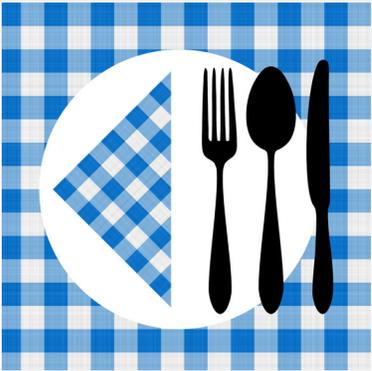


2013 Action Plan

Franklin County

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Overview of Funds Available in 2013

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As of February 1, 2013 the county had not received notice of its 2013 entitlement award amounts for those programs. In the absence of those award amounts, the Columbus HUD office has advised the County to prepare its 2013 budget based on 0% growth to the award amounts the County received in 2012 (for the respective CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs.)

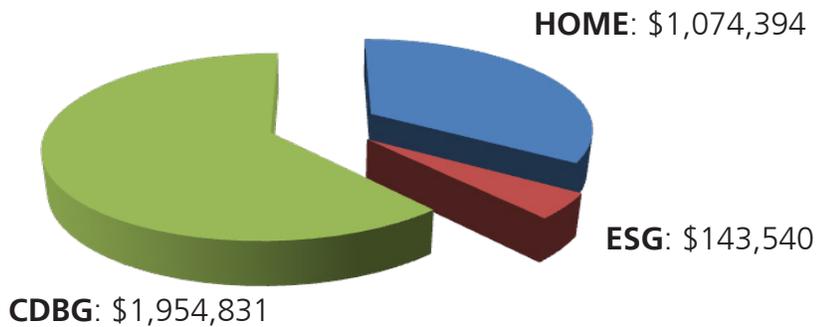
This Action Plan outlines the intended uses of federal U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2013 program year. The three Consolidated Plan programs Franklin County receives funding under: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which primarily benefits low-income individuals; the HOME Partnership (HOME) program, which funds affordable housing activities, and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), which provides homelessness assistance.

Action Plan activities are selected based on the Strategic Plan outlined in the County's 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan, the CDBG and HOME application process, and recommendations from the Community Development Advisory Board. The County will fund a variety of affordable housing, economic development, infrastructure, and public and social service projects to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals.

Sources of Funds

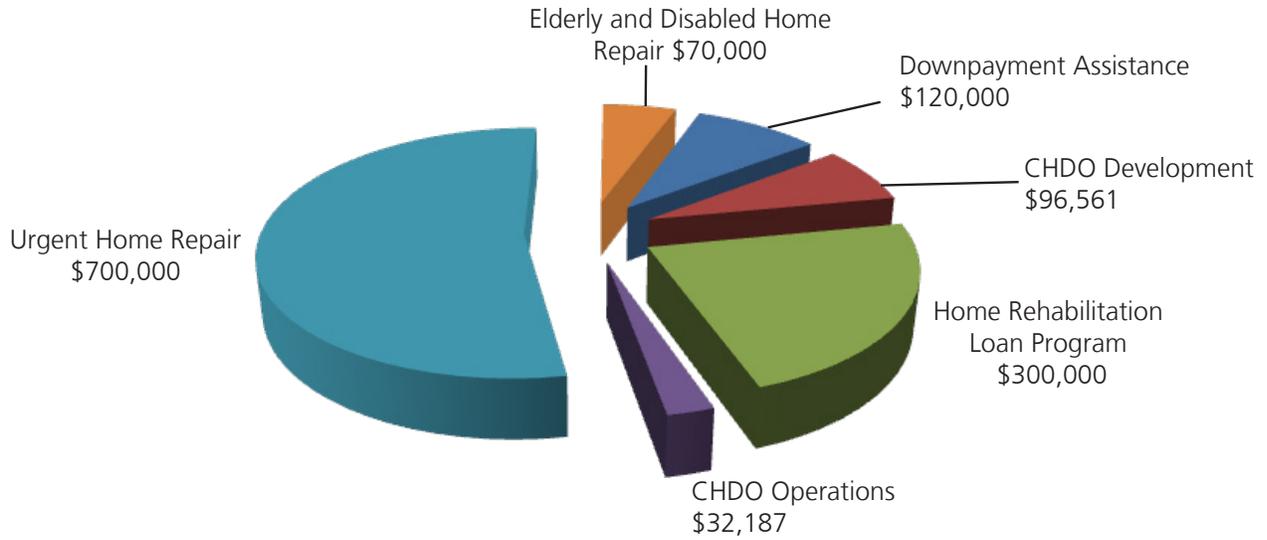
| | CDBG | HOME | ESG |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Grants | \$1,804,831 | \$643,740 | \$143,540 |
| Program Income | \$30,000 | \$34,840.18 | |
| HOME Match Reserve | | \$390,000 | |
| Unprogrammed | \$120,000 | \$5,813.67 | |
| TOTAL | \$1,954,831 | \$1,074,393.85 | \$143,540 |

Total Funds Available: \$3,172,765

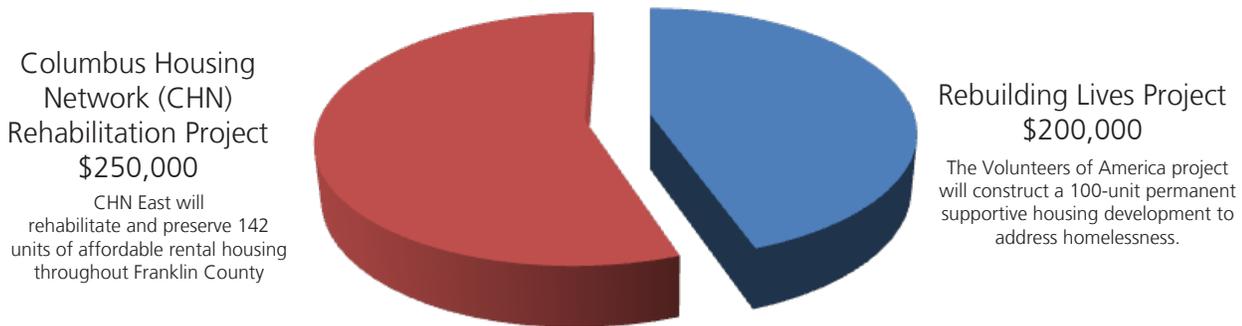


Affordable Housing

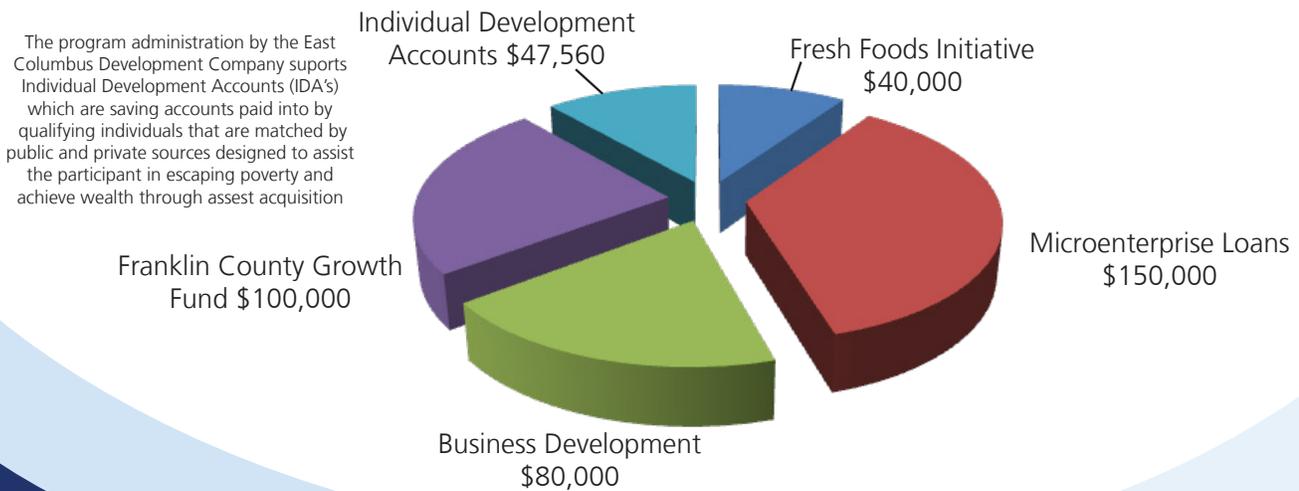
Homeownership \$1,318,748



Rental Housing \$450,000



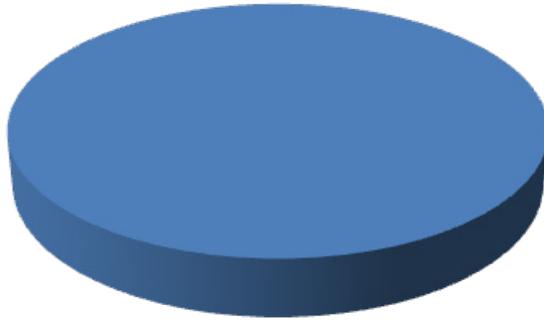
Economic Development \$417,560



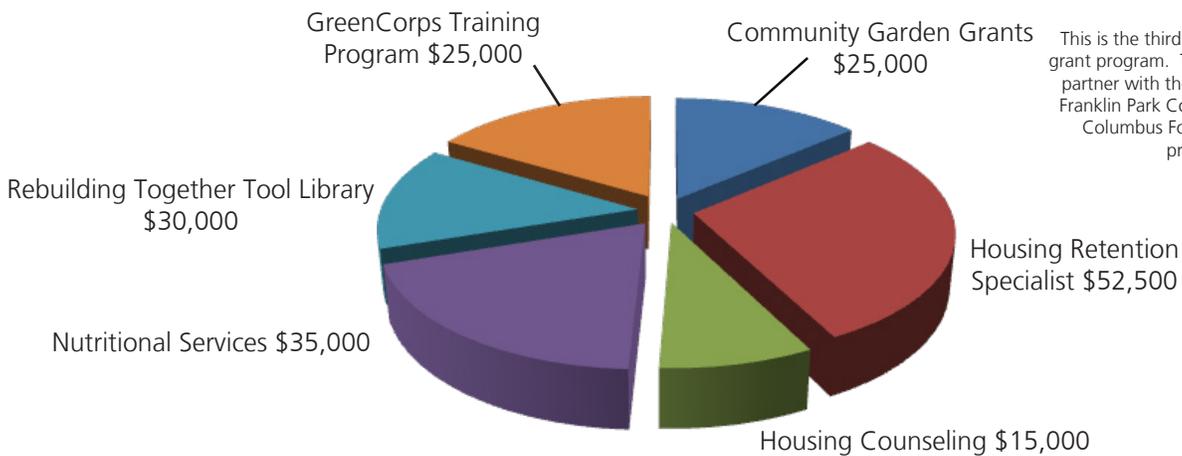
Infrastructure \$300,000

Water Quality Partnerships
\$300,000

Program supports the sewer connections and connection fees related to connecting low-income homeowners to public sewer systems.

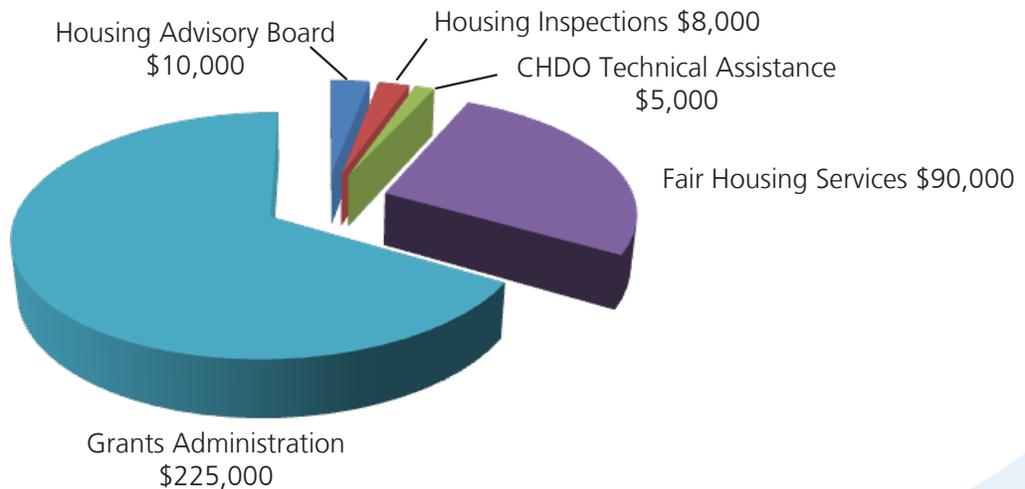


Public Services \$182,500



This is the third year of this popular grant program. The County will again partner with the City of Columbus, Franklin Park Conservatory, and the Columbus Foundation for this program.

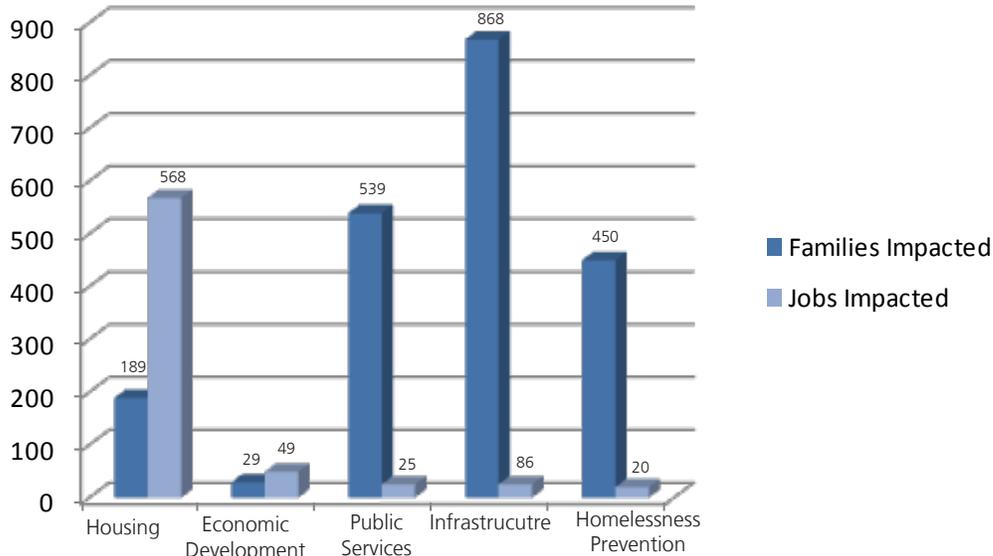
Planning and Administration \$338,000



Projected Impact of 2013 Action Plan

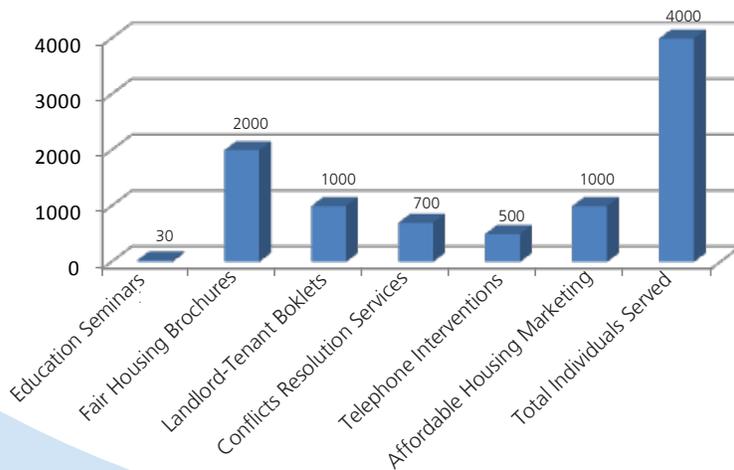
The County's Action Plan for the expenditure of HUD funds in 2013 is designed to impact the greatest number of low-income County residents, contribute to the local economy by impacting jobs, and introduce new and innovative initiatives to maximize the impact of these funds. As a result, the County expects its 2013 activities to serve 2000 families and impact approximately 750 jobs in the community.

Action Plan Impact on Families and Jobs



Job impact figures are based on the following data: Average 7 jobs/single-family housing unit (3 jobs/minor repair), 3 jobs/unit for multi-family housing projects, job creation commitments for economic development contracts, public service staffing, and infrastructure construction applications.

In addition to these programmatic outcomes, the County's Fair Housing Services, provided by the Columbus Urban League, will impact an additional 4,000 households. These households will receive educational materials, conflict resolutions services, and other interventions to address and prevent discriminatory housing practices in the County.



2013 Action Plan Timeline

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

September 20, 2012
9-11 a.m

September 21, 2012
5:30-7:30 p.m

Local public hearings by applicants and the provision of County Technical Assistance:

September-October 2012

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

December 1, 2012
2-4 p.m

Publish proposed/draft Annual Action Plan:

December 25, 2012

Second public hearings to receive citizen comment on the proposed Action Plan:

January 17, 2013
9-11 a.m

January 18, 2013
5:30-7:30 p.m

Board of Commissioners are presented plan for approval:

February 12, 2013

Annual Action Plan submission to HUD:

February 15, 2013

Project award letters sent:

February 22, 2013

Commencement of 2013 Program Year:

April 1, 2013

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