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2012 Action Plan Overview/Executive Summary

Franklin County is diligent in its efforts to promote the goals of its 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan and implement the strategies identified to redevelop neighborhoods, create affordable housing initiatives and stimulate economic development. The five-year plan sets forth the priorities that will guide the County's allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds. With the submission of the 2012 Action Plan, the County will enter the first year of its new five-year plan.

Funding Resources Available for the 2012 Plan

Franklin County One-Year Use of Funds

In 2012 Franklin County expects to have a total of \$2,529,594 in new HUD funds available. These funds are projected from the following sources:

➤	FY 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).....	\$1,805,678
➤	FY 2012 HOME.....	\$643,740
➤	FY 2012 Emergency Shelter Grant.....	\$80,176

These programs are managed through the Community Planning and Development (CPD) Division of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

In addition, the County should receive an estimated \$30,000 from CDBG housing rehabilitation loan repayments and \$50,000 from HOME loan repayments. The County also proposes to amend its 2011 CDBG program to reprogram \$82,424 from completed, never programmed and canceled projects from the 2010 Action year. Further, \$500,000 in HOME match funds will be available. Together, these resources total nearly \$3.1 million, and will be available to address the County's Consolidated Plan priorities.

In addition to the HUD entitlement dollars, Franklin County will also leverage and utilize other federal, state and local, public as well as private resources to address the priority needs, goals and objectives stated in its 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan. By project category, a sampling of those additional dollars includes:

- For infrastructure projects, general funds from local governments and Ohio Public Works Program (OPWC) dollars.
- For affordable rental housing, additional funding sources will include Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Tax Exempt Bonds, allocations from the Columbus/Franklin County Housing Trust, and proceeds secured through an increase in conveyance/transfer fees from real estate sold in the County.
- Homeownership programs in addition to proceeds from the aforementioned Columbus/Franklin County Housing Trust will also utilize funding from the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus, national foundation dollars and have access to tax delinquent properties acquired by the County.
- Homeless prevention (Rebuilding Lives and Safety Net Initiative) programs benefit from a planned/budgeted \$3,550,000 allocation from the County's (the transfer of conveyance fees) general fund. The final amount is predicated on the actual amount realized from the conveyance fees.

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Major Activities Proposed for Funding in the 2012 Program Year

Below is a summary of how the County plans to use anticipated 2012 funds to continue addressing the goals and objectives of our 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan.

Housing Stabilization and Improvement Programs

The County will allocate approximately \$1.7 million in CDBG and HOME funds for housing activities. The CDBG program will fund an Elderly & Disabled Homeowners Assistance program and a Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) housing repair program. Funding from the HOME program will be allocated to County certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) for development, operating support and technical assistance; to MORPC for a single family rehabilitation program, for a Homebuyers Down Payment Assistance program (\$10,000 of which will be funded with CDBG funds - for homebuyer counseling) and \$400,000 for two affordable housing projects: the Community Housing Network Rental Rehabilitation project and the Commons at Livingston II.

Homelessness Assistance

The needs of Franklin County's homeless community are given high priority in the County's Action Plan and budget each year. In addition to the normal application of ESG dollars to address local homelessness, the County is also making a 2012 general fund contribution of \$3,550,000 to the local homelessness prevention network (dollars that also serve to meet the ESG match requirement.)

Emergency Shelter Program (ESG)

Additionally, the County's ESG program will once again offer operating support to the network of homeless shelters that serve various populations of homeless people. The shelters receiving direct assistance from the County will provide shelter and an array of social services to families, women with children, run-away youth, and single men. The County plans on committing its entire Emergency Shelter Grant allocation, anticipated to be \$80,176 to the Community Shelter Board for dispersal to area shelters or shelter based on community needs.

Chronic Homelessness

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness have established the goal of eliminating chronic homelessness by 2012, and are seeking commitments from communities that receive Continuum of Care funding to develop local ten-year plans to end chronic homelessness. In 2006, Franklin County adopted their plan; a plan that will be implemented and monitored by the Community Shelter Board. A plan that has a four-prong approach:

Close the front door by preventing homelessness

1. Improve access to Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services programs & reduce referrals/discharge to shelters.
2. Improve access to and coordination with health care programs & reduce referrals/discharge to shelters from hospital facilities.
3. Improve access to and coordination with Alcohol, Drug and mental Health Board (ADAMH) programs & reduce referrals/discharge to shelters from inpatient treatment facilities.
4. Reduce referrals/discharge from Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections (ODRC) and local Correctional system to shelters.

Open the back door

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1. Continue implementation of the Rebuilding Lives plan through development of new permanent supportive housing (PSH) for chronically homeless men and women.
2. Continue development of new permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless families with children.
3. Increase understanding of chronically homeless families.
4. Improve coordination and linkage between outreach and permanent supportive housing projects.
5. Improve access to Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) programs.
6. Expedite benefits enrollment by the Social Security Administration and Department of Veterans Affairs.

Build the infrastructure

1. Increase supply of affordable housing.
2. Ensure effective employment services are operational in all supportive housing projects.
3. Develop an Economic Independence Initiative to increase income of PSH residents.

Manage for results

1. Implement the HUD Management Information System for tracking homelessness statistics
2. Initiate dialogue to ensure buy-in and implementation of 10-year plan to end chronic homelessness: Annual Update.
3. Issue annual reports to the community.

Franklin County staff sits on several Community Shelter Boards including the Continuum of Care and rebuilding Lives lending its expertise and advocating for the homeless citizens of Columbus and Franklin County.

Public and Social Service Support Programs

The County's Consolidated Plan recognizes that support for the human infrastructure of the County also contributes to the stability and growth of the community. In 2012, the County will fund various public and social service programs that support housing retention (through the Community Housing Network), hearing enhancement (through the Mid-Ohio Board for Independent Living), nutritional services (through Lifecare Alliance), Community Gardens (the County Commission office), a tool loan program (Rebuilding Together) and a GreenCorps horticultural jobs program (Franklin County Conservatory.) In 2012, the County will allocate a total of \$185,000 to public and social service programs.

Infrastructure, Neighborhood Conservation, and Revitalization

The Franklin County community continues to communicate the need to improve the quality of public infrastructure (streets, alleys, and sidewalks) and public facilities that are located in and that serve low and moderate- income areas. To that end, the County will use its CDBG funds for infrastructure improvements to the Chatterton sidewalk construction project, for a Pilot Demolition program and for the Bending Brook public facility project. The total CDBG planned allocation for this program area is \$230,350.

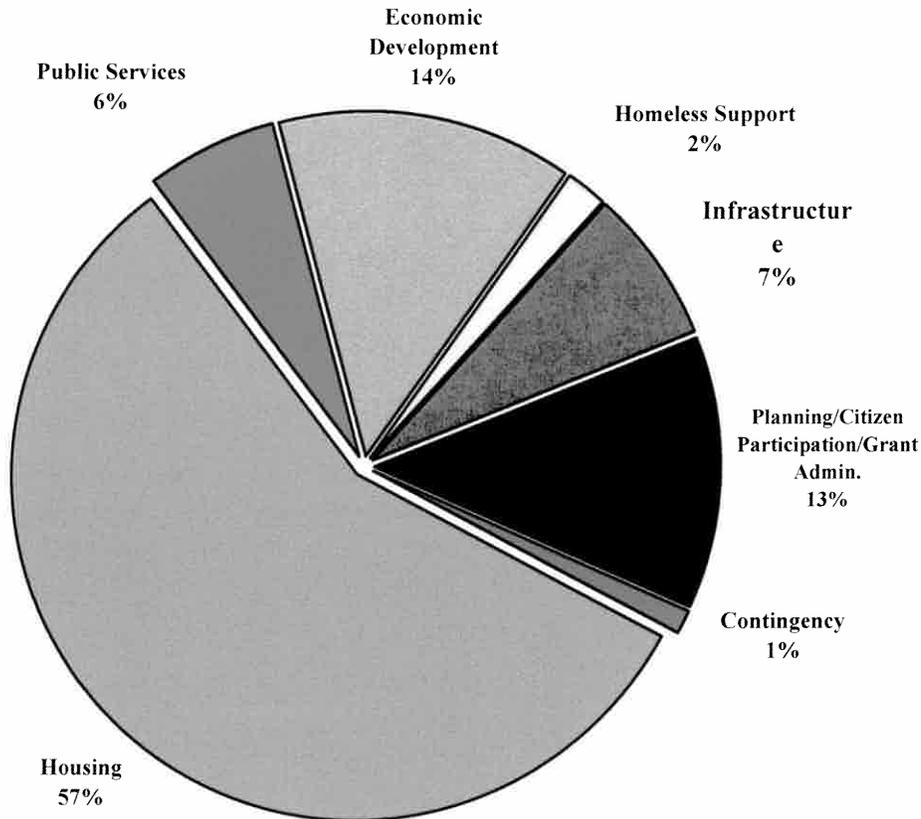
Economic Development

The Consolidated Plan emphasizes using economic development and workforce development activities as a means to address the poverty rate, while concurrently increasing the economic growth of the County. The 2012 Action Plan allocates \$430,000 of County CDBG resources to a microenterprise loan program, a microenterprise development program to assist low-income business owners in creating job

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opportunities and revitalizing neighborhoods throughout the community, a business launch fund providing capital funding to eligible emerging business initiatives and for a Retail Incubator project. Additionally, County staff serves on several economic development committees such as the Mid Ohio Development Exchange, the FirstSource committee and the Housing Advisory Board advocating and overseeing tax incentive programs that rightly and duly benefit the low income citizens of Franklin County.

Chart 1- 2012 Planned Expenses by Category (calculates only HUD entitlement funds)



Geographic Distribution of Resources

Several of the County's 2012 programs/projects are available to eligible citizens County-wide. Those are:

- The Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission's Homeowner urgent repair programs (urgent, sewer repair, handicapped accessibility and substantial rehabilitation programs)
- The Columbus Urban League's Fair Housing services program
- The Columbus Housing Network's housing retention services program
- The Community Shelter Board has oversight of the County's emergency homeless services **and** the Continuum of Care

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- The Mid-Ohio Board for Independent Living Environment serves the hearing impaired
- The Lifecare Alliances' nutritional meals program
- The Columbus Housing partnership offers homebuyer counseling and down payment assistance
- The Economic & Community Development Institute's microenterprise loan program and minor home rehabilitation program for seniors and disabled individuals
- The Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority's HQS rental housing inspections
- The Franklin County Growth Fund which provides loans to support sizable business endeavors which provides jobs and/or services to low-income residents
- The Increase, CDC business development program
- Rebuilding Together's Tool bank program
- The Retail Incubator program supporting emerging retail businesses

Other programs and projects with a more defined scope, specifically benefit the following communities:

- Community Gardens (Social Services)
- Pilot demolition program (Infrastructure/Township locations)

Citizen Participation

The County initiated the citizen participation process for its 2012 Action Plan by holding two informational public hearings, one on September 22nd, 2011 and the other on September 23rd, 2011. The hearings examined community development needs, discussed eligible activities under the HOME and CDBG programs, provided figures concerning anticipated resources, covered the application information and provided technical assistance (a copy of the informational packets is party to this plan as a citizen participation attachment.) In addition to those meetings the following jurisdictions also conducted meetings to cull citizen support for their action plan proposed projects: the City of Whitehall, the City of Bexley and the Village of Urbancrest. Further, the County held two public hearings on the draft action plan on January 19th, 2012 and January 20th, 2012.

On December 9, 2011 a meeting was held with the County's Community Development Advisory Committee to discuss the ranking of submitted applications and the draft action plan. The committee approved the draft plan and it was forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. The Action Plan draft and funds availability were advertised in the Columbus Dispatch on December 25th, 2011 offering access to the plan, soliciting public comment on it and announcing the plan's third and fourth public hearings (the above referenced January 19th and January 20th, 2012 dates.) In addition the draft plan was sent out to all County political jurisdictions, provided to the County's Intergovernmental review board and mailed to suburban libraries.

Evaluation of Past Performance

The County established five-year performance measures in regards to the goals identified in its 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan. Listed below are those goals and how the County fared during the first year of the five-year period (the program standard after the conclusion of the first year is 20% for each program measure.) The raw numbers behind these percentages are listed in the COUNTY PROJECTS &

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PROGRAMS OUTCOMES MEASURES BY THEME AND CATEGORY Section below under the Theme tables.

- ♦ Increase the supply of affordable rental housing units for low- and extremely low- income families and individuals outside of areas of poverty and near employment growth areas.
 - provide gap financing for 300 rental units 30% achieved
 - provide gap financing for 25 single family homes 0% achieved
 - provide infrastructure improvements to 50 rental units 0% achieved

 - ♦ Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).
 - assist 500 households with transitional/permanent housing 39% achieved
 - assist 2,000 clients through operating support of shelters 23% achieved
 - assist 300 households through the housing retention program 35% achieved
 - provide hearing impairment equipment to 30 households 18% achieved
 - provide support to afflicted populations 18% achieved

 - ♦ Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing.
 - rehab 100 low-income owner-occupied houses 10% achieved
 - provide urgent repairs to 275 low-income owner occupied houses 57% achieved
 - rehab 50 housing units making them handicapped accessible 30% achieved
 - provide 75 sewer repairs to low income owner occupied houses 28% achieved
 - create 500 units of affordable housing 0% achieved#
- #During the 2010 timeframe the MORPC Housing Advisory Board didn't approve any bonds for affordable rental housing.
- ♦ Increase opportunities for low- income households to become and remain homeowners.
 - assist 50 low-income families in becoming first-time homebuyers 146% achieved
 - assist 200 low-income families in accessing public water/sewer 22.2% achieved
 - assist 1000 families in remaining housed 31.1% achieved

 - ♦ Ensure equal access to housing.
 - provide fair housing services (25,000 in total) to the community 16.1% achieved

 - ♦ Upgrade to current standards sanitary sewer, water, storm, sewers and/or streets with curbs and gutters and sidewalks within identified Target Areas.
 - upgrade 5 public infrastructure (curbs, gutters, sewers) projects 40% achieved
 - assist 100 households with water conservation 0% achieved*

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*Water conservation programming did not begin until 2011.

- ◆ Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.
 - replace 10 public infrastructure (curbs, gutters, sewers) projects 30% achieved
 - provide incentives for the rehab of 3 rec. and public facilities 33% achieved
 - demolish 30 nuisance properties 0% achieved#

The County's township demolition program was not initiated until 2011.

- ◆ Provide technical and financial assistance to community based organizations in order to address neighborhood needs.
 - support the development of CHDO capacities (10 allocations) 20% achieved
 - monitor the development of CHDOs (10 assessments) 20% achieved
 - contribute to the construction of 45 CHDO single family homes 2% achieved
- ◆ Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.
 - Provide loan assistance to 100 businesses 33% achieved
 - serve 100 low-income individuals through the County's First Source hiring agreement with businesses 0% achieved
- ◆ Promote thriving small and emerging businesses.
 - create 50 and retain 50 jobs through the County's Growth fund 0% achieved

The Franklin County Growth fund will receive an additional CDBG allocation of \$100,000 in 2012.

- provide development training to 50 businesses 136% achieved
- ◆ Increase low-income individuals' access to regional job markets and locations.
 - create/retain 1,500 jobs through County CRA and EZs 3% achieved
 - locate 3 businesses adjacent to low-income residential areas 0% achieved

OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

This section summarizes the activities that Franklin County will undertake with anticipated HUD funds during the 2012 program year to address the priority needs as identified in the Consolidated Plan for 2010-2014.

Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities:

The following activities are intended to address the needs of homeless persons:

- Community Shelter Board - Shelter Operations
- Rebuilding Lives - General Fund contribution

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- Housing Retention Specialist
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program
- Lifecare Alliance – Nutritional program
- The County’s Homeless Prevention and Rapid-Rehousing program

Activities that address the needs of persons with special needs are:

- Handicapped Accessibility Modifications
- Hearing Equipment for the homes of the deaf
- Elderly & Disabled Minor Repair Program
- Lifecare Alliance – Nutritional program

Additional Activities

The subsequent program/project cost summaries (Community Development Block Grant, HOME, American Dream Downpayment Initiative and Emergency Shelter Grant) and program/project descriptions in this document speak specifically to accomplishing (but not limited to) the following actions over the course of the next year:

- Address obstacles to meeting underserved needs;
- Foster and maintain affordable housing;
- Remove barriers to affordable housing;
- Evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards;
- Reduce the number of poverty-level families;
- Create economic development opportunities for low income individuals and businesses
- Enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Consultation Process

Housing: The Assistant Director of the Economic Development and Planning Department and the Senior Program Coordinator for Block Grants participate on the Columbus Area Affordable Housing Task Force of which among others the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority is a member, and at which meetings the various issues dealing with the availability of public housing, other subsidized housing and potential and realized affordable housing initiatives are discussed and collaborative strategies explored. In addition to County and City staff, task force members include housing non-profits, housing for-profits, concerned citizens and tenant representatives which assure that resident issues are raised and addressed, and that they have the opportunity to weigh in on policy decisions. Additionally, these same representatives participate on the HUD housing staff sponsored “Pipe Line” review group which analyzes the various housing production pipelines in the community including HUD, the state of Ohio and the Affordable Housing Trust towards which collaborative approaches are adopted to address opportunities and potential conflicts in housing markets.

Health and Social Services: The process of collaboration and consultation with the various social services and housing organizations within the County is on going through the representation of the Economic Development & Planning Department, on behalf of the County, the boards of the United Way, the Community Shelter Board, and the Columbus and Franklin County Housing Trust Fund. This collaboration protects the interests of Franklin County citizens and has resulted in the leveraging of

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millions of dollars on their behalf. The Continuum of Care process and multiple infrastructure and public facilities projects have benefited the City of Columbus and outlying cities, villages and townships.

Further, the County works with both MORPC which administers the County's Urgent Repair, Sewer Repair, Handicap Modification and Substantial Rehabilitation programs and Franklin County Public Health regarding the County's Water Quality Partnership program to upgrade sanitary sewer availability to low-income homeowners who have onsite systems (to date the County has started to address 17 of 19 identified pockets of pollution.) These consultations allow the County to be engaged in housing and environmental review policies.

Further, the Economic Development & Planning Department negotiates employment commitments for clients of Franklin County's Job and Family Services Department with businesses and industries seeking tax abatements within County Enterprise Zones and Community Reinvestment Areas.

Minority Business Outreach

Franklin County contractually requires all sub-recipients to solicit bids from minority and female-owned businesses on CDBG-funded public improvement projects. The two County housing rehabilitation programs through the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission utilize the services of the Minority Contractors Board to assure such outreach. In 2009, HUD monitored and approved the County's minority outreach and Section 3 practices.

HOME POLICIES

Recapture Guidelines for HOME Homebuyer Programs

Per 24 CFR 92.150, Franklin County adheres to the following recapture guidelines (as opposed to the resale option) in the operation of its HOME funded homeownership programs. These guidelines are to be adhered to for all homeownership programs administered by the County or any designee including Subrecipients and Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) designated by the County.

The guidelines are based on 24 CFR 92.254 (a)(4)(ii), which stipulates the conditions for recapture of the HOME investment used to assist low-income families in acquiring a home. Two factors that are important in developing the guidelines are the fair return to the buyer at time of sale, as well as insuring that the homeowner is not put in a negative equity position.

It is also important to realize that there are two forms of subsidy; a subsidy on the development cost of a project which brings the total project cost down to the market value of the house to be sold, and a subsidy to the homebuyer that lowers the cost of the house from market value to a price affordable by the buyer. These factors along with other policies determine the amount of HOME funds to be recaptured.

Given these considerations, the amount of HOME funds to be recaptured will be equal to the difference between the appraised value of the house and the price paid by the buyer, not to exceed the total amount of HOME funds in the project. This amount would become the HOME second mortgage. The balances of HOME funds in the project, if any, are deemed to have been a development subsidy and will not be recaptured.

The minimum length of time in which the recapture provisions will be in force is based on the amount of

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HOME funds subject to recapture as described below:

<u>Amount of HOME Funds per Unit</u>	<u>Period of Time</u>
Less than \$15,000	5 years
\$15,000 to \$40,000	10 Years
More than \$40,000	15 Years

If the low-income homebuyer does not reside in this property (as the principle residence) for the applicable period, the County will enforce one of the following two recapture methods as allowed under the HOME guidelines:

- 1) Shared net proceeds, or
- 2) Reduction during the affordability period

The method of recapture will be determined on a project or program basis.

HOME Types of Activities and Forms of Assistance

Types of Activities

Franklin County uses its HOME allocation to provide incentives to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership through the acquisition (including assistance to first-time homebuyers), new construction, reconstruction, and moderate or substantial rehabilitation of housing. This may include real property acquisition, site improvements, conversion, demolition, and other expenses, including financing costs, and relocation expenses.

Forms of Assistance

The County invests HOME funds as equity investments, interest and non-interest bearing loans, and grants for gap financing.

HOME Match Requirements

The County fulfills the HUD Cash Match requirement by providing a 25 percent cash match for every HOME dollar it expends. This match goes towards affordable housing and is matched by a non-federal source. In 2012, the County has identified \$145,550 as its anticipated federal cash match amount.

HOME Affirmative Marketing Procedures (Affirmative marketing actions prescribed in 24 CFR 92.351.)

HOME regulations require that affirmative marketing procedures are followed for any rental or homebuyer projects containing more than 5 HOME-assisted housing units. The majority of the projects where these requirements are applicable are in large rental projects. The homebuyer projects done by the CHDOs and the direct homebuyer assistance (down payment assistance) program do not fit the criteria; however, processes/guidelines to assure affirmative marketing are also in place for these projects.

Franklin County ensures that for every program assisted with HOME money, actions are taken to provide information and otherwise attract eligible persons from all racial, ethnic, and gender groups in

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the Franklin County housing market area to the available housing. An assurance fulfilled in part by the County's contracting out a portion of its fair housing services to the Columbus Urban League, identified in this plan.

The majority of the large rental projects to date have included a partnership with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Agency (CMHA) and/or funding through the tax credit program administered by the Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA). Through these agencies and the County's efforts, information on availability of units assisted through the HOME program is disseminated through many different avenues.

For HOME projects involving five (5) or more units:

- If a real estate agent is involved, they will be required to have on file a signed copy of the "Affirmative Marketing Agreement" developed by the National Board of Realtors.
- A copy of the Federal Fair Housing Laws will be a part of informational packets for those using HOME Funds.
- The property owner who secures HOME funds will be required to advertise available units in the media and by letters to appropriate agencies in the community.
- Developer/Owner will display the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Equal Opportunity logo and slogan in the building and in any written advertising.
- Owners will use other means to reach persons who are eligible, but not likely to apply for the housing without special outreach. These may include but are not limited to; use of neighborhood organizations, advertising in Franklin County publications, places of worship, employment centers, the Columbus Urban League (Fair Housing Services), and human service agencies or those involved with emergency shelters, such as the Community Shelter Board.
- Vacancies should be posted at a minimum with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority, the Columbus Urban League (Fair Housing Services) and the Franklin County Community Agency.

All these requirements shall be applicable for the appropriate term of the affordability of each project.

For single family renovation and direct homebuyer assistance, both standard marketing and outreach marketing activities are used. Standard marketing includes Realtor advertising through the Multiple Listing Service (MLS). Outreach activities include those activities listed above pertinent to homebuyer opportunities such as; use of neighborhood organizations, advertising in Franklin County publications, advertising at homebuyer fairs, places of worship, employment centers, Columbus Urban League (Fair Housing Services), and human service agencies. The non-profits also have access to class participants and graduates of the Counties Homebuyer Counseling programs. Through these efforts, the County is ensuring that even those not normally in the marketing pipeline are being made aware of these opportunities.

HOME Project Funding Certification

Franklin County will analyze all projects (by way of the County's HOME application) to ensure that the least amount of HOME funds needed to provide a safe, decent and affordable housing project will be used. Project review will include a determination that all construction costs, builder and developer fees, reserves, and operating expenses are reasonable. Fund sources will also be identified and projects

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involving other Federal assistance such as low income housing tax credits (LIHTC) will be reviewed so that HOME funds will be utilized only to the extent needed. The County's analysis additionally employs the local expertise of the Community Development Collaborative of Greater Columbus, also detailed in this plan.

HOME programs that involve owner occupied rehab and first-time homebuyer assistance will be reviewed on a program basis. Guidelines for the use of HOME funds in these programs such as eligibility, repayment, and rates will be established based on population need and HOME regulations.

Project review guidelines for multi-family development will include identifying and certifying all costs (uses) in the project. An assessment will be made of all sources (projected or actual if funding commitments have been made) to determine the funding needs of the project, if any. Analysis of project will include 15 year pro forma to establish ability to pay debt, returns to investor/developer, and value of project in fifteen years based on the projected net operating income and a conservative cap rate.

Project will be reviewed at completion to assure that project was completed to agreed upon specifications and that any changes in the final sources and uses are detailed. In 2010, the County completed updating its Community Affordable Housing Application strengthening these requirements and project oversight.

Public Housing Authority Activities

There is one public housing project in urban Franklin County: Maplewood Apartments, a senior complex of 71 units in Whitehall. Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) has no plans for modernizing the relatively new complex which has an active resident's council. Previously, HOME funds have been utilized to assist the construction of the CMHA/National Church Residences Westerville Senior project I and II. The CMHA 2012 Annual Plan Executive summary is attached as Plan I.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

The Franklin County Board of Commissioners through its Economic Development & Planning Department (ED&PD) will administer and implement programs and projects using CDBG, HOME, American Dream Down Payment Assistance, and ESG grants through performance based contracts or agreements. For a number of projects, funds are granted directly to local government or non-profit "sub recipients," for whom ED&PD has grant administration and oversight responsibility. The following outlines the monitoring procedures.

The County will implement a continuous method of monitoring and evaluation to ensure that programs are being carried out in accordance with the approved Consolidated Plan in a timely manner. This process, when followed, will enable the County to evaluate program accomplishments in light of the strategies established. The monitoring process will allow the County to review housing programs and non-housing community projects in order to assess strengths, weaknesses, the ability to perform, and accomplishments. A further facet of this monitoring is that party to every invoice a vendor sends the County seeking reimbursement, there must be a corresponding updated monitoring report in addition to the requisite documentation (canceled checks, spreadsheets etc.)

Evaluation is focused on the impact that a given project has on meeting the goals and the purposes of the HUD programs as outlined in their respective legislation. It is also focused on the results achieved by the project and whether or not the objectives set forth in the program proposal and work agreement between

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the County and the recipient are met.

Monitoring, on the other hand, will emphasize the timely and effective conduct of activities delegated to the subrecipient. The County has the responsibility to monitor each project to make sure that applicable rules and regulations are being followed. The County is also responsible for ensuring that the work being done produces something of value to the community's low and moderate income residents and/or aids in the prevention or elimination of slum and blighting influences.

Monitoring Goals

The County's Monitoring Plan for the Consolidated Plan and each annual Action Plan will achieve three primary goals:

1. Ensure that all activities and initiatives funded, in part or in whole, with HUD funds are consistent with the approved Consolidated Plan.
2. Ensure that all projects and or programs funded are implemented by an accountable subrecipient and in a timely and financially prudent manner; and that all funds expended are in compliance with federal regulations.
3. Ensure that all activities funded are evaluated and monitored regularly, and that performance is assessed and reported.

Monitoring Tools and Strategies

Information gained from monitoring and evaluations will give the County the opportunity to determine what programs/strategies are working; what benefits are being achieved; what needs are being addressed; as well as what objectives are being accomplished. The information gained from this evaluation tool is relevant and necessary to determine what modifications need to be made for meeting the Consolidated Plan requirements. Four tools will aid the County in monitoring programs and projects:

- Housing Consistency Review Process;
- Capital Program Allocation Process;
- Subrecipient Agreements with agencies and organizations;
- Regular reports (reports accompanying each invoice submitted), spot reviews and annual on-site visits.

Each of these items will give the County the opportunity to discuss organizational, financial and program expectations. The first two tools are designed to direct the type, quality, and impact of funding requests prior to an award. The third tool cites program requirements and defines performance measures, serving as a basis for all monitoring, while the fourth constitutes the reviewing of the program's progress.

Monitoring Areas

The County will monitor all programs in the following areas:

- ✓ Construction Activities (Labor Standards, Women and Minority Contractor Participation, Bidding and Procurement Procedures)
- ✓ Acquisition and Relocation Compliance

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- ✓ Housing Rehabilitation Guidelines
- ✓ Economic Development Guidelines
- ✓ Financial and Program Eligibility Records Management
- ✓ Statutory Objective Compliance

Monitoring Categories for CHDOs and Sub recipients: The following procedures will be used to monitor Community Housing Development Organizations and other subrecipients of Franklin County HUD funds:

- Desk Monitoring: ED&P staff will review monthly invoice submissions and the required corresponding program reports to determine progress in accomplishing the sub recipient's scope of services and to compare expenditures with approved budgets.
- Monitoring Meetings: Regular, informal meetings will be held with the subrecipient or CHDO staff and board to review program progress and to provide ongoing technical assistance.
- Formal Site Monitoring: During the term of the grant agreement the subrecipient or CHDO will have annual formal on-site monitoring visits. Program and financial staff will meet with the subrecipient or CHDO staff and board and examine files, records, activities and facilities. The subrecipient or CHDO will receive verbal and written reports on the findings of this monitoring and will be required to address any deficiencies found.
- Financial Audits: Financial audits are required to be submitted annually.

Conducting On-Site Monitoring

On-site monitoring will be implemented by following these steps:

1. Annual on site monitorings are typically conducted during November and December of each year in conjunction with the County's preparation of its annual CAPER report due to HUD by June 30th of the subsequent year. In preparation of those monitorings the County sends out a form letter identifying what specific information will be required and monitored. At a minimum, all agreements are monitored for financial record keeping and maintenance of eligibility records and documentation.
2. After the site visit, a letter is sent to the subrecipient indicating the results of the monitoring visit. If findings are noted, the County defines the necessary corrective action and gives the deadline for taking those actions. Once the subrecipient responds to the corrective action, the County acknowledges the subrecipient's efforts and if satisfactory, considers the monitoring closed.
3. If there are no findings, but concerns are noted, then the County gives the subrecipient 30 days to respond to the concerns. Once an acceptable response is received, the County considers the monitoring closed.

The County's monitoring process will enable the County to evaluate program accomplishments and their relationship to the approved strategies and outcomes adopted within the Consolidated Plan. Further, the process will allow the County to review programs and project providers in order to assess their strengths, weaknesses, performance and accomplishments. Information gained will serve as a basis in assessing, directing or refocusing programs to meet the stated goals.

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Monitoring Recipients of Direct Loans, Grants or Other Forms of Assistance for Housing

The following procedures will be used to monitor individual direct recipients of Franklin County HUD funds:

▪ Rental Housing: Reporting and oversight procedures will be in place to assure that recipients of HUD funds for the rehabilitation or development of rental housing meet all federal requirements with regard to:

- Fair Labor Standards
- Long-Term Affordability
- Housing Quality Standards
- Affirmative Marketing/Fair Housing
- Tenant Selection

Franklin County monitoring procedures include notification to the recipient of compliance requirements; recipient record keeping requirements; onsite inspections; systems for on going monitoring for the term of affordability; and procedures for dealing with instances of non-compliance.

▪ Home Rehabilitation: The mortgage, deed and promissory note will be retained. The County supports the homeowner in disputes over uncorrected warranty items.

▪ Homeownership: The mortgage, deed and promissory note will be recorded and retained. At the time of sale, Franklin County will be notified as a lien holder. A requirement of the loan is that the property remains in compliance with building codes and the payment of taxes.

ESG Match Requirements

Sources, Uses and Matching of Funds

Sources:	HUD ESGP Funds	\$80,176
Uses:	Operational Expenses	\$80,176

Matches: The County significantly matched last year's ESG allocation of \$80,176 ESG with \$3,550,000 from the County conveyance fees going towards the Rebuilding Lives (a homeless transition program) and the Community Shelter Board Safety Net initiative – (a homelessness prevention and transition program.) The County will be making a similar allocation in 2012.

Discharge Policy

Franklin County through the Community Shelter Board abides by State of Ohio adopted protocols governing the discharge of clients from residential mental health care, foster care, inpatient health care and correctional services. Representatives of the Community Shelter Board sit on advisory committees relative to homelessness prevention that governs the implementation of those discharge protocols. Further, those Boards address the connection between discharges from those various State funded systems and incidence of homelessness. The Community Shelter Board is the primary provider of emergency services to the homeless of Franklin County and has adopted parallel protocols for preventing discharges to the street, subject to the consent of the homeless person being discharged.

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County Guidelines for Expenditures:

Franklin County policies are:

- Fund only projects that have passed a financial review including the construction of performance measures
- Fund only ready-to-go projects
- (For infrastructure projects) require local governments to start construction within six months of the approval of the grant agreement
- Not fund concurrent projects for communities (a current project must be successfully completed prior to a new contract for a different project being entered into)
- Nonprofit sub recipient contracts must generally be completed within 12 months; with all surplus funds re-programmed.

The Franklin County 2010-2014 Strategic Plan goals and objectives on the following pages were established by the county in consultation with the community through its citizen participation and Consolidated Plan process. The matrix summarizes the objectives, targets, and actual results by theme.

THEME ONE: AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITY 5-YEAR OBJECTIVE			
DH2A: Increase the supply of affordable rental housing units for low- and extremely low- income families and individuals outside of areas of poverty and near employment growth areas.			
1. Provide gap financing to for-profit and non-profit developers of rental apartments.	2010	89	300 units of affordable housing: 2010 Commons at Livingston HOME 2010 Jefferson Ave. Apts. HOME
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	89	
2. Provide gap financing to for-profit and non-profit developers of single family homes.	2010	0	Support 25 Units of assisted housing
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	

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3. Provide infrastructure improvements in support of affordable rental housing construction.	2010	0	Construct 50 units of affordable rental housing.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	
DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).			
1. Help prevent homelessness and help families and individuals move out of emergency shelter and into transitional housing or permanent housing.	2010	196	500 households assisted. 2010 Homelessness Prevention (HPRP) 2010 General Fund contribution
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	196	
2. Contribute to operating support for emergency shelters by the Community Shelter Board.	2010	680	3,000 people assisted. 2010 Community Service Board - ESG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	680	
3. Continue "Operating Support" for existing supportive housing (provision of a staff retention housing specialist.)	2010	105	300 households assisted. 2010 Columbus Housing Network – Retention Specialist, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	105	
4. Provide funds to provide audio enhancement equipment to hearing impaired individuals.	2010	13	Provide services to 30 households. 2010 MOBILE, Hearing Enhancement Services, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	13	

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5. Provide support to afflicted populations.	2010	12	Provide services to 625 households. 2010 Lifecare Alliance CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	12	
DH2B: Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing.			
1. Provide loans and/or grants to rehabilitate dwellings of low-moderate income households and abate lead as necessary.	2010	10	Rehab100 homes. 2010 Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission - Single Family Rehabilitation, HOME
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	10	
2. Provide loans and/or grants for urgent repairs to enable low-income and extremely low-income homeowners to remain in their homes.	2010	156	Perform 275 urgent repairs. 2010 BOH Urgent Need Repair, CDBG (includes CDBG-R funding) 2010 ECDI Elderly & Disabled Minor Repair Program, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	156	
3. Provide loans and/or grants for handicapped accessibility repairs to enable low-income and extremely low-income tenants and homeowners to remain in their homes.	2010	15	Rehab 50 handicapped units 2010 MORPC Handicapped Accessibility, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	15	
4. Provide grants for low-income and extremely low-income homeowners for sewer repairs.	2010	21	Perform 75 sewer repairs 2010 BOH/MORPC Sewer Repair, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	21	

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5. Expand and preserve the supply of affordable rental housing throughout Franklin County.	2010	0	Facilitate the expansion and preservation of 500 units of affordable housing. 2010 MORPC Housing Advisory Board, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	
DH2C: Increase opportunities for low- and moderate- income households to become and remain homeowners.			
1. Enable moderate-income families to buy their first home.	2010	20	Assist 50 households in purchasing their first home. 2010 Columbus Housing Partnership, Down Payment Assistance, HOME
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	20	
2. Enable low and moderate income families to affordably access public water and/or sewer systems.	2010	16	200 low-moderate income households access public sewer and/or water systems. 2010 Water Quality Partnerships, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	16	
3. Provide assistance to renters and homeowners in maintaining and staying housed in their residences.	2010	311	Provide assistance to 1000 households. 2010 Legal Aid Society, CDBG 2010 Furniture Bank, CDBG 2010 Rebuilding Together, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	311	

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DH1B: Ensure equal access to housing.			
1. Provide fair housing services to the community.	2010	4,045	Assist 25,000 individuals (first time & returns) with housing services. Complete a new Analysis of the Impediments to Fair Housing study. 2010 Columbus Urban League, Fair Housing Services, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	4,045	
THEME TWO: NEIGHBORHOOD & TARGET AREA REVITALIZATION 5-YEAR OBJECTIVES			
SL3A: Upgrade to current standards sanitary sewer, water, storm, sewers and/or streets with curbs and gutters and sidewalks within identified Target Areas.			
1. Upgrade streets, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, water and sewer lines and install or replace storm sewers to accommodate increased runoff from development.	2010	2	Complete 5 such infrastructure Projects. 2010 – City of Reynoldsburg, CDBG 2010 – Blendon Township, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	2	
2. Protect and enhance neighborhoods through the implementation of water conservation efforts.	2010	0	Assist 100 households.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	
SL3B: Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.			
1. Replace streets, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, water and sewer lines and install or replace storm sewers to accommodate increased runoff from development.	2010	3	Complete 10 such infrastructure projects. 2010 – City of Whitehall, CDBG 2010 – Village of Urbancrest, CDBG 2010 – Bending Brook/Urbancrest, CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	3	

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2. Provide incentives for construction and/or rehabilitation of recreational and/or public facilities.	2010	1	Provide incentives to 3 projects. 2010 – HOTH Public facility.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	1	
3. Implement a Township Demolition program	2010	0	Demolish 30 nuisance properties. Pilot demolition program (program was funded in 2010 and implemented in 2011.)
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	
SL1A: Provide technical and financial assistance to community based organizations in order to address neighborhood needs.			
1. Support the development of CHDO capacities.	2010	2	Provide 10 annual operating funds allocations to CHDOs. 2010 CHDO Development & Support program, HOME There are only 2 County CHDOs so 10 annual allocations was the maximum the County could realize.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	2	
2. Monitor the development of CHDOs receiving County HOME funds.	2010	2	Perform 10 annual assessments of CHDOs which include capacity building suggestions. 2010 Community Development Collaborative of Columbus, CHDO Monitoring, HOME There are only 2 County CHDOs so 10 annual monitorings are the maximum the County could conduct.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	2	

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3. Contribute to the construction CHDO single family homes.	2010	1	Construct 45 single family CHODO homes.
	2011		2010 – Homes on the Hill, HOME
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	1	
THEME THREE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY 5-YEAR OBJECTIVES			
E03A: Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.			
1. Provide loans to low and moderate individuals to create and expand micro-enterprises.	2010	33	Provide loan assistance to 100 businesses.
	2011		2010 Economic & Community Development Institute, Microenterprise Loans; 2010 Retail Microenterprise Loans, CDBG
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	33	
2. First Source Hiring Agreement link low-income residents to high growth job markets.	2010	0	Serve 100 low-income individuals through the entering into of First Source Hiring Agreements with businesses.
	2011		Program was revived in late 2010.
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	
E03B: Promote thriving small and emerging businesses.			
1. Provide gap financing to businesses that create new job opportunities through expansion.	2010	0	50 jobs created and 50 jobs retained (total of 100) through the Franklin County Biz Launch fund.
	2011		2010 Biz Launch Fund CDBG (funded in 2010, implemented in 2011.)
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	

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2. Provide development training to businesses that create new job opportunities caused by expansion funding.	2010	68	Provide business development training to 50 businesses. 2010 Increase CDC, Inc., CDBG
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	68	
E01A: Create a competitive business environment in low-income and targeted areas that generates employment, business growth and consumer services.			
1. Promote development within Community Reinvestment Areas and Enterprise Zones within Franklin County.	2010	44	Create and/or retain 1,500 jobs. 2010 – TS Tech (33); Pharmaforce (8); Vision Service Plan (3).
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	44	
E01B: Increase low-income individuals' access to regional job markets and locations.			
1. Facilitate the placement of jobs adjacent to where low-income individuals can access them.	2010	0	Facilitate 5 projects that result in the citing of businesses adjacent to low-income residential areas.
	2011		
	2012		
	2013		
	2014		
	TOTAL	0	

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2012 Planned Resources and Cost Summaries

The primary resources available for implementing the County's Consolidated Plan come from the three entitlement programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program, and the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs. These programs are managed through the Community Planning and Development (CPD) Division of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Below is a brief description of each of the entitlement programs that the County receives:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is a federally funded program whose objective is to principally benefit persons of low and moderate income by providing decent housing; a suitable living environment; and expanding economic opportunities.

Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) is a federally funded program whose objectives are to increase the number and quality of emergency shelters and traditional housing facilities for homeless individuals and families, to operate these facilities and provide essential social services, and to help prevent homelessness.

HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) is a federally funded program whose objectives are to provide decent, safe and affordable housing, alleviating the problems of excessive rent burdens, homelessness and deteriorating housing stock nationwide.

The 2012 Action Plan describes the County's anticipated entitlement grants, program income, and funds that may be recaptured from the balance of completed or canceled projects that will enable the County to make progress toward meeting its 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan.

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2012 Community Planning and Development Resources Summary

1. Entitlement Grants

CDBG	\$	1,805,678
ESG		80,176
HOME		<u>643,740</u>
Sub Total	\$	2,529,594

2. Prior Years' Program Income NOT previously programmed or reported

CDBG	\$	0
ESG		0
HOME		<u>0</u>
Sub Total	\$	\$0

3. Reprogrammed Prior Years' Funds

CDBG		\$82,424
ESG		0
HOME		<u>0</u>
Sub Total	\$	82,424

4. Home Match & Reserve Funding

HOME Match 2012	\$	77,848
HOME Match reserve		<u>422,152</u>
Sub Total	\$	500,000

5. Estimated Program Income

CDBG ¹	\$	30,000
HOME ²		<u>60,000</u>
Sub Total	\$	90,000

6. Section 108 Loan Guarantee Funds

	\$	0
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Total Funding Sources	\$	3,202,018
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Other Funds	\$	0
Submitted Proposed Project Totals	\$	3,195,864
Un-Submitted Proposed Projects Totals	\$	6,154

1 Program income for CDBG is from loan repayments for Board of Health and Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission housing rehabilitation programs.

2 Program income for the HOME program comes from affordable housing project loan repayments.

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2012 Proposed Project Cost Summaries

Below is a summary that lists the projects (and their sub-categories) proposed for grant allocations under each HUD program.

I. CDBG 2012 Proposed Program Cost Summary

Housing Stabilization and Improvement Program	\$670,000
HS02a Home Rehabilitation – Urgent Repair Grants	600,000
HS02b Elderly & Senior Homeowners Assistance Program	60,000
HS02c Homebuyer Certification Courses	10,000
Economic Development Program	\$430,000
ED02a Microenterprise Loan Program	200,000
ED02b Franklin County Growth Fund	100,000
ED02c Business Development	30,000
ED02d Retail Incubator	100,000
Public and Social Service Support Program	\$185,000
PS02a Housing Retention Specialist	50,000
PS02b M.O.B.I.L.E.- Equipment for the hearing impaired	25,000
PS02c Lifecare Alliance – Nutritional Program	30,000
PS02d Community Gardens	25,000
PS02e Rebuilding Together	30,000
PS02f GreenCorps	25,000
Infrastructure and Neighborhood Conservation Program	\$288,940
IN02a Pilot Demolition Program	120,000
IN02b Chatterton Sidewalks	60,350
IN02c Bending Brook Renovation	50,000
IN02d City of Whitehall Street Project	58,590
Grant Program Administration and Compliance	\$340,000
GA02a Program Administration	210,000
GA02b Fair Housing Services	120,000
GA02c Housing Advisory Board	10,000

Sub-Total 2012 CDBG Funds Allocated

\$1,913,940

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II. HOME 2012 Proposed Program Cost Summary

Administration Programs	\$ 201,748
H02A01 CHDO Development (15% of 2012 grant)	96,561
CHDO Operating (5% of 2012 grant)	32,187
CHDO Technical Assistance – Community Dev. Collaborative	5,000
H02A02 County Administrative Support	60,000
H02A03 HQS Inspections – Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority	8,000
County Rehabilitation Program	\$525,000
H02O01 Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation	525,000
County Downpayment Assistance Program	\$75,000
H02D01 Columbus Housing Partnership Downpayment Asst. Program	\$75,000
County Rental Rehabilitation & New Construction	\$ 400,000
H02R01 Rental New Construction	
CHN Relocation Project	200,000
Commons at Livingston II	200,000
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Sub-Total Planned 2012 HOME Funds Allocated	\$1,201,748

III. Emergency Shelter Grant Proposed 2012 Program Cost Summary

Emergency Shelter Support	\$ 80,176
E02S01 Community Shelter Board/Homeless Families Foundation	\$ 80,176
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Sub-Total Planned 2012 ESG Funds Allocated	\$80,176

Grand Total 2012 CPD Program Allocations **\$3,195,864**

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Community Development Block Grant Activities

Project Title: Home Rehabilitation - Urgent Repair Grants

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
1	14A Rehab: Single Unit Residential	CDBG	\$600,000
HS02a	570.202(a) 60 households	ESG	\$0
		HOME	\$0
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$600,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2B Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing

2. Provide loans and/or grants for urgent repairs to enable low-income and extremely low-income homeowners to remain in their homes; 3. Provide loans and/or grants for handicapped accessibility repairs to enable low-income and extremely low-income tenants and homeowners to remain in their homes and 4. Provide grants for low-income and extremely low-income homeowners for sewer repairs.

Description: Administered by the Mid-Ohio regional Planning Commission this allocation provides funding for (3) separate emergency repair assistance programs: the Urgent Repair program to address emergency housing conditions; the Sewer Repair program to address emergency health conditions and the Handicapped Accessibility program to address accessibility issues for occupants. Location: County-wide.

Project Title: Elderly and Disabled Homeowners Assistance Program

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
2	14A Rehab: Single Unit Residential	CDBG	\$60,000
HS02b	570.202 (c) 50 households	ESG	\$0
		HOME	\$0
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$60,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations.

6. Provide home repair and supportive services referral to low-income seniors and disabled homeowners.

Description: This allocation will provide minor home maintenance and repair services to elderly and disabled homeowner-occupants in Franklin County. Eligible homeowners may receive up to \$1,000 in home repairs within one calendar year. Location: County-wide.

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Project Title: Home Buyer Certification Courses

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
3	13 Homeownership Assistance	CDBG	\$10,000
HS02c	92.254	ESG	\$0
	15 Households	HOME	\$0
		HOPWA	\$0
		TOTAL	\$10,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2C: Increase opportunities for low- and moderate income households to become and remain homeowners.

1. Enable moderate-income families to buy their first home.

Description: The County's First-time Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance program is administered by the Columbus Housing Partnership. This allocation pays for the client's participation in a homebuyer certification program which is a pre-requisite for receiving County downpayment assistance. Location: County-wide.

Project Title: Microenterprise Loan Program

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
4	18C Microenterprise Assistance	CDBG	\$200,000
ED02a	570.203 (b)	ESG	\$0
	30 Businesses	HOME	\$0
		HOPWA	\$0
		TOTAL	\$200,000

Priority /Objective

Economic Development

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

E03A: Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.

1. Provide loans to low and moderate individuals to create and expand micro-enterprises.

Description: This allocation to the Economic & Community Development Institute provides a microenterprise revolving loan program for low and moderate income business owners who employ 1-5 employees. The activities funded under this contract include: the screening of eligible clients, certifying the completion of a required, corresponding business education course, the underwriting of loans, the servicing of loans during repayment period and the management of the revolving loan fund account. To qualify owner applicant household earnings must not exceed 80% of the area median income. Location: County wide.

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Project Title: **Franklin County Growth Fund**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$100,000
5	18A ED Direct Financial Asst. For-Profits	ESG \$0
ED02b	570.203 (b)	HOME \$0
	2 Businesses	HOPWA \$0
		<u>TOTAL</u> \$100,000

Priority /Objective

Economic Development

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

E03A: Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.

1. Provide loans to for-profit businesses to create jobs or provide services for low and moderate income individuals.

Description: This allocation provides working capital to businesses in support of the creation of jobs or services that benefit low and moderate income individuals. Location: County wide.

Project Title: **Microenterprise Development Program**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$30,000
6	18C Microenterprise Assistance	ESG \$0
ED02c	570.203 (b)	HOME \$0
	35 Businesses	HOPWA \$0
		<u>TOTAL</u> \$30,000

Priority /Objective

Economic Development

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

E03A: Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.

1. Provide loans to low and moderate individuals to create and expand micro-enterprises.

Description: This allocation to Increase, Inc. provides an entrepreneurial development training program. The program is comprised of four courses: (1) Personal Finance; (2) Intro to Business; (3) Developing Your Business Plan and (4) Advanced Management Seminars in Financial Management; Sales & Marketing; Human Resource Management and Business taxes. To qualify owner applicant household earnings must not exceed 80% of the area median income. Location: County wide.

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Project Title: **Retail Incubator**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$100,000
7	18B ED Technical Assistance	ESG	\$0
ED02d	570.203 (b)	HOME	\$0
	2 Businesses	HOPWA	\$0
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>

Priority /Objective

Economic Development

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

E03B: Promote thriving small and emerging businesses.

1. Provide gap financing and development training to retail businesses that create new job opportunities caused by expansion funding.

Description: The Economic & Community Development Institute administers this program which provides technical assistance to retail businesses. Location: County wide.

Project Title: **Housing Retention Specialist**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$50,000
8	03T Operating costs of Homeless Program	ESG	\$0
PS02a	570.201 (e)	HOME	\$0
	200 people	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).

3. Continue "Operating Support" for existing supportive housing (provision of a staff retention housing specialist.)

Description: This allocation to the Community Housing Network provides housing retention services to low income tenant households that have a history of mental illness, addiction and homelessness.

Services include: training classes, the monitoring of tenants, financial counseling, conflict resolution, assistance with critical needs, advocacy within the ADAMH system and referral to vocational services.

Location: County wide.

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Project Title:	<u>M.O.B.I.L.E. – Equipment for the Hearing Impaired</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$25,000
9	05B Handicapped Services	ESG \$0
PS02b	570.201 (e)	HOME \$0
	20 people	<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$25,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).

6. Provide hearing enhancement equipment to low income disabled individuals allowing them to accommodate their disability to their living situation (housing unit)

Description: The contract with the Mid-Ohio Board for an Independent Living Environment (M.O.B.I.L.E) provides hearing enhancement equipment for low-income deaf residents of Franklin County. Under the auspices of the contract M.O.B.I.L.E will: publicize the program; determine the eligibility of applicants; verify the equipment needs of eligible applicants; take receipt of the equipment and be responsible for its delivery and installation and will perform routine follow-up. Location: County wide.

Project Title:	<u>Lifecare Alliance – Nutritional Program</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$30,000
10	05M Health Services	ESG \$0
PS02c	570.201 (e)	HOME \$0
	500 people	<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$30,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).

7. Provide nutritional services to eligible, in need individuals.

Description: This allocation to the Lifecare Alliance provides nutritional services to eligible individuals. Location: County wide.

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Project Title:	<u>Community Gardens</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$25,000
11	05 Public Services (General)	ESG	\$0
PS02d	570.201 (e)	HOME	\$0
	500 people	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$25,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (E.G. homeless, elderly, disabled).

7. Provide nutritional services to eligible, in need individuals.

Description: This program through the Franklin County Commissioners office seeks to foster the availability of safe and nutritious food to low and moderate-income Franklin County residents by way of education and the construction of community gardens.

Location: County wide.

Project Title:	<u>Rebuilding Together</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$30,000
12	05R Homeownership Asst. (not direct)	ESG	\$0
PS02e	570.201 (e)	HOME	\$0
	500 people	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$30,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2C: Increase opportunities for low- and moderate- income households to become and remain homeowners.

3. Provide assistance to renters and homeowners in maintaining and staying housed in their residences.

Description: The Rebuilding Together provides a tool bank for low-income County residents. Location: County wide.

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Project Title: **GreenCorps**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$25,000
13	05H Employment Training	ESG	\$0
PS02f	570.201 (e)	HOME	\$0
	500 people	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$25,000

Priority /Objective

Economic Development

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

E03A: Help low-income residents obtain and keep jobs that match their interests and potential.

8. Provide support and career development assistance to low-income individuals

Description: The GreenCorps provides horticultural employment training for low-income youth.

Location: County wide.

Project Title: **Pilot Demolition Program**

Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$120,000
14	04 Clearance and Demolition	ESG	\$0
IN02a	570.201 (d)	HOME	\$0
	5 Businesses	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$120,000

Priority /Objective

Infrastructure/Commercial and or Residential

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

SL3B: Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.

2. Provide a demolition program to remove nuisance commercial or residential structures.

Description: Funding is provided for the demolition of nuisance residential or commercial structures to facilitate neighborhood and/or economic redevelopment. Eligibility: 570.208(b)(2) – Slum & Blight/ Spot Basis. Location: County-wide.

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Project Title:	<u>Chatterton Street Sidewalks Project</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$60,350
15	03L Sidewalks	ESG \$0
IN02b	570.201 (c)	HOME \$0
	4 Residential Blocks	<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$60,350

Priority /Objective

Infrastructure/Public Facilities

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

SL3B: Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.

1. Replace streets, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, water and sewer lines and install or replace storm sewers to accommodate increased runoff from development.

Description: CDBG funds will be used for a sidewalk project. Location: Madison and Truro townships.

Project Title:	<u>Bending Brook Public Facility Project</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$50,000
16	03 Public Facility	ESG \$0
IN02c	570.203 (b)	HOME \$0
	1500 individuals	<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$50,000

Priority /Objective

Infrastructure/Public Facilities

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

SL3B: Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.

2. Provide incentives for construction and/or rehabilitation of recreational and/or public facilities.

Description: Public facility project. Location: Village of Urbancrest.

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Project Title: City of Whitehall – Street Resurfacing Project

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
17	03K Street Improvements	CDBG	\$58,590
IN02d	570.201 (c)	ESG	\$0
	5 Residential Blocks	HOME	\$0
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$58,590

Priority /Objective

Infrastructure/Public Facilities

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

SL3B: Repair and replace deteriorated infrastructure in older cities, townships, and village centers and address neighborhood needs within identified Target Areas.

1. Replace streets, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, water and sewer lines and install or replace storm sewers to accommodate increased runoff from development.

Description

CDBG funds will be used for street resurfacing in the City of Whitehall. Location: City of Whitehall.

Project Title:

Program Administration

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
18	570.206 (a)	CDBG	\$210,000
GA02a	21A General Program Administration	ESG	\$0
	1 Organization	HOME	\$0
		<u>HOPE</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$210,000

Priority /Objective

Planning and Administration

✓ Provide quality leadership in selecting, monitoring, managing and evaluating HUD funded projects and programs and citizen input and participation.

Description: This allocation provides funds for the overall administration, management, monitoring, budgeting, and evaluation of the CDBG program. Location: N/A.

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Project Title:	<u>Fair Housing Services</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$120,000
19	21D Fair Housing Services	ESG \$0
GA02b	570.201 (e)	HOME \$0
	4,000 People	<u>HOPWA</u> \$0
		TOTAL \$120,000

Priority /Objective
 Grant Program Administration & Compliance
 Consolidated Plan Matrix:
 DH1B: Ensure equal access to housing.

1. Provide fair housing services to the community.

Description: This allocation to the Columbus Urban League provides for fair housing services to the community including education, advocacy, testing and enforcement of fair housing laws and implementation of the community Fair Housing Plan. Location: County-wide.

Project Title:	<u>Housing Advisory Board</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$10,000
20	21A General Administration	ESG \$0
GA02c	570.201(d)	HOME \$0
	200 Housing Units	<u>HOPWA</u> \$0
		TOTAL \$10,000

Priority /Objective
 Grant Program Administration & Compliance
 Consolidated Plan Matrix:
 DH2B: Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing.

5. Expand and preserve the supply of affordable rental housing throughout Franklin County.

Description: The Housing Advisory Board (HAB) was established to help expand and preserve the supply of affordable housing throughout Franklin County. HAB serves that end by reviewing and making recommendations on bond projects to the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and monitoring those subsequently, successfully funded projects. Location: County-wide.

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Project Title:	<u>Contingency/Unprogrammed Funds</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title/	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$2,752
21	22 Unprogrammed Funds	ESG \$0
GA02dC		HOME \$0
		<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$4,162

Priority /Objective
N/A

Description: These funds may be used to fund projects in 2012. Location: N/A.

HOME Program Grant Activities

Project Title:	<u>CHDO- Development & Operating Support</u>	
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG \$0
22	21I CHDO Operating expenses/92.208	ESG \$0
H02A01	2 Organizations	HOME \$133,748
		<u>HOPWA \$0</u>
		TOTAL \$133,748

Priority /Objective
Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

SL1A: Provide technical and financial assistance to community based organizations in order to address neighborhood needs.

1. Support the development of CHDO capacities.
2. Monitor the development of CHDOs receiving County HOME funds

Description: Comprised of three funding sources, CHDO development, CHDO operating and CHDO monitoring funds, this allocation supports the affordable housing initiatives of two local CHDOs. (CHDO Development 15% of grant - \$96,561 and CHDO operating 5% of grant - \$32,187 and \$5,000 in CHDO monitoring funds to the Franklin County Affordable Housing Trust.) Location: County-wide.

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Project Title: County HOME Administration Budget

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
23	92.207	CDBG	\$0
H02A02	1 Organization	ESG	\$0
		HOME	\$60,000
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$60,000

Priority /Objective

Planning and Administration

✓ Provide quality leadership in selecting, monitoring, managing and evaluating HUD funded projects and programs and citizen input and participation.

Description: Funding is provided for full time staff in the Department of Economic Development & Planning to oversee, manage, and monitor the use of HOME funds. Location: N/A.

Project Title: HQS Inspections

Project ID/ Local ID	HUD Matrix Code/Title Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
24	92.254	CDBG	\$0
H02A03	80 Housing Units (Rental)	ESG	\$0
		HOME	\$8,000
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$8,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2B: Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing.

5. Expand and preserve the supply of affordable rental housing throughout Franklin County.

Description: HUD regulations require the County to periodically inspect the rental units in its loan portfolio (units that have been rehabilitated or constructed with County HOME dollars, and whose affordability period hasn't elapsed – their affordability period is based on the amount of dollars the County has put into each unit and can range from 5 to 20 years.) The County contracts out with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing authority to perform these inspections to HUD standards. Location: County-wide.

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Project Title:	<u>County Sponsored Owner Occupied Rehabilitation</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title/	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$0
25	14A Rehab; Single-Unit Residential	ESG	\$0
H02O01	92.254	HOME	\$525,000
	24 Housing Units	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$525,000

Priority/Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2B: Expand the conservation and improvement of existing affordable owner and renter housing.

1. Provide loans and/or grants to rehabilitate-dwellings of low-moderate income households and abate lead as necessary.

Description: Provides deferred or forgivable home rehabilitation loans to low-income homeowners up to a maximum of \$35,000 (deferred in that the loan doesn't come due until the homeowner vacates their property or transfers it to someone else, and/or forgivable if the homeowner lives there for a prescribed period and keeps the residence up to code and stays current with their taxes and home insurance.) The prescribed period is between 10 to 20 years depending on the size of the loan. The program is administered by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. Location: County-wide.

Project Title:	<u>Home Buyer Downpayment Assistance Program</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$0
26	13 Homeownership Assistance	ESG	\$0
H02D01	92.254	HOME	\$75,000
	12 Households	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$75,000

Priority /Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2C: Increase opportunities for low- and moderate income households to become and remain homeowners.

1. Enable moderate-income families to buy their first home.

Description: ~~The County's First-time Homebuyer Downpayment Assistance program is administered by the Columbus Housing Partnership. This allocation also pays for the client's participation in a homebuyer counseling program, which that client must successfully complete in order to access the downpayment assistance. Location: County-wide.~~

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Project Title:	<u>County Rental Rehabilitation & New Construction Program</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title/	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$0
27	14B Rehab; Multi-Unit Residential	ESG	\$0
H02R01	570.202 (a)(4)/92.252	HOME	\$400,000
	175 Housing Units	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$400,000

Priority/Objective

Housing

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH2A: Increase the supply of affordable rental housing units for low and extremely low income families and individuals outside of areas of poverty and near employment growth areas.

3. Provide infrastructure improvements in support of affordable rental housing construction.

Description: The two projects to be funded are the CHN Relocation Project (\$200,000) and the Commons at Livingston II (\$200,000) allocated through the County's 2012 HOME allocation process.
Location: County wide.

Project Title:	<u>Contingency/Unprogrammed Funds</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title/	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$0
28	22 Unprogrammed Funds	ESG	\$0
GA02aH		HOME	\$1,992
		<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
		TOTAL	\$1,992

Priority /Objective

N/A

Description: These funds may be used to fund projects in 2012. Location: N/A.

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Emergency Shelter Grant Program Activities

Project Title:	<u>Emergency Shelter Support Program</u>		
Project ID/	HUD Matrix Code/Title	Funding Sources	
Local ID	Citation/Accomplishments	CDBG	\$0
28	03T Operating Costs of Homeless Program	ESG	\$80,176
E02S01	Patients Programs	HOME	\$0
	576.21 (a)	<u>HOPWA</u>	<u>\$0</u>
	500 Persons who are homeless	TOTAL	\$80,176

Priority /Objective

Homeless Services

Consolidated Plan Matrix:

DH1A: Increase the range of housing options and related services for special needs populations (i.e. homeless, elderly, disabled.)

2. Contribute to operating support for emergency shelters through the Community Shelter Board.

Description: Funding will provide operating dollars to an emergency housing agency to offer shelter and supportive services to individuals, families, youth, and women with children. Location: Suppressed.

Estimated Amount of CDBG funds used for the Benefit of Low/Mod Individuals

It is the intent of the County to annually spend all 100% of its CDBG allocation for the benefit of low- and moderate- income individuals. In 2012, the County estimates it will spend a minimum of 95% of its CDBG allocation to benefit those individuals.

Status of Franklin County Caps as of March 31, 2011 (end of the 2010 program year):

<u>Cap Category</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Minimum or maximum</u>
Low/Mod Benefit:	100.0%	(Minimum of 70%)
Public Service:	11.68%	(Maximum of 15%)
Planning & Administration:	14.49%	(Maximum of 20%)

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CITIZEN COMMENTS ON THE 2012 ACTION PLAN

The County initiated the citizen participation process for its 2012 Action Plan by holding two informational public hearings, one on September 22nd, 2011 and the other on September 23rd, 2011. The hearings examined community development needs, discussed eligible activities under the HOME and CDBG programs, provided figures concerning anticipated resources, covered the application information and provided technical assistance (a copy of the informational packets is party to this plan as a citizen participation attachment.) In addition to those meetings the following jurisdictions also conducted meetings to cull citizen support for their action plan proposed projects: the City of Whitehall, the City of Bexley and the Village of Urbancrest. Further, the County held two public hearings on the draft action plan on January 19th, 2012 and January 20th, 2012.

On December 9, 2011 a meeting was held with the County's Community Development Advisory Committee to discuss the ranking of submitted applications and the draft action plan. The committee approved the draft plan and it was forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. The Action Plan draft and funds availability were advertised in the Columbus Dispatch on December 25th, 2011 offering access to the plan, soliciting public comment on it and announcing the plan's third and fourth public hearings (the above referenced January 19th and January 20th, 2012 dates.) In addition the draft plan was sent out to all County political jurisdictions

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Housing:

- Banks need to be held responsible for their vacant, declining properties
- The County needs to pass laws that force absentee landlords to correct property deficiencies
- More housing is needed for seniors and the poor.
- I'm glad to see the housing collaboration between the County and the City.

Poverty:

- The County and City needs to support job programs
- This country continues to reward the rich and punish the poor

Infrastructure:

- All government infrastructure dollars need to go into one pot so that we can prioritize our greatest needs.
- There isn't near enough funds to support all our infrastructure needs.
- The State balanced their budget on the backs of local governments.

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Education:

- The last dollars that should ever be cut from a budget are education dollars.
- We have enough jobs in this country; individuals just don't have the skills to fill them.
- If you want good citizens, education must also include the arts and social studies.

Economy:

- Good jobs can take care of almost all our country's ills; job creation needs to be priority #1.
- The rich supposedly got tax breaks so they can create jobs. Well where are all the jobs then?

Youth Services:

- The major companies in Columbus need to take the lead in hiring and mentoring our youth.
- College isn't for everyone, so our schools need to address the needs of those youth.

Neighborhoods:

- Where are the dollars for my neighborhood?
- Until the government addresses the housing market the economy will never improve.
- We need a lot more money for housing rehabilitation.
- I want more funding for police.

County Services/Funding Resources:

- Why is the County spending money on tourism instead of its own citizens?
- I want a clear accounting of every tax dollar the County receives and how it spends it.
- Don't forget about the seniors who helped create America and the children who will be America tomorrow.

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ANNUAL ACTION PLAN SCHEDULE FOR 2012

Public hearings to provide technical assistance and to garner citizen input identifying the County's community development needs:

September 22, 2011
9 – 11 a.m.
150 S. Front Street, Suite 10
South Conference Room

September 23, 2011
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
150 S. Front Street, Suite 10
South Conference Room

Applications will be made available on the Franklin County web site at www.co.franklin.oh.us by September 12, 2011 or by calling Mark Paxson in the Department of Economic Development & Planning @ (614) 525-5578 (after logging onto the County website click on Economic Development & Planning; and then from there Community Development to find the application.) Additionally, individual technical assistance is available by contacting Mr. Paxson and scheduling a meeting. Further, applications and surveys will be directly sent out to county governmental entities and non-profit agencies.

Local public hearings by applicants and the provision of County Technical assistance

September-October 2010

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Friday, October 28, 2011
4:00 p.m.

Submit to: Franklin County, Economic Development & Planning Department
c/o Mark Paxson, 150 S. Front Street, Suite 10,
Columbus, OH 43215

Review and ranking of the applications by the Franklin County Community Development Advisory Committee:

December 9, 2011
2 – 4 p.m.
280 E. Broad Street
West Conference Room

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Publish proposed/draft Annual Action Plan

December 25, 2011

Second public hearing to receive citizen comment on the proposed Action Plan

January 19, 2012

9 – 11 a.m.

150 S. Front Street, Suite 10

South Conference Room

January 20, 2012

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

150 S. Front Street, Suite 10

South Conference Room

Board of Commissioners are presented plan for approval

February 14, 2012

Annual Action Plan submission to HUD

February 15, 2012

Project award letters sent

February 21, 2012

COUNTY'S 2012 PROGRAM YEAR COMMENCES APRIL 1, 2012

Franklin County 2012 Action Plan

Checklist for New Local Action Plan Submission Provisions - 2012

Executive Summary includes objectives and outcomes identified in the plan, and an evaluation of past performance. (91.220(b)) See Executive Summary Pages 2-10

Citizen Participation -- a summary of the citizen participation and consultation process, a summary of citizen comments or views on the plan, a summary of comments or views not accepted, and the reasons why they were not accepted. (91.220(b)) See Page 6, 44-45 and Appendices IV, V, VI and VII

Resources should include Section 8 funds made available to the jurisdiction, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, and McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs. (91.220(c)(1)) see Pages 2-3, 28, and 43

Summary of Specific Annual Objectives the jurisdiction expects to achieve during the forthcoming year. (91.220(c)(3)) See Pages 17-24

Outcomes measures – Identify outcome measures for activities in accordance with Federal Register Notice dated March 7, 2006, i.e., general objective category (decent housing, suitable living environment, economic opportunity) and general outcome category (availability/accessibility, affordability, sustainability). (91.220(e)) See Pages 6–8

Allocation priorities -- Reasons for the allocation priorities, identify the geographic areas of the jurisdiction (including areas of low-income) in which it will direct assistance during the program year, and identify any obstacles to addressing underserved needs. Where appropriate, jurisdictions should also estimate the percentage of funds the jurisdiction plans to dedicate to target areas. (91.220(f)) See Pages 2-5, 27-43

Affordable housing -- One-year goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless, and special-needs households to be provided affordable housing using funds made available to the jurisdiction and one-year goals for the number of households to be provided affordable housing through activities that provide rental assistance, production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, or acquisition of existing units using funds made available to the jurisdiction. (91.220(g)) See Pages 2-3, 8 and Theme One: Pages 17–21

Public housing -- Describe the manner in which the plan of the jurisdiction will address the needs of public housing and any troubled public housing agencies. (91.220(h)) See Page 13 and Plan I

Chronic homelessness -- action steps to end chronic homelessness (91.220(i)) See Pages 3-4

Other actions – actions it plans to take during the next year to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs, foster and maintain affordable housing, evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of poverty-level families, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies described in §§ 91.215 (a), (b), (i), (j), (k), and (l)). (91.220(k)) These are listed with other strategies previously noted.

Low/Mod Benefit -- Estimated amount of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low- and moderate-income. (91.220(l)(1)(iv)) See Page 43

HIV/AIDS Housing Goals -- Jurisdictions receiving HOPWA funds must identify annual goals for the number of households to be provided with housing through activities that provide short-term rent, mortgage and utility assistance payments to prevent homelessness, tenant-based rental assistance; and units provided in housing facilities that are being developed, leased or operated; and the method of selecting project sponsors (including providing full access to grassroots faith-based and other community organizations). (91.220(l)(3)) Not Applicable to Franklin County

Discharge Policy -- The jurisdiction certifies it established a policy for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, foster care, or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent such discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for such persons. (91.225(c)(10)) See Page 16

Resolution adopting the 2012 Housing & Urban Development Annual Action Plan, submitting the plan for approval and amending the County's 2011 Action Plan
(Economic Development & Planning Department)

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio as an entitlement Urban County is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to adopt a One Year Action Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant, HOME Partnership and Emergency Shelter Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the annual Action Plan details how the County will utilize its HUD program funds to address those needs; and

WHEREAS, the County's 2012 Action Plan is due to HUD by February 15, 2012 and the Board of Commissioners is authorized to submit those plans, and to amend its FY 2011 Action Plan in accordance with the regulations of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2012 Action Plan is consistent with the County's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Board of Commissioners shall be the authorized representative and signatory of the grantee to act in connection with the 2012 Action Plan and to provide any information as may be required in connection with said submission, certifications and amendments attached hereto and made a part hereof,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio

That the attached FY 2012 Annual Action Plan is hereby adopted.

Prepared by Mark Paxson, EDP

SIGNATURE SHEET

Resolution No. 0094-12

February 07, 2012

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2012 HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, SUBMITTING THE PLAN FOR APPROVAL AND AMENDING THE COUNTY'S 2011 ACTION PLAN

(Economic Development and Planning)

Upon the motion of Commissioner Marilyn Brown, seconded by Commissioner John O'Grady:

Voting:

Paula Brooks, President	Aye
Marilyn Brown	Aye
John O'Grady	Aye

Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio on the date noted above.


Debra A Willaman, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Franklin County, Ohio



Commissioner Paula Brooks • Commissioner Marilyn Brown • Commissioner John O'Grady
President

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

GENERAL SESSION AGENDA

February 07, 2012

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the minutes of the January 31, 2012 General Session and the February 2, 2012 Briefing.

1. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Resolution No. 90-12

Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding and a transfer of appropriations for the continuation of Drug Addiction and Solicitation Specialty Dockets. (Board of Commissioners) (\$340,000)

2. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

Resolution No. 91-12

Contract with Signal Perfection Limited for Onsite Staffing and Audio Visual Support (Court of Common Pleas) (\$85,133)

3. AUDITOR

Resolution No. 92-12

Resolution authorizing a modification to the contract with Nikish Software Corporation approving one amendment regarding Invitation to Bid 2007-21-31, an increase of \$793,800.00, for a new total of \$6,807,340 (Auditor) (\$793,800)

4. SHERIFF

Resolution No. 93-12

Resolution rescinding resolution 24-11 and authorizing a settlement to Calvin Jackson for a disputed vehicle damage claim due to an auto accident involving a Franklin County Sheriffs Deputy (Sheriff) (\$1,598.26)

5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Resolution No. 94-12

Resolution adopting the 2012 Housing & Urban Development Annual Action Plan, submitting the plan for approval and amending the Countys 2011 Action Plan (Economic Development and Planning)

Resolution No. 95-12

Resolution to subordinate and amend the Land Use Restriction Agreement connected with the issuance of Ohio Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series 1997C GNMA Collateralized for the Briggs/Wedgewood Apartments Project (Economic Development and Planning)

Resolution No. 96-12

Resolution authorizing a contract with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for floodplain review. (Est. Annual Amount \$35,000) (Economic Development and Planning)

6. PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Resolution No. 97-12

Resolution authorizing execution of a Lease Agreement with the Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency for leased space housing the agency's administrative offices located at 80 East Fulton Street. (Public Facilities Management) (\$533,344.08)

Resolution No. 98-12

Resolution authorizing a Contract Agreement with Rumpke of Ohio, Inc. for the disposal/processing of Refuse and Recyclable Materials generated at and collected from Franklin County facilities. (Public Facilities Management) (\$462,449.28)

7. HOMELAND SECURITY AND JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Resolution No. 99-12

Resolution authorizing an amendment to the contract with Henkels & McCoy, Inc. for the provision of offender reentry services (an increase of \$11,397.99) (Homeland Security and Justice Programs) (\$35,510.20)

Resolution No. 100-12

Resolution authorizing a subgrant award and contract for services for the Franklin County Sheriffs Office to implement community policing initiatives under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Justice Assistance Grant (Homeland Security and Justice Programs) (\$29,103)

8. HUMAN RESOURCES

Resolution No. 101-12

Resolution approving Personnel Actions (Human Resources)

9. BENEFITS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Resolution No. 102-12

Resolution authorizing a contract modification with Aon Consulting for employee benefits consulting services. (Benefits and Risk Management) (\$87,800)

Resolution No. 103-12

Resolution authorizing a contract modification with Wells Fargo for additional Insurance Services for Insurance Consulting Services. (Benefits and Risk Management) (\$35,000)

Resolution No. 104-12

Resolution authorizing a Novation Agreement with Total Administrative Services. (Benefits and Risk Management)

Resolution No. 105-12

Resolution authorizing a contract extension for COBRA Administration Services. (Benefits and Risk Management) (\$49,867)

10. PURCHASING

Resolution No. 106-12

Resolution authorizing a contract extension for offsite records storage and records management services. (Purchasing) (\$250,000)

Resolution No. 107-12

Resolution approving purchases for various Franklin County agencies (Purchasing) (\$3,425,724.51)

11. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Resolution No. 108-12

Resolution reappointing Catherine M. Lyttle and David J. Leland to the Franklin County Parks and Recreation Board of Trustees (Board of Commissioners)

Resolution No. 109-12

Resolution reappointing and appointing members to the Franklin County Community Corrections Planning Board (Board of Commissioners)

Resolution No. 110-12

Resolution reappointing and appointing members to the Franklin County Criminal Justice Planning Board (Board of Commissioners)

Resolution No. 111-12

Resolution appointing Rev. Dr. Brenda Buckwell, Damon Muldoon, and Mary Ann Krauss to the Franklin County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services Board (Board of Commissioners)

Resolution No. 112-12

Resolution authorizing the County Administrator to enter into shared service agreements with political subdivisions and other governmental entities. (Board of Commissioners)