

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs		8,677,216			
External Revenues		(8,129,363)			
Program Income		(25,000)			
In-Kind Match (County)		(483,639)			
NET FISCAL IMPACT		39,214			

# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)		-0-			
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Is Item Included In Proposed Budget? Yes X No _____
 Budget Account No.:

Fund various Dept 143 Unit various Object various Program Code/Period various

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:


This Agenda Item will approve funding recommendations for the following programs: CDBG: \$5,750,879 (plus program income of \$25,000); ESG: \$522,853; and HOME: A\$1,530,417. \$325,214 HOME match will be provided by 2015-2016 State SHIP funds (Fund 1100) and \$483,639 in-kind match will be provided by ESG sub-recipient agencies. The \$39,214 net fiscal impact represents \$27,450 in various units in the Department of Community Services budget and \$11,764 in various units in the Department of Economic Sustainability budget.

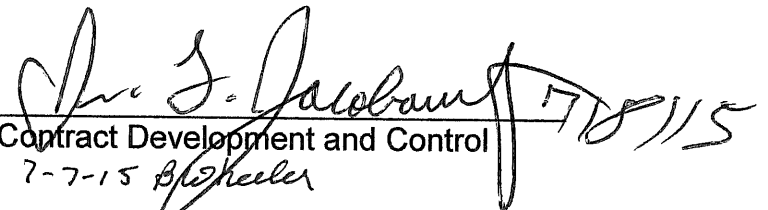
C. Departmental Fiscal Review:


 Shairette Major, Fiscal Manager II 6-26-15

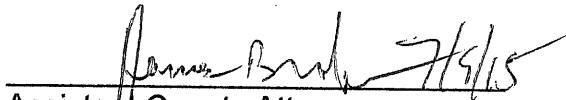
III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:


 OFMB 5/10 sc 6/30 7/11 mj 7/12 7/12


 Contract Development and Control 7-7-15 B/Scheeler

B. Legal Sufficiency:


 Assistant County Attorney 7/9/15

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

Background and Policy Issues: (continued from Page 1)

The following information represents a summary of the citizen participation process.

- On November 30, 2014, a public notice was published in the Palm Beach Post advising of the Consolidated Plan and AP planning processes and public meetings. The public notice was sent directly to all participating municipalities, public agencies, private non-profit agencies, and other interested parties.
- On December 9 and 11, 2014, DES held public meetings in the eastern and western regions of the County to discuss the Consolidated Plan and AP planning process.
- DES established a designated email account for submission of public comments on the Consolidated Plan and AP.
- DES promoted public involvement in the Consolidated Plan and AP planning process through the DES website, the DES newsletter, and outreach efforts at various stakeholder forums, including the HHA, the Homeless Advisory Board, the Housing Leadership Council, the Countywide Community Revitalization Team, and the meetings of local municipal governing bodies.
- On March 4, 2015, DHS published an ESG Request for Proposals on the Department of Community Services website and through various social media channels.
- On March 22, 2015, a public notice was published in the Palm Beach Post advising of meetings to discuss the draft Consolidated Plan and proposed AP program strategies and funding allocations for CDBG, ESG, and HOME. The public notice was sent directly to all participating municipalities, public agencies, private non-profit agencies, and other interested parties.
- April 8 and 9, 2015, DES held meetings in the eastern and western regions of the county to discuss the draft Consolidated Plan and proposed AP program strategies and funding allocations for CDBG, ESG, and HOME.
- On April 13, 2015, the HHA Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee held a public meeting to formulate ESG funding recommendations.
- On April 28, 2015, a BCC workshop was held on proposed AP program strategies and funding allocations for CDBG, ESG, and HOME.
- On June 21, 2015, a public notice was published in the Palm Beach Post which included: a summary of the draft AP and funding recommendations for CDBG, ESG, and HOME; notice of public meetings to receive comment on the draft Consolidated Plan and draft AP; and notice of the BCC Public Hearing on July 21, 2015, to approve the AP. A thirty (30) day comment period was provided.
- On June 29 and 30, 2015, public meetings were held in the eastern and western regions of the county to receive comments on the draft Consolidated Plan and draft AP. All comments received were considered, and if applicable, were incorporated into the AP.

Approval of the Palm Beach County AP for Fiscal year 2015-2016 will complete the consolidated planning process and will be followed by submission of the AP to HUD prior to the August 16, 2015, deadline.

RESOLUTION R2015-_____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Final Rule 24 CFR Part 91, published on January 5, 1995, consolidated into a single submission the planning and application aspects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Programs, to be administered on a single consolidated program year; and

WHEREAS, 24 CFR Part 91 requires that Palm Beach County submit an Action Plan yearly to receive its formula grants; and

WHEREAS, 24 CFR Part 91 and the HUD Miami Area Office require that the Action Plan be duly authorized by the governing body of Palm Beach County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

The Palm Beach County Action Plan for FY 2015-2016 is approved.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

SHELLEY VANA, Mayor	- _____
MARY LOU BERGER, Vice Mayor	- _____
HAL R. VALECHE	- _____
PAULETTE BURDICK	- _____
STEVEN L. ABRAMS	- _____
MELISSA MCKINLAY	- _____
PRISCILLA A. TAYLOR	- _____

The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 20____.

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, BY ITS
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

**ATTEST: SHARON R. BOCK
CLERK & COMPTROLLER**

By: _____
James Brako
Assistant County Attorney

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

**APPLICATION FOR
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE**

OMB Approved No. 3076-0006

Version 7/03

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier B-15-UC-12-0004
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction	Pre-application	3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name: PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS		Organizational Unit: Department: DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY	
Organizational DUNS: 078470481		Division:	
Address: Street: 100 AUSTRALIAN AVENUE, SUITE 500		Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)	
City: WEST PALM BEACH		Prefix: MR.	First Name: EDWARD
County: PALM BEACH		Middle Name W.	
State: FLORIDA		Last Name LOWERY	
Zip Code 33406-1485	Suffix:		
Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		Email: ELOWERY@PBCGOV.ORG	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 59-6000785		Phone Number (give area code) 561-233-3602	Fax Number (give area code) 561-233-3651
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) B. - COUNTY GOVERNMENT Other (specify)	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Community Development Block Grant Program 14-218		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's CDBG Program activities include public facilities, infrastructure, public services, fair housing activities, economic development activities, and program administration.	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22	
Ending Date: 09/30/2016		b. Project 18,20,21,22	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$ 5,750,879 ⁰⁰	a. Yes. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON	
b. Applicant	\$ ⁰⁰	DATE:	
c. State	\$ ⁰⁰	b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372	
d. Local	\$ ⁰⁰	<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
e. Other	\$ ⁰⁰	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
f. Program Income	\$ 25,000 ⁰⁰	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
g. TOTAL	\$ 5,775,879 ⁰⁰		
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.			
a. Authorized Representative			
Prefix Ms.	First Name Shelley	Middle Name	
Last Name Vana	Suffix		
b. Title Mayor	c. Telephone Number (give area code) 561-355-2203		
d. Signature of Authorized Representative	e. Date Signed		

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County: PALM BEACH		Middle Name W.	
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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Emergency Solutions Grant Program 14-231		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's ESG Program provides services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. Activities include operation and maintenance of emergency shelters/transitional housing, homeless prevention activities, and rapid re-housing.	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22	
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e. Other	\$.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
f. Program Income	\$.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
g. TOTAL	\$ 522,853.00		
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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Home Investment Partnership Program 1 4 - 2 3 9		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's HOME Program activities include tenant based rental assistance, community housing development organization (CHDO) activities, and program administration.		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015 Ending Date: 09/30/2016		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22 b. Project 18,20,21,22		
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b. Applicant	\$.00	b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372		
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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

Shelley Vana, Mayor

Title

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) FY 2015-2016, FY 2016-2017, & FY 2017-2018, 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

Shelley Vana, Mayor

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

Shelley Vana, Mayor
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

Shelley Vana, Mayor

Title

ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

Matching Funds – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction’s consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from

publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Shelley Vana, Mayor
Title

HOPWA Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities -- Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building -- Any building or structure assisted under that program shall be operated for the purpose specified in the plan:

1. For at least 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For at least 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Shelley Vana, Mayor
Title

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Palm Beach County
Action Plan Recommendations Approved on April 28, 2015

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Public Services & the Lewis Center (Max 15% of CDBG)	
Philip D. Lewis Center	\$ 808,721
Legal Aid Society	\$ 57,966
Seagull Industries for the Disabled	\$ 29,657
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse	\$ 24,535
Children's Home Society	\$ 22,647
Coalition for Independent Living Options	\$ 21,840
Urban League	\$ 18,025
Children's Place at Home Safe	\$ 16,994
Sickle Cell Foundation	\$ 16,985
Place of Hope	\$ 14,829
Redlands Christian Migrant Association	\$ 13,211
Vita Nova	\$ 12,670
J.A.Y Ministries	\$ 11,322
Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies	\$ 8,887
TOTAL	\$ 1,078,289
Local Entitlement Municipalities	
Lake Worth, City of	\$ 322,004
Riviera Beach, City of	\$ 193,235
Greenacres, City of	\$ 157,209
Belle Glade, City of	\$ 149,257
Palm Springs, Village of	\$ 124,626
Royal Palm Beach, Village of	\$ 86,237
Lantana, Town of	\$ 58,579
Lake Park, Town of	\$ 42,455
South Bay, City of	\$ 37,889
Pahokee, City of	\$ 32,821
Mangonia Park, Town of	\$ 8,589
TOTAL	\$ 1,212,901
Economic Development	
Center for Enterprise Opportunity	\$ 100,029
Enterprise Development Corporation	\$ 63,834
Center for Technology Enterprise and Development	\$ 188,724
DES Economic Services	\$ 619,686
TOTAL	\$ 972,273
County-Initiated Projects	
Engineering - Old Dixie Highway Resurfacing	\$ 1,611,657
FDO - South County Homeless Resource Center	\$ 282,378
Parks & Recreation - Canal Point Playground	\$ 198,705
TOTAL	\$ 2,092,740
Special AOH Allocation	
	\$ 394,675
CDBG GRAND TOTAL	\$ 5,750,879
HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)	
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$ 1,190,327
CHDO Activities	\$ 340,090
HOME Grand Total	\$ 1,530,417

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM
FY 2015-2016
Proposed CDBG Activities by Objective**

Code Enforcement Objective

<u>Activity/Location</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) Belle Glade, City of: Code enforcement activities	City of Belle Glade	\$119,406
2) Pahokee, City of: Code enforcement activities	City of Pahokee	\$26,257
3) South Bay, City of: Code enforcement activities	City of South Bay	\$30,311
Code Enforcement Total		\$175,974

Public Facilities Objective

<u>Activity/Location</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) PBC Parks and Recreation Dept.: Improvements to Canal Point Community Center Playground, 12860 U.S. Hwy. 441, Canal Point, FL 33438	PBC Parks and Recreation	\$142,000
2) PBC Facilities Development and Operations: Renovation of existing space at the South County Administrative Building to accommodate a homeless resource center, 345 South Congress Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444	PBC FDO	\$175,000
3) Mangonia Park, Town of: Installation of amphitheater, 1233 53 rd Street, Mangonia Park, FL 33407	Town of Mangonia Park	\$6,871
4) Lake Park, Town of: Installation of benches and litter receptacles at Kelsey Park, 601 Federal Highway, Lake Park, FL 33403	Town of Lake Park	\$33,964
5) Lake Worth, City of: Reconstruction of pavilion roof structure at the Osborne Community Center, 1701 Wingfield Street, Lake Worth, FL 33460	City of Lake Worth	\$60,000
Public Facilities Total		\$417,835

Infrastructure Objective

<u>Activity/Location</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) PBC Engineering: Old Dixie Highway Resurfacing along portions of Old Dixie Highway from 45 th Street in the City of West Palm Beach to Park Avenue in the Town of Lake Park	PBC Engineering	\$1,000,000
2) Lantana, Town of: Installation of sidewalks along North Broadway between Lantana Road and Gator Drive, Lantana, FL 33462	Town of Lantana	\$46,863
3) Greenacres, City of: Storm water drainage construction along Fleming, Jennings, Perry and Martin Avenues, and Swain Boulevard, Greenacres, FL 33463	City of Greenacres	\$125,767
4) Palm Springs, Village of: Replacement of pedestrian bridge at the L-10 canal along Davis Road, Palm Springs, FL #3461	Village of Palm Springs	\$99,701
5) Lake Worth, City of: Improvements to Tropical Drive and Barton Road, Lake Worth, FL 33460	City of Lake Worth	\$513,343
6) Riviera Beach, City of: Drainage improvements to West 18 th , 19 th , 20 th , 21 st , and 22 nd Streets, Riviera Beach, FL 33404	City of Riviera Beach	\$154,588
7) Royal Palm Beach, Village of: ADA sidewalk improvements along Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach, FL #3411	Village of Royal Palm Beach	\$68,990
8) County Project Implementation Cost: activity delivery cost of infrastructure and public facility projects	DES	\$357,192
Infrastructure Total		\$2,366,444

Public Services Objective

<u>Activity/Location</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) Operational costs of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center for homeless individuals, 1000 45 th Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33407	PBC Division of Human Services	\$646,976
2) Aid To Victims of Domestic Abuse: Transitional housing for abused women with children, confidential location.	Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse	\$19,628
3) Children's Home Society: Transitions Home transitional housing for pregnant teens and teen mothers, 1199 West Lantana Road, Lantana, FL 33462.	Children's Home Society	\$18,118
4) Children's Place at Home Safe, The: Emergency shelter and therapeutic care for abused/neglected children, 2840 6 th Avenue South, Lake Worth, FL 33461.	The Children's Place at Home Safe	\$13,595
5) Coalition for Independent Living Options: DINE program meal delivery service, 6800 Forest Hill Boulevard, Greenacres, FL 33413.	Coalition for Independent Living Options	\$17,472
6) Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies: Assistance to uninsured low income pregnant women and families in order to access health care. 500 Gulfstream Blvd., Suite 201, Boynton Beach, FL 33483	Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies	\$7,110
7) J.A.Y. Ministries: Transitional housing for homeless men, 2831 Avenue S, Riviera Beach, FL 33404	J.A.Y. Ministries	\$9,058
8) Legal Aid Society: Fair housing enforcement, and foreclosure assistance, 423 Fern Street, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33401.	Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County	\$46,373
9) Place of Hope: Case management for children in transitional housing, 9078 Isaiah Lane, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410.	Place of Hope	\$11,863
10) Redlands Christian Migrant Association: Child care/child development services, 20 Carver Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430	Redlands Christian Migrant Association	\$10,569
11) Seagull Industries: Vocational services for developmentally disabled adults through the Achievement Center, 3879 West Bryon Drive, Riviera Beach, FL 33404.	Seagull Industries for the Disabled	\$23,726
12) Sickie Cell Foundation: Glades Project providing sickie cell screening, case management, and counseling in western PBC, 136 South Main Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430.	Sickie Cell Foundation of Palm Beach County	\$13,588
13) Urban League of Palm Beach County: Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program, 1700 North Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33407.	Urban League of Palm Beach County	\$14,420
14) Vita Nova: Case management for young adults aged out of foster care and residing in transitional housing, 1316 & 1320 Alpha Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33409.	Vita Nova	\$10,136
	Public Services Total	\$862,632

DES Economic Development Objective

<u>Activity/Location</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) DES Economic Development Services: Direct assistance to businesses by DES staff and consultant(s) (Countywide)	PBC DES	\$495,818
2) Center for Enterprise Opportunity: Business support services and micro-lending (Countywide)	CEO	\$80,000
3) Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Development: Technical assistance and incubator for small and start-up businesses (Countywide)	TED Center	\$151,000

4) Enterprise Development Corporation: Technical EDC assistance and incubator for small and start-up businesses (Countywide) \$51,000

Economic Development Total \$777,818

Program Administration Cost Objective

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) General Administration, Planning, and Fiscal	PBC DES	\$1,150,176
Program Administration Total		\$1,150,176

Contingency Reserves

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Implementing Agency</u>	<u>Recommended Funding</u>
1) Contingency	PBC DES	\$25,000
Contingency Total		\$25,000

SUMMARY OF CDBG PROGRAM EXPENDITURES FY 2015 - 2016

1) Code Enforcement-----	\$175,974
2) Public Facilities -----	\$417,835
3) Infrastructure -----	\$2,366,444
4) Public Services -----	\$862,632
5) Economic Development -----	\$777,818
6) Program Administration -----	\$1,150,176
7) Contingency Reserves-----	\$25,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$5,775,879

SUMMARY OF AVAILABLE CDBG RESOURCES FY 2015 - 2016

1) Entitlement Amount -----	\$5,750,879
2) Estimated Program Income-----	\$25,000
TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$5,775,879

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) PROGRAM
FY 2015-2016**

Agency	Activity	ESG Funding Recommendation
Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches	Rapid Re-housing to include security deposits utility deposits, utility payments and short and medium term rental assistance for 150 individuals	\$173,488
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse	Utilities, insurance, repairs, food, equipment, supplies and general maintenance of an emergency shelter facility for 372 victims of domestic violence.	\$45,500
Center For Family Services	Operation/maintenance of a family emergency shelter for 117 homeless individuals. (food, general maintenance, security, supplies and utilities).	\$90,000
The Salvation Army Center of Hope	Operation/maintenance of transitional housing for 36 adult homeless individuals. (food, general maintenance, security, supplies and utilities).	\$93,000
Young Women's Christian Association	Operations/maintenance (utilities and maintenance) of emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence and their families (470 individuals)	\$31,731
PBC Community Services	Match funds required by HUD for the HMIS lead agency for Palm Beach County	\$50,000
PBC DHS/DES	Program administration costs incurred by Palm Beach County Division of Human Services and Department of Economic Sustainability	\$39,134
ESG TOTAL		\$522,853

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAM
FY 2015-2016**

HOME Program Description

The HOME Program was created by the 1990 Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act. The purpose of this program is to allocate funds to eligible participating jurisdictions (PJs) to strengthen public/private partnerships for the provision of affordable housing opportunities for low and very low income households.

Palm Beach County's FY 2015-2016 HOME entitlement amount is \$1,749,997. The Federal regulations governing the HOME Program allow for a maximum of 10% of HOME Program allocation to be spent on program administration and planning activities; at least 15% of the funds must be spent on CHDO administered activities; and 5% of the funds may be awarded to CHDOs to cover their administrative costs. The HOME Program regulations require each participating jurisdiction to provide, as a matching contribution, not less than 25% of the funds drawn from its HOME Investment Trust Fund Treasury account for certain activities. During FY 2015-2016, the required match of \$325,214 will be provided from State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Program funding. The specific amounts which Palm Beach County will set aside to fund eligible costs under the HOME Program are outlined below.

- *Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-Aside:* \$229,563 representing 15% of the overall HOME Program allocation. Funding will be used for the development, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of multifamily rental housing and existing single family housing for first time homebuyers, and for DES activity delivery costs incurred during implementation.
- *CHDO Operating Expenses:* \$76,521 representing 5% of the overall HOME Program allocation.
- *Homeless Prevention/Intervention (Tenant Based Rental Assistance):* \$1,071,291 including \$900,000 for financial assistance plus \$171,291 for activity delivery costs. Funding will be allocated for homeless prevention/intervention and will be administered/overseen by Palm Beach County's Community Services Department, Division of Human and Veteran's Services.
- *DES Program Administration:* \$153,042 representing 10% of the total allocation.

Summary of HOME Strategies	Funding
CHDO Activities	\$ 306,084
Homeless Prevention/Intervention (TBRA)	\$ 1,071,291
Program Administration	\$ 153,042
TOTAL	\$ 1,530,417

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Church shooting suspect Dylan Roof is escorted from the Shelby, N.C., Police Department on Thursday as he was being extradited to Charleston, S.C. TODD SUMLIN/IN CHArlotte OBSERVER

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that has to be me."

The website was registered Feb. 9 in the name of Dylan Roof, the 21-year-old man charged with entering a black church in Charleston on Wednesday night, attending a prayer meeting for an hour and then murdering nine parishioners. The day after the site was registered, the registration information was intentionally masked.

It is not clear whether the manifesto was written by Roof or if he had control of it. Nor is it clear whether he took the pictures with a filter, or if someone else took them. The FBI and Charleston police officials say they are examining the site.

But if it is genuine, as his friends seem to think, the tourist sites he visited, the pictures that were posted and the hate-filled words filling the site offered a chilling glimpse into the interests of an unemployed high school dropout said to have a fixation on race and a murderous rage.

"This whole racist thing came into him within the past five years," said Caleb Brown, a childhood friend of Roof's who is half-black. "He was never really popular; he accepted that. He wasn't like, 'When I grow up I am going to show all these kids.' He accepted who he was, and who he was changed, obviously."

Roof, who is accused of being the lone gunman who entered the Emanuel AME Church on Wednesday night and unleashed a murderous rampage with a .45-caliber handgun, has been charged with nine counts of murder in connection with the killings. Victims included the Rev. Clementa C. Pinkney, who was both the church pastor and a state senator.

Roof, who was first identified by surveillance footage released the morning after the killings, is being held at the Charleston County Jail, along with a North Charleston police officer charged with shooting an unarmed African American motorist in the back in April.

Roof's friends say that he only spoke of his racist leanings once — when he recently warned that he planned to do something crazy with the gun he had purchased with the money he got from his parents for his 21st birthday. But they say he was bothered by the uproar surrounding the Trayvon Martin case.

The website, lastrihodesian.com, features a photo of a bloodied dead white man on the floor. The picture appears to be a shot

DEVELOPMENTS

■ Mitt Romney said it's time to take down the Confederate flag that's flying near the South Carolina Capitol in Columbia. The 2012 Republican presidential nominee tweets that the flag "is a symbol of racial hatred" to many people. His view: "Remove it now to honor the victims of the church shooting. President Barack Obama has said he thinks the flag belongs in a museum. South Carolina was the last state to fly the Confederate battle flag from its Capitol dome. In 2000, it was moved to a 30-foot flagpole in front of the Statehouse.

■ Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton called for "common-sense" gun reforms and a national reckoning with the persistent problem of "institutional racism." Clinton said the country must take steps to keep guns from criminals and the mentally ill. Regulations can be bypassed while still respecting the Second Amendment and "respecting responsible gun owners," she told the U.S. Conference of Mayors in San Francisco on Saturday. "The stakes are too high. The costs are too dear."

■ Congregation members said Saturday that Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church will reopen for services this morning. The church is scheduled to open at 8:30 a.m. for Sunday school and 9 a.m. for a service.

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from "Romper Stomper," an Australian movie about neo-Nazis. It was first discovered by a blogger who goes by the pen name Emma Quagga.

The blogger was inspired by another Twitter user to pay \$49 for a reverse domain search that turned up the site.

According to web server logs, the manifesto was last modified at 4:44 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday, the day of the Charleston shootings, and the essay notes: "at the time of writing I am in a great hurry."

The manifesto says: "The event that truly awakened me was the Trayvon Martin case. I kept hearing and seeing his name, and eventually I decided to look him up. I read the Wikipedia article and right away I was unable to understand what the big deal was," the essay says.

"It was obvious that Zimmerman was in the right. But more importantly this prompted me to type in the words 'black on White crime' into Google, and I have never been the same since that day."

The account cites the website of the far-right Council of Conservative Citizens as a site he learned from.

A friend of Roof's, Jacob Meek, 15, said the references to the Trayvon Martin case made it clear that Roof had written the essay. "That's his website," he said. "He wrote

it, and I just can tell." Watchdog groups that track right-wing extremism say the manifesto reflects the language found in white supremacist forums online and dovetails with what has been said about Roof thus far — that he had self-radicalized, and that he did not belong to a particular hate group. "It's clear that he was extremely receptive to those ideas," said Mark Pitcaughey, director of the Anti-Defamation League's Center on Extremism. "At the same time, he does not have a sophisticated knowledge of white supremacy."

In one picture, Roof is shown posing with white figures of slaves. In others, he posed with a handgun that appears to be a .45-caliber Glock. He had a .45-caliber Glock in his car when he was arrested Thursday, the police said.

Roof is alone in all the photos, which show a slave plantation; Sullivan's Island, S.C.; and the Museum and Library of Confederate History in Greenville, S.C. He sports the same gloomy look in many of the photos, but others depict nature scenes and vacation photographs.

According to the Southern Poverty Law Center's glossary of racist skinhead terms, "14 words" stands for the "14 words" slogan coined by David Lane, who died in 2007 while serving a 180-year sentence for his part in the assassination of a Jewish talk show host. The slogan, according to the center, is "We must secure the existence of our people and a future for white children." The letter H is the eighth letter of the alphabet, so 88 is a known code for "Heil Hitler."

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**PALM BEACH COUNTY
 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
 SUSTAINABILITY
 NOTICE OF FY 2015-2020
 CONSOLIDATED PLAN,
 FY 2015-2016 ACTION PLAN,
 PUBLIC MEETINGS, AND
 PUBLIC HEARING**

The Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) has completed the FY 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan, the FY 2015-2016 Action Plan, the County's Five-Year Strategic Plan, the County's Annual Performance and Budget Report, and the County's Annual Report on the State of the County. These documents are available for review at the County Department of Economic Sustainability, 1000 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach, Florida 33480. The County Department of Economic Sustainability will be available for the Board of County Commissioners on Thursday, June 25, 2015.

FY 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan
 The Palm Beach County Consolidated Plan identifies priority areas related to economic development, public safety, transportation, public works, and other key areas. The plan includes a list of projects and programs to be implemented over the next five years. The plan is available for review at the County Department of Economic Sustainability, 1000 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach, Florida 33480.

FY 2015-2016 Action Plan
 The Palm Beach County Consolidated Plan identifies priority areas related to economic development, public safety, transportation, public works, and other key areas. The plan includes a list of projects and programs to be implemented over the next five years. The plan is available for review at the County Department of Economic Sustainability, 1000 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach, Florida 33480.

Public Meetings and Public Hearing
 The County Department of Economic Sustainability will be available for the Board of County Commissioners on Thursday, June 25, 2015. The Board of County Commissioners will be holding a public hearing on the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. The Board of County Commissioners will be holding a public hearing on the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. The Board of County Commissioners will be holding a public hearing on the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan.

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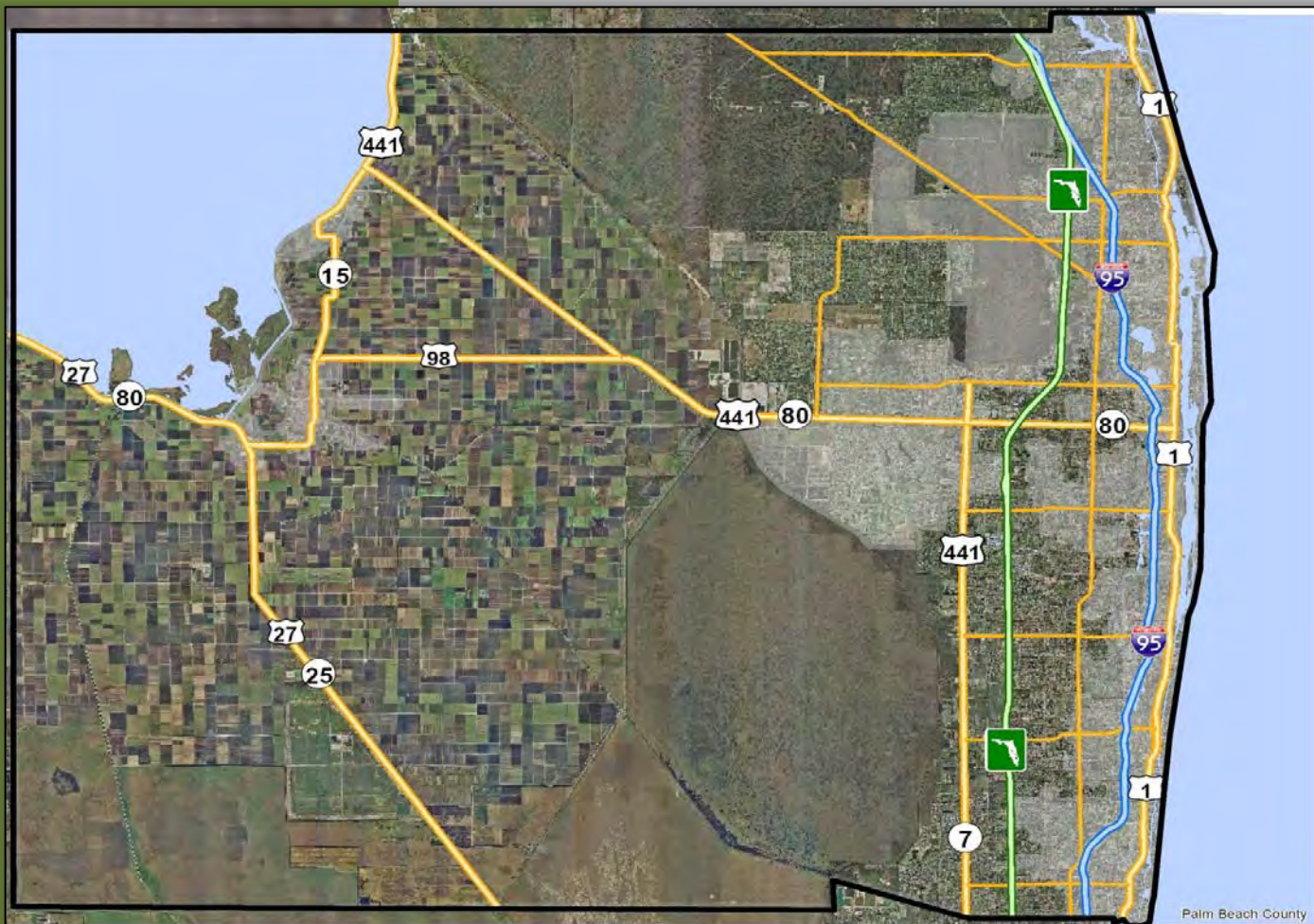
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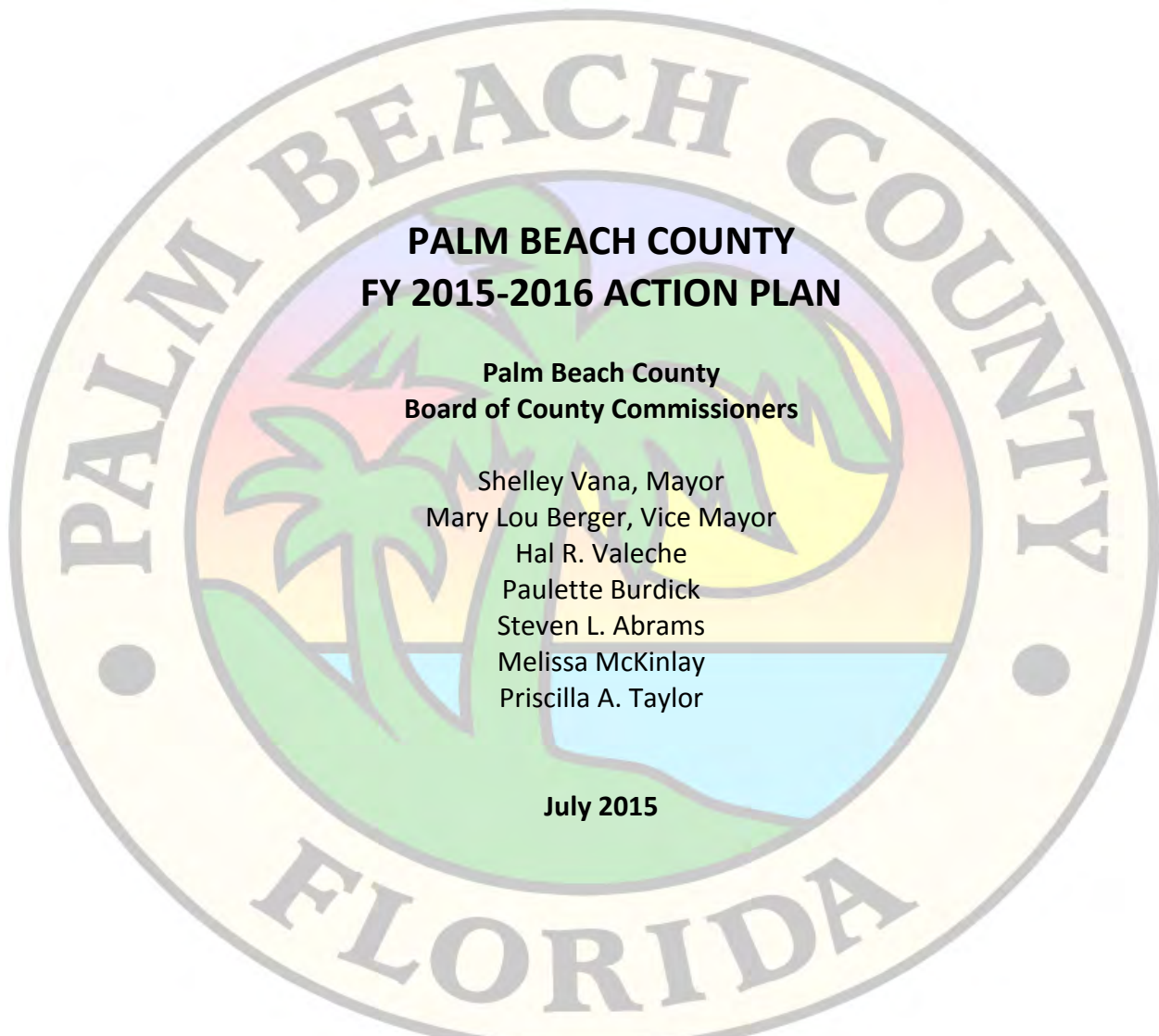
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**PALM BEACH COUNTY
FY 2015-2016 ACTION PLAN**

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Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Entitlement grant resources totaling \$16,877,927 are expected during FY 2015-2016 (October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016). The amount received will be targeted for expenditures on identified priority needs to realize specific goals and objectives outlined in the Consolidated Plan. The grant resources will address obstacles that meet underserved needs, achieve decent housing, expand economic development opportunities for low and moderate income persons, develop institutional structures, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. The results of these activities will be reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report to be published in December 2016.

Anticipated Resources

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: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	5,750,879	25,000	6,017,596	11,793,475	34,796,991	The CDBG entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2015-2016 totals \$5,750,879. Program income was calculated at \$25,000, for a total available amount of \$5,775,879.
HOME	public - federal	Homebuyer assistance Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership Tenant Based Rental Assistance	1,530,417	100,000	2,931,182	4,561,599	10,683,267	The HOME entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2015-2016 totals \$1,530,417. Program income is estimated at \$100,000 for a total available amount of \$1,630,417.
ESG	public - federal	Emergency shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Homeless Prevention Contract Management Administration	522,853	0	0	522,853	2,614,265	The ESG Program entitlement allocation from HUD for FY 2015-2016 totals \$522,853.

Table AP1 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES (LEVERAGED)

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount (FY 2015-2016)
Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program and Brownfield Economic Development Initiative	Federal	Used to fund economic development initiatives that creates low to moderate jobs.	\$9,604,000
Continuum of Care	Federal	Homeless assistance to create community systems for combating homelessness.	\$5,461,193
Public Housing Authority Funding - Capital Fund	Federal	Develop, finance, and modernize public housing developments and management improvements.	\$1,440,835
Public Housing Operating Subsidy	Federal	Provides operating subsidiaries to housing authorities to assist in funding operating and maintenance.	\$1,737,550
Housing Choice Vouchers under the Section 8 Program	Federal	Federal government's major program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market.	\$21,983,141
Rural Development Rental Assistance	Federal	Rental assistance program for rural areas.	\$387,821
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	Federal	Program that provides assistance to individual households to help them afford the housing costs of market-rate units.	\$250,000
Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Program	Federal	Program to assist public housing residents and section 8 housing choice voucher program participants to connect to supportive services.	\$68,000
Family Self-Sufficiency Program	Federal	Program to assist public housing residents and section 8 housing choice voucher program participants to connect to supportive services.	\$164,296
Neighborhood Stabilization Program (Program Income)	Federal	Mortgage Program, Residential Redevelopment (acquisition and rehabilitation), and Neighborhood Redevelopment.	\$3,306,414
Ryan White Title I	Federal	Services provided by agencies who serve the HIV/AIDS community.	\$7,625,570
FEDERAL			\$52,028,820
Palm Beach County Housing Finance Authority	State	Sale of tax free revenue bonds to finance low interest mortgages and revolving construction loans for development of multi-family rental projects and	\$ 45,175,000

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount (FY 2015-2016)
		homebuyer assistance programs.	
STATE			\$ 45,175,000
Financial Assisted Agencies (FAA) (PBC Department of Community Services)	Local	Funding for the prevention/intervention, treatment and emergency services for substance abuse and mental health services, independent living and support services for people/families with special needs or disabilities, domestic abuse, emergency and shelter services.	\$ 11,290,068
LOCAL			\$ 11,290,068
TOTAL			\$108,493,888

Table AP2 – Other Leveraged Resources

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

Palm Beach County expects to receive \$486,388,212 from Federal, State and local funding to complement the CDBG, ESG, and HOME funds totaling \$39,645,745 which it expects to have available during FY 2015-2020. Some \$241,490,222 of this amount is expected to be from Federal sources; \$183,607,055 from the State and \$61,290,935 from local sources including County General revenues. These funds will be used to undertake community development activities related to providing assistance to the homeless, disabled and underserved population and those having special needs. Funds will also be used for housing purposes and for undertaking of economic development and infrastructure. Both the HOME and ESG programs have matching fund requirements to be provided by the recipient. For the ESG Program, this will be provided by the ESG subrecipients in an anticipated amount of not less than \$2,614,265, and from Palm Beach County DES and DHS in an anticipated amount not less than \$261,425. For the HOME Program, the match will be provided from the State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) in the amount of 25% of the annual allocation. The match may be anticipated as \$2,038,021.

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

The County, through the Property and Real Estate Management Division, maintains an inventory of County owned surplus land. The disposition of land owned by Palm Beach County for any purpose including to address needs identified in this Action Plan is governed by Florida Statutes Section 125.35 (County Authorized to Sell Real and Personal Property and to Lease Real Property) and Section 125.38 (Sale of County Property to United States or State) and by Palm Beach County Code of Laws and Ordinances at Chapter 22, Article VI (Real Property Acquisition, Disposition and Leasing). In effecting the requirements of the statutes and code referenced above, Palm Beach County utilizes PPM-CW-L-023 (Requirements for the Acquisition, Disposition, Lease and Exchange of Real Property).

In summary, County owned land may be disposed of in various ways. It may be sold or donated to certain entities (non-profit organizations and municipalities) for public and community interest purposes if the Board of County Commissioners is satisfied with the proposed use of the property and that the land is not needed for County purposes. The property can be conveyed or leased upon application from those entities for such price (nominal or otherwise) that the Board may fix, regardless of the actual value of the property. Or, the Board may utilize a formal or informal competitive process. The Board is authorized to sell, lease and convey any property belonging to the County for the highest price, or a particular use deemed to be the highest and best, or a use that is most responsive to a request for proposals.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Affordable Homeownership	2015	2016	Affordable Housing	Countywide	Affordable Homeownership	HOME: \$229,563 NSP: \$3,606,414	Homeowner Housing Unit Added: 20 Household Housing Unit
Public Services	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Provision of Public Services	CDBG: \$81,281	Public service activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 1,275 persons assisted
Special Needs Services	2015	2016	Non-Housing Special Needs	Countywide	Special Needs Housing and Services	CDBG: \$60,826 ESG: \$77,231	Public service activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 996 persons assisted
Homeless Prevention	2015	2016	Homeless	Countywide	Homeless Assistance	ESG: \$173,488 HOME: \$1,071,291	Tenant based rental assistance/ Rapid Re-housing: 195 persons assisted
Homeless Services	2015	2016	Homeless	Countywide	Homeless Assistance	CDBG: \$674,152 ESG: \$183,000	Public service activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 7,321 persons assisted

Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Fair Housing Activities	2015	2016	Other	Countywide	Provision of Public Services	CDBG: \$46,373	Public service activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 28 persons assisted
Public Facilities	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Canal Point Target Area Lake Park Target Area Lake Worth Target Area Mangonia Park Target Area	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$473,853	Public facility or infrastructure activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 19,575 persons assisted
Public Infrastructure	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Greenacres Target Area Riviera Bch. Target Area Royal Palm Beach Target Area Lantana Target Area Lake Worth Target Area	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$2,259,125	Public facility or infrastructure activities other than low/moderate income housing benefit: 28,447 persons assisted
Code Enforcement	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Belle Glade City of Pahokee City of South Bay	Code Enforcement	CDBG: \$175,974	Other: 27,486 persons assisted
Economic Development Services	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Economic Development	CDBG: \$495,818	Jobs created/retained: 14 FTE jobs
Economic Development Technical Assistance	2015	2016	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Economic Development	CDBG: \$282,000	Jobs created/retained: 21 FTE jobs

Table AP3 – Goals Summary

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

For FY 2015-2016, the Action Plan identified a total of nine (9) projects, within which 43 activities are to be funded under the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs. These projects include code enforcement, public facilities, public infrastructure, public services, homeless activities, housing related activities, rapid re-housing, as well as administrative costs needed to undertake the activities. All activities identified in the Plan will be completed within three years.

Projects

Project Name		Code Enforcement
1.	Activity Name	City of Belle Glade
	Target Area	Belle Glade
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Code Enforcement
	Funding	CDBG: \$119,406
	Planned Activities	Salaries for code enforcement officers
	Number of Beneficiaries	15,930
	Project Location	110 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Belle Glade, FL 33430
2.	Activity Name	City of Pahokee
	Target Area	Pahokee
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement
	Needs Addressed	Code Enforcement
	Funding	CDBG: \$26,257
	Planned Activities	Code enforcement activities in the City's Target Area
	Number of Beneficiaries	6,649
	Project Location	207 Begonia Drive, Pahokee, FL 33476
3.	Activity Name	City of South Bay
	Target Area	South Bay
	Goals Supported	Code Enforcement

	Needs Addressed	Code Enforcement
	Funding	CDBG: \$30,311
	Planned Activities	Code enforcement activities in the City's Target Area
	Number of Beneficiaries	4,907
	Project Location	335 SW 2nd Avenue, South Bay, FL 33493
Project Name		Public Facilities
1.	Activity Name	PBC Parks and Recreation – Canal Point Community Center Playground
	Target Area	Canal Point
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$142,000
	Planned Activities	Removal of old playground equipment and damaged surfacing and installation of new playground equipment with ADA compliant surfacing.
	Number of Beneficiaries	1,665
	Project Location	Canal Point Community Center, 12860 U.S. Hwy. 441, Canal Point, FL 33438
2.	Activity Name	PBC Facilities and Development Operations – South County Homeless Resource Center
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure Homeless Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$175,000
	Planned Activities	Renovation of existing space at the South County Administrative Building to accommodate an HRC in southern Palm Beach County to meet the needs of homeless families.
	Number of Beneficiaries	1,250
	Project Location	345 South Congress Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444
3.	Activity Name	Town of Mangonia Park – Amphitheater Installation
	Target Area	Mangonia Park
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities

	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,871
	Planned Activities	Purchase and installation of an open amphitheater for residents of the Town
	Number of Beneficiaries	2,300
	Project Location	1233 53rd Street West, Mangonia Park, FL 33407
4.	Activity Name	City of Lake Worth – Osborne Pavilion Roof Structure Replacement
	Target Area	Lake Worth
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000
	Planned Activities	Reconstruction of the existing roof structure at the pavilion located at the Osborne Community Center.
	Number of Beneficiaries	6,000
	Project Location	1701Wingfield Street, Lake Worth, FL 33460
5.	Activity Name	Town of Lake Park – Kelsey Park Improvements
	Target Area	Lake Park
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$33,964
	Planned Activities	Purchase and installation of 15 benches and 6 litter receptacles at Kelsey Park
	Number of Beneficiaries	8,360
	Project Location	601 Federal Highway, Lake Park, FL 33403
Project Name		Public Infrastructure
1.	Activity Name	PBC Engineering – Old Dixie Highway Resurfacing
	Target Area	n/a
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$1,000,000
	Planned Activities	Resurfacing of approximately 2.5 miles of roadway

	Number of Beneficiaries	12,765
	Project Location	Old Dixie Highway, from 45 th Street in the City of West Palm Beach to Park Avenue in the Town of Lake Park.
2.	Activity Name	Town of Lantana – North Broadway sidewalks
	Target Area	Lantana
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$46,863
	Planned Activities	Installation of sidewalks along North Broadway in the Town’s Target Area
	Number of Beneficiaries	1,075
	Project Location	North Broadway between Lantana Road and Gator Drive, Lantana, FL 33462
3.	Activity Name	City of Greenacres – Stormwater Drainage Improvements
	Target Area	Greenacres
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$125,767
	Planned Activities	Excavation of existing drainage alleys to improve conveyance effectiveness and storage capacity
	Number of Beneficiaries	632
	Project Location	Fleming, Jennings, Perry and Martin Avenues, and Swain Blvd., Greenacres, FL 33463
4.	Activity Name	Village of Palm Springs – Davis Road pedestrian walking bridge
	Target Area	n/a
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$99,701
	Planned Activities	Replacement of an existing pedestrian bridge with a new ADA compliant bridge
	Number of Beneficiaries	1,300
	Project Location	Davis Road at L-10 Canal, Palm Springs, FL 33461

5.	Activity Name	City of Riviera Beach – Drainage Improvements
	Target Area	Riviera Beach
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$154,588
	Planned Activities	Drainage improvements on West 18 th , 19 th , 20 th , 21 st , and 22 nd Streets between Avenue S and the Avenue R drainage canal
	Number of Beneficiaries	295
	Project Location	West 18 th , 19 th , 20 th , 21 st , and 22 nd Streets, Riviera Beach, FL, 33404
6.	Activity Name	Village of Royal Palm Beach – ADA sidewalk improvements
	Target Area	Royal Palm Beach
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$68,990
	Planned Activities	ADA improvements to sidewalks along Royal Palm Beach Boulevard
	Number of Beneficiaries	4,880
	Project Location	Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, between Okeechobee Boulevard to Sandpiper Avenue, Royal Palm Beach, 33411
7.	Activity Name	City of Lake Worth – Tropical Drive and Barton Road improvements
	Target Area	Lake Worth
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$513,343
	Planned Activities	Roadway improvements on Tropical Drive and Barton Road
	Number of Beneficiaries	7,500
	Project Location	Tropical Drive between Palmetto and South Roads, and Barton Road between 12 th Avenue South and Andrew Redding Road, Lake Worth, FL, 33460
Project Name		Public and Special Needs Services
1.	Activity Name	Place of Hope
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Abused and Neglected Children)

	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$11,863
	Planned Activities	Provide case management services to abused and neglected children through the agency's long term Family Cottage Program and the Seven Stars Emergency Shelter Program
	Number of Beneficiaries	44 individuals
	Project Location	9078 Isaiah Lane, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418
2.	Activity Name	Coalition for Independent Living Options
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Special Needs Services
	Needs Addressed	Special Needs Housing and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$17,472
	Planned Activities	Purchase and deliver prepared meals for a 2 month period to persons with disabilities and their families through the agency's DINE Program.
	Number of Beneficiaries	38 individuals
	Project Location	6800 Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33413
3.	Activity Name	Children's Home Society
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,118
	Planned Activities	Operation of a transitional housing facility for teen mothers ages 13-19 who are pregnant or with a child
	Number of Beneficiaries	16 individuals
	Project Location	3333 Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
4.	Activity Name	Children's Place at Home Safe
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Abused and Neglected Children)
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$13,595

	Planned Activities	Provide therapeutic care to children/teens who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and/or homelessness
	Number of beneficiaries	90 individuals
	Project Location	2840 6th Avenue South, Lake Worth, FL 33461
5.	Activity Name	Jesus and You Outreach Ministries
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$9,058
	Planned Activities	Operation of a transitional housing facility for men who are homeless
	Number of beneficiaries	152 individuals
	Project Location:	2831 Avenue S, Riviera Beach, FL 33404
6.	Activity Name	Vita Nova, Inc.
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Youth Services)
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,136
	Planned Activities	Provide life skills training to young adults, aged 18 to 25 years of age, who have aged out of the foster care system.
	Number of beneficiaries	20 individuals
	Project Location	120 Alpha Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
7.	Activity Name	Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Special Needs Services (Victims of Domestic Abuse)
	Needs Addressed	Special Needs Housing and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$19,628
	Planned Activities	Provide transitional housing to homeless victims of domestic abuse and their children
	Number of beneficiaries	32 individuals

	Project Location	Confidential location
8.	Activity Name	Redlands Christian Migrant Association
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Child Care Services)
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,569
	Planned Activities	Provide comprehensive child development services for low and moderate income children
	Number of beneficiaries	100 individuals
	Project Location	20 Carver Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430
9.	Activity Name	Sickle Cell Foundation
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Health Services)
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$13,588
	Planned Activities:	Provide comprehensive case management to persons living in the Glades area of Palm Beach County with sickle cell disease or sickle cell trait.
	Number of beneficiaries	46 individuals
	Project Location:	19 Everglades Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430
10.	Activity Name	Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc.
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing Activities
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$46,373
	Planned Activities:	Through the Fair Housing Project, provide fair housing enforcement and educational outreach services to low and moderate income clients.
	Number of beneficiaries	28 individuals
	Project Location:	423 Fern Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
11.	Activity Name	Seagull Industries for the Disabled, Inc.
	Target Area	Countywide

	Goals Supported	Special Needs Services
	Needs Addressed	Special Needs Housing and Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$23,726
	Planned Activities	Provide educational and vocational training to adults with development disabilities at the Seagull Achievement Center
	Number of beneficiaries	90 individuals
	Project Location	3879 Byron Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33404
12.	Activity Name	Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County, Inc.
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Health Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,110
	Planned Activities	Provide assistance to pregnant women and/or their immediate family to access health care and secure other services that the family may be eligible to receive.
	Number of Beneficiaries	300 individuals
	Project Location	1720 E. Tiffany Drive, Suite 201A, West Palm Beach, FL 33407
13.	Activity Name	Urban League of Palm Beach County, Inc.
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services (Housing Counseling Services)
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$14,420
	Planned Activities	Through the Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program, will provide homebuyer education to clients looking to purchase a home.
	Number of Beneficiaries	675 individuals
	Project Location	1700 N. Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33407
14.	Project Name	Senator Philip D. Lewis Center – Homeless Resource Center
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance

	Funding	CDBG: \$646,976
	Planned Activities	Operational costs of the center. Services to help homeless individuals to be provided through Gulfstream Goodwill, Adopt A Family of Palm Beach County, and the Lord's Place, Inc. Palm Beach County Department of Community Services is the implementing agency.
	Number of Beneficiaries	7,000
	Project Location	1000 45th Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33407
Project Name		Economic Development
1.	Activity Name	Center for Technology, Enterprise and Development (TED Center)
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$151,000
	Planned Activities	A business incubator that will provide technical assistance and services to micro-enterprises and established small businesses
	Number of Beneficiaries	11 full time equivalent jobs
	Project Location	401 W. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444
2.	Activity Name	Enterprise Development Corporation
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$51,000
	Planned Activities	A high tech countywide business incubator will provide technical assistance and services to high tech microenterprises and established small businesses. Most EDC clients are located within the walls of the incubator
	Number of Beneficiaries	4 full time equivalent jobs
	Project Location	751 Park of Commerce Drive, Boca Raton, FL 33487
3.	Activity Name	Center for Enterprise Opportunity
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development Technical Assistance
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$80,000

	Planned Activities	A community development financial institution (CDFI) that provides microloans, counseling services and business training to micro-enterprises and small businesses.
	Number of Beneficiaries	6 full time equivalent jobs
	Project Location	2200 N. Florida Mango Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33409
4.	Activity Name	DES Economic Development Services
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development Services
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$495,818
	Planned Activities	Provide economic development services to businesses in Palm Beach County in order to help them create or retain full time equivalent jobs.
	Number of Beneficiaries	14 full time equivalent jobs
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
Project Name		DES Program Administration
1.	Funding	CDBG: \$1,150,176
	Planned Activities	General, fiscal, and planning administrative expenses incurred by DES in performing planning, coordinating, and monitoring of CDBG Programs.
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
Project Name		DES Countywide Capital Project Implementation
1.	Funding	CDBG: \$357,192
	Planned Activities	Includes activity delivery costs in implementing DES's capital improvement activities. Accomplishments under this project will be reported under CDBG capital improvement activities.
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
Project Name		Emergency Solutions Grant
1.	Activity Name	ESG Program Administration
	Target Area	Countywide
	Needs Addressed	Planning/Administration
	Funding	ESG: \$39,134
	Planned Activities	7.5% of the ESG program is set-aside for eligible planning and administration. Administration of the program will be undertaken by the Palm Beach County Department of Community Services, Division of Human and Veteran Services, and the Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability.
	Project Location	810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 and 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

2.	Activity Name	ESG Emergency Shelter
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services Special Needs Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance Special Needs Housing and Services
	Funding	ESG: \$260,231
	Planned Activities	Costs for four agencies (Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse, Center for Family Services, the Salvation Army, and Young Women's Christian Association) to operate emergency shelters in Palm Beach County.
	Number of Beneficiaries	995 individuals
	Project Location	810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
3.	Activity Name	ESG Rapid Re-Housing
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance
	Funding	ESG: \$173,488
	Planned Activities	Provide rapid re-housing to homeless families in support of homeless intervention activities. Activity will be implemented by Adopt-A-Family.
	Number of Beneficiaries	150 individuals
	Project Location	1712 2nd Avenue N, Lake Worth, FL 33460
4.	Activity Name	Client Management Information System (CMIS)
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance
	Funding	ESG: \$50,000
	Planned Activities	Match funding for Palm Beach County's Homeless Management Information System to assist homeless individuals and families with services
	Number of Beneficiaries	n/a
	Project Location	810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Project Name		HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
1.	Activity Name	HOME Program Administration and Planning
	Funding	HOME: \$153,042

	Planned Activities	10% of the total HOME Program allocation is set-aside for eligible administrative costs incurred during the implementation of the HOME Program.
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
2.	Activity Name	HOME CHDO Set-Aside Program
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Affordable Homeownership
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Homeownership
	Funding	HOME: \$229,563
	Planned Activities	Funding will be used for the development, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of an existing single family housing unit for first time homebuyers by CHDOs.
	Number of Beneficiaries	1 housing unit
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
3.	Activity Name	HOME CHDO Operating Expenses
	Funding	HOME: \$76,521
	Planned Activities	5% of the total HOME Program allocation is set-aside for operating expenses of CHDOs, which will be used to administer HOME funded activities.
	Project Location	100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406
4.	Activity Name	HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Assistance
	Funding	HOME: \$1,071,291
	Planned Activities	\$900,000 for financial assistance and \$171,291 for activity delivery costs, for an activity total of \$1,071,291. Funding will be allocated for homeless prevention/intervention and will be administered by Palm Beach County's Community Services Department, Division of Human and Veteran's Services
	Number of Beneficiaries	45 individuals
	Project Location	810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Table AP4 - Project Information

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

Allocation priorities to be addressed are outlined in the County's Consolidated Plan. These priorities are formulated from responses received from citizens, organizations, County departments, and municipalities who were surveyed during the preparation of the Plan. The County will utilize funding from multiple sources (viz: CDBG, HOME, ESG, Section 108, SHIP, NSP, Ad Valorem, among others) to address an identified priority. Which activities are funded annually is dependent on the receipt of applications for activities, the amount of funding available and how the specific activity for which funding is being requested coincides with the priorities set by the Consolidated Plan.

For the CDBG Program the primary bases for allocation priorities are as follows:

- For infrastructure and public facilities projects, priorities were assigned to projects which are located in identified CDBG target areas in municipalities and in the unincorporated areas of the County.
- For housing, there is an identified shortage of affordable owner and rental housing units in the county and to address this deficiency housing rehabilitation and new construction of home ownership and rental units as well acquisition of homeownership units were prioritized.
- For public services, the activities prioritized were those which reflects the highest demands by low- and moderate-income persons, special needs person and homeless persons. Some of these are homeless services, child care, health care, afterschool care, housing assistance (rent and mortgage), services for youths, and housing and fair housing counseling, among others.
- For economic development, priority was given to activities which are located in low- and moderate-income areas (especially in the Glades) and which will create or retain jobs for Low and moderate income persons.

For the HOME Program the allocation priorities were largely based on:

- The County's thrust to eliminate homelessness will result in a large percentage of these funds being used for tenant based rental assistance for persons in the homeless continuum.
- Regulatory requirements for funding to be allocated to CHDOs.

For the ESG Program, allocation priorities are set by the County's Homeless and Housing Alliance (Continuum of Care) and are guided by regulatory requirements which establish eligible activities which may be funded as well as maximum percentages of the grant which can be used for each activity. The regulations allow for up to 60.0% of the annual ESG allocation to be used for emergency shelter activities, the Homeless and Housing Alliance assigned the maximum allowable amount to this activity with the provision of emergency shelter for families with children reemphasized. Transitional housing for men was also prioritized..

In terms of the existence of obstacles to address underserved needs, the major obstacles experienced by Palm Beach County are: the inadequacy of available financial resources to meet the needs of the

underserved populations, this is exacerbated by the gradual reduction of the CDBG and SHIP program funds received by the County; and the vast geographic area which encompasses the County resulting in the eastern urbanized portion being separated by over thirty miles from the western agricultural based portion causes a dispersal of resources (both personnel, equipment and funding) which adversely affects economy of scale.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

For FY 2015-2016, Palm Beach County plans to utilize CDBG funds in twelve (12) target areas that were identified in the Consolidated Plan as CDBG Target Areas. These areas are located throughout the jurisdiction in municipal and unincorporated areas of the County. Eleven (11) of the areas are within municipal boundaries and one (1) is within unincorporated Palm Beach County. The identified target areas are characterized by concentrations of low and moderate income persons, concentrations of housing problems, and a need for capital improvements.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Canal Point	2
Riviera Beach	2.6
Lantana	.8
Royal Palm Beach	1.0
Pahokee	.4
Belle Glade	2
South Bay	.5
Palm Springs	1.7
Mangonia Park	.1
Lake Park	.5
Lake Worth	10
Greenacres	2

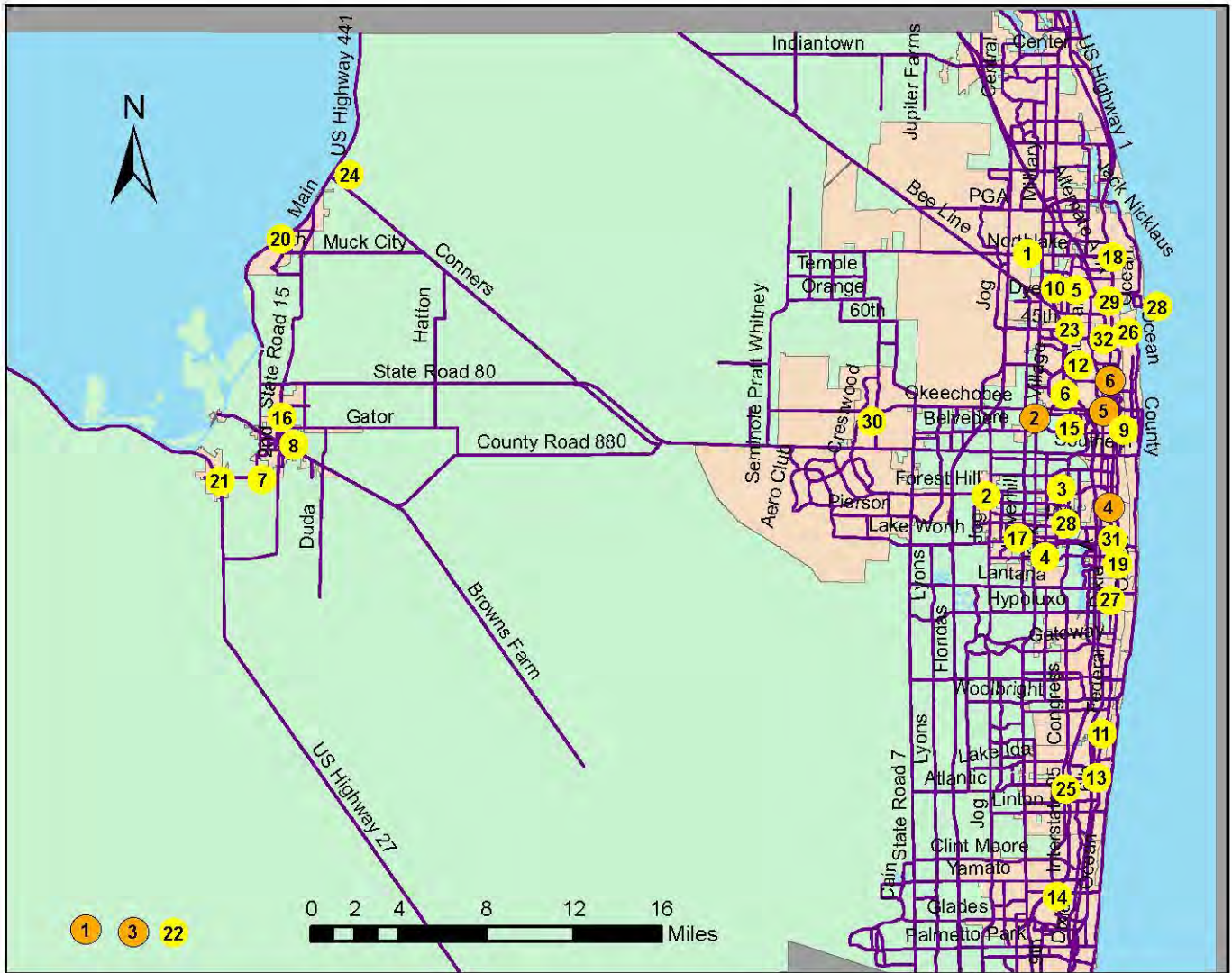
Table AP5 - Geographic Distribution

In this section, the following map shows the locations of the different activities.

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The allocation of investments by geographic areas in Palm Beach County is influenced by various factors, such as program requirements, location of established target areas, County-initiated projects, and municipal priorities. To address these and other factors, Palm Beach County established a methodology which: maximizes the number of low and moderate income persons and households assisted; expends funds where they are most needed; and ensures the fair and equitable distribution of funds between the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County. Under this methodology, target areas were established in those municipal and unincorporated areas of the County which have a high concentration of low and moderate income persons. Target areas also exhibit high concentrations of substandard housing and a need for capital improvements. Since the CDBG Program requires that at least 70% of the funds benefit low and moderate income persons, preference is given to funding projects located in target areas. Additionally, the public participation process which is undertaken when developing the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan helps to guide the decision on where to invest funds geographically.

PALM BEACH COUNTY FY 2015-2016 CDBG & ESG ACTIVITIES



FY 2015-2016 CDBG Activities

1. Place of Hope
2. Coalition for Independent Living Options
3. Children's Home Society
4. Children's Place at HomeSafe
5. Jesus and You Outreach Ministries
6. Vita Nova, Inc.
7. Redlands Christian Migrant Assoc.
8. Sickle Cell Foundation
9. Legal Aid Society
10. Seagull Industries
11. Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies
12. Urban League of Palm Beach County
13. Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Development
14. Enterprise Development Corp.
15. Center for Enterprise Opportunity
16. City of Belle Glade - Code Enforcement
17. City of Greenacres - Stormwater Drainage Improvements
18. Town of Lake Park - Kelsey Park Benches
19. City of Lake Worth - Osborne Pavilion Improvements
20. City of Pahokee - Code Enforcement
21. City of South Bay - Code Enforcemen
22. Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (Confidential location)
23. Town of Mangonia Park - Amphiteater Installation
24. PBC Parks - Canal Point Community Center Playground
25. PBC Facilities - South County HRC
26. PBC Engineering - Old Dixie Highway Resurfacing
27. Town of Lantana - North Broadway Sidewalks
28. Village of Palm Springs - Davis Road Pedestrian Bridge
29. City of Riviera Beach - South 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st Streets Drainage Improvements
30. Village of Royal Palm Beach - Royal Palm Beach Blvd. sidewalks
31. City of Lake Worth - Tropical Drive and Barton Road Improvements
32. Senator Philip D. Lewis Center

FY 2015-2016 ESG Activities

1. YWCA (Confidential Location)
2. The Salvation Army
3. Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (Confidential Location)
4. Adopt-A-Family
5. Community Services (as HMIS Administrator)
6. Center for Family Services

- - CDBG Activities
- - ESG Activities



Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

In accordance with Palm Beach County’s Consolidated Plan, the assignment of housing priorities is based on the County’s housing needs assessment and market analysis, census data and CHAS data. These priorities include increasing the supply of affordable housing, expanding rental and homeownership opportunities, rehabilitating existing housing stock, and homelessness prevention.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	195
Non-Homeless	202
Special-Needs	10
Total	407

Table AP6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	295
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	55
Acquisition of Existing Units	57
Total	407

Table AP7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

It is anticipated that a total of 407 affordable housing units (112 owner units and 295 rental units) will be assisted during FY 2015-2016. Funding invested from the HOME, SHIP, NSP (Program Income), CDBG and ESG programs will allow DES to implement the following housing strategies to provide support to eligible very-low, low-, and moderate-income households:

- Homebuyer first and/or second mortgage purchase assistance for 41 homebuyers
- Utility connection/impact fee payment assistance to ten (10) homeowners
- CHDO Acquisition for resale or rental to one (1) household
- Foreclosure prevention assistance to ten (10) homeowners
- Homeownership Preservation program for ten (10) veterans (purchase assistance for homebuyers or rehabilitation for existing homeowners)
- Emergency Roof repair/replacement program for 40 homeowners
- Rental housing entry assistance program for 100 renter households
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance to 45 households
- Rapid Re-housing assistance to 150 households

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Palm Beach County has seven (7) housing authorities operating within its boundaries. However, only three (3) of these are headquartered within the Palm Beach County Urban County jurisdiction. These are: Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA), Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA), and Pahokee Housing Authority (PHA). The Housing Authorities help provide access to affordable housing to extremely-low, low, and moderate-income families through the operation of rental units and administration of tenant-based and project-based vouchers. Together these three entities operate a total of 1,682 Housing Units and manage 2,275 vouchers.

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

In order to address the needs of public housing residents, each housing authority plans to implement the strategies listed below in FY 2015-2016:

Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA): BGHA continues to house and support the Redlands Christian Migrant Association which operates a day care Center in the Okeechobee Center for its tenants. Space will also be provided to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office to oversee "The First Tee of the Glades" Project, which teaches kids the game of golf and provides computers, televisions, etc. for after school programs. BGHA will continue to work with the Police Athletic League which sponsors football and basketball teams for children of tenants. This program also promotes the establishment of local partnerships necessary to provide supportive services and empowerment activities for low income families.

Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA): PBCHA will continue to collaborate with Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) to combat crime in public housing and has entered into a Public Safety Contract to provide security at all of its locations. The PBCHA provides Community Policing Unit office space at certain Communities. PBCHA plans to continue acquiring property in the Glades area including a 384-unit gated community which will become the Campus of Learners. The Campus of Learners is intended to function as a live-work-learn complex, where participants would enroll in a learning curriculum that would be administered in the same location as their residence. PBCHA plans to continue expanding its Real Estate department to reposition its vacant land, and redevelop its existing housing stock.

Pahokee Housing Authority (PHA): PHA describes the needs of its public housing residents as follows: Pahokee Housing Authority reviews its policies annually to ensure sound practices that guard against discrimination and ensure equal access to all of its programs. PHA continues to educate program participants concerning their right to Fair Housing and Equal opportunity as related to renting and purchasing homes. PHA's jurisdiction is in an area of high poverty with an unemployment rate which is unusually high due to job scarcity and inadequate job skills. Section 3 participation is strongly encouraged among contractors whom receive federally funded contracts in the area. The program has

proved to be successful in providing employment and skill building opportunities to the residents. Many residents desire to relocate from the traditional Public Housing to areas of better opportunities. However, there is a dire need for rental assistance or vouchers. Such assistance would enable residents to relocate to decent and safe housing. As these families may relocate, PHA has an opportunity to provide housing assistance to those families currently on waiting lists. PHA will continue to collaborate with appropriate agencies to ensure that the needs of homeless persons are met and housing for eligible individuals as policies allow. PHA has identified the need to upgrade its housing stock to current or better standards. A substantial decrease in crime and increased community relations is a direct result of strategies implemented by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department (PBSO).

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

The public housing authorities plan to undertake the following actions:

Belle Glade Housing Authority (BGHA):

BGHA is funded by USDA, therefore, there are no requirements to undertake a specific action to encourage residents to become more involved in management.

Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA):

The FSS Program will be available to all Public Housing residents and will enable residents to develop an individual training plan to establish self-sufficiency goals. The PBCHA works closely with Housing Partnership to provide Homeownership counseling to participants interested in becoming homeowners.

As part of the PBCHA's annual budget, there is a set-aside of \$25.00 per household to help establish and fund Resident Councils at five of the authority's locations. There is presently one (1) active Resident Council Organization chartered at Drexel House. Initiatives are being put in place to establish Councils at other developments, with the collaboration of local agencies.

The PBCHA had one (1) resident elected for a three year term serving on its Board of Commissioners, as required by Florida Statutes. All residents are invited to various Board meetings and their comments are usually solicited regarding policy, living environment, and/or management issues.

The PBCHA has a computer learning center at the main office and computer labs for resident use at all Public Housing locations; and a reading program at Schall Landings and a Teen Outreach Program at Dyson Circle Apartments.

Pahokee Housing Authority:

PHA has an active Residents Advisory Board, which is comprised of residents from each housing program (Public Housing and Section 8 HCV). PHA also has an active Tenants Association, which is comprised of

residents from each housing development.

PHA will continue to collaborate with agencies to provide *homebuyers workshops* and training. The training/workshops will include: budgeting, credit counseling, and improvement of social structure through *family strengthening*, how to maintain a home after purchase, etc. This will create a strong social environment for homeowners and their children.

PHA continues to refer residents to the Prosperity Center for homeownership assistance. This program provides homebuyer education and matching funds to residents as they set aside monies towards purchasing a home.

PHA will continue its partnership with Career Source PBC (formerly Workforce Alliance) and the Professional Opportunities Program (POP), to offer skill building, on-the-job training, job readiness, and employment opportunities, and encourage sustainability in employment.

PHA has a full-time Resident Services Coordinator on staff. The Coordinator will focus on initiatives that would promote residents self-sufficiency, including becoming homeowners.

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

None of the three (3) Housing Authorities operating within the Palm Beach County Urban County Program jurisdiction is currently designated a troubled Housing Authority.

Both the Palm Beach County Housing Authority and the Pahokee Housing Authority were designated a High Performer agency by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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

Introduction

Palm Beach County is dedicated to improving housing opportunities of all its residents including the homeless population and those threatened with homelessness. Governments and non-profit agencies will continue to provide the facilities and services to meet the immediate needs of homeless individuals and families and help prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless. In its Five Year Consolidated Plan, Palm Beach County has stated that the funds that are reasonably expected to be made available to the County for homeless programs will be utilized to assist homeless persons to obtain appropriate housing, to assist persons at risk of becoming homeless and to assist in the implementation of the County's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in Palm Beach County.

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

Palm Beach County, along with its partners, will utilize many avenues to provide outreach and education to the homeless population, including those persons who are classified as unsheltered. The outreach efforts include initially assessing the homeless individuals/families needs in order to provide the appropriate housing and supportive services referrals. The Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT), an evidence-informed approach to assess an individual's or family's acuity was approved by the Homeless and Housing Alliance as the initial assessment tool to be used during the outreach process. The tool prioritizes who to serve next and why, and identifies the areas in the person/family's life where support services are necessary for them to avoid housing instability. The following actions will be taken by the County and its partners to contact and educate the homeless population and to assess their immediate needs:

- The Senator Philip D. Lewis, a 60 bed emergency facility, will continue to serve as the main point of access for homeless services in Palm Beach County. Homeless individuals and families will continue to be referred to the Lewis Center from the County's Homeless Outreach Team as well as law enforcement. Homeless persons will continue to be able to receive initial screenings for referrals to the Lewis Center via telephone.
- The Homeless Coalition will continue to coordinate the Homeless Projects Connects events throughout the County during FY 2015-2016, These events allow the allow the homeless population to receive free haircuts, toiletries, clothing and other related items. Homeless persons will also be provided with an opportunity to obtain an identification card at some of these events.
- The County will observe National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness 2015 (November 14-22, 2015). The County will sponsor multiple activities during this week, to include outreach and education.
- Palm Beach County's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), which spearheads the County's homeless outreach program, will continue to utilize the SPDAT to conduct initial screenings in the field in

an effort to determine what programs and services are most needed by the homeless population. The HOT Team will continue to travel to various locations within Palm Beach County where homeless people are known to congregate to conduct these on-site assessments.

- The County's Sheriff's Department as well as other local law enforcement agencies will continue to use the Universal Law Enforcement Protocol that was adopted by the Palm Beach County Law Enforcement Planning Council. This document outlines a series of recommended procedures and best practices to be followed by law enforcement during encounters with the homeless.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The County will continue to provide funding (both federal and non-federal) for the operation and maintenance of local emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities and for the implementation of supportive services provided by these facilities. These facilities will provide shelter and supportive services to homeless families with children, single men including men recently released from incarcerated and single women, victims of domestic violence, homeless veterans, unaccompanied youth, and the chronic homeless. The Homeless and Housing Alliance has prioritized emergency shelter for families with children and transitional housing for single males as a priority under the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program. These populations tend to be the most in need of emergency shelter and transitional housing. The County will continue to use the maximum amount allowable under the ESG Program to fund activities under the ESG's Emergency Shelter component. For the upcoming fiscal year \$260,231 was allocated for emergency and transitional housing activities under the ESG Program and 995 homeless individuals are projected to receive shelter assistance.

Palm Beach County established the Lewis Center in response to the need to develop a local homeless response system. The Lewis Center will continue to serve as the main point of entry for the homeless population to access services. The facility's beds will continue to be used to accommodate homeless single men and women who are eligible to receive services but cannot be immediately placed in other housing situations. Persons staying at the Lewis Center will receive the same supportive services as those persons who reside in other emergency shelters or transitional housing facilities. For Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the County will allocate \$646,976 of Community Development Block Grant funding for the operation of the Lewis Center to assist 7,000 persons.

Palm Beach County will continue to support emergency shelters and transitional housing facilities by providing financial assistance to community-based organizations through its Financially Assisted Agencies (FAA) Program. During Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the County will allocate \$11,290,068 of FAA funding to twenty-two (22) agencies that operate emergency shelters or transitional housing facilities. It is expected that approximately 25,500 persons will receive assistance.

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

Palm Beach County will continue to assist homeless individuals and families to transition into permanent supportive and independent housing. The following actions will be undertaken by the County and its partners to help the homeless population transition into a permanent form of housing:

- The County will continue to provide funding (ESG and non-ESG) to support a Rapid Re-housing Program based at the County's Homeless Resource Center. The program will provide financial assistance to 150 homeless individuals/families to regain stability in permanent housing. The financial assistance will include security deposits, rental assistance, utility deposits and utility assistance. These households will also be provided with case management and other supportive services.
- Palm Beach County will continue to utilize funding through HUD's Continuum of Care to support the operation of permanent supportive housing programs which will provide housing to 801 individuals/140 families.
- State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funds will be used by Palm Beach County to operate a Housing Reentry Assistance (REAP) Program. This program will provide rental security and utility deposits to 100 eligible households whose income is up to 50% AMI.
- The County will utilize HOME funds to implement a Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program. The program will provide direct financial assistance to households for rental deposits and monthly rental subsidies. This assistance will allow 11 eligible homeless households to be immediately re-housed and to gain housing stability.

Palm Beach County is committed to providing support towards HUD's goal of eliminating chronic homelessness. The County's actions during Fiscal Year 2015-2016 will include:

- Palm Beach County will continue to support funding applications aimed at ending chronic homelessness.
- The County will provide Continuum of Care funding to three (3) agencies (The Lord's Place, Gulfstream Goodwill, and Jerome Golden Center) that directly assist the chronic homeless population.
- The County will support 1 agency agencies with ESG dollars to address the needs of the chronically homeless.
- Palm Beach County will establish a South County Homeless Resource Center which will primarily serve homeless families. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$175,000 will be used to rehabilitate a county-owned building which will become the Resource Center.

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.

Palm Beach County will continue to use local, state and federal funding to support Homeless Prevention activities that are designed to help low-income individuals and families that find themselves threatened with at homelessness. The following actions will be undertaken by the County to assist individuals and families that are at risk of becoming homeless:

- Palm Beach County will continue to provide direct financial assistance in the form of emergency rent and/or utility payments to individuals and families in order to prevent the household from becoming homeless. Homeless prevention funds will target those households who would become homeless without the assistance. The County will utilize funding made available under Ryan White Part A, Financially Assisted Agencies (FAA), PBC Ad valorem, and Emergency Food and Shelter Program to provide homeless prevention assistance.
- The County will continue to support funding to operate a Travers' Aid Program. This program will provide relocation assistance to homeless families/individuals who find themselves stranded in Palm Beach County. The assistance will be in the form of a one way bus ticket that will allow the homeless individual to return to a support system outside of Palm Beach County.
- The County will continue to coordinate with The Department of Children and Families (DCF), Child-Net, and other agencies that support organizations that provide housing and support services for youth who have aged out of the foster care system.
- PBC's DES will continue to support applications to Federal/State and other programs that are seeking funding to provide services to address the needs of households who find themselves threatened with homelessness. This support will be reflected by providing Certification of Consistency with the County's Consolidated Plan and through participation on appropriate governing bodies.
- The Lewis Center will continue to coordinate with various hospitals and other facilities to enter into Memorandum of Agreements that establish the policies and procedures for hospitals and mental health institutions to make referrals to the Lewis Center.

Discussion

Palm Beach County does address the priority housing and supportive service needs of persons who are not homeless but require supportive houses. Some special needs services are currently being addressed through County sponsored programs. The elderly population and senior citizen activities are assisted through the County's social service programs while many senior activities are facilitated by the Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach and the Treasure Coast. Special needs services that are not directly provided by the County such as housing for persons with HIV/AIDS, foster care programs, mental health

disorders and substance abuse are addressed by the County through coordination with a network of social service providers and through funding via CDBG, ESG, and General Revenue to non-profit agencies to assist in the provision of those services.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

1. Introduction

Palm Beach County will continue to implement strategies to remove barriers to affordable housing, whether such barriers are posed by public policies, the economic climate, or conditions in the local housing market. The County's strategies are designed to close the affordability gap, increase the supply of affordable housing, and ensure opportunity for access to affordable housing.

2. 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

Public policies of Palm Beach County are not intended to be barriers to affordable housing. The County, in its quest to promote affordable housing and to remove identifiable barriers to affordable housing, will continue to implement the following strategies:

- The PBC Planning, Zoning, and Building (PZB) Department will continue to examine the effects on affordable housing of policies set forth in the Future Land Use Element and the Housing Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
- County land development regulations will allow for Zero Lot Line Developments which utilize less land to develop housing and thereby reduces its cost.
- County land development regulations will allow for an Accessory Affordable Housing land use category which permits non-profits and other community based organizations to develop very-low and/or low-income housing, as well as housing for special needs populations, on land that has been set aside for public and/or governmental use but which ordinarily has no specific residential density.
- PZB will implement a mandatory Workforce Housing Program (WHP). The WHP requires the provision of workforce (60 – 140% AMI) units in all new housing developments of 10 or more units located in the unincorporated county. Development of the required workforce units is facilitated by certain incentives including density bonuses up to 100% and flexibility to traffic standards to allow for up to 30% greater volume on affected roadway segments.
- PZB will implement a voluntary Affordable Housing Program (AHP), a voluntary program, which stimulates the development of affordable units (<60% AMI) in all new developments of 10 or more units located in the unincorporated county. The AHP requires 65% of total project units to be affordable in exchange for density bonuses incentives.
- PZB's One-Stop Permit Process lessens the time required for developers to acquire necessary building permits, reducing interest costs to developers of affordable housing.
- The County's Impact Fee Ordinance will minimize impact fees for new development of smaller, more affordable homes, by calculating impact fees on the total square footage of the home.

- The Department of Economic Sustainability will implement the Impact Fee Assistance Program, which utilizes investment earnings from impact fees collected on roads, parks, and public buildings to offset impact fees on the development of affordable housing projects for households at or below 120% of Area Median Income (AMI).
- The County Engineer’s Municipal Services Taxing Unit Program provides paving and drainage improvements throughout the unincorporated county. The program will help maintain housing affordability by allowing assessments for such infrastructure improvements to be paid over a period of 20 years to reduce the financial impact on property owners.
- The PBC Water Utilities Department’s Deferred Payment Program will reduce the financial impact on property owners of assessments levied for installation of public water and sewer systems within its service area. This program will allow assessments to be paid back over a period of 20 years with an annual interest rate of 5.5%.
- The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser’s Office will administer property tax exemptions which contribute to housing affordability, including:
 - Homestead Exemption;
 - Active Military Service Exemption;
 - Civilian Disability Exemptions;
 - Disabled Veterans Exemption;
 - Senior Exemption;
 - Widow/Widower Exemption; and
 - Institutional Exemptions.

All of the listed exemptions contribute to affordability of housing by lowering the annual property tax burden. Additionally, the Portability Exemption allows homeowners which are relocating to transfer their existing homestead exemption to their new primary residence. This enhances fluidity in the housing market and increases the supply of existing for-sale housing thereby mitigating supply side price pressures.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Palm Beach County is active in devising strategies to address the needs of low and moderate income persons, homeless families, and underserved populations. The majority of the plans and strategies mentioned in the section below are direct County actions which are implemented in collaboration with the non-profit community, municipalities and interested partner agencies. A large underserved population resides in the Glades Region of the County and this area is given priority in County efforts. The County implements a wide range of programs aimed at fostering and maintaining affordable housing. Actions to reduce and eliminate lead-based paint hazards are coordinated with the Florida Department of Health, but the County, through its housing programs, strictly enforces lead-based paint abatement requirements on units constructed prior to 1978, and those units and public buildings which accommodate or house children. The following discussions will outline the specific actions that the County will take to address underserved needs, affordable housing, reduce lead paint hazards, reduce the number of poverty level families in the County, and develop an institutional structure to ensure the success of activities aimed at low and moderate income persons.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Palm Beach County has identified the lack of sufficient funding resources as a deterrent to its ability to effectively address underserved needs. During FY 2015-2016, the County plans to undertake the following actions:

- The County will continue to apply for new funding from Federal and/or State sources to better focus on the underserved needs of the County, and will support funding applications from other entities within its jurisdiction;
- Provide access to affordable housing to extremely-low, low, and moderate-income families through the new construction or rehabilitation of rental units for these income groups and by providing mortgages at affordable rates to enable homeownership. This strategy will continue to be pursued under the HOME and SHIP Programs and the remaining NSP program income generated from NSP activities;
- Provide support to homeless individuals and families, and other members of underserved populations, by allocating funds to non-profit agencies that provide services to those populations, and to the Philip D. Lewis Center from general County revenues, CDBG, and ESG Program;
- Promote cooperation between agencies by participating in different coordinating bodies in the County, such as the Homeless Coalition, Homeless and Housing Alliance, and the Homeless Advisory Board;
- Address infrastructure deficiencies in low- and moderate income areas (including identified CDBG Target Areas) through funding under the CDBG Program;

- Provide financial assistance to businesses under the CDBG and Section 108 Programs in exchange for creating or retaining jobs to be held by low and moderate income individuals; and
- Lead economic development efforts in the Glades Region (where the highest incidence of poverty exists) in order to improve economic and housing conditions for local residents.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

For FY 2015 - 2016, Palm Beach County will preserve and enhance the supply of decent and affordable housing for very-low, low-, moderate-, and middle-income (0 – 120% AMI) residents of the County by:

- Financing the purchase of single-family homes for owner occupancy through first and second mortgages, and down payment or closing cost assistance;
- Providing HOME Program funds to certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for the acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction of single-family housing for ownership and single-family or multi-family housing for rental;
- Providing HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance funds for the housing of very-low income homeless families and individuals and those at risk of homelessness;
- Utilizing HOME funding to leverage non-federal and private housing investments in the local community;
- Assisting very-low income households to obtain rental housing by providing SHIP funding for first/last months' rent and security deposits;
- Utilizing SHIP funding to acquire, rehabilitate, and improve housing for veterans and special needs households;
- Utilizing SHIP funding to re-roof and make other emergency repairs to owner-occupied single-family homes;
- Ensuring, through deed restrictions and monitoring, that housing assisted with Federal and State funds administered by DES remains affordable for a prescribed period;
- Funding partner agencies undertaking activities to preserve the existing affordable housing stock, including foreclosure prevention, mortgage modifications, refinancing, and other work out strategies to retain decent and safe housing options throughout Palm Beach County;
- Supporting affordable housing in socioeconomically diverse communities (divestiture of clustered poverty housing);
- Evaluating policies and programs that impede affordable and workforce housing pursuant to FL §420.9076;
- Implementing the Planning, Zoning, and Building Department's Workforce Housing Program, which mandates that housing units in new residential development be provided for households with incomes between 60% and 140% of AMI. The program also provides a density bonus incentive to developers to increase the number of total units in a new development based on the percentage of workforce housing units;
- Implementing the PZB Affordable Housing Program, whereby developers of new residential developments may receive certain incentives in order to provide affordable housing units to <60% AMI households; and

- Implementing the Impact Fee Assistance Program to support the new development of affordable housing.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

HUD regulation 24 CFR Part 35, entitled "Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention in Certain Residential Structures" requires that lead-based paint (LBP) hazards be controlled before the rehabilitation of a housing unit that is financially assisted by the federal government or being sold by the government, particularly if young children (ages 6 and under) will be occupying the unit. The Florida Department of Health Bureau of Environmental Toxicology and the Palm Beach County Health Department are the two (2) agencies responsible for monitoring lead hazard exposures within Palm Beach County.

In implementing its housing rehabilitation programs, DES conducts a LBP Assessment of all units constructed prior to 1978. DES uses up to \$10,000 per single family detached housing unit for inspections for LBP; hazard reduction of LBP; and temporary relocation of occupants during the hazard reduction phase of the process. Some of the actions the County will undertake to address and/or reduce lead-based paint hazards include: promote lead hazard remediation efforts by providing families, communities, and professionals with knowledge and technical assistance regarding lead-based paint testing and abatement programs; promote awareness about the Florida Department of Health (formerly known as the PBC Health Department) Lead Alert Network and Consumer Product Safety Commission which disseminate information about lead hazards, recalled toys and other children's products; coordinate lead source identification with appropriate departments and organizations in the County to ensure the guidelines for lead reductions are consistent with all rehabilitation programs and codes; require inspections of residential structures built prior to 1978 for lead based paint hazards as they relate to non-emergency rehabilitation funded under a DES-operated Federal or State program; require lead based paint inspections of commercial buildings built prior to 1978 if the buildings will be used by children and if funding for the rehabilitation/improvement, was provided from a DES operated program; ensure at-risk children are screened for lead poisoning and establish working relationships with stakeholders in the community who can help implement a county-wide elimination plan; in Florida, Medicaid eligible children, particularly under the age of 72 months, are required to be tested for lead poisoning. All blood lead test results are reportable and results greater than or equal 10 µg/dL will be reported to the County Health Department for inclusion in the Children's Lead Poisoning Database; allocate funds to cover the costs of LBP testing and LBP abatement, in connection with the rehabilitation of housing units; advise property owners who receive housing rehabilitation funds through DES's housing programs of potential LBP contamination in older homes; and keep on file all results of lead-based paint inspections and abatements in order to comply with applicable regulations.

The Florida Health PBC will continue to apply for grant funding in order to implement lead-based paint reduction programs.

Lead-based paint remediation is specified in the DES Residential Rehabilitation Program Policies approved by the Board of Palm Beach County Commissioners, effective January 24, 2012. To relieve the

financial burden of homeowners, the Residential Rehabilitation Program Policy provides a grant to the homeowner of up to \$10,000 to abate lead-based paint. DES will continue to require inspections of residential structures built prior to 1978 for lead-based paint hazards as relative to rehabilitation funded under a federal or state program. DES will require lead-based paint inspections of commercial buildings built prior to 1978, if the buildings will be used by children.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The County and its partners will continue efforts to reduce the number of poverty-level families through family stabilization programs, employment related supportive services, creating economic opportunities, and the provision of affordable housing.

The County's planned actions to reduce the number of poverty-level families are as follows:

- To advocate services and funding to address self-sufficiency and economic stability.
- To collect and analyze data from information systems and other qualitative means with regard to economic needs of clients.
- To assist migrant and seasonal workers to learn new employment skills by providing basic job skills training, job readiness, high school equivalency preparation, counseling and support.
- To coordinate and share data with other organizations that plan and develop economic growth and job training.
- To provide local matching funds for Title 20 subsidized child care, providing support to low-income, working parents.
- Assist seniors, veterans and current members of the armed forces to attain optimal independence.
- Implement farm worker programs to provide classroom education, on-the-job training, and job search assistance to farm workers and their families to be able to attain full-time, year round employment.
- Continue to provide support for the Lutheran Services Florida (LSF), a non-profit, to administer the Head Start and children services program for low income preschool children from birth to 5 years. LSF receives federal funds for operations.
- Implement a Family Self-Sufficiency Program to assist at-risk families and family members with various educational, health care and other services including economic stability and self-sufficiency services to enable individuals/families to be self-supporting.
- Continue to fund the Financially Assisted Agency Program which provides funding to non-profit agencies to administer health and human service programs.
- Continue to provide job creation and retention opportunities, particularly in areas with high concentrations of poverty.
- Support CareerSource Palm Beach County, formerly Workforce Alliance, which operates two full service career centers to provide employer/employment opportunities.
- Support operations of the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center (homeless resource center).
- Use HOME funds to fund a tenant based rental assistance program to serve homeless and impoverished families.

- Use ESG funds to fund a homeless prevention program.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Palm Beach County has a strong institutional structure which manages and delivers benefits from the community development programs which are undertaken each year. Entities involved in this endeavor are departments of Palm Beach County government, private non-profit organizations, other local governments, public agencies, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, and various special purpose committees and bodies. County departments which are integrally involved in this structure are: Economic Sustainability, Community Services, Facilities Development and Operations, Planning Zoning and Building, Parks and Recreation, Risk Management, Water Utilities, Engineering Services, Purchasing, County Administration and County Attorney's office among others. Palm Beach County continues to evaluate the operation of each of its community development programs in order to: ensure their operation within regulatory requirements, maximize the number of persons to benefit, and ensure easy access to these benefits by eligible persons. The following are currently underway or will be undertaken during the year:

- The County has adopted measures to increase the number of areas targeted to receive special assistance
- Pursue closer relationships between the County and non-profit and for-profit housing providers of affordable housing
- Actively coordinate with inter-local municipal partners in the preparation of the annual action plan
- Establish various committees to manage the Continuum of Care and the Emergency Solutions Grant requirements
- Provide direct home ownership assistance to families unable to access conventional credit
- Participate in training and conferences for affordable housing, economic development and public service providers
- Provide HOME funding to CHDOs to enhance the provision of Affordable Housing.

The system's strengths include the high number and variety of public and private organizations within the County that are involved throughout the year in providing housing, public services, economic development services, homeless services and other community development activities such as capital improvements, infrastructure, and public facilities. Although the County strongly encourages coordination and communication between community development players, many agencies still tend to primarily within their service niche. Oftentimes this means a lack of communication and awareness of other agencies and the existent services within the County. Further, a lack of funding to support the County's community development needs has also been identified. PBC will continue to facilitate a partnership strategy to implement Consolidated Plan activities and bring together a variety of entities and their skill sets to address the County's needs.

The County's service delivery system for the special needs and homeless population works due to the community collaboration of the large number of service providers. The Homeless and Housing Alliance

has member organizations whose mission is to provide vital services to persons with disabilities and special needs. Services provided range from education to housing assistance. The County's sole Homeless Resource Center is located in eastern PBC, and the majority of service providers and their outreach teams also concentrate their operations in the eastern portion of PBC. Many eligible clients that reside in the western communities are underserved when it comes to access to housing options and/or support services. The County will continue to explore various options that would allow for western community residents to better access services and benefits. DES is responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan for any housing-related activity that receives HUD funding and will continue to partner with a variety of entities to provide housing and non-housing activities in Palm Beach County.

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

Palm Beach County continues to work in coordination with multiple public and private housing and social service providers to effectively address the needs of the low-and moderate-income residents of the county. It should be noted that funds accruing to the County from HUD's Consolidated Planning Programs (CDBG, HOME, ESG) as well as from other federally funded programs such as the Supportive Housing Program, Neighborhood Stabilization Programs (NSP) and Disaster Recovery Initiative Programs (DRI) are not the only source of funds used to implement the community development strategies which emanate from coordination between the County and its twenty-eight (28) municipal partners, and countless non-profit and for-profit housing and social service providers. The following summarizes the coordination between Palm Beach County and municipal and public and private providers of housing, economic development, homeless, public services and public facilities and infrastructure.

Housing

- The County plans to coordinate with Palm Beach County Housing Authority, Belle Glade Housing Authority, Pahokee Housing Authority, Riviera Beach Housing Authority, the Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County, Neighborhood Renaissance, eight HOME designated CHDOs, Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach and the treasure Coast, among other, to ensure the availability of affordable rental and homeownership housing units to persons with incomes at or below 80% of the AMI.
- The County also plans to continue to provide low interest loan funding, through competitive solicitations, from HOME, SHIP and other federal sources (such as NSP) to private for-profit or private not for profit organizations for construction of affordable rental units. Conditions regarding rental rates and accessibility/availability to homeless and special needs persons would be incorporated.

Homeless

- The Palm Beach County Community Services Department will promote coordination between the Homeless Advisory Board, Homeless and Housing Alliance, the Philip D. Lewis Center, the Homeless Coalition, and various non-profit entities providing homeless assistance and homeless

services (including those agencies funded under the CDBG and ESG programs) to ensure that duplication of services are minimized and that the needs of homeless persons/families and persons/families at risk of becoming homeless are effectively identified, managed and provided for.

Public Services

- The County's Economic Sustainability Departments, who manages the ESG and CDBG funds and the Community Services Department which oversees the ESG, SHP, Ryan White, Veterans' programs as well as a large sum of funds provided from ad valorem source to fund programs assisting homeless and special needs persons as well as to provide general public service activity coordinates with the many service providers to establish funding priorities and to promote coordination between the various providers.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

For Fiscal Year 2015-2016, the County expects to receive funding under the following CPD programs: CDBG (\$5,750,879); ESG (\$522,853); and HOME (\$1,530,410). In addition, the County expects to generate approximately \$125,000 in un-programmed program income under CDBG (\$25,000) and HOME (\$100,000). CDBG funds are expected to fund program activities to be implemented by County departments, municipalities and non-profit agencies. The HOME Program will fund CHDO activities, the development of rental housing and a tenant-based rental assistance program. The ESG Program will fund the following eligible components: emergency shelter, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing and HMIS.

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	\$25,000
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	\$25,000

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 will benefit persons of low and moderate income	92.3%

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:

Palm Beach County will not utilize HOME funds in any other form except those stated in Section 92.205(b)(1).

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:

HOME funds will be used to facilitate the undertaking of homebuyer activities. Pursuant to 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) the following Recapture Provision will be implemented to ensure affordability of the units:

Principle Residence: Any home acquired under the HOME First-Time Homebuyers Program or lease with option to buy utilizing HOME or HOME-match funds, must be used as the principal residence of the homebuyer. Upon the sale, transfer, conveyance or alienation of any part or all of the property within fifteen (15) years, twenty (20) years (for new construction), of the date of the note or expiration of the full term of the first Mortgage loan, whichever date is earlier, full repayment of the principal sum plus accrued interest, if any, plus any advancements made pursuant to the terms of the Mortgage, shall become immediately due and payable. The affordability period commences on the date HOME funds are invested.

Refinance: Mortgage subordinations are granted at the discretion of Palm Beach County. Mortgage subordinations will only be granted in cases where the homeowner is seeking new financing to: lower the term of the first mortgage; lower the interest rate of the first mortgage; or make improvements to the HOME or HOME-match assisted property. Should the homeowner refinance for any reason other than previously mentioned, the full amount of the subsidy provided shall become due and payable in full.

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) as follows:

Palm Beach County's Department of Economic Sustainability (DES) utilizes the recapture provision for the first-time homebuyer's programs, if the dwelling does not maintain compliance with residency and other provisions of the mortgage and promissory note. The loan is a tiered amortization depending upon the funding amount and strategy. The recaptured funding is used to finance another affordable unit for an income eligible household.

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:

During FY 2015-2016 Palm Beach County does not plan to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing that is being rehabilitated with HOME and/or other federal funding. However, this activity may be implemented in subsequent years during the 5-Year Plan period. Pursuant to 24 CFR part 91, refinance guidelines include cost reasonableness per unit, management capacity and best practices, market analysis and feasibility, long-term viability, purpose of refinance i.e. restoration, creation and/or maintenance, minimum affordability of 15 years (longer at the discretion of the County), and other compensating factors consistent with the County's affordable housing policies.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)

The standards for providing ESG assistance will be written into each individual Sub-recipient Agreement in detail. These standards will include, among others, participating in HMIS (unless a domestic violence provider), completing a Universal Application, utilizing the Service Prioritization Decision Assistance (SPADT) Tool for each client, following the standards approved by the Continuum of Care for Coordinated Assessment, Emergency Shelter, Rapid Re-housing And Housing First and participating in the County's Continuum of Care (CoC), known locally as the Homeless and Housing Alliance (HHA).

Eligibility standards will state that all participants must meet the HUD definition of homelessness for Emergency Shelter Activities or the definition of "at risk of homelessness" as described in sections 576.103 and 576.104 of the Federal regulation for Rapid Re-housing Activities. Additionally, participants for Rapid Re-housing must have an income below 30% of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD.

Standards for length of time a client can receive financial assistance are those established in the ESG regulations, Recipient agencies will be instructed to follow the requirements established in the Federal Register for the specific program under which they are offering services.

The following documentation is to be included in the files of sub-recipients:

- Emergency Shelter – proof of homelessness
- Rapid Re-Housing– proof of homelessness

A further detailed list will be included in each sub-recipient agreement.

2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

In 2012 the CoC had developed and implemented a Universal Application and Universal Self-Sufficiency Matrix that was utilized by all CoC providers. After the first year of utilizing these assessment tools, it was determined that the Self-Sufficiency Matrix was not effective in establishing the most appropriate housing placements nor was it effective in prioritizing individuals in most need of services. After researching various assessment tools, the CoC determined that the Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT) would be the most effective in prioritizing service needs. The Homeless Resource Center staff tested the SPADT as part of their intake services and determined that the SPADT was effective in determining appropriate placement and service prioritization. The CoC adopted the SPADT Tool in November 2013 and training on the utilization of the tool began in January 2014 with full implementation by July 2014.

3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

- The HHA's Executive Committee met on September 15, 2014 to discuss and vote on the funding priorities for ESG. Emergency shelter for families with children and Transitional Housing for single men were established as priorities. These priorities were reviewed at the HHA meeting on October 23, 2014 and the decision was ratified by the HHA membership. The priorities were included in the Notification to the Public of Request for Proposal (RFP).
- On March 6, 2015 the Palm Beach County Division of Human and Veterans Services posted an RFP on its and DES's websites to solicit ESG applications. The RFP was also posted on the Homeless and Housing Alliance (HHA) website, and an email blast was sent out to all entities on the HHA listserv. Social media was also used to announce the RFP on the CoC's Twitter and Facebook page.
- The RFP stated the application deadline was 12:00pm, March 27, 2015. The Notice and the application listed a Division of Human Services staff member, who was available by phone to provide technical assistance to applicants. The notice also identified ADA special need requirements.
- A Technical Assistance Meeting was held on March 13, 2015 for all interested applicants.
- The ESG application was designed to gather information regarding the details of the proposed project. This included the Project Narrative, Project Goals and Objectives and the Budget Proposal. The application was also designed to measure the applicant's involvement with the local HHA by providing attendance records for meetings, subcommittees and participation in HMIS. Additionally, the application was designed to gather information regarding the financial and organizational capacity of the agency applying for funding through Monitoring Reports, Financial Audits and a Project Narrative.
- The evaluation tool for the application was based on the specified requirements in the application. The application contained five sections: Eligible Categories and Activities, Project Narrative, Project Goals and Objectives, Site control and Budget Proposal.

Additionally, the application includes four additional documents that have to be submitted: Financial Audit, Monitoring Report, CMIS (HMIS) Report Card, and a HHA Member in Good Standing Verification. All components were assigned a point scale which the reviewers used for their determination based on the information provided by the applicant.

- The evaluation of the applications received was conducted in three steps: First, the Human Services staff reviewed each application for Fatal Flaws. Second, a Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee was established that was comprised of five (5) individuals who were not affiliated with an agency that had applied for funding and were individuals who have some knowledge of local homeless issues (one member of the committee was formerly homeless). Committee members were provided copies of each of the six (6) ESG proposals and a scoring guide sheet to use for each application. The members were instructed to read all of the applications and be prepared to score the applications at the Public Meeting held on April 13, 2015. At the April 13th meeting, a committee member led the discussion of each application and asked for each reviewer's score. After each application was scored, they were then ranked per the given score and funding recommendations were considered. During the recommendation session, the Committee considered in part the score given and the previous funding amount, if funded, to determine a recommended allocation for each agency. The role of County staff was to provide technical assistance and administrative support, including running an Excel spreadsheet that was projected for the reviewers and the audience to see.
- An appeal was filed by the YWCA and was reviewed by the Community Services Department Director and the chair of the Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee. Upon review of the application contents, reconsideration of the information submitted was completed. Based on the review, additional points were awarded allowing the application to be rescored and determined eligible for funding.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

Former homeless individuals serve on both the HHA Executive Committee and the Non-Conflict Grant Review Committee (funding recommendation committee).

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

The ESG Scoring Guide chart was developed in part from the process that the HHA used to rank and review Continuum of Care Program (CoC) renewal applications. This process was used because HHA members are familiar with the process and it has been approved by the HHA as a way to rank renewal projects. Applications were scored as follows: Eligible Categories & Activities (5pts.), Project Narrative (25pts.), Project Goals & Objectives (15pts.), Site Control (5pts.), Budget Proposal (20pts.), Financial Audit (5pts.), Monitoring Reports (15pts.), CMIS (HMIS) Data Completeness Report Card (10pts.), and Homeless and Housing Alliance Sub

Committee participation (10pts.). The largest amount of points was assigned to Project Narrative, Project Goals, and Budget Proposal because those sections include the details of the proposal, and the feasibility and capacity of an agency to carry out proposed activities. The other sections, Financial Audit, Monitoring Report, CMIS, and HHA Sub Committee participation were assigned points as those section include financial capacity, the agencies past experience in handling funding from various sources, and awarded points to agencies that participate in the Continuum of Care and are members of good standing in the HHA.

6. Emergency Solutions Funding Recommendations

The following table shows the funding recommendations made by the Homeless and Housing Alliance Executive Committee, which was tasked by the PBC Department of Community Services, Division of Human Services to recommend the distribution of FY 2015-2016 ESG funds to non-profit entities. Additionally, \$50,000 was set-aside for funding of CMIS, and \$39,134 was allocated for program administration.

FY 2015-2016 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Agency	Recommended Funding					Beneficiaries (Individuals)		
	Emer. Shelter (ES) \$	Rapid Re-housing (RRH) \$	CMIS \$	Prog. Admin \$	Total \$	ES	RRH	TOTAL
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse	\$45,500				\$45,500	372		372
Center for Family Services	\$90,000				\$90,000	117		117
Salvation Army	\$93,000				\$93,000	36		36
YWCA	\$31,731				\$31,731	470		470
Adopt A Family		\$173,488			\$173,488		150	150
PBC Community Services			\$50,000		\$50,000	n/a	n/a	n/a
PBC Community Services/ Economic Sustainability				\$39,134	\$39,134	n/a	n/a	n/a
TOTAL	\$260,231	\$173,488	\$50,000	\$39,134	\$522,853	995	150	1,145

Table AP8 – ESG Funding Recommendations

APPENDIX I – SF-424 FORMS

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

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Pre-application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE		State Application Identifier	
		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY		Federal Identifier	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Legal Name: PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS			Organizational Unit: Department: DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY		
Organizational DUNS: 078470481			Division:		
Address: Street: 100 AUSTRALIAN AVENUE, SUITE 500			Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)		
City: WEST PALM BEACH			Prefix: MR.	First Name: EDWARD	
County: PALM BEACH			Middle Name W.		
State: FLORIDA			Zip Code 33406-1485	Last Name LOWERY	
Country: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA			Suffix:		
			Email: ELOWERY@PBCGOV.ORG		
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 59-6000785			Phone Number (give area code) 561-233-3602		Fax Number (give area code) 561-233-3651
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify)			7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (See back of form for Application Types) B. - COUNTY GOVERNMENT Other (specify)		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: 14-218 TITLE (Name of Program): Community Development Block Grant Program			9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)			11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's CDBG Program activities include public facilities, infrastructure, public services, fair housing activities, economic development activities, and program administration.		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015			Ending Date: 09/30/2016	14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:			16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?		
a. Federal	\$	5,750,879	b. Applicant	\$	.00
b. Applicant	\$	.00	c. State	\$	.00
c. State	\$	.00	d. Local	\$	.00
d. Local	\$	.00	e. Other	\$	.00
e. Other	\$	.00	f. Program Income	\$	25,000
f. Program Income	\$	25,000	g. TOTAL	\$	5,775,879
g. TOTAL	\$	5,775,879	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.					
a. Authorized Representative					
Prefix Ms.		First Name Shelley		Middle Name	
Last Name Vana			Suffix		
b. Title Mayor			c. Telephone Number (give area code) 561-355-2203		
d. Signature of Authorized Representative			e. Date Signed		



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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Home Investment Partnership Program		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's HOME Program activities include tenant based rental assistance, community housing development organization (CHDO) activities, and program administration.		
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015		Ending Date: 09/30/2016	14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		b. Project 18,20,21,22		
a. Federal	\$	1,530,417	16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
b. Applicant	\$		a. Yes. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON	
c. State	\$		DATE:	
d. Local	\$		b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372	
e. Other	\$		<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
f. Program Income	\$		17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
g. TOTAL	\$	1,530,417	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: TITLE (Name of Program): Emergency Solutions Grant Program 14-231		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): PALM BEACH COUNTY (COUNTYWIDE)		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: Palm Beach County's ESG Program provides services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. Activities include operation and maintenance of emergency shelters/transitional housing, homeless prevention activities, and rapid re-housing.	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: 10/01/2015		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 18,20,21,22	
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APPENDIX II – CERTIFICATIONS

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

Shelley Vana, Mayor

Title

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) FY 2015-2016, FY 2016-2017, & FY 2017-2018, 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

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Shelley Vana, Mayor

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**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

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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;

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ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

Matching Funds – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction’s consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from

publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Shelley Vana, Mayor

Title

APPENDIX III – CITIZEN PARTICIPATION COMMENTS

Eastern and Western County Regional Meetings

a) Eastern County Meeting

Date: Tuesday, December 9, 2014
Time: 10:00AM
Location: 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

b) Western County Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 11, 2014
Time: 10:00AM
Location: Belle Glade Civic Center, 725 NW 4th Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Carlos Serrano, Director of Strategic Operations for the Department of Economic Sustainability, addressed the audience and stated that the meeting is being held to present information and receive public input on the Consolidated Plan Process, which will establish goals and objectives for the County over a five year period beginning in October 2015; and to present information and receive public input on the FY 2013-2014 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Public Questions and Responses (Eastern Meeting – West Palm Beach)

Question 1: Jonathan Brown, Word of Faith CDC

Mr. Brown asked if the County will be adding a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area under the CDBG Program?

Response: We don't anticipate adding a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy under the Consolidated Plan, however what we do have is a geographic strategy that identifies target areas under the CDBG Program, which is underway by contacting our partner municipalities and by working with other county departments to identify geographic areas.

Question 2: Jonathan Brown

Mr. Brown asked if the process will be opened to Community Based Development organizations or county certified CBDOS?

Response: In regard to opening up the process, we welcome your input on what geographic areas exhibit the needs for the types of services and activities that your agency provides.

Question 3: Oliver Pfeiffer, Landmark

Mr. Pfeiffer asked to clarify the market data and information that applies to the Palm Beach County jurisdiction and the participating municipalities?

Response: Some of the data that you see applies just to program jurisdiction, which is unincorporated County and those municipalities with inter-local agreements. Some data is only available at a County-wide level, which includes those municipalities that receive their own Federal funds. In the document, we will identify whether the data is program jurisdiction or County-wide level.

Question 4: Michael McManaman, West Palm Beach Housing Authority

Mr. McManaman asked that in the program jurisdiction, some of the entitlement cities are in a HOME jurisdiction. Would they be excluded from the Consolidated Plan? For example, Boynton Beach gets CDBG, but not HOME funding.

Response: Our HOME funds are for within the program jurisdiction. There are limited circumstances where we can use the HOME entitlement funds outside the jurisdiction, but there are restrictions and conditions to allow that.

Question 5: Jeff Koons, advocate

Mr. Koons stated that the County is working on a plan with the United Way to take a look at access to food in Palm Beach County. He said that no one yet has done a strategic food study and most of the targeted neighborhoods have trouble accessing food. He said that there is a need for strategies to address this issue. He asked if this can be mentioned in the strategic study; that most of your neighborhoods do not have access to food and the need for strategies to address this issue.

Response: Access to food would be very appropriate to include in the market analysis. If you forward the information you have, that would be great.

Question 6: Speaker Not Identified

Speaker asked that in regard to the targeted areas, when are you going to announce the areas? Would there be another comment period for those?

Response: Those would come out with the draft Plan, which will be sometime in Spring 2015, and there will be opportunity for public comment at that time.

Question 7: Speaker Not Identified

Speaker asked if there will be changes to existing target areas in Palm Beach County?

Response: There will be changes; some will remain, others will drop out. Some areas have had significant improvements to infrastructure, enhanced community capacity, and improvements in housing conditions. There will be new areas and it is expected that there will be some overlap between current areas and areas in the new document.

At this point in the presentation, Mr. Serrano presented accomplishments by the County as covered under the FY 2013-2014 CAPER. Mr. Serrano then opened up the floor to give attendees an opportunity to provide comments and input on the plan. Attendees were asked about their community needs and what do they ultimately want to see in the document.

Question 8: Paula Ryan, Homeless Housing Coalition

Ms. Ryan stated that one of the things that the Homeless Coalition asks is that a lot of the numbers, for example the Plan, says that 94% of the targeted population has received some form of assistance, which would lead her to believe that there is a small need of homeless that still assistance and that the numbers that were originally generated didn't fully capture the problem. The request from the Homeless Coalition is that the study be a broad based study that would incorporate very low income populations to get a better sense as to how many people need services.

Response: The point is well taken and to clarify, when you see a target, that target does not reflect every person who is in need of these types of services; it is a target based on the need and resources that are available to the county. In the needs assessment portion of the Plan, you will see that there will be an estimated need, and then within the strategic plan, you will see here are the resources we have, so with these resources, how much can we accomplish, and that is the target. The target is not necessarily the entirety of the need, but your point is well taken. We do work closely with the County's

Department of Community Services, which is the lead agency for homeless issues, throughout the year, and we are working with them to get their input and numbers for this plan.

Question 9: Paula Ryan

Ms. Ryan asked is the number for the targeted population; is that part of anybody's study analysis, because your resources may not be enough to fully address the problem, but it may help to access our funding resources through private fund raising or other grants. Is that information available?

Response: Those numbers will be in the needs assessment section of the Plan. We will use all data sources that are available to us and that will be included in the needs assessment section of the Consolidated Plan.

Question 10: Jeff Koons

Mr. Koons stated that he chaired the Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness and they appreciate the resources that have gone into that particular system. Problem is that we are targeting the "nice" homeless people who turn up at the Lewis Center, and then we've got these underserved populations, and he thinks they are going to be specific to make recommendations on types of homeless people, for example mental health beds, drug beds, etc. There are people who may not show up at the Lewis Center, but the push is going to be on drilling down to those specific populations and how we can take a look at this.

Response: Mr. Koons was thanked for his comment.

Question 11: Speaker Not Identified

Speaker asked if the Consolidated Plan allowed for HOME funds for affordable housing if there is a participating jurisdiction that has a match, does the consolidated Plan allow for the County to contribute to that, or are you just keeping it within the County's jurisdiction?

Response: In those instances where we will fund a project outside our program jurisdiction, one of the conditions imposed by HUD is that the local municipality provide a financial contribution to the project. What you see within the Consolidated Plan are the general goals and strategies, such as use HOME funds to assist with new construction of affordable rental housing, or homebuyer assistance. It will not say to fund new housing construction projects in the City of West Palm Beach. When specific projects are identified, it will be over the course of the following five year period where we receive HOME funds and we have a competitive selection process for developers.

Question 12: Speaker Not Identified

Speaker asked if there will be an opportunity to provide public input into those public request for proposals or are you looking at this stage for input into the principals that will go into the consolidated plan that will influence your request for proposals.

Response: We are looking for the type of input now that will ultimately influence request for proposals. For example if the research and input says stop focusing on new construction and focus on expanding the stock of ownership housing, that would ultimately influence what type of RFP we do.

Question 13: Jonathan Brown

Mr. Brown asked if there a certain percentage of match that you are looking for from municipalities?

Response: We interpret the requirement that an entitlement municipality would have to produce at least 50% of the requested HOME amount. If you are asking for \$1M in HOME dollars, the local municipality would have to put up \$500,000.

Question 14: Cynthia LaCourse-Blum, Executive Director, Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County
Ms. LaCourse-Blum asked if a strategy would be incorporated in a target area so that non-profits could access CDBG money to make public improvements?

Response: Yes, that would be a strategy utilizing some of these resources to make public improvements for affordable housing.

Question 15: Lisa Maxwell, West Palm Beach Housing Authority

Ms. Maxwell stated that they are going to be building 300-400 units of affordable housing over the next 24 months. In regard to CDBG, are you still able to pay for infrastructure improvements to public areas, such as parks, roadway improvements

Response: For example, if a jurisdiction says that you have to improve a park next door to your development, because of the increase in density, CDBG dollars can be used for infrastructure and public facility improvements.

Question 16: Lisa Maxwell

Ms. Maxwell asked if that part of the requirement that someone would be saying to do it, as we are looking to make improvements to improve the overall area?

Response: Yes, that could be funded. We can fund public improvements that are not required as part of an approval process.

Question 17: Lisa Maxwell

Ms. Maxwell asked how does someone access those funds, as it would not be part of a RFP, but would be site-specific?

Response: If you are going to make improvements to public property, you are going to be partnering with the owner of the property. For example, if you are making an improvement to park in unincorporated Palm Beach County, we would be partnering with County Parks and Recreation. If the improvement is the extension of a water line in Palm Springs, as it is within their service area, we would be partnering with them to implement that project. You can contact us at any time when you've got something going on.

Question 18: Mallory Daniel, PBC Parks and Recreation

Mr. Daniel stated that in past consolidated plans, you've made parks a priority; for targeted areas, is it safe to assume that it will a goal moving forward that you will be focusing on that sort of thing and can we submit comments supporting that sort of thing.

Response: I would encourage you to submit comments. There is a whole lot of community needs out there. Remember, there are limited resources and needs that exceed the amount of resources.

General comment: Jeff Koons

Mr. Koons stated that in a review of the document and where money has been spent and accomplishments over the past four years, under economic development it shows jobs have been created and on the homeless side, there are so many issues (not just housing and full employment); most providers don't know other things are going on with your funding and the programs and sources, and we doesn't know how to improve that. If we are making an investment in economic development and jobs are begin created, that would be good information for people to know who are scrounging around looking for employment.

Response: Our department does put out a quarterly newsletter which includes generally every economic development project that we fund. That could be something that distribute on a wider basis than it currently is as a way of sharing information.

Suggestion: Jeff Koons

Putting a provision that they would help provide employment for some of these people as a condition of investment.

Response: We will note the suggestion.

Question 19: Tequesha Myles, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County

Will you be contacting the fair housing providers and the Office of Equal Opportunity for statistics for inclusion in the plan?

Response: Yes, I believe there has been some outreach already. There is a section of the consolidated plan that deals with fair housing directly, and Legal Aid Society is one of our major partners.

The attendees were presented with a copy of the slide presentation from which the presenter spoke. Additionally, attendees were advised that comments could be sent either to our offices at 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL or through our email address at descomments@pbcgov.org which will be available until June 2015.

Western Meeting (Belle Glade)

The meeting was attended by two representatives from the City of Pahokee (Diane Walker, vice Mayor and Rashonda Warren, CD Coordinator) and one person from a local non-profit agency (Mr. Wesley Harewood of Second Start). Due to the small number of attendees, it was decided to have a roundtable discussion of the Consolidated Plan process and to discuss issues directly related to the City of Pahokee and the Glades Region. Attendees asked questions in regard to obtaining funds for the non-profit agency and needs of the local community. The attendees were presented with a copy of the slide presentation that was created for the meeting and were advised to send comments and questions either to our office at 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL or through our email address at descomments@pbcgov.org which will be available until June 2015.

Palm Beach County Homeless Advisory Board – February 18, 2015

DES staff gave a presentation on the consolidated planning process to the Palm Beach County Homeless Advisory Board. The meeting was attended by county and municipal leaders, and business and community leaders. No comments were received at the meeting

Palm Beach County Homeless and Housing Alliance – February 26, 2015

DES staff gave a presentation on the consolidated planning process to the Palm Beach County Homeless and Housing Alliance. The meeting was attended by representatives of local service providers. No comments were received at the meeting

Eastern and Western County Regional Meetings

a) Eastern County Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 8, 2015
Time: 10:00AM
Location: 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

b) Western County Meeting

Date: Thursday, April 9, 2015
Time: 10:00AM
Location: Belle Glade Civic Center, 725 NW 4th Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Carlos Serrano, Director of Strategic Planning and Operations for the Department of Economic Sustainability, stated that the purpose of the meeting was intended to meet two objectives: First, it will provide an overview of the draft Consolidated Plan and second, it will outline the proposed funding strategies for the FY 2015-2016 Action Plan which incorporates the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs .

He stated that a draft consolidated plan document was posted on the Department's website (pbcgov.com/des) and was available for review prior to this meeting. He also stated that the notice of the availability of this document had been advertised to the public.

Mr. Serrano used a slide presentation to convey information to the public about the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. The slides showed a summary of the needs assessment and market analysis undertaken by DES staff for the Consolidated Plan and the recommended funding strategies for the three programs covered in the Action Plan. Mr. Serrano stated that the Action Plan is the County's application to HUD for funding under the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs. He explained that the Action Plan lays out Palm Beach County's proposed use of these grant dollars and that the funding strategies for the Action Plan will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for discussion and approval on April 28, 2015. This meeting will be publicly noticed and all are invited to attend. Finally, Mr. Serrano informed the attendees that both the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan will be presented to the Board of County commissioners at a public hearing on July 21st and is due to HUD by August 15th.

Mr. Serrano stated that DES is accepting public comments either by writing or using our email address at descomments@pbcgov.org.

Public Questions and Answers – Eastern Meeting

Question 1: Kathy Serock, Children's Home Society

Ms. Serock asked if all public comments received be available to the general public?

Answer: Mr. Serrano responded that a summary of all comments will appear in the document, but the email address is not a blog where everyone can see other comments. He explained that descomments@pbcgov.org is an email address and that typically, an organization will write a letter on their letterhead, scan it as a pdf and then send it to DES electronically. Mr. Serrano stated that in the Consolidated Plan, we do put a summary of all of the comments received.

Question 2: Pam O'Brien, AVDA

Ms. O'Brien asked the date of the BCC workshop?

Answer: April 28, 2015, 9:30am time certain

Question 3: Greg Rydman, Salvation Army

Mr. Rydman asked if program administration under the CDBG program is a fixed percentage of the grant amount?

Answer: Mr. Serrano responded that HUD caps program administration for CDBG at 20% and the County budgets all of the 20% for its use.

Mr. Rydman

Mr. Rydman questioned if the 20% allocated for program administration was steep, relative to other grants?

Answer: Mr. Serrano responded that it was necessary to budget the entire 20% allowed under the CDBG grant as there's a lot of overhead that goes into operating these programs. Mr. Serrano followed

up that this amount of grant funding does not fully accommodate the administrative costs of the programs.

Question 4: Joan Keiffer – Adopt a Family

Ms. Keiffer asked for an explanation of the decision to locate the proposed Homeless Resource Center in Delray Beach?

Answer: Mr. Serrano replied that the Department of Community Services has led the effort on this project and that the project will be implemented by the Facilities Department because they do all physical work on County facilities. As far as planning or location, Community Services could best answer those questions, however he did know that it is an existing County facility and speculated that as there was a limited amount of available funding, that consideration would be given to using a current County owned facility and not go out to purchase a new facility.

Question 5: Pam O'Brien, AVDA

Ms. O'Brien asked where in Delray [Beach] is the facility located?

Answer: Mr. Serrano replied that it was off Congress Avenue, south of Atlantic Avenue in the County complex. It's a current County owned facility, housing County offices and they would be converting a portion of an existing building into a homeless resource center.

Question 6: Terry Murray, Neighborhood Renaissance

Ms. Murray asked if there are any other resources, maybe not from the current Action Plan, for rental housing development? Creating and preserving existing units? She said that this seems to be a growing need.

Answer: Mr. Serrano agreed that there is a lot of competing needs for grant funds and that the need for additional rental housing remains. As far as other resources outside of this next year's Action Plan, Mr. Serrano said that there are SHIP funds which the County receives on an annual basis from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, and that the County's LHAP sets forth various strategies on the use of those funds, among which is the creation of affordable rental housing development activities. He said that from year to year, the SHIP funds received are applied to different strategies as outlined in the LHAP, so he referred attendees to the current year's LHAP or the LHAP that is being prepared for the upcoming fiscal year to see if there is rental development funds budgeted to that specific activity for that specific year.

Question 7: Nicole Dritz, Town of Lantana

Ms. Dritz asked if in addition to the slide presentation shown at this meeting, is there a resource that she can go to obtain a more comprehensive list of eligible activities?

Answer: Mr. Serrano responded that the CDBG regulations would provide a list of eligible activities, but he suggested that she contact us directly so that we can talk through some of her ideas for the use of funds for the Town, but that the CDBG regulations at 24 CFR Part 570 are the definite set of regulations. Mr. Serrano suggested that she contact staff to discuss further.

Mr. Serrano stated that the next steps in the process are the BCC workshop on April 28, 2015, some more public meetings in June similar to this one; the BCC public hearing on July 21st. Both the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan are required to be submitted to HUD by August 15th. Mr. Serrano reminded the attendees that public comments are always accepted at descomments@pbcgov.org.

Public Questions and Answers – Western Meeting

No comments were received at the meeting.

Non Conflict Grant Review Committee Meeting (ESG):

Date: April 13, 2015
Time: 1:00pm
Location: 810 Datura Street, West Palm Beach, Fl. 33401

The Non Conflict Grant Review Committee consists of five (5) individuals whose sole purpose is to review the applications for ESG funding which were submitted in response to a RFP published on March 4, 2015 on the Department of Community Services' website and on social media. All members are non-conflict in that neither they nor the organizations which they represent have applied for ESG funding. On April 13, 2015, the Committee met in a public meeting to review and rank the six (6) applications received and to make funding recommendations. Prior to initiating discussions amongst the committee members to arrive at funding recommendations, Claudia Tuck, Human Services Director, solicited comments from the agencies that attended the meeting.

Public Input Received:

Pam O'Brien of Aid to Victims of Domestic Violence (AVDA) introduced herself and her organization.

Actions:

The Committee deliberated amongst themselves, discussing each application individually and subsequently arrived at the following funding recommendations: Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse - \$45,500; Adopt A Family-\$173,488; Center for Family Services \$100,000; The Salvation Army - \$100,000; and Vita Nova-\$0.

The Young Women's Christian Association appealed the Committee's decision to recommend \$0. As a response to the appeal, Community Service Director Channell Wilkins and Grant Review Committee Chair Donna Quinlan recommended funding of \$31,731, which was approved by the committee.

Palm Beach County Board County Commissioners Workshop

Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2015
Time: 10:30AM
Location: PBC Government Center, 301 N. Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Presenters: Shannon LaRocque, Assistant County Administrator
Edward W. Lowery, DES Director
Sherry Howard, DES Deputy Director
Carlos Serrano, DES Director of Strategic Planning and Operations

The purpose of this public workshop meeting before the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) was to present the Consolidated Plan, which is Palm Beach County's guiding document for the use of funds

received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Plan identifies needs in the areas of housing, economic, and community development, and sets forth broad strategies for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investments Partnership (HOME) Program, and Emergency Solution Grant (ESG) funds for a period of five fiscal years. The County's Consolidated Plan is developed to be proactive and flexible in order to respond to a wide array of changing community needs. The strategies set forth in the Consolidated Plan are used as the guiding document in the development of the Action Plan strategies and recommendations.

Staff showed a slide presentation to convey information to the BCC and the public about the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. The slides showed a summary of the needs assessment and market analysis undertaken by DES staff for the Consolidated Plan and the recommended funding strategies for the three programs covered in the Action Plan. Mr. Lowery stated that the Action Plan is the County's application to HUD for funding under the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs and that the Action Plan lays out Palm Beach County's proposed use of these grant dollars. Ms. LaRocque said that any direction received today from the BCC will be incorporated into the final Action Plan and presented at a final Public Hearing on July 21, 2015.

Board Discussion

Mayor Shelley Vana expressed her concerns in regard to the chronic homeless population in Palm Beach County and the need to provide services to this population. Mayor Vana asked staff about putting a Homeless Resource Center in John Prince Park and questioned the number of homeless persons reported in the 2015 Point In Time count, conducted on January 29, 2015. Claudia Tuck, Director of Human Services at the Department of Community Services explained count methodology. Other commissioners stated that what was needed to help this population was a multifaceted plan to address those needs in a comprehensive fashion. Commissioner Paulette Burdick pointed out that housing is needed for special needs populations, particularly adults with disabilities. Several commissioners asked questions about the need to address the situation with unaccompanied minors, particularly those who are abused and neglected or who are not part of the foster care system, and who may become a part of the homeless population. Commissioners Valeche, Taylor and McKinlay discussed homeowner versus renter housing strategies. For the Action Plan, the BCC (with direction to staff) approved funding strategies and recommendations as outlined in the presentation.

One comment was received from Daniel Gibson of the Lord's Place, in regard to homeless persons who are trying to obtain housing. Mr. Gibson commented that while federally funded housing has specific restrictions on renting to ex-offenders (sex offenders and drug trafficking) local issues may restrict felons further from access to housing; currently local landlords have the right to deny felons from renting their properties.

Western and Eastern County Regional Meetings

a) Western County Meeting

Date: Monday, June 29, 2015

Time: 10:30AM

Location: Belle Glade Civic Center, 725 NW 4th Street, Belle Glade, FL 33430

b) Eastern County Meeting

Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2015

Time: 10:00AM

Location: 100 Australian Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

The purpose of the meetings is to present to the public the FY 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and the FY 2015-2016 Action Plan, along with funding recommendations.

Public Comments

To be added

Palm Beach County Board County Commissioners Public Hearing

Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2015

Time: No time certain (BCC meetings start at 9:30 a.m.)

Location: PBC Government Center, 301 N. Olive Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

To be added

APPENDIX IV – Summary of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice - Fiscal Years 2015-2016 to 2019-2020

Introduction and Purpose

HUD program regulations require grantees to certify that they will affirmatively further fair housing as part of the obligations assumed when they accept HUD program funds. However, the grantee's AFFH obligation is not restricted to the design and operation of HUD-funded programs. The AFFH obligation extends to all housing and housing-related activities in the grantee's jurisdictional area whether publicly or privately funded.

The objective and purpose of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI) is two-fold. First it seeks to identify and review the following:

- Any actions, omissions, or decisions taken because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin which restrict housing choices or the availability of housing choices, and
- Any actions, omissions, or decisions which have the effect of restricting housing choices or the availability of housing choices on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

Secondly, the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing will seek to ameliorate the identified impediments through the following:

- Analyze and eliminate housing discrimination in the jurisdiction
- Promote fair housing choice for all persons
- Provide opportunities for inclusive patterns of housing occupancy regardless of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, disability and national origin
- Promote housing that is structurally accessible to, and usable by, all persons, particularly persons with disabilities
- Foster compliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of the Fair Housing Act.

Palm Beach County- Data on Demographic, Income, Employment and Housing

Demographic Data

According to the 2014 Annual Population Estimate, Palm Beach County has a total population of 1,397,710. Approximately 870,480 of the County's population reside in the Palm Beach County Urban County Jurisdiction (501,691 in unincorporated Palm Beach County). Adults aged 45 to 54 constitutes 14.1% of the population followed by persons aged 35 to 44 years (12.3%).

Whites make up 59.23% of the total population; Black or African American 17.03%; American Indian and Alaska Native 0.11%; Asian 2.35%; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander .35%; and Other 1.72%. Hispanics comprises 19.51% of the total population.

Median Income, Poverty and Labor Force and Employment

The County's median household income for a family of four persons is \$63,300. The labor force is 665,036 with 586,562 persons employed. The County's 2015 unemployment rate is 5.0% (Not Seasonally Adjusted).

Accessibility and Transportation

The primary mode of transportation in Palm Beach County, similar to all other counties in Florida is by road via private automobile. Public transportation in Palm Beach County is provided by Palm Tran and Tri-Rail (a regional commuter rail system which also provides local service). The road network is ubiquitous and effectively links job centers, shopping and recreation areas and residential areas.

Housing Market Analysis

The primary housing tenure within the Jurisdiction is homeowner, as opposed to renter units, with three times as many owner units than renter units. There is an inadequate supply of affordable housing units as only 19% of rental units and 49% of homeowner units are affordable to households earning 100% or below Area Median Income (AMI). The rising cost of housing in the Jurisdiction is most notably and this trend is likely to continue with low- and moderate-income households continuing to experience greater housing cost-burden and/or overcrowded living situations. The demand for rental units has increased significantly over the past several years, largely attributed to the collapse of the housing bubble and the resultant economic recession which culminated in high numbers of property foreclosures and sharp declines in property values. The slowdown in the construction of new rental housing coupled with the increased demand has contributed to the escalation of rental unit costs.

Availability of Housing Units Versus Needs of the Population?

Within the past decade Palm Beach County median home value has doubled and the median rent value increase by more than fifty percent. Population projections for the Jurisdiction indicate that a 6% net increase in the number of households is expected during the 2015-2020 period. The rental market indicates lowering inventory and rising costs which culminates into reduced affordability and an increase in the number of cost burdened households. For the home buyers market, data from Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches (RAPB) indicates that at year-end 2014 there was a 5.5 month supply of inventory for single family homes, and that the number of listings had increased by 16% from the previous year. The \$275,000 median single family home sale price for the year 2014 would be out of reach for many households within the Jurisdiction.

Cost of Housing

According to the Housing Element of Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Plan, housing is considered to be affordable if monthly rents including utilities, or monthly mortgage payments, including property taxes and insurance, do not exceed thirty (30%) percent of the household's median adjusted gross annual income for very low, low and moderate income. Households are considered "cost-burdened" when housing costs exceed thirty percent (30%) of gross household income. "Severe cost burden" occurs when a household's housing costs exceed fifty percent (50%) of gross household income.

In Palm Beach County, median value of homes has increased by 106% and median contract value of rent has increased by 52% since 2000, according to ACS data provided in the table below.

Cost of Housing

	Base Year: 2000	Most Recent Year: 2011	% Change
Median Home Value	115,000	236,600	106%
Median Contract Rent	648	988	52%

Data Source: 2000 Census (Base Year), 2007-2011 ACS (Most Recent Year)

Rent Paid

Rent Paid	Number	%
Less than \$500	12,697	14.9%
\$500-999	37,674	44.2%
\$1,000-1,499	23,516	27.6%
\$1,500-1,999	7,382	8.7%
\$2,000 or more	3,950	4.6%
Total	85,219	100.0%

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Condition of Housing

According to housing condition data tracked by HUD (substandard housing – lacking complete kitchen or plumbing facilities; overcrowded housing – 1.01 or more persons per room; and housing cost burden – more than 30% of income toward housing), the incidence of housing units with one or more conditions is significantly higher for renter units (59%) than for owner-occupied units (41%). However, of the Jurisdiction’s total housing units (renter and owner) with one or more selected conditions, the overwhelming majority of units with conditions are those units related to cost burden rather than physical deficiency (lacking plumbing or complete kitchen) or overcrowding. Data from Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse indicates that only 2.1% of Countywide occupied units lack complete plumbing or complete kitchen facilities. Overcrowding accounts for fewer than 3% of occupied units.

Need for Owner and Rental Rehabilitation

Data supplied by HUD indicates that 33% of owner-occupied units and 41% of renter-occupied units were built prior to 1980. Since it can be assumed that some degree of rehabilitation is likely to be necessary for units in excess of 30 years of age, it is evident that there is a need for rehabilitation of both homeowner and rental housing stock in Palm Beach County. Also, with housing values outpacing income growth in Palm Beach County, many owners will likely turn to rehabilitation of their existing properties as a more affordable option to purchasing a new home.

Evaluation of Jurisdiction’s Current Fair Housing Legal Status

Summary Federal Fair Housing Ordinance

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 – the Fair Housing Act – prohibits discrimination in the sale and rental of housing so that people in the United States have a greater opportunity to build better lives for themselves and their families. As amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, it is unlawful to discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability and familial status.

Summary Palm Beach County Fair Housing Ordinance

The Palm Beach County Fair Housing Ordinance was first adopted in 1984 and was made substantially equivalent to the federal Fair Housing Act through amendments in 1995 and 1996. The Ordinance was since amended on December 18th, 2007. The Ordinance incorporates all of the bases contained in the Federal ordinance and adds sexual orientation, age, marital status, and gender identity or expression.

Overview of Fair Housing Administration in Palm Beach County

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and in some cases the U.S. Department of Justice, is responsible for investigating and enforcing violations of the Fair Housing Act. However, since HUD does not have sufficient resources, it has implemented the Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP). Under this program, HUD grants to a jurisdiction whose fair housing laws and remedies are “substantially equivalent” to those provided under the federal Fair Housing Act, as amended in 1988, the authority to enforce fair housing laws. HUD recognized Palm Beach County Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) as a substantially equivalent agency in March, 1997 and refers cases of housing discrimination in Palm Beach County to the OEO as the local FHAP, for fair housing law enforcement action.

HUD also has implemented the Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) to increase awareness of fair housing laws and to conduct enforcement activities. Governmental and non-profit agencies may apply to HUD for FHIP status and funding to conduct workshops and media campaigns and to do complaint-based and systemic testing to identify discrimination in housing. Palm Beach County has two FHIP agencies within its jurisdiction, namely the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc. and Fair Housing Center for the Greater Palm Beaches, Inc.

Summary of Fair Housing Complaints in Palm Beach County

Fair Housing Complaint by Basis

The table below compares the bases of fair housing discrimination cases reported over the period FY 2004-2005 to FY 2008-2009 to those occurring over the period FY 2009-2010 to FY 2013-2014.

The information on the table below combines data received from both the OEO and the LAS and shows that the county made significant gains in reducing fair housing discriminations on all bases except disability. The table also shows that, despite the success achieved over the past five years, the main bases for fair housing complaints, in addition to disability, continue to be race and color, familial status, and national origin.

Fair Housing Complaints

Basis	Total FY 2004-05 to FY2008-09	% of Total	Total FY 2009-10 to FY 2013-14	% of Total
Race or Color	159	21.5%	106	14.7%
Gender	26	3.5%	21	2.9%
Familial Status	78	10.6%	73	10.1%
National Origin	119	16.1%	88	12.2%
Religion	9	1.3%	9	1.3%
Disability	292	49.4%	368	50.9%
Age	31	4.2%	27	3.8%

Basis	Total FY 2004-05 to FY2008-09	% of Total	Total FY 2009-10 to FY 2013-14	% of Total
Marital Status	5	0.7%	6	0.9%
Sexual Orientation	11	1.5%	6	0.9%
Gender Identity or Expression	0	0	0	0
Other	11	1.5%	17	2.4%
Total	741		723	

Compiled from information provided by OEO and LAS

Fair Housing Complaints by Issues

The data for the five year periods FY 2004-2005 to FY 2008-2009 and FY 2009-2010 and 2013-2014 showed that refusal to rent or sell; discrimination in the conditions or terms of sale or rental occupancy; intimidation, interference or coercion; and denial of reasonable accommodation continue to be the most prevalent most prevalent issues.

Issue	FY 2004-05 to FY 2008-09	% of Total	FY 2009-10 to FY 2013-14	% of Total
Refusal to rent, sell, etc.	68	8.5	116	14.1
Falsely deny housing was available	8	1.0	24	2.9
Discriminate in the conditions or terms of sale, rental occupancy or in services or facilities	252	31.5	244	29.5
Advertise in a discriminatory way	18	2.3	31	3.8
Discriminate in financing	7	0.9	7	0.9
Discriminate in broker's services	0	0	1	0.2
Intimidation, interference or coercion	110	13.8	84	10.2
Sexual harassment	2	0.3	0	0
Denial of reasonable accommodation	229	28.6	279	33.8
Denial of reasonable modification	3	0.4	13	1.6
Retaliation	8	1.0	3	0.4
Accessibility	0	0	3	0.4
Using Ordinances to discriminate in zoning and land use	10	1.3	2	0.3
Otherwise deny or make housing available	14	1.8	14	1.7
Failure to meet senior housing exemption criteria (55+)	3	0.4	3	0.4
Predatory Lending	38	4.8	3	0.4
Other: Home Ownership	32	4.0	180	21.8
Total	802		827	

Compiled from information provided by OEO and LAS

Fair Housing Complaints by Race

Based on information provided by the LAS during the period encompassed by FY 2009-2010 to FY 2013-2014, 51.5% of all fair housing discrimination complaints were made by whites (up from 44.8% during the previous five years). Hispanics and Blacks, the next two largest racial groups in the county were affected by 24.2 percent and 21.0 percent respectively of the overall fair housing complaints reported to LAS.

Race	FY 2004-05 to FY 2008-09	% of Total	FY 2009-10 to FY 2013-14	% of Total
Asian, Native Hawaiian, Other Pacific Islanders	6	1.7	4	1.1
Black or African American	107	29.3	81	21.1
Hispanic or Latino Only	48	13.2	93	24.2
Hispanic/Latino and Black/African American	25	6.9	0	0
Hispanic/Latino and White	0	0	0	0
American Indians or Native Alaskan	0	0	0	0
White	164	44.8	198	51.5
Other Individual Race	5	1.4	5	1.3
Other Multiple Combinations	8	2.2	1	0.3
Unknown at time of Report	3	0.9	3	0.8
Total	366		385	

Compiled from information provided by LAS

Fair Housing Complaints by Income Group

Over the period FY 2004-2005 to FY 2008-2009, very-low and low- income persons accounted for 63.2% of all fair housing discrimination complaint lodged with the LAS. This percentage was increased to 74.6% over the FY 2009-2010 to FY 2013-2014 five year period.

Income Group	FY 2004-05 to FY 2008-09	% of Total	FY 2009-10 to FY 2013-14	% of Total
Very Low Income	107	29.3	135	35.1
Low Income	124	33.9	159	41.3
Moderate Income	93	25.4	31	8.1
Moderate Income and Higher	27	7.4	56	14.6
Unknown at Time of Report	15	4.1	4	1.1
TOTAL	366		385	

Compiled from information provided by LAS

Identified Impediments to Fair Housing and Recommendations to Alleviate the Identified Impediments.

Identified Impediments To Fair Housing	Recommendations to Address Impediments
Disability, National Origin, Race and Familial Status	
<p>Disability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The right to protection under the law may be overlooked for disabled persons who exhibit unusual or eccentric behavior since the behavior may mask their disability resulting in reasonable accommodations not being sought. ▪ Complaints that certain behaviors violate rules or are disruptive, such as noise emanating from an individual’s unit, may be caused by a hearing or other disability. Some housing providers send letters threatening to evict in such cases, rather than exploring reasonable accommodations. ▪ Accessibility of some units is inadequate to accommodate needs of the occupant person with a disability. Similarly, some units occupied by persons without a disability are inadequate to accommodate visitors with a disability. ▪ Architectural barriers limit accessibility of common needs and amenities within housing communities e.g., routes to recreation facilities sometimes have steps or other obstacles, or planned paved pathways in construction plans were not built; insufficient access width and other general access issues; ramps not being permitted by property owner/manager, condominium associations and HOAs. ▪ Refusal to rent/sell to persons with disabilities, especially those supporting themselves with SSI and SSDI, even when the income is more than adequate to cover cost of the chosen housing. ▪ Persons with disabilities are refused the use of a service or emotional support animal as a reasonable accommodation by property owners or condominium and homeowners associations with “no pet” rules. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OEO, FHC, and the Legal Aid Society should be alert to the possibility of mental illness when receiving and investigating complaints of housing refusals based on behavior or personality that is "odd" or "difficult to deal with." When an impending refusal of housing can be linked to mental illness, agencies such as OEO, FHC and Legal Aid Society should treat the case as a claim of disability-based discrimination, and look for reasonable accommodations that could be requested. ▪ Expand the undertaking of education and outreach to protected classes on rights under the Fair Housing Act. This is more specifically required in Palm Beach County’s western communities. ▪ Concentrate fair housing education efforts directors of condominium associations, homeowners associations and apartment managers/owners; and make annual participation in this training a mandatory requirement for condominium association boards and for landlords when applying for rental licenses. ▪ Through the OEO, FHC and Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, continue to undertake extensive testing to identify instances of housing discrimination on all protected bases, to test for non-compliance with the accessibility building standards mandated under FHAA and other governing regulations; and to identify the education and outreach efforts needed to strengthen fair housing efforts. ▪ Referral of fair housing related complaints to LAS and FHC for investigation. ▪ HCD should continue to provide funding under its CDBG program to non-profit entities to carry out Fair Housing activities. Individuals defending against housing discrimination often lack the financial resources to pursue their legal rights on their own.

Identified Impediments To Fair Housing	Recommendations to Address Impediments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some developments lack sufficient parking spaces for persons who have disability parking placards. Some disability parking spots are reserved for visitors only and cannot be used by residents even if the spot is closer to their unit. Parking for scooters or large power wheelchairs which cannot fit into the apartment is sometimes an issue. ▪ Persons requiring 24 hour Personal Care Attendants encounter problems of housing providers considering the Attendant to be a “visitor” or “occupant” and then demanding an application fee and a completed application for every Personal Care Attendant who visits the home. Some providers also want to count the Attendant(s) as “occupant(s)” and, if the additional person(s) takes the number of residents over the lease or community rule limitation, the person with the disability who leases/owns the apartment is then cited for violation of the lease agreement or the community rule. <p>Race and Color</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Some housing providers, usually owners of mobile park homes, threatens, intimidate and harass residents especially those perceived as not having legal residency status in the United States. <p>Familial Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Overbearing and improper occupancy restrictions or rules are imposed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OEO, LAS and FHC to provide information and public education to HOA, Condo Associations and operators or rental apartments on communication problems of some groups of disabled persons and the need to take proactive steps to alleviate this problem. ▪ Imposition of mandatory training for housing providers and landlords found in violation of city/county codes. ▪ Palm Beach County should enact local protections for victims of domestic violence similar to Violence Against Women Act
Availability of Accessible and Affordable Housing	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There is a shortage of units affordable to lower income households within Palm Beach County this is particularly true for rental units where only 7% are affordable to households with incomes at 30% or below AMI and less than 30% are affordable to households with incomes which is at 50% or below AMI. ▪ Accessibility of some units is inadequate to accommodate needs of the occupant person with a disability. Also, architectural barriers may limit accessibility of common needs and amenities within housing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palm Beach County Planning Zoning and Building Department should seek to increase the supply of affordable housing to low and moderate-income households by continuing to implement its Affordable Housing Program and its Workforce Housing Program. The Department should also continue to provide incentives to builders of affordable housing unit. • The Department of Economic Sustainability should continue to use Federal, State and Local

Identified Impediments To Fair Housing	Recommendations to Address Impediments
<p>communities for example, routes to recreation facilities sometimes have steps or other obstacles; planned paved pathways in construction plans were not built; insufficient access width and other general access issues; ramps not being permitted by property owner/manager or condominium/homeowners associations. There may also be insufficient parking spaces for persons who have disability parking placards.</p>	<p>funds to provide affordable loans, and grants to affordable housing providers and to construct/rehabilitate affordable housing units.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DES should actively market its SHIP funded Housing Rehabilitation/Barrier Free program to members of the disabled community, housing providers and Condominium Associations. DES should also seek to explore how the program guidelines may be amended to encourage owners of rental units which are occupied by disabled households to benefit from the program. Currently those eligible to receive assistance under this program are homeowners and condo associations. The program offers funding to undertake substantial repairs and to correct code violations and may be used for installation of elevators and lifts; widening of doorways, and hallways; installation of accessible doors; undertaking of improvements to kitchen, bathroom and bedroom to accommodate mobility; installation of grab bars, entry ramps, railings, walkways, non-slip floor surfaces, delayed closing mechanisms on egress and garage doors. • The requirements of the Florida’s Accessibility Code for Building Construction and the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Fair Housing Act need to be reinforced through regular trainings and seminars hosted by agencies such as the LAS and OEO and by County/Municipalities. This training should be targeted at planners, building design and construction professionals. Building officials attendance of these training sessions should be mandatory.
Mortgage and Credit and Property Insurance	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Data from HMDA for 2013 showed that over 80% of all loan applications were from Whites. The data also shows that over 69.0% of all loan applications were approved with the approval rate by racial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palm Beach County should to continue to offer mortgages and mortgage assistance under its various federal and state funded programs to low and moderate-income households to improve their access to homeownership.

Identified Impediments To Fair Housing	Recommendations to Address Impediments
<p>categories being 70.8% for whites, 60.1% for Blacks, 69.0% for Asians and 64.1% for Hispanics. The low rate of mortgage applications from other racial/ethnic groups compared to Whites needs to be addressed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The LAS has identified that the market for reverse mortgages in minority communities in the Cities of Riviera Beach and West Palm Beach has seen systematic exploitation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palm Beach County should continue to offer funding to agencies who offers first-time homebuyers programs including the analysis of credit reports and provision of assistance on how to improve the scores on the reports. • Additional protections are needed for clients with Limited English Proficiency. Including mandatory provision of closing documents in resident’s native language; mandatory and heightened pre-closing counseling in the resident’s native language, for seniors seeking reverse mortgages; • Additional protections are needed to protect surviving spouses (who were not age 62 when reverse mortgage was obtained) who are in danger of losing their primary residence after spouse dies. • In homeowner association foreclosures cases, claim of lien and pre-foreclosure notices should be sent in resident’s native language. • Palm Beach County should enact local ordinance protections for tenants in foreclosure in light of the Protecting Tenants in Foreclosure Act that ended under federal law in 2014 • There should be a requirement for mandatory disclosure by homeowner/ and condominium associations if property the entity is renting to the public is involved in pending mortgage foreclosure procedures. • OEO, LAS and FHC should investigate how financial institutions are operating their housing financing programs in order to detect incidences of predatory lending, reverse mortgage and foreclosure prevention mal-practices. • The Federal government or the State of Florida should institute the following policies: maternity leave and disability income should not impact resident’s ability to secure loan, refinance or loan modifications; and self-employment income should be removed as an obstacle for getting qualified for loan modifications.

Identified Impediments To Fair Housing	Recommendations to Address Impediments
Zoning and Land Use Policies, and Other Public Policies, Practices, and Procedures Involving Housing and Housing-Related Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on data provided by OEO and LAS, zoning and land use policies and other public policies involving housing and related activities in Palm Beach County does not generally manifest themselves as impediments to fair housing. The County recognizes that continued assessment and review of its land use, zoning and other policies related to housing must be undertaken to ensure that these policies remain non-discriminatory and unambiguous. ▪ There may be some unintended discriminatory effects as a result rezoning mobile home parks. This process needs to be better regulated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Planning, Zoning and Building Department will, during the EAR process assess policies and programs related to land-use, zoning and housing to ensure that they remain non-discriminatory. • Palm Beach County needs to better regulate the rezoning of mobile home parks and to decrease the impact of the rezoning on national origin, disabled, familial status, and age protected classes. • DES will review its PPMs and program criteria to ensure that assistance is not provided to entities where the activity to be funded violates fair housing practices. The review will also seek to impose the addressing of some fair housing issues into housing projects, such as accessibility requirements and set-asides for disabled.
Identified Impediments-Housing problems for families created by the presence of lead-based paint in houses built before 1978	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approximately 7.3% of all housing units in the county are household units with children present who may potentially be exposed to LBP. ▪ At least 15 new cases of lead poisoning are reported annually in Palm Beach County for children under six years old. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DES to continue to undertake mandatory lead based paint in all structures scheduled to be rehabilitated with funds provided by the agency and wherein children under the age of six will be accommodated. • DES and the PBC Health Department to continue communitywide efforts to sensitize individuals about lead based paint hazards
Problems faced by immigrant populations whose language and cultural barriers combine with a lack of affordable housing to create unique fair housing impediments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some families rent only a bedroom in a house for which they pay approximately \$700/month. In addition, they may have to pay for either electric (bill is rarely in their name) or some other expense. A consequence of living in this type of shared housing is that families forced to accept living with people that shouldn't be around children and places a stress on parents to keep their families safe. Due to the type of tenure, rent and utility assistance, if needed, is not available to these households circumstances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The relevant municipal and County Code Enforcement Departments must perform regular inspection of premises located in areas where these persons predominantly reside and issue citations where deficiencies are observed. • OEO, LAS and FHC must target public education presentations to the affected ethnic groups and to the landlords to familiarize each group about their fair housing rights and obligations and penalty to be imposed if those rights are being violated. • The Department of Community Services, which will implement the SHIP funded Rental Re-entry

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Properties are sold by the owners without provision of notice to the renters, consequently, families are not provided with sufficient time find new housing. • Renters do not have signed leases, or leases are not renewed after expiration. Therefore, they are not protected from impromptu and unexpected evictions. • Properties and appliances are not maintained and led to some family members being hospitalized because respiratory and other issues caused by mold and other unattended deficiencies to the properties which the owner refuses to correct. 	<p>Program should advertise this program to these residents and target them as beneficiaries, if they are eligible</p>



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Fiscal Year 2015 – 2016 Action Plan Program Strategies



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Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program



Objectives

Primary Goals:

- Provision of decent housing;
- Creation of a suitable living environment; and
- Expanding economic opportunities.

National Objectives:

- Benefit low and moderate income persons;
- Prevention or elimination of slums and blight; and
- Meeting a community need of particular urgency.



Eligible Categories & Activities

Public Facilities and Infrastructure

- Park and recreational facilities
- Public sanitary sewer system

Public Services

- Counseling services
- Case management

Economic Development

- Funding business incubators
- Services to businesses creating jobs in the community

Housing Activities

- Demolition and Clearance
- Rehabilitation of owner homes



Historical Allocations

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Increase/Decrease
FY 2011-2012	\$ 6,188,977	-15.8%
FY 2012-2013	\$ 5,418,765	-12.5%
FY 2013-2014	\$ 5,917,217	+9.2%
FY 2014-2015	\$ 5,865,753	-0.9%
FY 2015-2016	\$ 5,750,879	-2.0%



Strategy Recommendations

CDBG Activity	FY 2014-15 Actual	FY 2015-16 Proposed
Demolition	\$ 625,000	\$ -
Public Services and The Lewis Center	\$ 1,099,827	\$ 1,078,289
Local Entitlement Municipalities	\$ 937,352	\$ 1,212,901
Special Area of Hope	\$ 402,863	\$ 394,675
Economic Development	\$ 854,220	\$ 972,273
County-Initiated Capital Projects	\$ 1,946,489	\$ 2,092,740
TOTAL	\$ 5,865,753	\$ 5,750,879



Public Services and the Lewis Center

Allocate full allowable 15% of the CDBG grant for Public Service activities.

- 75% - Philip D. Lewis Center
- 25% - Existing Non-Profit Partners



Public Services Component

Agency	Funding	Percentage
Philip D. Lewis Center	\$808,721	75.0%
Legal Aid Society	\$57,966	5.4%
Seagull Industries for the Disabled	\$29,657	2.7%
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse	\$24,535	2.3%
Children's Home Society	\$22,647	2.1%
Coalition for Independent Living Options	\$21,840	2.0%
Urban League	\$18,025	1.7%
Children's Place at Home Safe	\$16,994	1.6%
Sickle Cell Foundation	\$16,895	1.5%
Place of Hope	\$14,829	1.4%
Redlands Christian Migrant Association	\$13,211	1.2%
Vita Nova	\$12,670	1.2%
J.A.Y. Ministries	\$11,322	1.0%
Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies	\$8,887	0.8%
TOTAL	\$ 1,078,289	100%

Includes costs of project management and administrative services.



Municipal Component

Municipality	Funding
Lake Worth, City of	\$322,004
Riviera Beach, City of	\$193,235
Greenacres, City of	\$157,209
Belle Glade, City of	\$149,257
Palm Springs, Village of	\$124,626
Royal Palm Beach, Village of	\$86,237
Lantana, Town of	\$58,579
Lake Park, Town of	\$42,455
South Bay, City of	\$37,889
Pahokee, City of	\$32,821
Mangonia Park, Town of	\$8,589
TOTAL	\$1,212,901

Includes costs of project management and administrative services.



CDBG



Special Area of Hope Program Strategy

Annual rotation between all 11 Local Entitlement Municipalities.

- The SAOH Program Allocation started in FY 2001, and after rotation among Glades Tri-Cities, began rotating among all municipalities in 2013 - 2014.
- City of Lake Worth would receive \$394,675 in 2015 - 2016



Economic Development Strategy

Business Incubators

- TED Center
- Enterprise Development Corporation
- Center for Enterprise Opportunity

Economic Development Services:

- Section 108 Loan Program
- Technical Assistance for Business Development

Economic Development Component

Agency	Funding
Center for Enterprise Opportunity	\$ 100,029
Enterprise Development Corporation	\$ 63,834
Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Development	\$ 188,724
County Economic Development Services	\$ 619,686
TOTAL	\$ 972,273

Includes costs of project management and administrative services.





County Capital Projects

Project	Department	Funding
Old Dixie Highway Resurfacing (45 th Street to Park Avenue)	Engineering	\$1,611,657
South County Homeless Resource Center	FDO	\$ 282,378
Canal Point Playground	Parks	\$ 198,705
TOTAL	N/A	\$2,092,740

Includes costs of project management and administrative services.

HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program





HOME Program

Objective

- Provide decent affordable housing to lower income households

Eligible Activities

- Homebuyer Assistance
- New construction of Rental or For-Sale Housing
- Acquisition and/or Rehabilitation of Affordable Housing
- Rental Assistance

Note: 15% of HOME funding must be allocated to non-profit groups designated as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs).



Pine Run Villas





La Joya





South Bay Villas





FY 2015 - 2016 Recommendations

HOME Program Strategies

HOME Activity	FY 2014-15 Actual	FY 2015-16 Proposed
Rental Development	\$ 997,309	\$ -
Homeless Prevention/Intervention (Tenant Based Rental Assistance)	\$ 313,620	\$1,142,023
CHDO Activities	\$ 439,068	\$ 338,394
TOTAL	\$ 1,749,997	\$1,530,417

Includes costs of project management and administrative services.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)





ESG Program

Objective

To provide housing and supportive services to the homeless, and the at-risk population.

Eligible Activities

- Emergency Shelter
- Homeless Prevention
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Street Outreach
- Client Management Information System



ESG Process

Administered by the Department of Community Services.

The ESG allocation for FY 2015 – 2016 is \$522,853.

Provided to local non-profit agencies through a competitive process.

Funding recommendations from the PBC Homeless and Housing Alliance non-conflict grant review committee.

Funding recommendations will be brought to the Board in the Action Plan at a July 21st Public Hearing.

Discussion

