- **Non-Housing Community Development**
  
- Fair Housing
- Neighborhood Revitalization
- Barriers to Affordable Housing
- Lead-Based Paint Hazards
- Anti-Poverty Strategy
- Institutional Structure
- Coordination





# Summary of 5-Year Strategic Plan

## CDBG Assisted Activities



### Year 1 Required Activities

- Analysis of Barriers to Affordable Housing
- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing



### Year 1-5 Activities Supported

#### Affordable Housing

- Weatherization/Energy-Efficiency (owner): ~\$180K/5 yrs, (~\$36K/yr)
- New Affordable Housing Supply (owner and rental): ~\$590K/5 yrs, (Not in Year 1)



#### Homelessness Prevention

- Emergency Housing Assistance (owner and rental): \$75K/5 yrs, (~\$15K/yr)



#### Non-Housing Community Development (& Anti-Poverty)

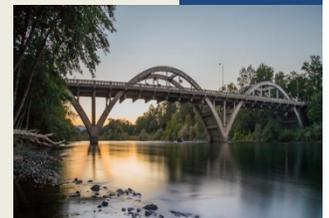
- Youth Skills Training: ~\$132K/5 yrs, (~\$26K/yr)
- Micro-Enterprise Assistance: ~125K/5 yrs, (~\$25K/yr)





# Some Issues

- May need to amend Strategic Plan portion of 5-Year Consolidated to broaden activities related to needs and new opportunities
- New opportunities to assist homeless youth
- Demand for funding for 'Public Services', but 15% cap on use
- Significant limitations on use of funds for new housing construction (but associated/supporting activities allowed)

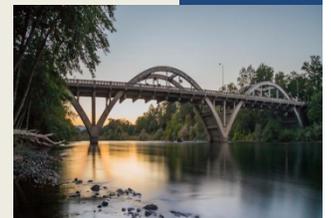




# Cost Implication

## Revenue Source:

- This public hearing doesn't commit funds
- Projects to be included in the Annual Action Plan would be funded from CDBG grant fund.
- Approximately \$240,000 is expected to be available for projects and activities in 2016-2017 Action Plan, excluding planning/admin.
- Use of Year 1 carry-over funds for Year 2 or carry-over to future years





# Call to Action

## Call to Action Date:

- No action needed tonight.
- Work session on May 9 to discuss input and action plan
- Draft 2016-2017 Action Plan
  - Notice of Comment Period: Early June
  - 30-Day Public Comment Period: Mid-June through Mid-July
  - **Public Hearing & Adoption: Late July**
  - Deadline for Submittal to HUD: Mid-August





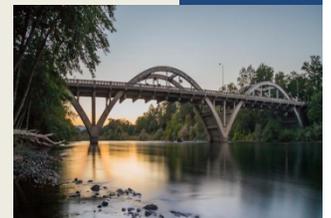
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## Recommendation:

- No recommendation at this time.

## Alternatives:

- No alternatives presented at this time.
- This hearing is to receive input before alternatives are developed.
- Will provide information and options for discussion at May 9 work session.





# Thank You!

- Council: Clarifying questions for staff?
- Public testimony
- Council: Follow-up questions for staff, discussion?
- (No action tonight)

