

CITY OF DECATUR, ILLINOIS



ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

FY 2018



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Executive Summary

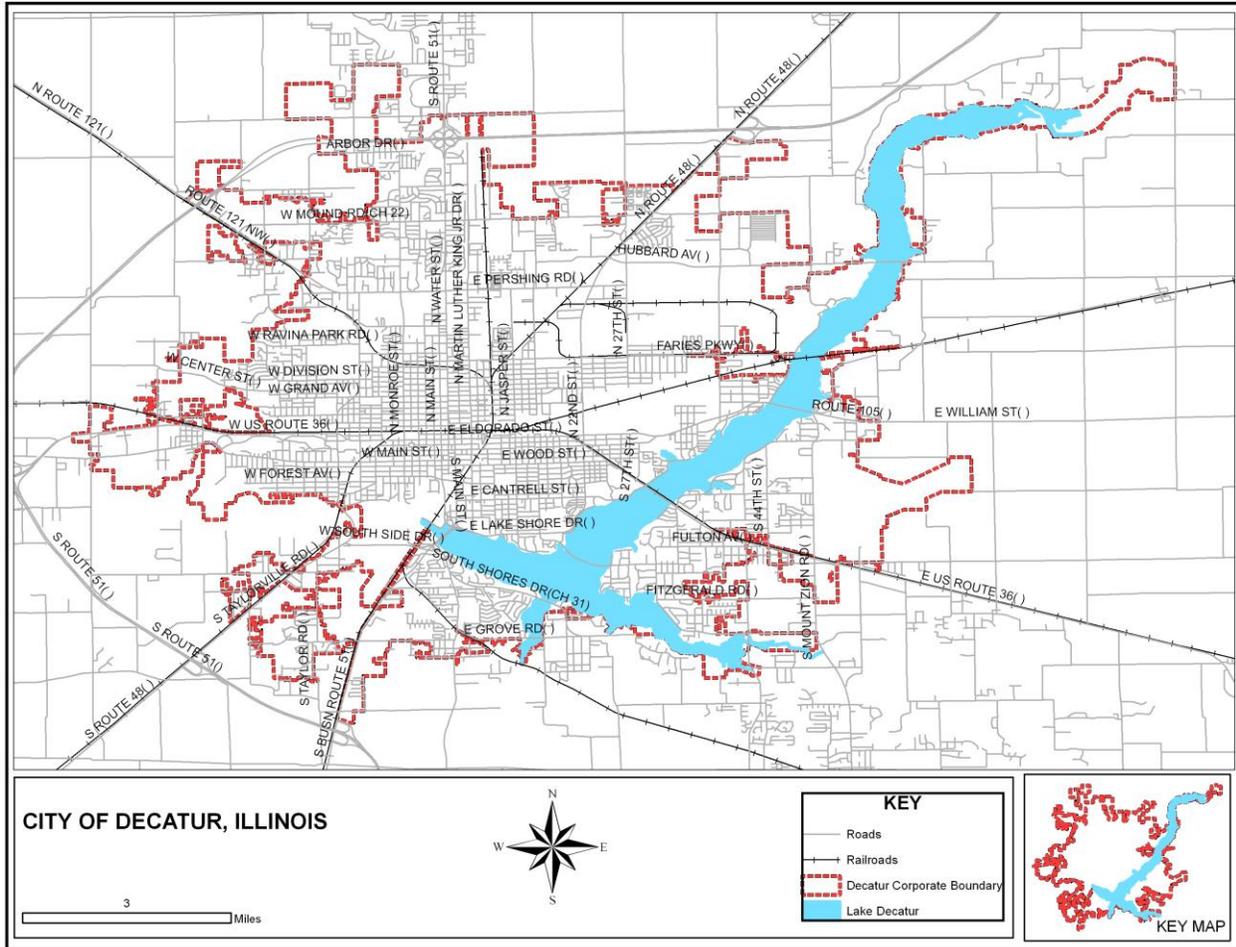
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1. Introduction

This section presents the Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Action Plan which is the fourth year of the Consolidated Plan FY2015-2019. The 2018 Fiscal Year runs from May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019. The Annual Action Plan provides a summary of actions, activities, and programs that will take place during the Fiscal Year 2018 to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action plan identifies the linkage between the use of federal resources and the specific objectives developed to address the community's priority needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. The federal funds are to be used for decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities.

For the 2018 program year, the City's allocation is \$1,378,744.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and \$444,741.00 in HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds. The CDBG funds and HOME funding will be used to support activities which benefit very low, low, and moderate-income persons. The CDBG funds and HOME funds will be used in conjunction with program income, carryover funds, and other funding sources to complete programs and projects to further the goals and objectives of the Consolidated Plan.

The Annual Action Plan presents the City's strategy for use of the anticipated entitlement funding allocation during Fiscal Year 2018, in conjunction with other sources, to meet the objectives outlined in the Consolidated Plan for housing, homelessness, special needs, public services, economic development, public improvements, and neighborhood revitalization. The information will be presented in narrative form and table form. Finally, it states the manner in which the City intends to address other areas covered in the Consolidated Plan including barriers to affordable housing, coordination of resources, and program monitoring.



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2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The City proposes to address its objectives through programs that: assist low income families with housing rehabilitation which will address code issues, energy efficiency, accessibility, emergency assistance to enable families to remain in their homes, financial assistance to first time homebuyers, improve the living environment through housing code enforcement, and provide expanded educational-job training opportunities. The expected outcomes will provide decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing, improve the quality of the living environment, and increase economic opportunity. Utilizing federal funds, and program income, the City anticipates providing assistance to eliminate hazards in 13 homeowner occupied homes and address residential improvements for 6 homeowners plus code compliance in 6 different homeowner units. In the low income census tracts, the city will address code enforcement for approximately 200 units.

Through the Citizen Participation process, residents and organizations identify the needs in the community. The City of Decatur held an "initial" period for the draft 2018 Action Plan January 29, 2018 through February 28, 2018 based on the prior year federal allocation. The initial draft identified a proposed budget for the federal funds. The proposed activity budgets were proportionally changed when the actual allocations were identified by the federal government. A second hearing was held Thursday, June 21, 2018 with a review and comment period ran from May 24, 2018 through June 25, 2018. The community has seen a decrease in funding in many areas which has impacted housing, services, employment, and organization staffing. Without the resources, the community cannot address essential needs. Funds have been identified for public service activities which provide education for future employment and training programs. Homeowners may access the Emergency Program through a first-come first serve process. The CDBG and HOME Residential Rehabilitation Programs are handled in a lottery process. Low income residents complete a form which provides contact information, location of the home, and requested housing assistance. Residents drop the form in a "Lottery Box" when the lottery program is open. Residents are given approximately six weeks to deposit a form in the lottery box. Names are periodically drawn from the box. Homeowners are contacted. Appointments are scheduled for homeowner to apply for assistance. Residents have historically identified need for assistance within the home, such as: new roofs, accessibility, and energy conservation.

When public service funding is identified, a notice is provided to the public through various sources: media releases, the City of Decatur web, agency meetings, and mailings. An example: the Education and Employment Training program is handled through a notice of funds available to address the community need for adult education and employment preparedness. Informational classes are held for potential agencies. The class identifies the regulations, policy, and procedures associated with the program. The agencies are provided information on how the agency is scored, what attachments are required and a deadline for applications. Applications are reviewed and scored. Recommendations for funding are directed to the Decatur City Council. Several of the community's needs are also being addressed through the use of non-federal funds, such as: infrastructure improvements, crime prevention, education, training, housing, etc.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The Consolidated Plans identified various goals. A number of the goals were satisfied yet other goals were unmet. Some of the challenges which have limited the ability to meet goals included reduction: in funding and loss of staff at the various agencies as well as the City. Some of the success was achieved in the public service funding of education and training outcomes as well as the rehabilitation of homeowner occupied properties. Although the outcomes were positive, the need still exists for effective adult education programs for skill and job training, housing counseling, and homeowner occupied residential

rehabilitation. Other needs include addressing blighted properties, vacant lots, and aging infrastructure. Prior year funds identified in past Action Plan will be utilized to address the needs for homebuyer assistance, education and employment training, infrastructure, residential rehabilitation, and housing education for both renters and homeowners.

Due to a shortfall in general fund budget, the City continues to look for other funding sources. The City of Decatur received funding from the Illinois Housing Development Authority, in the amount of \$125,000 to remove unsafe structures in 2018. Regarding economic development efforts, investments continue. In 2017, economic development totaled more than \$70 million. This is the highest since 2012. Over the last few years, the investment has exceeded more than \$200 million. The investment results in new jobs and improved quality of life. Akorn Pharmaceuticals has a \$24 million expansion currently under way. A new lakeshore water park is expected to be complete and open in the summer of 2019. Beginning in the fall of 2017, residents were invited to participate in community meetings for the development of a Community Revitalization Plan. The Howard G. Buffett Foundation agreed to provide a significant investment of \$1 million to support the neighborhood redevelopment portion of the revitalization effort.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City of Decatur provides residents the opportunity to share their opinions on the needs and priorities through public discussion, phone communication, fax, letters, surveys or e-mails. The City's draft comment period for proposed changes to the proposed Action Plan, past Action Plans and Consolidated Plan, began January 29, 2018 through February 28, 2018. A public meeting was held Thursday, February 21, 2018, 12:00 noon. Residents had an opportunity to openly ask questions to the proposed 2018 Annual Action Plan as well as the current 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The 2018 "draft" Action Plan amounts were based on the 2017 allocations. The meeting discussed the estimated 2018 allocation for CDBG and HOME funds. The comment period for the draft ended Wednesday, February 28, 2018. A second comment period began May 24, 2018 through June 25, 2018. A second public meeting was held for June 21, 2018 at 1:30 P.M. The revised 2018 Action Plan identifies the increase in federal funds and the increase to various CDBG and HOME projects. For the 2018 Action Plan, the Neighborhood Service Division scheduled a meeting at a low-income public housing high rise. The Lexington High-Rise houses seniors and disabled individuals. Typically, the residents do not attend the public meeting. It was a very good exchange of information.

In effort to reach out beyond the normal public meetings, the Neighborhood Services Division visited the Lexington High Rise June 6, 2018, 10:30 a.m. This multi-unit building is owned by the local housing authority. This residential facility provides housing for low-income disabled residents and seniors. Residents were provided surveys after staff explained the importance of their input. The residents were vocal on topics of crime, security in public housing, transportation, youth, housing, and abandoned housing.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

Surveys were available during the citizen participation period, May 24, 2018 through June 25, 2018. Letters were directed to those who completed the surveys. A summary of the responses were provided after the close of the citizen participation period: Citizen survey responses identified several topics. Topics listed are from the most concerns to the least: Crime, Security at public housing, housing rehabilitation, bus transportation, infrastructure, employment, housing for disabled residents, youth programs, and unsafe structures. In 2017, the CDBG funds and the City's General Funds were used on a sewer repair project, sidewalk project, and street repair project. The City completed \$4.2 million in street repairs using local and state motor fuel tax funds in 2017. \$91 million multi-year dredging project removed 2,702,447 in cubic yards of sediment in Lake Decatur. This project will add to the lake capacity which is the city's primary water source. The 2017 dredging provided an additional water supply of 13 days. The Local Motor Fuel Tax (LMFT) road work repaired 18.1 miles of roads which addressed streets that were in the worst condition in the community. The local street repairs are expected to continue for the next 8 years. The Decatur City Council approved CDBG agreements with two local agencies to fund employment/educational training programs that would provide training/education for low income adults. The City hosted 4 clean-up events in which residents could bring non-electronic items and dispose of them at no charge. The City collected 1,230 tires and 240,800 lbs. of trash. For years, some areas have suffered from environmental issues and general vacancy. During 2017, the City completed and closed 16 residential rehabilitations for low-income homes plus provided emergency rehabilitation to 20 homeowner occupied single family homes. Regarding crime prevention, the Decatur Police Department has continued community involvement through town hall meetings and community events. The officer foot patrol increased by 111%. Regarding removal of blighted property, the city recently applied and was awarded \$125,000 from the Illinois Housing Development Authority. The City is currently working on a "revitalization" plan, which includes plans for vacant lots left behind by demolition. The "Neighborhood Revitalization Planning" kicked off with a public meeting held on November 14, 2017. Meetings were held November 28, 2017, December 12, 2017, and January 24, 2018. Additional meetings are being scheduled. The meetings were designed to have resident committees. Each committee had a different topic. Each committee held the public discussion on neighborhood needs and wants. The information will be gathered with analysis and final plan to be compiled with actual physical work and program implementation in 2018. The Howard Buffet Foundation announced \$1 million grant for the support of the revitalization.

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

No comment or view was rejected. Each resident and organization was entitled to provide input. The goal was to improve the community as a whole through program purposed projects implementation

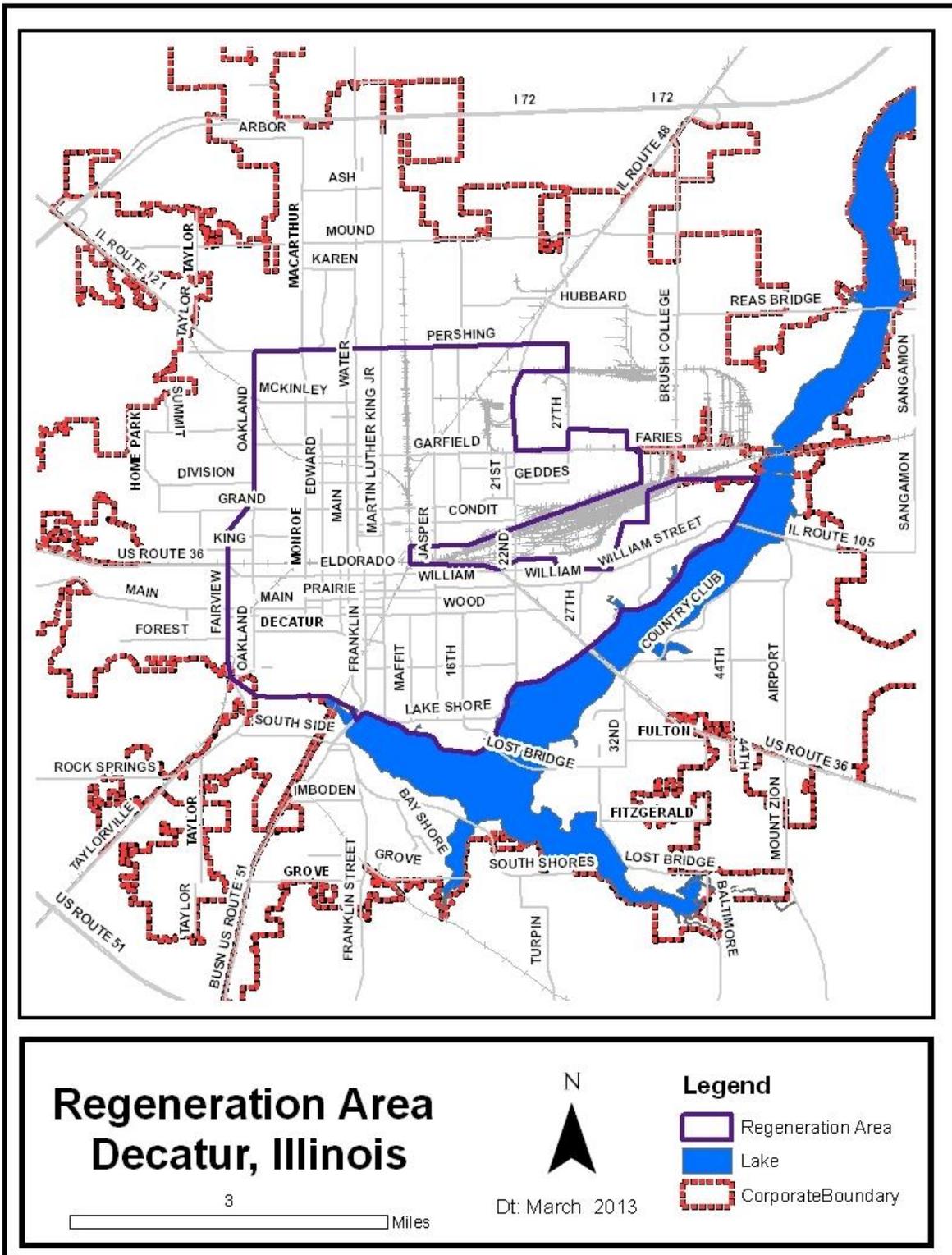
based on community needs. A summary of the residents' survey and the City of Decatur's written response were included in the 2018 Action Plan.

7. Summary

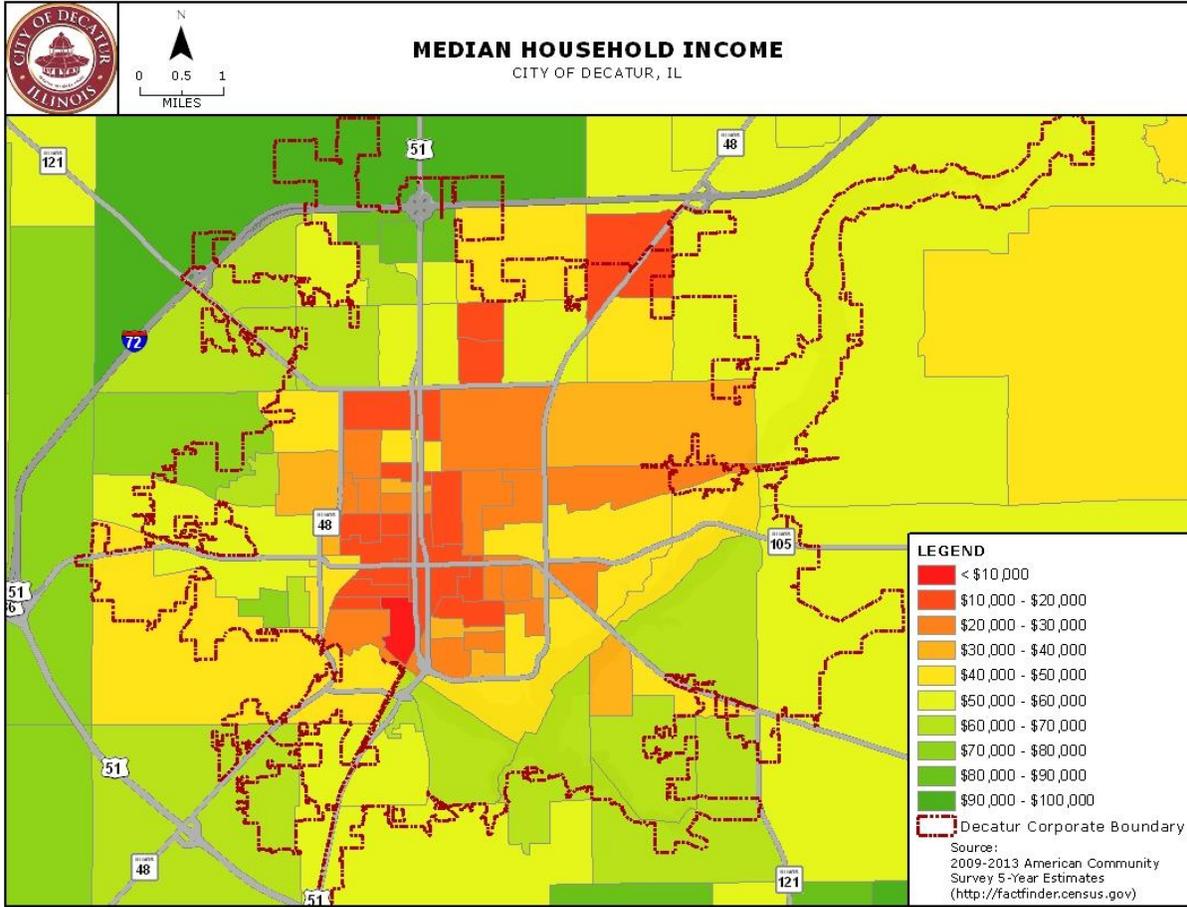
The City of Decatur strives to improve the community and the residents' quality of life. The City continues to encourage residents to participate in the discussions and development of the plans, any future amendments to the plans, and the future annual performance report. Residents are encouraged to participate at the community-wide and neighborhood levels. The City continues to address those unmet needs through collaboration with other organizations. Decatur, in conjunction with the community partners, have made the most of the limited resources available. The City will continue the partnerships where meaningful changes will occur to improve the lives of our residents.

The City of Decatur's Citizen Participation Plan identifies a substantial change as: changes in the use of funds from one Consolidated Plan objective to another; a 38% increase or decrease of funds to any eligible funded activity; changes to carry out an activity using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan which was not previously described in the Action Plan; plus changes of the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity. The Citizen Participation Plan provides flexibility to adjust funding to accommodate increases or decreases in the budget.

This provides for a faster delivery of programs and activities to serve residents.

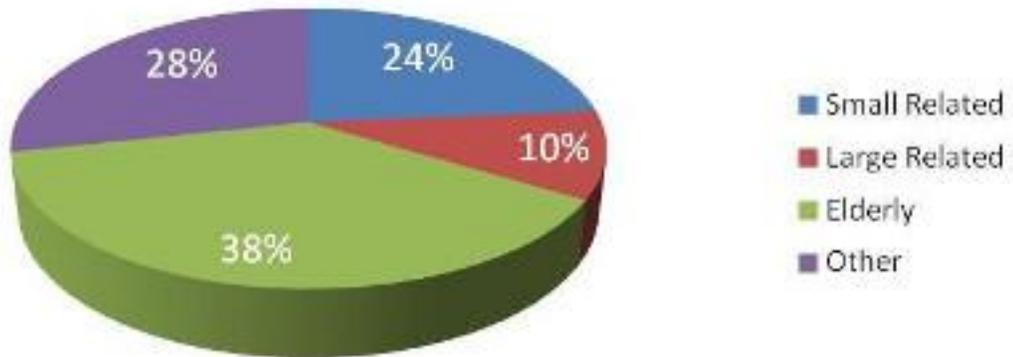


Regeneration Area Map

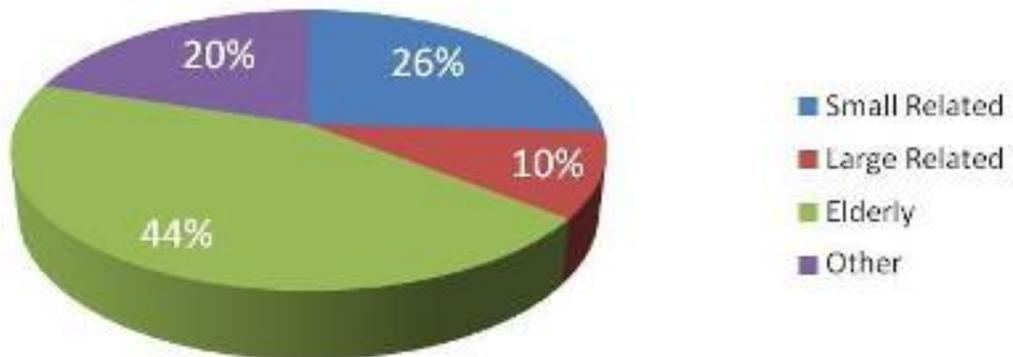


Income Block Groups

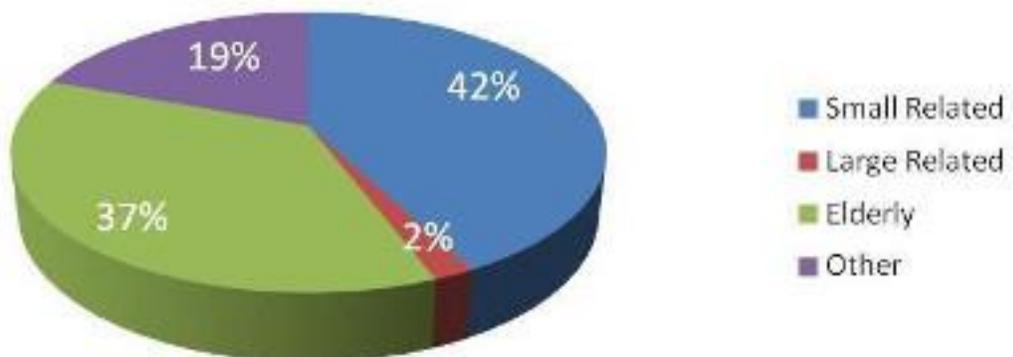
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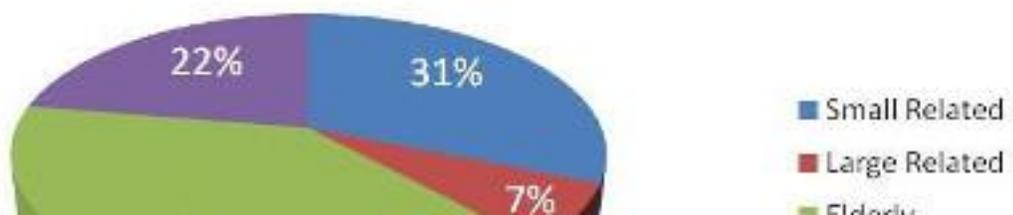
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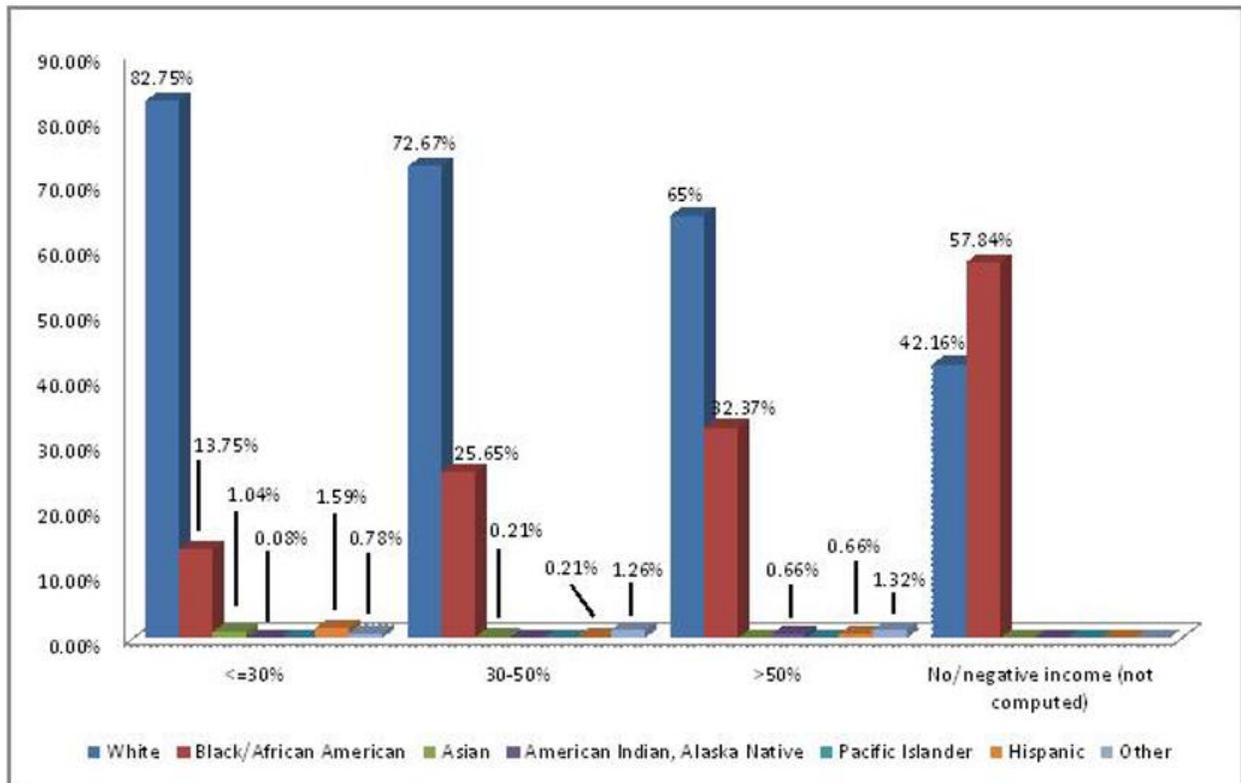


Cost Burden > 30% for Owner Total



Cost Burden for Owners

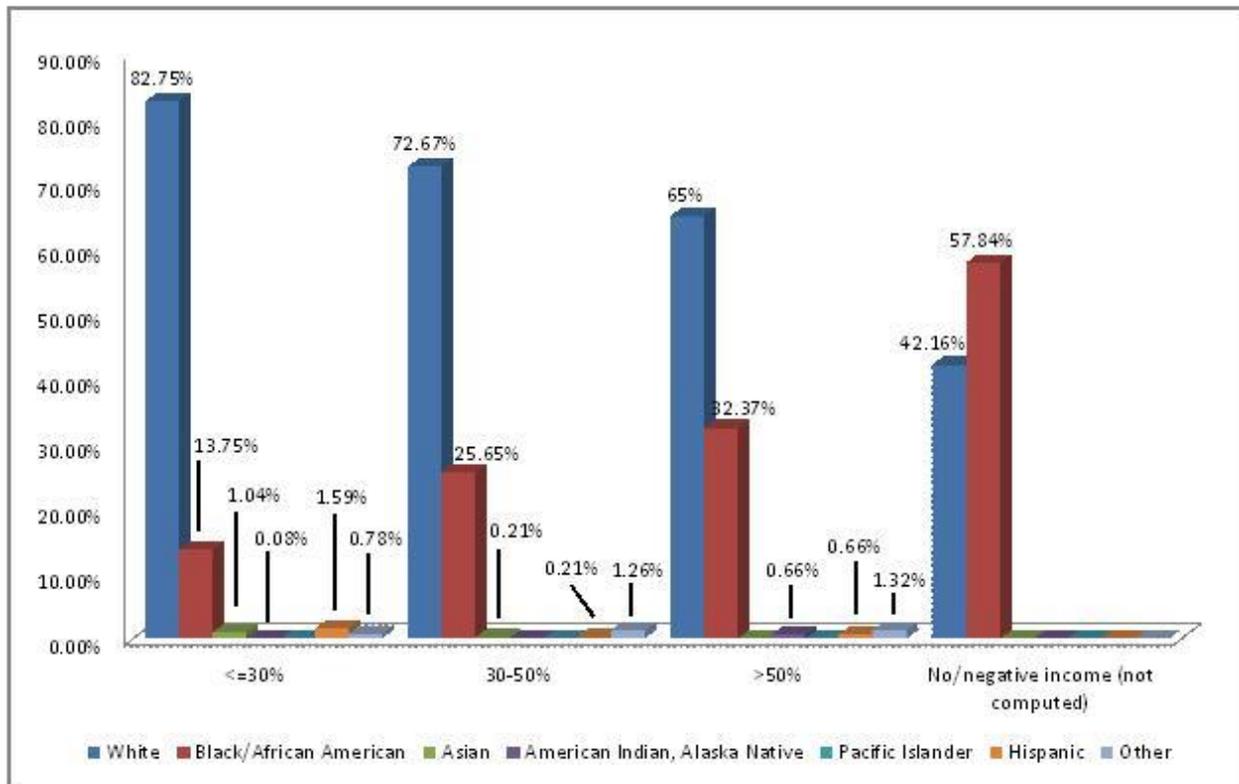
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- Under “<=30%” 0 Pacific Islander respondents were recorded. 20 American Indian, Alaska Native respondents were recorded. Less than 385 Asian, Hispanic, and “Other” respondents were recorded in each of their categories.
- Under “30-50%” 0 Pacific Islander and American Indian, Alaska Native respondents were recorded. 10 Asian and Hispanic respondents were recorded in each of their categories. 60 “Other” respondents were recorded.
- Under “>50%” 0 Asian and Pacific Islander respondents were recorded. 25 American Indian, Alaska Native and Hispanic respondents were recorded in each of their categories. 50 “Other” respondents were recorded.
- Under “No/negative income (not computed)” 0 Asian, American Indian, Alaska Native, Pacific Islander, Hispanic, or “Other” respondents were recorded.

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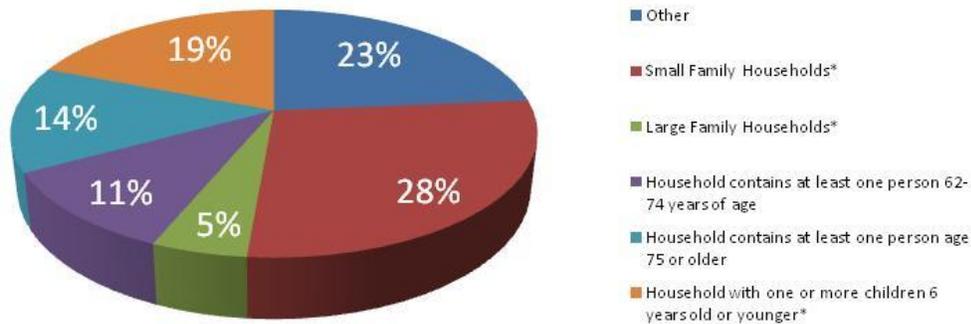
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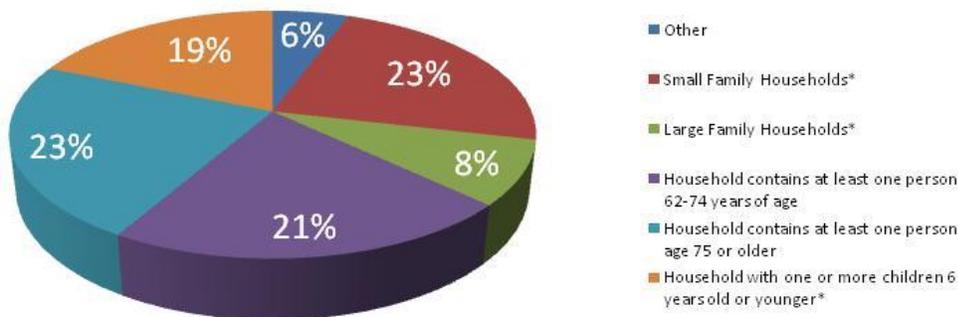
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- Under “No/negative income (not computed)” 0 Asian, American Indian, Alaska Native, Pacific Islander, Hispanic, or “Other” respondents were recorded.

Greater Need-Cost Burden

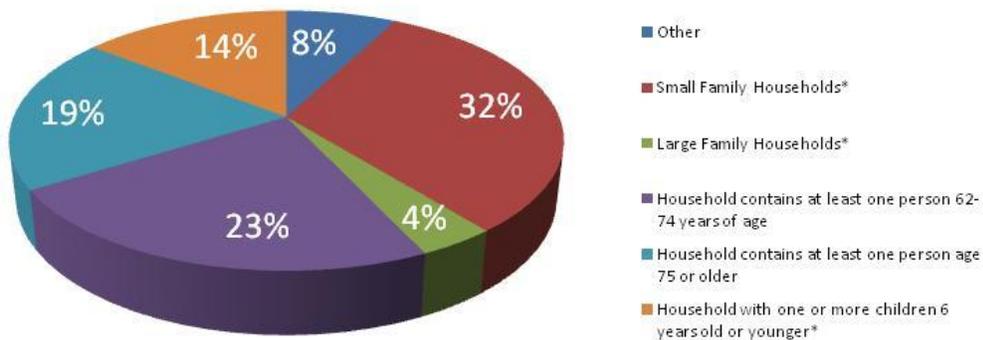
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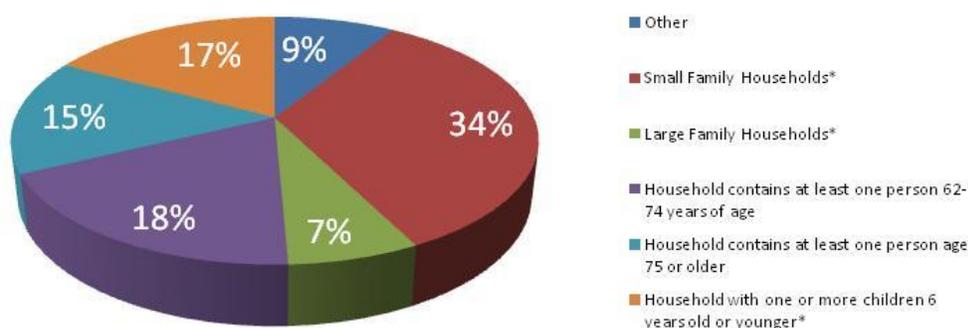
Number of Households >30-50% HAMFI



Number of Households >50-80% HAMFI



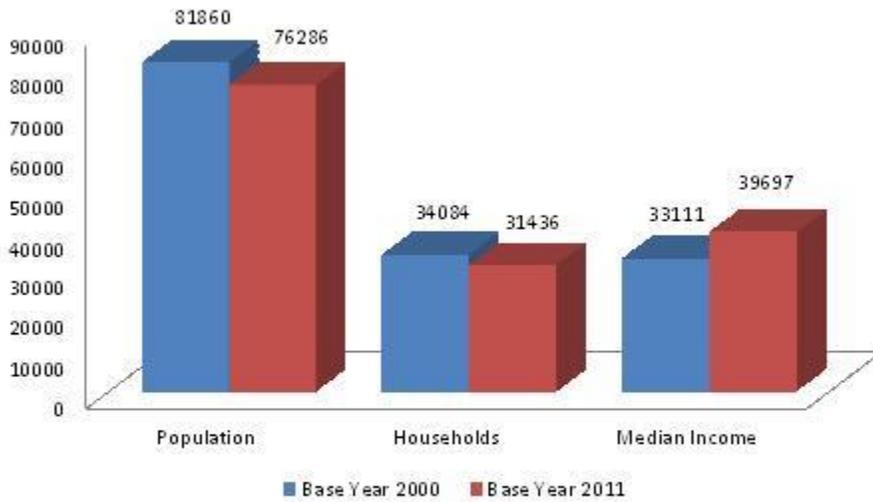
Number of Households >80-100% HAMFI



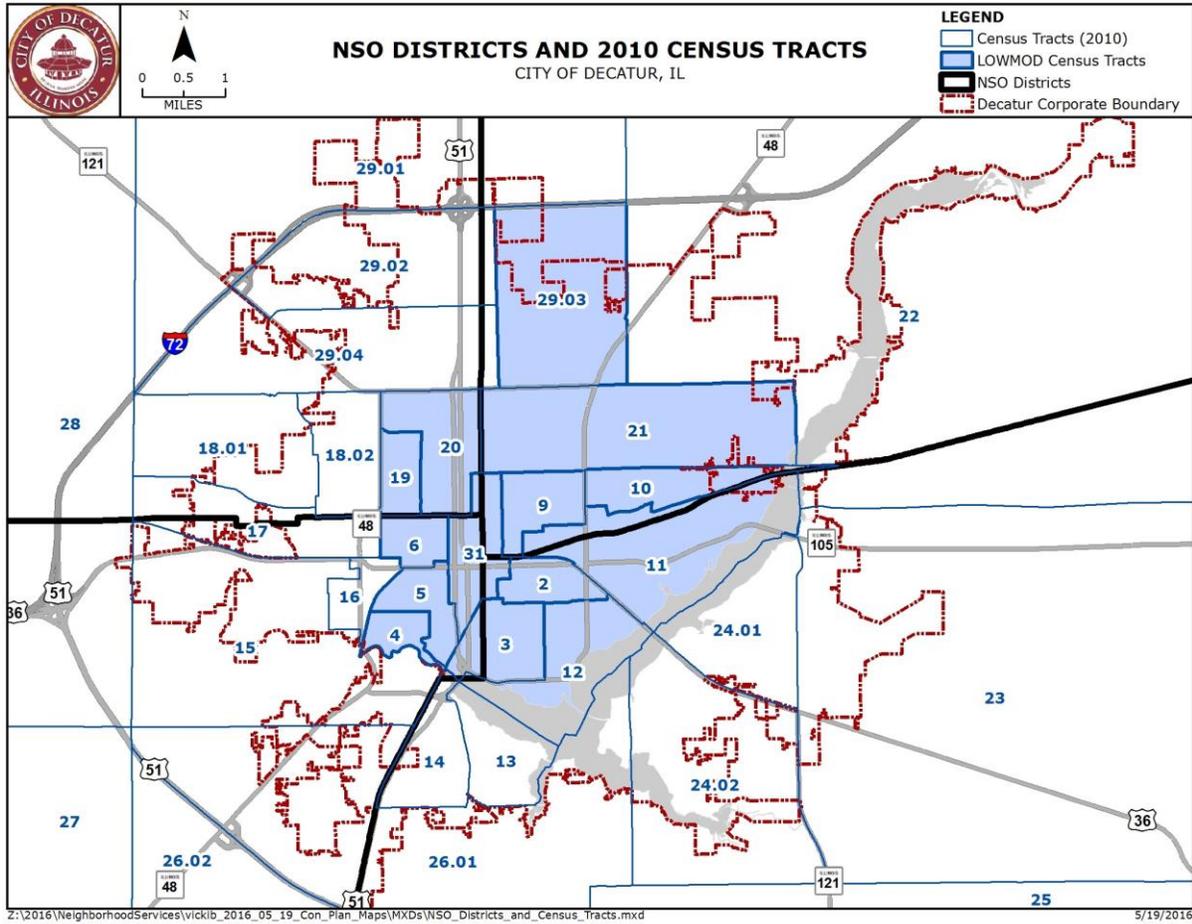
Number of Households >100% HAMFI

Household Information

Table 1 NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment 24 CFR 91.205 (a,b,c): Summary of Housing Needs



Housing Need Assessment



Census Tract and NSO map

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

| Agency Role | | Name | Department/Agency |
|--------------------|---------|--|-------------------|
| CDBG Administrator | DECATUR | City of Decatur / Neighborhood Services Division | |
| HOME Administrator | DECATUR | City of Decatur / Neighborhood Services Division | |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of Decatur Neighborhood Services Division is the lead and responsible agency for the development, amendment, and execution of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)

1. Introduction

The City of Decatur staff participates in a variety of meetings through positions on the boards or as members. Active involvement in a variety of groups, allow staff the opportunity to gather information through meetings and correspondence regarding needs and accomplishments in the community. Examples: Decatur Macon County Homeless Council (Continuum of Care), Decatur Community Partnership, Decatur Macon County Opportunity Corporation (DMCOC), Grow Decatur, Decatur Job Council and other agencies which includes county and local agencies and government bodies.

The City of Decatur reached out to the public and agencies through neighborhood meetings, surveys, and correspondence. The initial action for community input for the 2018 Action Plan started in December 2017 with an end date of February 28, 2018. A second review period runs from May 24, 2018 through June 25, 2018. The second public hearing was held June 21, 2018. Surveys were available for residents, non-profits, and businesses to complete and return to the Neighborhood Services Division. Comments were taken by mail, e-mail, or by phone.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(I))

The CoC rolled out coordinated entry. A new position was created within the last year. The agencies use general questionnaires that may be filled out and used to refer any homeless or housed individual with needs to the agency which can assist them. This individual has the knowledge about all the agencies, their availability, and the resources. This individual spends a day at each shelter and uses Mondays to "hit the streets" to find unsheltered individuals. Since October 2017, 46 individuals were assessed. By November 2017, 45 of the 46 individuals had housing. January 2018, this individual was able to house 4 chronically homeless individuals. The Point in Time (PIT) identified 161 homeless individual in Decatur, an increase of 31 since the 2017 PIT. The trend shows a decrease in homeless population since 2012. The unsheltered homeless individuals was 21 (up from 16 in 2017). The number of chronic homeless decreased to 16 from 23 in 2017. This is a significant decrease in chronic homeless from 2014 (the count was 71). The decrease is attributed to the CHAT team. Of the homeless numbers, 38 of the people were identified as children under the age of 18; this is an increase. 2017 homeless children numbered 14. The race demographics of 161 homeless were 54% Black/African American, 39% White, and 10% Hispanic. In 2016, Decatur had two times the national average of homeless veterans. However, only 4 homeless self-identified were identified as veterans in the 2018 PIT. Three veterans were sheltered and one was unsheltered. By March 2018, all four veterans had housing.

The City of Decatur is an active member of Decatur Community Partnership (DCP). DCP is committed to promoting collaborative programming among community organizations and individuals. DCP encourages

the integration of services to effectively improve the quality of life and health of the residents. Members of the organization include but are not limited to: Decatur Housing Authority, Department of Corrections-Decatur Corrections Center, Macon County Health Department (MCHD), United Way, State's Attorney Office, Decatur Scovill Zoo, Community Home Environment Learning Project (CHELP), Main Street Church of The Living God, University of Illinois Extension, Decatur Memorial Hospital, Richland Community College, City of Decatur, and community volunteers. DCP meets every two months to monitor the progress of the DCP programs, the expenditures, and to discuss community needs/issues which are arise or change.

DCP receives funding through various grants. The Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) Grant is one grant where the organization's staff works diligently with a Drug-Free Community Coalition to build infrastructure necessary for effective and sustainable prevention. The effectiveness begins with a clear understanding of community needs. DCP works with the local schools for participation in the Illinois Youth Survey to identify these needs. The STOP Act project is a program created to strengthen community collaboration and empower the community to implement strategies for preventing and reducing alcohol use among youth. One component of this program is a partnership with law enforcement to conduct alcohol compliance checks with assistance from youth buyers. Another STOP grant component is the "Underage Drinking Prevention Task Force". The group meets quarterly to take a deeper look at the issue of underage drinking and brainstorm solutions to combat the issue. Project "Sticker Shock" is another tool used during the Alcohol Awareness Month and throughout the year to deter adults 21 and over from purchasing alcohol for minors.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The City of Decatur is a member of the Governing Board - Decatur Macon County Homeless Council Continuum of Care (CoC). The CoC and the City have been working together to serve the homeless since 1994. The Homeless Council Continuum of Care diligently works to meet the needs of homeless individuals and families. This partnership and collaborative programs are funded through grants from the U.S. Department of Housing (HUD) and the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS). Dove, Inc. is the lead organization with thirteen (13) partner members: Dove, Inc., the City of Decatur-Neighborhood Services Division, Decatur Housing Authority (DHA), Decatur-Macon County Opportunities Corporation (DMCOC), the Community Investment Corporation of Decatur (CICD), Decatur Public School, Heritage Behavioral Health Center (Heritage), Salvation Army, Crossing Healthcare, Millikin University, Macon Piatt Regional Office on Education, God's Shelter of Love, and Good Samaritan Inn.

The City of Decatur developed a "Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness" in 2010. Periodically, a "Working Group" met to identify and address the changing environment. The City of Decatur plans to update the plan to reflect the changes in needs, housing, and services.

CHAT was developed in July 2015. This team emerged out of the COC Governing Board as a way to address the high rate of chronic homelessness. The team includes members from area homeless service providers including Heritage Behavioral Health Center-Oasis, Salvation Army, and the Coalition for Veteran's Concerns. The goal of CHAT is to identify and house as many chronically homeless individuals, veterans, children, and families as quickly as possible. The creation of CHAT has allowed providers working directly with homeless person to "wrap" themselves around the individuals, veterans and families to understand their unique needs. Providers work with homeless individuals to fast-track them through the CoC provider. Dove-Homebound, by completing paperwork and connecting the individuals, veterans, children or families directly to Homebound to ensure they are on the list for housing and that priority is given due to the chronic status. The formal coordinated entry policy for Macon County CoC was adopted in January 2018. Since January 2018, there has been over 50 chronically homeless and habitually homeless people housed. Within the COC, the Homeless Advisory Council meets regularly to discuss programs, services, community resources as well as any particular needs/barriers for individuals, veterans, and families who are at risk for homelessness. There are more than 75 providers that participate in this formal meeting with ongoing collaboration outside of the meeting. This collaboration goes on daily.

There is a large movement to bring community stakeholders together to improve all areas of the Decatur community including education, social service, health care, and economic development (employment training, job creation, as well as business development).

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City of Decatur is a partner on the CoC and monthly engages in consultation with formal CoC Governing Board meetings where all the partners are present. With the assistance of a consultant, the Governing Board as well as identified community stakeholders developed standards related to the evaluation of project and activity outcomes assisted by ESG. Currently, the Salvation Army receives the ESG funds from the State of Illinois, Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS). This City has ongoing communication and consultation monthly with the CoC as a member of the Governing Board regarding the allocation of ESG funds as well as the development of performance standards and evaluative outcomes. The City works with the CoC in identifying, developing and securing funding for homeless services.

Homeward Bound administers the policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS. Homeward Bound, in collaboration with the City and other partners, is actively working to enhance HMIS utilization by providing information and training to providers not yet engaged in utilization. Continuing education related to the benefits to provide and ultimately, individuals served as they get housing and supportive services, is a priority for the CoC moving forward.

The CoC coordinates efforts and resources for the annual CoC application.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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| 1 | Agency/Group/Organization | DOVE, INC. |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing Services - Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Consultation was through group meetings where services and housing needs for homeless individuals were discussed. Discussion regarding homelessness issues occurred as late as July 17, 2018. Discussion included overall collaboration and planning. The goal is to reduce homelessness as well as taking steps to ultimately end homeless. Discussions covered HMIS, Point In Time (PIT) study, data collection, and usage. Through continuous communication with the organization, the Consolidated Plan and Actions Plans capture/identify the needs. This opens the line of communication and documentation. The City of Decatur is able to provide the agency a Certification of Consistency when needed for various grant applications. The City will continue to work with Dove, Inc. and other homeless providers through the Governing Board, Continuum of Care, etc. |

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| 2 | Agency/Group/Organization | Decatur Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing PHA Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | DHA is the local public housing authority. Its mission is to provide and maintain quality affordable housing with access to community resources for low to moderate income families and individuals. DHA's goals: increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing, improve the quality of housing in the community, increase assisted housing choices and ensure equal opportunity in housing for all Americans. DHA collaborates with Heritage Behavioral Health Center, the Decatur Macon County Homeless Continuum of Care, Crossings Community Health Center, and other agencies. DHA continues to enforce its Section 3 Program to create opportunities for residents. DHA will seek development partners, Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and other sources of funds for development of affordable housing construction and/or rehabilitation, and for replacement of ACC housing units, as well as additional sources of rental assistance and/or expanded voucher programs. |
| 4 | Agency/Group/Organization | Community Investment Corporation |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing - Education and counseling for renters, owners, and potential home buyers |

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| | <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>The CICD Housing Counselor will continue to provide pre-purchase counseling, post-purchase counseling, mortgage foreclosure counseling and mediation assistance, rental education, and other housing related services. The housing counselor identified areas of educational needs regarding rental and homebuyers so that wise financial choices may be selected. The CICD organization and the city plan to partner to provide renter education in 2018. CICD and the City of Decatur sponsored a Home Buyer Education Program in January 2018. CICD is also a partner of the CoC-Governing Board. This organization has a local small business incubator. The benefit of this small business program is to help create and/or preserve jobs in the City. CICD owns and operate the Macon Street Apartments, which costs of 16 housing units for homeless individuals and families in the City of Decatur. Residents are admitted into the Macon Street Apartments via a program know as Homeward Bound. This is through the Continuum of Care. CICD manages the Business Center of Decatur which is a small business incubator consisting of approximately 28 small businesses. CICD provides small business loans. The small business are urged to establish a relationship with a SCORE counselor. Consultation/communication with this organization is continuous throughout the year through meetings, written correspondence, and one-on-one conversation.</p> |
| 5 | <p>Agency/Group/Organization</p> | <p>City of Decatur</p> |
| | <p>Agency/Group/Organization Type</p> | <p>Service-Fair Housing</p> |
| | <p>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</p> | <p>Fair Housing and EEO</p> |
| | <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>Staff communicated with a member of the Decatur Human Relations Commission. The goal to reach out and education the residents regarding their rights. Education includes identify the process which an individual may take should their rights be violated. One member, Nikki Garry has offered to assist in credit/homebuyer education.</p> |

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| 6 | Agency/Group/Organization | Decatur Community Partnership |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-Health Services-Education Health Agency Other government - State Other government - County Other government - Local Business and Civic Leaders |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | drug prevention health & education |

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| <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>The City of Decatur is an active member of the Decatur Community Partnership (DC) DCP is committed to promoting collaborative programming among community organizations and individuals. DCP encourages the integration of services to effectively improve the quality of life and health of the residents. Members of the organization include but are not limited to: Decatur Housing Authority, Illinois Department of Corrections, Macon County Health Department (MCHD), State's Attorney Office, Decatur Scovill Zoo, Community Home Environment Learning Project (CHELP), Main Street Church of The Living God, University of Illinois Extension, Decatur memorial Hospital, Macon-Piatt Regional Office of Education, Heritage Behavioral Health Center, City of Decatur, and community volunteers. DCP meets every two months to monitor the progress of the DCP programs, expenditures, and to discuss community needs/issues which arise or change. DCP receives substance abuse prevention funding from the Illinois Department of Human Services as well as occasional foundation grants and some local funds through the Macon County State's Attorney's Office Adult Diversion Program. DCP manages a Drug-Free Community Coalition where staff works diligently with community partners to build infrastructure necessary for effective and sustainable prevention. The effectiveness begins with a clear understanding of community needs. DCP works with the local schools for participation in the Illinois Youth Survey to identify these needs. The organization works to strengthen community collaboration and empowers the community to implement strategies for preventing and reducing alcohol use, as well as other substance abuse among youth. One component of this program is a partnership with law enforcement to conduct alcohol compliance checks with assistance from youth buyers. Other components including providing "Youth Prevention Education" in local schools, implementing community-wide communication campaigns, and providing youth leadership development. Project "Sticker Shock" is another tool used during the Alcohol Awareness Month and throughout the year to discourage adults 21 and over from purchasing alcohol for minors. DCP participates in the many collaborative activities/events with</p> |
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| | | community partners to help combat drug use issues as well as other negative behaviors. |
| 7 | Agency/Group/Organization | Project READ |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Education Adult Literacy |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Economic Development Adult Literacy |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | City Staff met with Project READ staff and needs were identified to assist in providing services for adults with literacy needs as a stepping stone for employment opportunities. Anticipated outcomes include continued collaboration and coordination with the community, and improving services to individuals with a reading deficiencies. Project READ's mission is to help adults improve their reading and math skills through free one-on-one tutoring with trained volunteers. The adult students enrolled in the program score below 9th grade level on nationally standardized tests. The average competency of students when they enter the program is below 5th grade. 92% of the adult students live in poverty. With increased reading and math skills, many of the students are able to qualify for job training, access better jobs, earn a high school equivalency diploma, pass classes, and obtain certificates and degrees that lead to employment. The students also meet personal goals such as using the library, reading the Bible, volunteering in the community, and helping their own children with homework. The outcome improves not only their lives but the lives of the children/grandchildren. Project Read is a Richland Community College (RCC) program. Project Read partners with the Decatur Library, Workforce, Dove, Baby TALK, Crossing Healthcare, Adult Ed and Family literacy programs, Homeward Bound, Good Samaritan Inn, Education Coalition, Decatur Jobs Council, and Grow Decatur. |

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| 8 | Agency/Group/Organization | Macon County Health Department |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Health Health Agency Other government - County |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Health and Lead |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | <p>The Macon County Health Department (MCHD) implements a broad range of preventative services that are primarily grant funded, such as: environmental health, immunizations, communicable diseases, TB testing and surveillance, WIC (Women, Infants, and Children), Family Case Management, Starting Point (senior services), dental services, "Emergency Preparedness", and other health promotion programs. The City and MCMH continue to work together in a variety of areas for the education of residents regarding health environmental issues. The City and MCHD will continue to work collaboratively together and with other community partners on the spread of bedbugs. The Bed Bug Coalition (BBC) meets monthly. The BBC has provided the community with information to identify the problem and how to eliminate the issue. Lead continues to be an issue of concern especially for children and pregnant women. The MCHD conducts blood lead testing and case management services for children with high lead levels. There are a number of sources which contribute to lead poisoning: lead pipes in homes/schools/facilities, imported toys, candies, spices, paint, etc. Due to the age of the housing stock, residents, especially low-income homeowners with children, may need assistance with abatement or removal of the housing lead issues. The City of Decatur's residential rehabilitation programs, funded with CDBG and HOME, may address not only code issues but lead if present. The rehabilitation program provides the homeowner with the risk assessment as well as the lead clearance.</p> |

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| 10 | Agency/Group/Organization | Millikin University |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Education-College |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Service Learning Education |

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| <p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p> | <p>Millikin University (MU) provides higher education. The university staff and students are actively involved in the community through a variety of ways. Millikin students and staff have worked and continue to work with the housing organizations, mental health organizations, DHA, the City of Decatur, and others. Dove, Inc. has MU interns involved with the homeless monitoring. In 2018, MU had 20 students engaged in the Point In time effort for the City of Decatur. Millikin University requires the freshman students to take Service Learning through the MU Career Center. Students are involved for approximately 10 hours or more. Students and staff are involved in a wide range of areas which encompasses the various education areas. Those areas include but are not limited to: human services, education, free income tax service for low income, natural sciences, astronomy, non-profit fund raising, counseling/mental health, art/art therapy and more. The university, along with Good Samaritan, Aldi, the Central Illinois Food Bank, and the Decatur Public School Foundation provide a backpack program two years ago. Millikin University has partnered with Dennis Elementary School (pre K-8th grade). Dennis Lab School now focuses on Project-Based Learning. The partnership of Dennis School and Millikin University has launched an International Host Family Program. The partnership provides a supportive home away from home for the international students. This provides the international student an opportunity to experience family life in Decatur, Illinois. This provides an opportunity to make new friends while contributing to a greater understanding of other cultures by educating Americans about the student's home country. MU has recently taken over the Macon County Teen Court Program. The program is now called the Teen Justice Program which moves the program from a government-based setting to a university setting. It is a collaborative experience with community partners, faculty, and students majoring in Criminal Justice. The program is a voluntary diversion program for first-time offenders between the ages of 9 and 17 who have been arrested for criminal offenses in Macon County. Rather than deciding guilt or innocence, the program volunteers create service plans for</p> |
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| | | the participants within a three-month period. If the participants are successful and complete the program, no charges are ever filed in the criminal courts. MU is actively working with the CoC on a 5 Year Strategic Planning. MU is working with and training with CoC partners and service providers on the Model of Change. The Model of Change is the method on how the clients are worked with. The Institute for Science Entrepreneurship (ISE), engages community stakeholders with presentations 8 times a year at Millikin University. ISE just completed its 5th year of engagement in the community. The ISE has had 1000 attendees for their presentation. This provides another example of community networking. |
| 11 | Agency/Group/Organization | Eastlake Management and Dev Corp |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing Services - Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Rental housing |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Eastlake Management and Development Corporation manages the property known as Wabash Crossing. This rental property is a mixed income rental property. The Decatur office continuously works to process the applications of applicants on the waiting list. Approximately 1 out of every 10 to 15 applicants may be approved. The approval process in the Tenant Selection Plan follows the basic guidelines set by both the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Decatur Housing Authority ACOP. Residents will be invited to attend classes on rights and responsibilities of renter which will be offered through the City of Decatur's Neighborhood Services Department in 2018. |
| 12 | Agency/Group/Organization | Economic Development Corporation of Decatur and Macon County |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Non-profit, public-private partnership for non-retail business attraction, expansion, and retention |

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| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Economic Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Economic Development Corporation's (EDC) priority is taking care of businesses. EDC helps to provide tools and access to resources, such as employee training, GIS data mapping, demographic research and workforce studies. Decatur continues effort to grow business development, expansion, and retention while providing employment opportunities for the residents. The EDC has been a participant in a variety of meetings which address and assess community needs. The EDC provides valuable information for potential businesses as well as residents. In April, the EDC identified unemployment rate fell from 6.3% in February 2017 to 4.9% in February 2018. The EDC is promoting a "Limitless" campaign to highlight businesses, recreation, events, and nuances which give Decatur area the character that we all know and love. The EDC has been an active participant in the meetings for the community revitalization effort. |
| 13 | Agency/Group/Organization | Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Chamber of Commerce |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Economic Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce has been an active partner in the promotion of business opportunities, growth, and prosperity. The chamber works within the community by bringing organizations together to solve problems, address needs, and discuss community projects. The organization works with the city to attract businesses and employees. The City of Decatur is an active member of the organization. |
| 14 | Agency/Group/Organization | Greater Decatur Black Chamber of Commerce |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Business Leaders |

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| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Economic Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | The Greater Decatur Black Chamber of Commerce is an important resource for advocacy, information and marketing exposure to enhance the economic success of the African American businesses. The organization promotes programs, such as: the Emma Urban Garden, the Entrepreneur Program, the Scholar Sendoff, and more. |
| 15 | Agency/Group/Organization | Metro Decatur Black Chamber of Commerce |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Business Leaders |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Economic Development |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | This organization has several initiatives: promote education and training opportunities through the Career Development Initiative within the Decatur Public School system, share information of new opportunities to attract African American businesses to the Decatur area, identify employment opportunities and promote diversity in the workplace, and to maintain partnership with the City of Decatur and the Economic Development Corporation. The City of Decatur has been working with this organization to provide information through meetings which identify opportunities, local government procurement procedures, and services. The City of Decatur updated City Code Chapter 28, Section 10-3, identifying Minority Participation Goals in Public Projects whereas 10% of the contract should be performed by Minority Business Enterprises if subcontracting opportunities are available; and 18% of the total hours worked should be performed by minority workers. |

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All agency types were consulted which had a connection to the initiatives of the plan. Consultation is a continuous year process. The Neighborhood Services Division staff communicates throughout the year with the various agencies, partners, educational institutions, and government bodies to gather information and identify needs.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

| Name of Plan | Lead Organization | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan? |
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| Continuum of Care | Dove, Inc. | The goals of the plan overlap with the strategy and goals of the Continuum of Care. The City is an active partner on the CoC working to end homelessness. The City and the CoC work actively to ensure there is a fluid plan of action to address homelessness. |

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

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AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

**1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

The Citizen Participation process was handled through group meetings, one-on-one discussions, surveys, and public meetings. Information was provided through press releases, news articles, e-mail, and the City's website. The most effective method was through group meetings. Typically meetings are held in public locations. Due to transportation or other challenges, staff went to the residents. To secure the input of low-income, disabled, and or senior residents, staff went to the facilities where the residents reside.

Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (If applicable) |
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| 1 | Public Hearing | Non-targeted/broad community | The meeting was held 2/21/18, at noon, in the City Council Chambers. The doors were opened 15 minutes prior to the meeting. | No comments were received. | No comments were received. | |
| 2 | Newspaper Ad | Non-targeted/broad community | Attendance was not required. | No comments were received. | Staff did not receive comments. | |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (if applicable) |
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| 4 | Neighborhood Meetings-surveys | Non-targeted/broad community | The survey period ended June 25, 2018. A summary of the survey has been added to the Action Plan. The detailed response to the survey is found in the Action Plan Executive Summary-Section 5. | Citizen survey responses identified several topics. Topics listed are from the most concerns to the least: Crime, Security at public housing, housing rehabilitation, bus transportation, infrastructure, employment, housing for disabled residents, youth programs, and unsafe structures. | All comments were accepted. | |
| 5 | Public Hearing | all residents | The second public hearing was held June 21, 2018. The updated 2018 Action Plan was available for the public from May 24, 2018 through June 25, 2018. | No comments were received. | No comments were received. | |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach | Summary of response/attendance | Summary of comments received | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (if applicable) |
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| 6 | Public Meeting | Residents of Public and Assisted Housing | The Neighborhood Services Division went to the Lexington High-Rise, a facility for elderly and disabled residents, on June 6, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. During a visit at the Lexington, staff spoke to the residents about their need. | A summary of the notes taken during the meeting have been attached for public review. | All comments were accepted. | |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Each year, the Federal government identifies an annual allocation for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds. The annual allocation is anticipated to be the same as the prior year. The 2017 CDBG Allocation was \$1,262,151. The HOME 2017 was \$330,899. In the February 2018 Action Plan Draft, the City stated, "Should the allocations be increased or decreased, the various activities will be adjusted in order to balance the expected expenditures and comply with regulations which provide a maximum limit based on funding. Those items which may be adjusted due to a budget change would include administrative activities, public services, and projects which do not contribute to the required 70% or greater benefit to low income." The actual 2018 allocation was identified May , 2018 as follows: CDBG funding-\$1,378,744 and HOME funding-\$444,741. *Please note: program income (PI) is estimated for 2018 as \$30,000. The HOME 2018 allocated funds were distributed: 10% to Administration, 15% to CHDO Reserve, Residential Rehabilitation, and Homebuyer Program. The 90% of the HOME PI will be directed to residential rehabilitation projects and 10% of the HOME PI will be directed to administration. The CDBG funding was adjusted in the areas of administration, code enforcement, emergency program, and rehabilitation. For

2018, no program income is predicted.

Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| CDBG | public - federal | Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services | 1,378,744 | 0 | 0 | 1,378,744 | 2,757,488 | Originally, the City estimated the funds for 2018 would be \$1,262,151. The amount reflects the actual allocation for 2018. |

| Program | Source of Funds | Uses of Funds | Expected Amount Available Year 1 | | | | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description |
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| | | | Annual Allocation: \$ | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ | | |
| HOME | public - federal | Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA | 444,741 | 30,000 | 0 | 474,741 | 979,482 | Please note: the expected amount for the remainder of the Con Plan is based on the FY 2018 allocation amounts and an estimated program income of \$60,000 for the remaining two years. When the allocation is reduced or increased, the 2018 & 2019 identified activities will be reduced or increased by the same to equal the identified allocation. |

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

Leveraging of funds may occur from a variety of sources. Leveraging may be satisfied by a variety of ways: the owner's private funds, financial institutions, Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB), foundations as well as other government (local, city, county, and state) funds.

In the HOME Investment Partnership Program, the City has been required to provide a match of 12.5% for every HOME dollar expended. For example: The PR33 report for 2017 identified \$508,059.10 were disbursed which required a match of \$63,507.38 or 15.%. The City of Decatur has banked over \$4 million in excess match from previous years. The HOME Match "Bank" was used for projects such as residential rehabilitation

in 2017 and will be utilized for projects in 2108 . Match is not required for some areas, such as: administration and CHDO projects. Match may be private funds and donation as long as the funds are non-federal dollars. The Neighborhood Services Division identified potential funding sources from foundations and other public funds in 2017. The Economic and Community Development Department-Neighborhood Services Division continues to submit applications for potential outside funding to address the needs in the community.

Match is not required under the CDBG program. Due to a delay of 2017/2018 funding a number of projects and programs, such as: infrastructure, rehabilitation, and public services activities were late to be initiated in 2017/2018. Some of the projects are multi-year projects. The City of Decatur is utilizing local funds, state Motor Fuel Tax funds, user fees, and foundation funds to address needs in the community. Through surveys and revitalization meetings held, the public has identified infrastructure, city clean-ups, job creation, residential rehabilitation, crime prevention, education, demolition/empty lot maintenance, elderly services, and fiber optic needs.

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

At this time, no vacant land has been identified for the development of affordable housing or public facility to benefit very low, low, and moderate people. Therefore, no vacant land was under CDBG or HOME program funds in 2017 or will be acquired in 2018.

Discussion

Previously, demolished property was removed to eliminate the slum and blight in the neighborhoods. The City of Decatur's, Economic and Community Development, applied and received grant funds, in the amount of \$125,000 from the Illinois Housing Development Authority for demolition of unsafe, vacant structures. The Neighborhood Inspection Division, a division of the Economic and Community Development Department, will administer the demolition grant funds. The City of Decatur worked with the Operator's Union Local 965 to clean-up a fire site. This partnership provided a training opportunity for Local 965. With this action, an unsafe structure was removed and an educational opportunity was seized.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|---|------------|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 1 | OH: Low income home owner rehabilitation | 2015 | 2019 | Affordable Housing | City of Decatur | Housing | CDBG: \$304,310 HOME: \$233,556 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 12 Household Housing Unit |
| 2 | OH 2: Emergency low income homeowner assistance | 2015 | 2019 | Affordable Housing | City of Decatur | Housing | CDBG: \$65,000 HOME: \$0 | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 13 Household Housing Unit |
| 3 | CD: Increase code enforcement of properties | 2015 | 2019 | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Decatur | Housing | CDBG: \$222,670 | Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 200 Household Housing Unit |
| 4 | ED: Economic Development | 2015 | 2019 | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Decatur | Economic Development | CDBG: \$190,000 | Other: 1 Other |
| 5 | OH 4:Low income affordable home ownership | 2015 | 2019 | Affordable Housing | City of Decatur | Housing | HOME: \$66,711 | Homeowner Housing Added: 1 Household Housing Unit |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
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| 6 | PA: Planning/General Administration | 2015 | 2019 | Homeless Program Administration and Planning | City of Decatur | Planning and General Administration | CDBG: \$251,062 HOME: \$44,474 | Other: 1 Other |
| 7 | I: Improve infrastructure | 2017 | 2019 | Non-Housing Community Development Infrastructure Improvement | NEIGHBORHOOD STANDARDS #1 & 2 (CODE ENFORCEMENT) Regeneration Neighborhood | Public Assets | CDBG: \$200,702 | Other: 1 Other |
| 8 | OH 1: Housing Rehabilitation Delivery | 2015 | 2019 | Affordable Housing | City of Decatur | Housing | CDBG: \$40,000 | Other: 0 Other |
| 9 | PS:Education/training-Job skill development | 2015 | 2019 | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Decatur | Education Public Services | CDBG: \$100,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10 Persons Assisted |
| 11 | OH 3: First-time homebuyer financial assistance | 2015 | 2019 | Affordable Housing | Regeneration Neighborhood | Housing | HOME: \$100,000 | Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 10 Households Assisted |

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

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| 1 | Goal Name | OH: Low income home owner rehabilitation |
| | Goal Description | Community Development Block Grant Funds and HOME Investment Partnership funds will be utilized to provide home rehabilitation assistance to very low and low income homeowners. The programs would address code deficiencies, accessibility, health and safety codes. The anticipated 2018 CDBG funds may provide assistance up to a minimum 6 homeowner occupied units. The funds may also be used to address lead issues where needed. Approximately 6 homeowners will be assisted with 2018 HOME funds. Please note: program income will also be utilized in 2018. |
| 2 | Goal Name | OH 2: Emergency low income homeowner assistance |
| | Goal Description | The program is designed to address all emergency issues in the home which are life-threatening. The program corrects the emergency problem (urgent need). The program provides funds to correct electrical hazards, replace the heating mechanical system in the winter, etc. The program provides a grant up to \$5,000.00. The assistance is provided to homeowner-occupied single family units. A homeowner may receive assistance only once in a fiscal year. The program is expected to assist a minimum of 13 housing units. |
| 3 | Goal Name | CD: Increase code enforcement of properties |
| | Goal Description | This funding provides for the code enforcement in low and moderate income areas. The Neighborhood Service Officers (NSOs) identify housing code violations as well as trash and debris violations. The NSOs also identify weed issues in the area and work with the property owners to correct the problems. |
| 4 | Goal Name | ED: Economic Development |
| | Goal Description | This activity is designed to support the repayment of the Section 108 Loan. This loan was utilized for infrastructure in the Wabash Crossing area. |

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| 5 | Goal Name | OH 4:Low income affordable home ownership |
| | Goal Description | The funds are reserved for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) to renovate an existing housing unit or construct a new affordable housing unit. The CHDO would correct any code deficiencies, incorporate or improve energy conservation, and may provide homeowner accessibility improvements. The housing unit would be sold to a qualified low income household. Based on the HOME allocations, 2018 CHDO set aside is \$66,711.15 for new construction of an affordable homeowner unit. Currently, the City of Decatur does not have a certified CHDO with a project. At this time, the City does not have CHDO operating funds available. |
| 6 | Goal Name | PA: Planning/General Administration |
| | Goal Description | Costs associated the oversight, citizen participation and education, project monitoring, and management of the federal funds for both CDBG and HOME. When HOME Program Income exists, 10% of the HOME Program Income (PI) will be marked for HOME administration. With PI projected at \$30,000, \$3,000 would be used for HOME Administration. Please note: prior year administrative funds have not been depleted and will be utilized prior to the 2018 funds. |
| 7 | Goal Name | I: Improve infrastructure |
| | Goal Description | The 2018 funds, in the amount of \$200,702 are set aside for the public improvements in the low to moderate income areas. Aging neighborhoods have deteriorated, unsafe streets, curbs, and sidewalks. This deterioration is often a hazard for both the pedestrians and the drivers. |
| 8 | Goal Name | OH 1: Housing Rehabilitation Delivery |
| | Goal Description | \$40,000 has been set-aside for Housing Rehabilitation Delivery for 2018. The activity supports the rehabilitation of homeowner occupied residential units in the City. The accomplishment of this goal is reflected in the residential rehabilitation activity. The CDBG FY 2018 funds will be used to support the Rehabilitation and Emergency Programs. |
| 9 | Goal Name | PS:Education/training-Job skill development |
| | Goal Description | The community continues to identify and support the need for adult education, to prepare the resident for training and employment. This need was identified in both the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan and the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. Currently, two non-profits are funded under this project activity with prior year funds. |

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| 11 | Goal Name | OH 3: First-time homebuyer financial assistance |
| | Goal Description | This program is designed to provide assistance to first time homebuyers. The program focuses on owner-occupied purchases in the City of Decatur. The program requires participants to attend Homebuyer Education classes through a HUD-approved housing council agency. In January 2018, City of Decatur partnered with Community Investment Corporation of Decatur, Inc. (CICD) to provide an education class at no cost to the participants. The program is expected to assist a minimum of 10 households. |

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Consolidated Plan process identified the deterioration of the housing stock continues to be a challenge. Homeowners need assistance to save and maintain the housing. As our population ages, seniors are moving into smaller housing, senior housing, or assisted living units. Thus, making more homes available for new home buyers to purchase. Rehabilitation assistance and homebuyer assistance are essential to the livability and affordability of housing in the City. Qualifying homebuyers continues to be a challenge. Deteriorating infrastructure and the declining property values generate less property taxes which effects the City of Decatur's annual revenues. The City of Decatur will continue with the multi-year dredging project. When completed the project will add lake capacity to the city's primary water source. In 2017, 13 days of additional water supply was added. The Local Motor Fuel Tax (LMFT) is currently funding improvements. The City completed more than \$4.2 million in improvements with local street repairs. This work will continue for at least the next 8 years. In addition to identified streets and sidewalk improvements, the City has identified upwards of \$70 million in sanitary sewer problems and deferred maintenance. Sanitary and storm sewer upgrades will continue in 2018 and are funded through a storm water utility use fee. Education of low/moderate income adult residents and hard to employ residents opens up training and employment opportunities for those residents. CDBG funding will be provided in 2018 for this public service. With more residents employed, employed residents may spend and invest additional dollars back in the community. Of the residents assisted in the 2017 rehabilitation programs, more than 50% were extremely low income and approximately 81% were low and extremely low income households. For 2018, the city estimates a similar percentage of assistance will be provided to extremely low income households. Housing units in the "Regeneration" Area are older homes where code improvements are costly especially when addressing lead. The outcomes for 2018 are expected to be substantial less due to the increase cost of renovations. The estimated outcomes for emergency rehabilitation is expected to be approximately 13 while for the CDBG and HOME rehabilitation programs are expected to assist approximately 12 homeowner occupied units. Many of the low-income census tracts are located in the Regeneration Area. Code Enforcement identifies housing code/property issues. The Neighborhood Service Officer (NSO) identifies the issues and the homeowners are notified. Some owners are at a loss as to how to proceed to the correct the problem. Some issues may be easy to resolve by the owner-occupied. The NSO may direct the owner-occupant to the Neighborhood Services Division for assistance. Some residents may qualify for emergency rehabilitation assistance while others

may qualify for rehabilitation assistance.

Projects

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| 11 | 2018 Homebuyer Program |
| 12 | 2018 Infrastructure |
| 13 | 2018 Public Service-Adult Education for Training and Employment |
| 14 | 2018 Community Housing Development Organization |
| 15 | 2018 Residential Rehabilitation |
| 16 | 2018 Administration |
| 17 | 2018 Emergency Program |
| 18 | 2018 Code Enforcement |
| 19 | 2018 Section 108 Loan Principal Repayment |
| 20 | 2018 Project Delivery |

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Through the Citizen Participation process, the residents and organizations identified the needs and the level of need in the community. The community has seen a decrease in funding in many areas which has affected services, employment, and organization staffing. Without financial resources, the community cannot address all the needs.

Residents may access assistance for the Emergency Program through a first-come first serve process. This program addresses dangerous, life-threatening housing conditions for the homeowner. An Emergency Program example: Cracked heat exchanger on a furnace is leaking carbon monoxide (CO). The furnace would be removed and replaced for the owner occupied housing unit.

The CDBG and HOME Residential Rehabilitation Program is handled through a lottery process. Low income residents complete a form which provides contact information, location of the home, and requested housing assistance. Residents may drop their form in a "Lottery Box". The residents are given approximately six weeks to deposit a form in the lottery box. Names are periodically drawn from the box. Homeowners are

contacted. Appointments are scheduled for homeowners to apply for assistance.

The public service program is handled through a notice of funds available to address the community need of adult education, training, and employment preparedness. An informational class is held for potential agencies. The class identifies the regulations, policy, and procedures associated with the program. Agencies are provided information on how the agency will be scored and what information is required. A deadline is provided for applications. Applications are reviewed and scored. Recommendations for funding are directed to the Decatur City Council.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

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| 1 | Project Name | 2018 Homebuyer Program |
| | Target Area | Regeneration Neighborhood |
| | Goals Supported | OH 3: First-time homebuyer financial assistance |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | HOME: \$100,000 |
| | Description | This program is designed to provide assistance to first time homebuyers. The program focuses on owner-occupied purchases in the City of Decatur. The program requires participants to participate in Homebuyer Education classes through a HUD-approved housing council agency. In January 2018, City of Decatur partnered with Community Investment Corporation of Decatur, Inc. (CICD) to provide an education class at no cost to the participants. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This program is designed to assist first time homebuyers. This program is limited to buyers who wish to own and occupy the unit. The purchases of the home will be restricted to the incorporated area of Decatur. This program is limited to low income households. The goal is to assist a minimum of ten households with the purchase of a home. This program is not designed to refinance a contract for deed purchase or lease to rent purchase. |
| | Location Description | The program will operate in the City of Decatur. Target areas include the Regeneration Neighborhoods. |
| | Planned Activities | The homebuyers will be required to participate and complete homebuyer counseling. The homes will be inspected for safety and code compliance by city staff. Homebuyers are encouraged to seek home inspections in addition to the code review by city staff. The program is not designed to assist with rehabilitation of the home. |
| 2 | Project Name | 2018 Infrastructure |
| | Target Area | Regeneration Neighborhood City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | I: Improve infrastructure |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Assets |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$200,702 |

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| | Description | This activity will be performed in the low/moderate income census tracts of Decatur. This activity will occur in the neighborhoods where hazards exists for the pedestrian and/or driver. This activity will address the streets, curbs, and sidewalks. \$200,702.00 is allocated in 2018 for the project. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | This activity will benefit a low/moderate income census tract area. This will not provide a direct benefit to any one households. |
| | Location Description | This activity will occur in the low/moderate income census tract area. Priority may be given to those census tracts within the Regeneration Area. |
| | Planned Activities | Reconstruction of unsafe sidewalks, curbs, and replacement of ramps with compliant ADA ramps. |
| 3 | Project Name | 2018 Public Service-Adult Education for Training and Employment |
| | Target Area | City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | PS:Education/training-Job skill development |
| | Needs Addressed | Education |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$100,000 |
| | Description | This project will provide funding for adult education to prepare low income Decatur residents for training and employment opportunities. \$100,000 is identified for the 2018 fiscal year. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2020 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The proposed activity will provide education to a minimum of 20 low income Decatur residents. |
| | Location Description | The activity may occur at a variety of locations. |
| | Planned Activities | This is a public activity designed to provide educational opportunities and skill development for low income Decatur residents. These education/training opportunity may open doors for the participants to move forward and improve their employment opportunities. |

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| 4 | Project Name | 2018 Community Housing Development Organization |
| | Target Area | City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | OH 4:Low income affordable home ownership |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | HOME: \$66,711 |
| | Description | This project will provide funds to a certified Community Housing Development Organization for the new construction of a residential unit. The residential unit would provide an affordable, safe housing unit. Please note: 2017 funds were made available for rehabilitation of an existing vacant residential unit. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2022 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | One household would benefit from the construction of a new safe, affordable unit. The CHDO will be encourage to develop an unit which is a minimum 3 bedroom, two bathroom, accessible unit with a garage and parking for another vehicle in the driveway. The CHDO will be required to have pre-qualified potential homeowners. |
| | Location Description | The CHDO will be encourage to develop the unit on a vacant lot in the City. |
| | Planned Activities | Construction of one affordable housing unit. |
| 5 | Project Name | 2018 Residential Rehabilitation |
| | Target Area | NEIGHBORHOOD STANDARDS #1 & 2 (CODE ENFORCEMENT) Regeneration Neighborhood |
| | Goals Supported | OH: Low income home owner rehabilitation |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$304,310 HOME: \$260,556 |
| | Description | This program will provide home rehabilitation assistance to low income homeowner who are occupants. The rehabilitation program will address code deficiencies. Other items which may be addressed: accessibility, lead, and energy efficient mechanical improvements or replacements. \$309,310 CDBG funds will be allocated for this activity. \$233,555.75 HOME funds are allocated for this project. HOME PI is estimated as \$27,000. A minimum of 12 units will be rehabilitated with these funds. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2020 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Estimated 12 households will be provided assistance to rehabilitate their homes. |
| | Location Description | The housing assistance will occur within the City of Decatur. Priority may be given to those in the targeted areas. |
| | Planned Activities | This program will address code issue in the homes of low/moderate income homeowners. |
| 6 | Project Name | 2018 Administration |
| | Target Area | City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | PA: Planning/General Administration |
| | Needs Addressed | Planning and General Administration |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$251,062 HOME: \$47,474 |
| | Description | This activity funds administration, monitoring, reporting, and related management activities for the federally funded programs. The CDBG maximum for administration is 20% The City of Decatur has budgeted less than the allowed 20%. HOME Administration is limited to 10% of each year's allocation and 10% of the program income. \$44,474 is identified for the 2017 HOME administrative costs. The projected Program Income is \$30,000 thus 10% or \$3,000 may be available for HOME Administration. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The activity does not provide benefit to the residents of Decatur. |
| | Location Description | N/A |
| | Planned Activities | Administrative responsibilities related to the grant funds. |
| 7 | Project Name | 2018 Emergency Program |
| | Target Area | NEIGHBORHOOD STANDARDS #1 & 2 (CODE ENFORCEMENT) Regeneration Neighborhood City of Decatur |

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| | Goals Supported | OH 2: Emergency low income homeowner assistance |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$65,000 |
| | Description | Funds under this program will be used to assist low income homeowners with emergency repairs to their homes (such as: furnace, electrical, etc.). This program would eliminate a potential life threatening issue. This program will not address housing maintenance items, such as: roofs, foundation, siding, windows, etc. The housing unit must be structurally sound and occupied by the homeowner. This program is limited to homeowners who occupy a single family unit. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2019 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | The activity is expected to assist a minimum of 13 households. |
| | Location Description | The program is city wide. |
| | Planned Activities | Low income homeowner occupied units will receive assistance to correct the emergency code issue in the home. The grant assistance will be provided once a fiscal year. The total assistance must be less than \$5,000 per housing unit. |
| 8 | Project Name | 2018 Code Enforcement |
| | Target Area | NEIGHBORHOOD STANDARDS #1 & 2 (CODE ENFORCEMENT) Regeneration Neighborhood |
| | Goals Supported | CD: Increase code enforcement of properties |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$227,670 |
| | Description | Funding for the Neighborhood Service Officers (NSO) to enforce housing codes within the low/moderate income census tracts/block. The goal is to improve safety and quality of life for residents. This activity will be a tool to help maintain and improve the livability of neighborhoods and slow or eliminate the potential for blighted areas. The NSO may provide direction and/or education for residents in regard to code issues. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2019 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | |
| | Location Description | Low/Moderate income census tracts area. |
| | Planned Activities | The NSO is often the first contact for a homeowner to communicate with regarding housing issues. It is not uncommon for the NSO to direct the homeowner to the Neighborhood Services Division for emergency rehabilitation or residential rehabilitation assistance. |
| 9 | Project Name | 2018 Section 108 Loan Principal Repayment |
| | Target Area | City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | ED: Economic Development |
| | Needs Addressed | Fundng/Finances |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$190,000 |
| | Description | The funds for this project will be used to repay the Section 108 Loan principal in 2018. This Section 108 Loan funds were used for the Wabash Crossing project. |
| | Target Date | 4/30/2019 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | N/A |
| | Location Description | N/A |
| Planned Activities | This activity is a loan payment only. | |
| 10 | Project Name | 2018 Project Delivery |
| | Target Area | City of Decatur |
| | Goals Supported | OH 1: Housing Rehabilitation Delivery |
| | Needs Addressed | Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$40,000 |

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| Description | The activity provides \$40,000 for housing rehabilitation delivery for 2018 funded projects. The activity supports the rehabilitation homeowner occupied residential units in the City. The accomplishment of this goal is reflected in the rehabilitation activity. |
| Target Date | 4/30/2020 |
| Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | N/A |
| Location Description | N/A |
| Planned Activities | This activities is for the rehabilitation programs. |

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

Rehabilitation assistance for housing units will be available throughout the community to address the housing needs of low income homeowners. As funds become available, homebuyer assistance will be available for purchases within the incorporated area of Decatur. The area of purchase is not restricted to any particular neighborhood so not to create a concentration of low income neighborhoods.

The public service program would be available to agency which will serve low income adult residents for the purpose of education, soft skill development and preparedness for training and employment.

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds |
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| NEIGHBORHOOD STANDARDS #1 & 2 (CODE ENFORCEMENT) | 18 |
| Regeneration Neighborhood | 30 |
| City of Decatur | 100 |

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The allocation of funding to code enforcement provides a process to identify code, safety, and health issues within the low/moderate income census tracts. Through code enforcement, the Neighborhood Service Officers may work with residents to resolve the issues. Ultimately, the goal is to provide a safe and healthy environment for the residents to live. A large area of the code enforcement targeted area lies in many of the identified Regeneration Neighborhoods. The Regeneration Neighborhood area has a mix of older infrastructure and housing. In some areas of the Regeneration Neighborhood, homeownership % is less than the rental. A number of vacant lots are located within the Neighborhood Standards area and the Regeneration Neighborhood Area. Currently, several non-profits are providing services to the residents of the area. Two sub-grantees are provided education services in this area as well.

November 2017, City of Decatur begin the public process for input regarding revitalization in the City of Decatur. Up to 120 attendees participated in each of the five meetings. The attendees were to select a work group topic area. Topic areas were as follow: Connectivity and Partnerships, Housing, building, and Land Re-use, Community Appearance, Local Government Regulations, Energize Existing Neighborhoods, Economic and Social Growth and Vitality, Community Health and Wellness, Jobs and Job Readiness, and Inner-City Opportunities. As the revitalization plan evolves with the community's continuous input, the target areas may be modified and amended in the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan. The local government is sensitive to the needs of the residents and desire to improve the environment and elements

which affect the quality of life for Decatur residents.

Discussion

None at this time.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

During the last ten years, the community has seen a decline in employment and jobs. This has resulted in the loss of population as well. The housing stock remains but in many cases requires rehabilitation due to neglect or vacancy. Some structures are unsafe and a hazard to the residents. Many of the unsafe structures have been removed, leaving vacant lots and huge open spaces in the older neighborhoods.

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
|---|----|
| Homeless | 0 |
| Non-Homeless | 26 |
| Special-Needs | 0 |
| Total | 26 |

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
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| Rental Assistance | 0 |
| The Production of New Units | 1 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 25 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 0 |
| Total | 26 |

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The non-homeless goal is to provide existing homeowners with improvements which will allow them to continue to occupy their home. Improvements may include ADA improvements, lead encapsulation or removal as well as code improvements. The programs which support the improvements are: Emergency Program, CDBG Residential Rehabilitation, HOME Residential Rehabilitation, and CHDO Set-Aside. Prior year funds were allocated to increase more affordable housing opportunities, thus the HOME Buyer Program will provide down payment assistance to income eligible first time homebuyers. The community identified a higher need for improved residential units for special need tenants. The estimated number of homeowners assisted with emergency and residential rehabilitation is: 13 for emergencies, 6 for CDBG residential rehabilitation, and 6 under the HOME residential rehabilitation programs. The CHDO set-aside may target the construction of new safe, affordable, and accessible housing for low income residents.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The public housing program was created to provide decent, safe rental housing for eligible very low, low, and moderate income families. This includes housing for the elderly and those with disabilities. Public housing authorities own and operate federally subsidized affordable housing. Decatur Housing Authority (DHA) is the local public housing authority. DHA states its mission as "To provide and maintain quality affordable housing with access to community resources for low to moderate income families and individuals." DHA's specific goals and explanations of those goals are as follows: increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing, improve the quality of housing in the community, increase assisted housing choices and ensure equal opportunity in housing for all Americans.

DHA operates a Public Housing program with 681 units and administers a Section 8 Housing Assistance program with 1242 housing choice vouchers. DHA's Public Housing program consists of 478 units owned and managed by DHA, and 203 units in a mixed finance developed owned and managed by private entities.

DHA managed public housing inventory consists of 10 zero bedroom units, 293 one bedroom units, 71 two bedroom units, 68 three bedroom units, 21 four bedroom units and 15 five bedroom units. As of May 2018 DHA managed units were 99% occupied, with a wait list of approximately 560 households.

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

In an effort to increase the overall quality and availability of affordable housing, DHA will solicit development proposals from private developers for new construction of LIHTC units, which may receive HCV Project Based vouchers. Two developers' submitted three proposals for LIHTC projects in the 2018 funding round, however none were selected. DHA will continue to solicit development partners for construction of new affordable housing which can be partially supported by Project Based HCV vouchers. Communication occurs regularly with the PHA. The PHA is included in the participation of the community revitalization effort. The location of the multi-unit building and the scattered sites are in the various areas discussed for the potential revitalization. To address the needs of all residents, the PHA interaction is necessary to address the vulnerable population.

DHA will seek additional funds, new collaborators, and additional commitment for existing collaborators to increase services to elderly and disabled residents. DHA may investigate designating one or more properties for occupancy by elderly only residents.

DHA will use Capital Fund Program (CFP) funds to improve existing properties including but not limited to interior repairs and painting, window replacements, mechanical system replacements and upgrades and vacancy reduction efforts, as well as, supplementation of operating subsidies. Operating funds for the staffing and operations of Public housing is being threatened with severe reductions, as well as the

elimination of CFP funding. It is anticipated that this will result in delays in implementing improvements, and potentially a reduction in services. DHA will seek sources of additional funding to allow continuation of services at the current levels. Additionally, DHA will seek new technologies to increase operational efficiency and productivity for communications, data processing, and sustainability.

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

The Decatur Housing Authority utilizes meetings, such as the Resident Advisory Board Meeting to gather and share information regarding the operation and management of Decatur Housing Authority. The meetings allow the residents the opportunity to identify needs and input. Elderly service coordinator and project managers encourage participation in resident councils to involve residents and identify and address resident needs and build community. DHA staff continually work with families, seniors, and the disabled in public housing units to improve their quality of life, increase self-sufficiency.

The Decatur Housing Authority seeks income sources for programs to help low income individuals overcome barriers to attain affordable housing. DHA has completed new construction units available for purchase through a non HUD homeownership program with a DHA non-profit affiliate. The eight homes are highly energy efficient (exceeds energy star) net zero ready. DHA is now marketing to buyers between 50-120% AMI. The buyers could include public housing and former public housing residents. DHA reports these homes are being offered at deep discounts to encourage revitalization in the neighborhood adjacent to the Hartford high-rise and Millikin University.

The City of Decatur, along with CICD, hosts homeownership education programs for residents. The last program was hosted in January 2018. Additional education opportunities are scheduled for 2018. Education programs include not only homeownership but tenant rights and responsibilities.

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

DHA is a standard performer. DHA has indicated low occupancy of public housing units in privately owned and managed mixed finance developments may jeopardize this status. To increase the occupancy, the owner may need to access local, state, or federal funds to make the units ready for occupancy. DHA will work with HUD, the property owners, investors, and property managers to increase occupancy at the mixed finance property and make vacant units ready for occupancy.

Discussion

The Decatur Housing Authority mission is to provide and maintain quality affordable housing with access to community resources for low to moderate income families and individuals. A large portion of the Decatur population is paying in excess of 30% of their income for rent (*As reported in the U.S. Census Bureau-American Fact Finder). This results in less income for other basic needs such as food, clothing,

and transportation, and has a significant negative impact on the education of household children. Full utilization of the resources at Wabash Crossing can provide relief to 75-130 households; however, thousands of households will remain overburdened.

DHA will seek development partners, low income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), and other non-HUD sources of funds for development of affordable housing construction and or rehabilitation, and for replacement ACC housing units, as well as additional sources of rental assistance and or expanded voucher programs.

DHA will continue to enforce its Section 3 Program to create opportunities for residents, seek funding for additional elderly-disable services and the ROSS Coordinators to enhance quality of life, and encourage resident participation to obtain self-sufficiency. DHA continually undertakes affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, and disability. DHA is an equal opportunity housing provider and employer.

CDBG funded public service focus on education and employment training. The current service providers are focus on reading, math, soft skills, food, nutrition, and more. These programs are available to assist the residents in the effort to become self-sufficient and to enhance their quality of life.

The City of Decatur works with the PHA on a variety of issues included but not limited to the Continuum of Care and the Decatur Community Partnership. The communication and collaboration has been on-going for over 30 plus years and will continue as we partner to improve the community. The PHA continues to submit information to be reviewed for their funding environmental requirements.

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

Introduction

The City of Decatur works to ensure individuals with disabilities including severe mental illness, developmental disabilities and physical disabilities are housed through available funding sources. Collaboration and coordination between agencies serving individuals with special needs make certain services are available at varied levels of need including intermediate care facilities, developmental centers as well as housing assistance to prevent homelessness when individuals are transitioning from care facilities back into the community. The needs of elderly, persons with disabilities, alcohol and/or drug additions, HIV/Aid as public housing residents exists in regard to the ability to have safe affordable, housing options. In effort to ensure appropriate supportive housing for persons returning from health and mental institutions, the CoC is working to is working with community based service providers to integrate coordinated case management and utilization of the HMIS database. The City provides rehabilitation improvements which include accessibility, energy efficiency improvements, and more. The City works with homeowners to connect them to services which may assist the homeowner with the challenge at hand. This may be linking the individual to the United Way for a ramp, to Decatur Macon County Opportunities Corporation for weatherization or power bill assistance, to Community Investment Corporation of Decatur for credit counseling, MAXX program for limited emergency assistance, and Community Home Environmental Learning Project (CHELP) for adult protective services, disability care, elder care, general home cleaning, homemaking, personal care assistance, transportation. This is only a few of the different resources in the community.

Homelessness is a significant social issue affecting many individuals and families across the country. Many stereotypes and misconceptions exist regarding the homeless population. For instance, many believe that individuals who experience homelessness are in their current situation because of a personal deficit. However, many homeless individuals are impacted by issues out of their control. Such issues include Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), mental illness, physical disability, developmental disability, substance abuse, brain injury and domestic violence. The Point In Time (PIT) data revealed that a number of individuals experience two or more of these issues simultaneously.

Another misconception of the homeless population includes the idea the individuals are lazy and unwilling to work. Many homeless individuals are employed yet do not earn enough money to financially support themselves or their families. This issue contributes to the chronically homeless (CH). The 2018 PIT indicates a decline in the CH individuals. 2018 PIT shows that unsheltered homeless count almost doubled from 2017. This indicates a 2 year rise in unsheltered homeless counts. This comes after a significant cut in funding and programs, such as Dove's transitional housing programs.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing

their individual needs.

The community partners have implemented a chronically homeless action team which is called CHAT. CHAT has knowledge of all chronically homeless individuals in the City of Decatur. They have been reaching out and trying to form relationships with these individuals in order to assist them with housing. The decline in Chronically Homeless individuals since 2014 is attributed to CHAT's effort.

The COC has streamlined coordinated entry with the creation of a position that focuses solely on homeless individuals. The employee has a designated working day for each homeless shelter and uses one day of the week to "hit the streets" in order to identify non sheltered individuals. The home base for this employee is Homeward Bound. This employee has current knowledge and relationships with all of the homeless shelters and social service agencies so that they may send individuals with needs to the agency that can best meet said needs. They have created a one page referral/needs assessment form which is used across all agencies in order to identify the needs of individuals.

The Homeless Advisory Council is used to ensure provider collaboration and identification of homeless person's needs.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The annual Point In Time and qualitative data are used to strategically plan. The information is used to address utilization of emergency shelters and transitional housing to ensure the needs of homeless persons are met. Emergency Shelters include: Dove, Inc. Domestic Violence Shelter, Jacob's Well-House of Hope, Salvation Army Men's Shelter, Youth Advocate, God's Shelter of Love, and City of Praise. The combined bed capacity of the providers are 117. Information collected January 28, 2018 shows only two emergency shelters utilizing full bed capacity while five shelters were under capacity but not by much. For example, the Salvation Army was utilizing 47 of the 60 beds. All transitional housing units were almost at full capacity. 2018 PIT data shows an increase in unsheltered homeless. Of the 161 homeless individuals identified, 21 were not sheltered. This PIT identified a 2 year increase in unsheltered individuals, however, there is still an overall decline in unsheltered numbers since 2015. The Emergency Shelters and the number of beds are identified as: Dove, Inc.-30, Salvation Army Men's Shelter-60, God's Shelter of Love-8, Youth Advocate Program Hilltop Shelter-3, Decatur Cares-16, and the City of Praise Church-20. *City of Praise beds are available when the temperature is below 20 degrees. On the date of the 2018 PIT the City of Praise shelter was not open due to the temperature being above 20 degrees.

Transitional housing is available with Community Investment Corporation of Decatur (CICD)-19 beds, Dove, Inc.-31 beds, and God's Shelter of Love-Scatter Site Housing-12 beds. Although the City of Decatur lost a large number of transitional housing from 2015; 2018 PIT saw a small rise in the number of transitional housing beds. CICD added 3, God's Shelter of Love added 2 and Dove added 6.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families

with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again.

The creation implementation of the chronically homeless action team aka CHAT works with area providers, shelters, and primarily Homeward Bound to house individuals, veterans, children, and families. Homeward Bound is the Continuum of Care's lead agency.

The Homeless Advisory Council will engage providers to collaborate and meet the service needs of individuals at risk of homelessness. They will work with the City of Decatur to ensure ample affordable housing units are available for individuals to move out of homelessness and access their own housing.

The chronically homeless count decreased from 2017 to 2018 PIT by 7. The number of chronically homeless in Decatur is 16. In 2014 PIT the data showed 71 chronically homeless individuals in Decatur. The large decrease in chronically homeless individuals over the last 4 years is attributed to the CHAT team. They have "hit the streets" in order to identify, engage, and develop relationships with the Chronically Homeless individuals of Decatur and our PIT data reflects their hard work.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

The action planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families includes working with the City of Decatur, Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Continuum of Care (COC) and the providers to address the identified needs of poverty-level families, including: housing, job training, employment opportunities, child care resources, criminal background barriers, and access to services. Activities planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies are working collaboratively to increase HMIS use and the Coordinated Assessment process between the housing market and social service agencies, allowing for a better overall systemic practice and create the opportunity to effectively address the housing matter with a more rapid response.

Coordinated entry has not only helped homeless individuals have a shorter and more streamlined journey from homeless to housed; it has also helped numerous individuals who do not fit HUD's definition of homeless but who may still not have stable housing. During the PIT, the referral sheet created by the COC for the coordinated entry process was utilized for all individuals who identified as homeless and who did not fit HUD's definition of homeless but who still had needs. There were 33 individuals and families who

were referred to different social service agencies who did not fit HUD's definition of homeless. By referring these families and individuals with needs, they may avoid becoming homeless.

The CoC is working to insure a coordinated entry of how people come into and access services. The effort is to evaluate and become more engaged. With the various governmental bodies, such as: DHA and the City of Decatur, plus a long list service and shelter providers including but not limited to Heritage Behavior Health Center, Good Samaritan, Decatur Macon County Opportunity Corporation, Macon-Piatt Regional Office of Education, Decatur Public School (DPS), Millikin University, and Community Investment Corporation of Decatur (CICD), the effort is to identify and address all areas of needs. The approach will also assist veterans, parolees, and those with disabilities.

Discussion

The 2018 Point in Time (PIT) Survey was administered on Friday, January 25, 2018. The PIT Coordinator along with a team of 20 volunteers and 15 staff spent 24 hours gaining access to and county as many homeless individuals, veterans, children and families to gain a clear understanding of homelessness in the community. Along with counting individuals, a housing inventory was completed allowing the CoC to gain an in depth understanding of the utilization emergency shelters and transitional housing in the community. The qualitative data gathered January 2018 was gathered to gain a better perspective of the underutilization of beds and the increase in unsheltered individuals. This data was obtained through one-on-one interviews with homeless individuals. As a result of the data collection, unmet needs emerged. The data revealed a lack of shelter bed utilization based on various reasons and beliefs including: required attendance and participation in programs that conflict with one's religious and spiritual beliefs, programs that deny shelter because of substance abuse issues, and programs that deny shelter due to a person's criminal history.

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

Introduction:

Decatur is committed to policies which provide incentives to develop and maintain affordable housing within its jurisdiction. Building codes, land use restrictions, and taxes can have a negative effect on affordable housing and investment within the community. Currently, housing taxes are based on the assessed value of the property. Building codes and property maintenance codes are uniform to all types of residential development. It is unlikely public policies are a major deterrent to the development of affordable housing.

Past improvement to zoning provided changes to allow for creative development and provide incentives to provide affordable housing. Within the last five years, the City adopted the use of 2009 International Residential Building Code from the 2006 International Residential Building Code. The newer code is easier for builders to understand and incorporates higher standards which may result in making homes more affordable. The goal is to adopt the 2015 codes by the end of 2018.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment.

The City continues to monitor the changing needs of the community. Evidence of the city's willingness to meet the needs of affordable housing have been demonstrated through the last fifteen years. The City has shown willingness to use its taxing authority to stimulate redevelopment in older, more affordable neighborhoods. The City also adopted tax increment financing (TIF) to finance redevelopment project costs. TIF has been used by the City on both residential areas and commercial/retail areas, such as Wabash Crossing and Downtown Decatur.

Discussion:

In November 2017, the City held its first public meeting for community input to identify needs in the community along with potential solutions. Attendance ran as high as a 120 residents at a meeting. The residents were asked to select a topic area. The nine topics During 2018, as the City continues to focus on revitalization of challenged areas in the community and working with various entities, businesses, and organization. The City plans to look closer at zoning and developer needs. Changes may be required to meet the changing needs of the community. Otherwise, at this time it appears that policies are on target.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The City of Decatur will continue to promote the collaboration and coordination of services among agencies. The City will seek and/or support the pursuit of additional funding to address underserved needs and reduce poverty.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The lack of funding or insufficient funding has been identified for a variety of needs whether it is case management, education, employment, housing, etc. To improve or resolve the issue, the City will apply for additional funding when available and support the applications of other agencies to finance the need. The City will encourage collaboration and coordination of services and will continue to participate in the CoC.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to provide assistance to very low, low, and moderate homeowners to rehabilitate their homes. Energy conservation improvements, such as: insulation, windows, doors, and more efficient systems reduce the cost of occupying a unit. Where needed, assistance may be provided to install accessible features within the unit.

The City will support the efforts to maintain or replace affordable housing units when needed. The City will continue to work with local agencies and provide referrals for services and housing.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Due to the age and condition of housing in Decatur, residents may be exposed to the effects of lead-based paint. The City of Decatur continues to comply with lead-based paint regulations since September 2000 enactment of the Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. Other agencies, such as: Decatur Housing Authority (DHA), which receive federal funds are also required to adhere to the regulations.

- The Neighborhood Service Division will ensure that staff understands and complies with HUD's lead-based paint regulation. Staff will attend HUD's Lead-Based Paint Training and refresher courses. In the August of 2017, the Neighborhood Program Manager and the Neighborhood Program Specialist took classes regarding lead. The two staff members successfully completed the Lead Abatement Supervisor Initial course and passed the competency exam. The course is accredited by the Illinois Department of Public Health in accordance with the Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Code. The Neighborhood Program Specialist received the Illinois

Department of Public Health license for lead.

- The City will continue to provide methods and assemble materials to educate rental property owners, homeowners, and renters regarding lead-based paint requirements. According to the Macon County Health Department (MCHD), childhood lead exposure can be minimized or prevented through increased public awareness, such as: apply lead safe work practices when disturbing lead based paint, keep the play, study and living areas of children clean, and ensure children eat a healthy diet that includes calcium and iron. Some of the highest risk are young children who have frequent hand-to-mouth exposure to surfaces with lead-containing dust (crawling on the floor or playing at a window). Children are also exposed to oral imported products with uncontrolled amounts of lead (imported toys, cosmetics-surma/kohl, medicine (folk remedies), pottery, candies, and spices). Also, children with low iron are at the highest risk for lead exposure. A 2012 Illinois Dept. of Public Health report indicates African-American children are 1.4 times more likely to have lead poisoning in the blood compared to white children. The report also identified low income as a high risk factor. It is reported, low income Illinois residents in Medicaid, WIC, Head Start, and all kids are at the highest risk.
- The City will continue to nurture the existing relationships and establish new contacts with lead professions and key partners, such as: risk assessors, clearance technicians, MCHD and Crossing Healthcare (formerly CHIC). The City provided vacant lots to Crossing Healthcare. Crossing Healthcare provides prenatal care, pediatric care, immunizations, lead screenings as well as many more services. The facility is along bus routes which makes it easier for patients to access services. Qualified patients live at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.
- The City will continue to reduce the exposure to lead-based paint hazards in housing units through all its federally-funded housing programs, thereby improving the quality of the housing stock and providing a safer environment for low-moderate income residents.
- The City will continue to inspect for needs within the residential unit including the lead based paint.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The poverty in Decatur may be attributed to a number of different factors including educational attainment, life skills, and lack of employment training opportunities. High levels of poverty reduces the opportunities that an individual or household has to owning a home, living in a stable environment, providing adequately for the household, and achieving economically and socially. Poverty may indicate the household or individual is one step away from homelessness. Ideally, reducing poverty will provide the city with strong citizenry and more stable neighborhoods. CDBG and HOME funds will be used to assist low income households through homeowner rehabilitation. CDBG funds, under public service

activities, will target for employment education and training.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City may partner with other public and private agencies to address gaps, such as:

- Partner with various housing and homeless service agencies by providing supportive services and staff support.
- Continue to partner with homeless housing and service provider agencies on the implementation and update of the City's Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness.
- Actively assist other housing organizations which seek to become CHDOs and fund certified CHDOs.
- Take an active role on numerous committees and boards to coordinate resources, such as: Decatur Community Partnership (DCP), Decatur-Macon County Opportunity Corporation (DMCOC), Decatur Jobs Council (DJC), CoC, and others groups.
- Partner with private financial institutions to offer home buyer assistance and promote down payment assistance programs plus work with HUD approved housing counseling agencies to offer home buyer counseling.
- Work with DHA on sustaining the Wabash Crossing Development and other initiatives to public housing residents.
- Continue to have an active role in neighborhood advocacy by working closely with the Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations (CONO) and supporting neighborhood initiatives.
- Continue to pursue additional funding opportunities to address decent, safe, affordable, and accessible housing needs of residents and to address the elimination of slum and blight in neighborhoods.
- Support goals established by other community organizations to better the life of residents, such as: Macon County Mental Health Board, United Way of Decatur, the Decatur Community Partnership, Grow Decatur, and the Community Foundation.
- The divisions within the Department of Community and Economic Development Department meet regularly to ensure coordination with local economic development initiatives, transportation plans, historic site preservation, Brownfield redevelopment, energy-efficiency initiatives, etc.

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

The City of Decatur meets periodically with the local PHA. The City continues to work with Decatur Housing Authority (DHA) to move projects forward. DHA has received a grant which allowed the PHA to construct 8 new residential units. Several of the units are currently available for purchase.

The City believes in collaboration and knows that future plans for moving the city forward will not work

unless we have the partnership of our local agencies as well as developers.

Discussion:

The City of Decatur held a second Minority Contracting Forum March 7, 2018. The forum provided information on established goals (City Code Chapter 28) to encourage a diverse workforce of Minority Business Enterprises and minority workers on Public Works projects (streets, sewers, sidewalks, facilities, etc. The forum also provided information on City of Decatur Vendor Opportunities.

The City of Decatur continues to work to meet the ever changing needs of the community. This is evident by the approach the City has taken for revitalization. Community participation in the revitalization process for the community is key. Work groups discussed needs, assets, potential resources, and desire outcomes. The continued public input will be necessary to serve all the residents.

The Neighborhood Services staff has reached out beyond the regular public meetings sites by visiting locations to reach disabled individuals, seniors, etc.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

CDBG does not require match. However, the City of Decatur desires to meet the needs of residents through general fund resources, user fees, local motor fuel taxes, state motor fuel taxes, other federal grants or loans, and foundation funds. City staff will continue to pursue new sources of funds to address the community's needs.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

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| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed | 0 |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | 0 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements | 0 |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan | 0 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities | 0 |
| Total Program Income: | 0 |

Other CDBG Requirements

| | |
|---|--------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
| 2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. | 70.00% |

HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The City of Decatur may utilize additional funding from its General Fund along with funding from DCDF, Inc., an arms-length organization with a mission of creating affordable housing opportunities or developments or to assist in the rehabilitation of houses when available. Outside funding from foundations, grants, and loans may be an option and may be pursued for potential projects.

The City of Decatur, Neighborhood Services Division, will use HOME Investment Partnerships Program (aka HOME) funds to provide funds for affordable, safe housing and housing assistance for low income persons. The forms of funding used to assist homebuyers and/or developers include: closing cost and down payment assistance, development subsidies, loans as second mortgages, or some combination of these methods. The City of Decatur will use the recapture method of insuring affordability for HOME assisted rental properties and for all homebuyers receiving direct assistance. Where the homebuyer does not receive direct assistance, the City will use the resale provision of insuring affordability for for-sale housing.

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

Subject to recapture are HOME funds that are invested in a HOME assisted unit, as a direct subsidy to the homebuyer. This includes down payment and closing cost assistance, and second mortgages that finance differences between fair market value and the homebuyer's first mortgage. The minimum length of affordability is as follows based on the total direct HOME assistance to the homebuyer.

The recapture provisions are as follows: The Affordability Period shall be based on the total direct HOME subsidy to the homebuyer and does not take into account a development subsidy provided on the unit. HOME funds for direct buyer assistance may be provided through the Decatur "HOME" Buyer Program as a direct subsidy to the homebuyer as closing cost and down payment assistance, direct subsidy as a second mortgage that reduces the need for buyer equity or senior debt financing, or for the difference between fair market value at the time of sale and sales price, if HOME funds were used to develop the property and the property is being sold below market value. The buyer must be purchasing the home as a sole principal residence. The buyer must intend to live in the home for the entire affordability period and not buy the home for any other purpose, such as investment or rental property.

Subject to resale provisions are the total HOME funds that are invested in a HOME-assisted unit, development subsidies and direct assistance. See the above chart for the affordability requirements. The affordability period is based on the total amount of HOME funds invested in the housing including down payment and closing cost assistance, direct loans as second mortgages,

and the difference between fair market value at the time of sale and sales price and development subsidies. Resale provisions for Homeownership shall be used when there is no direct assistance provided to the homebuyer or in a market where it is questionable that the unit will maintain affordability on its own. City of Decatur HOME assisted activities which may use Resale provisions include Single Family New Construction and Acquisition with Rehabilitation. The buyer must be purchasing the home to use as their sole principal residence. In other words, the buyer must intend to live in the home for the entire affordability period and not be buying the home for any other purpose, such as investment or rental property. The chart below identifies the affordability minimum periods for recapture and resale.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

The City of Decatur has affordability enforcement instruments for both the resale and recapture provisions. Recapture provisions shall be detailed within each program written agreement between the homebuyer and City of Decatur and enforced through a mortgage, note, and homebuyer agreement filed with the Macon County Recorder's Office that runs for the entire term of the affordability period. The requirements within shall be triggered upon sale or transfer of the HOME assisted property. For projects including the down payment and closing cost assistance program, for sale new construction and for sale acquisition rehabilitation programs the HOME assisted property owners will be required to maintain property insurance coverage in an amount sufficient to cover the amount of HOME assistance and list City of Decatur as an additional insured during the period of affordability. Monitoring of insurance policies will assist in identifying properties that are no longer occupied by the assisted buyer. Resale requirements shall be detailed within each program written agreement between the homebuyer and the City and enforced through deed restriction, mortgage, note, and HOME Agreement filed with the Macon County Recorder's Office and the requirements within shall be triggered upon sale or transfer of the HOME assisted property. For homebuyer projects including the new construction and acquisition rehabilitation programs, the HOME assisted property owners will be required to maintain property insurance coverage in an amount sufficient to cover the amount of HOME assistance and list City of Decatur as an additional insured during the Period of Affordability. Monitoring of insurance policies will assist in identifying properties that are no longer occupied by the assisted buyer. In the event of non-compliance the full loan amount shall become due and payable immediately. The resale option ensures that the HOME assisted unit remains affordable over the entire period of affordability. Resale provisions must be used where there is no direct assistance to the homebuyer including down payment and closing cost assistance, direct loans as second mortgages, the difference between fair market value at the time of sale and sales price.

When HOME funds are used to acquire units, the City will ensure that the homeowner qualifies as a low-income family at the time the agreement is signed. If there is a transfer of title, the new homebuyer must qualify as a low-income family. To maintain affordable units, the City will assist with the cost of any rehabilitation for the house to be acquired and/or assist another homebuyer in the

purchase of the home. It is understood, the total amount of the original assistance and additional HOME assistance may not exceed the maximum per unit subsidy amount established under 92.250. The City will take into account the estimated value of the property, after rehabilitation and make sure that it does not exceed 95% of the median purchase price for the area.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

The City of Decatur has no plans to refinance existing debt secured by multi-family housing.

The City of Decatur is committed to ensuring affordable housing opportunities for its residents. While at the same time, tools and instruments are in place to meet compliance through the HOME regulations when providing assistance through our HOME homebuyer program. Upon receipt of recaptured funds, or at the completion of the affordability period, whichever is longer, City of Decatur will prepare a "Release of Mortgage" document to be filed with the Macon County Recorder's Office to release the original HOME assisted property from the obligations of the affordability period and the release of the homebuyer agreement that runs for the entire period of affordability. The homebuyer will be responsible for the recording of the release. Repayment of recaptured funds shall be remitted directly to City of Decatur Neighborhood Services Division to be utilized for HOME eligible activities only. We will ensure consistent affordability for the residential units, while preserving our housing stock and stabilizing neighborhoods. The City of Decatur has \$4,782,738 as available HOME match. HOME Administrative costs do not require match but other HOME projects require the match. As HOME match is needed, it will be drawn from the "reserve" of available HOME match. The City of Decatur may utilize additional funding from its General Fund along with funding from DCDF, Inc., an arms-length organization with a mission of creating affordable housing opportunities, to assist in the rehabilitation of houses when available. Outside funding from foundations, grants, and loans may be an option.

Please note: the City has disclosed a full copy of the Recapture/Resale Provisions.

Attachments:

Citizen Participation Comments



CITY OF DECATUR ILLINOIS

#1 GARY K. ANDERSON PLAZA

DECATUR, ILLINOIS 62523-1196

June 27, 2018

Dear ,

The City of Decatur Neighborhood Services Division would like to thank you for completing and returning our Citizen Participation Survey. Your input about the needs in Decatur are extremely valuable to us. I would like to let you know that of all the concerns we received the following needs were identified. I have listed them from most concerns received from citizens to least:

1. Crime and Gun Use prevention
2. Security Guards for all shifts for public housing
3. Rehabilitation of Housing
4. Bus transportation for all working shifts/New buses
5. Infrastructure Improvements
6. Job opportunities that provide a living wage
7. Housing opportunities specifically for mentally ill/disabled individuals
8. Community-Wide youth programs
9. Demolition of unsafe structures

I would like to let you know how the City of Decatur is addressing a number of these needs with a variety of funding sources. In FY 2017, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds were used in combination with the City's general funds in order to take on a sewer repair project, sidewalk project, and street repair project. \$4.2 Million in street repairs were completed using local and state Motor Fuel Tax Funds in 2017. The work covered 18.1 lane miles of City streets which included improvements in the local neighborhood. For 2018, an additional round of street improvements will begin. Street improvements are expected to continue for at least the next 8 years. The lake dredging project continued in 2017 with 2,702,447 cubic yards of sediment being removed. The 2017 dredging added 13 days of additional water supply. The lake is the city's primary water source. In effort to address empty lot maintenance, 929 properties were mowed under the mowing violation.

During the federal fiscal year 2017/2018, the City Council approved agreements with two non-profits to provide education and training for low income adults. Additional funds for public services will be added in the federal fiscal year of 2018.

The City of Decatur also hosted four City cleanup events in which residents could bring non-electronic items and dispose of them at no charge. 120.4 tons was collected through the city sponsored clean-ups.



CITY OF DECATUR ILLINOIS

#1 GARY K. ANDERSON PLAZA

DECATUR, ILLINOIS 62523-1198

The Operators Union Local 965 teamed up with the City of Decatur to address a fire site clean-up on E. Grand Ave. The effort provided a training opportunity for the Local 965 and led to a clean-up occurring for \$80,000. This clean-up cost was 4 times less than some estimates that were as high as \$300,000. In addition to this clean-up, the City of Decatur applied for Illinois Housing Development Authority funds to be used for the demolition of unsafe structures. The City of Decatur was awarded \$125,000 for 2018.

In regards to crime prevention, the officer foot patrols were increased by 111%. A new on-line reporting was implemented for some incidents.

During federal fiscal year 2017, the City of Decatur completed and closed 36 residential rehabilitations for low-moderate income homes plus provided emergency rehabilitation assistance to 20 homeowner occupied single family housing units. The City of Decatur has identified funding for single family owner occupied housing rehabilitation in the 2018 Action Plan.

The City of Decatur continues work on a Revitalization plan. Five community meetings were held to gather public input and needs assessment. The first meeting was held in November 2017. Hundreds of people from a wide spectrum of ages, races, neighborhoods, and backgrounds turned out for the meetings. Meetings had attendance as high as 120. The meeting information was gathered, compiled, and presented to the Decatur City Council in June 2018. Council gave approval to staff to move forward.

The City of Decatur is now utilizing a high-speed, fiber optic internet funded through the Howard G. Buffett Foundation. Decatur is one of the few Communities in the nation to have such an asset. This network is expected to provide a critical network for future law enforcement needs and to save money for the community government entities, local not-for-profits and healthcare providers, among other that rely on broadband services to operate. City of Decatur hopes to bring the best to our citizens.

Again, we appreciate your feedback and your desire to help make the City of Decatur the best we can be!

Thank you,

Lacie Elzy

Neighborhood Programs Specialist

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County of Macou)

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand at Decatur in said County and State, this _____ day of _____, A.D. 2018.

Carol V. Olson

Publisher.

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**City of Decatur Public Notice
Notice of Public Review of the
FY2018 Annual Action Plan**

This notice is being provided in accordance with the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) regulations which require the City of Decatur to develop an Action Plan (AP), and identify changes to the Consolidated Plan (CP) and prior Action Plans.

The City of Decatur previously prepared a draft 2018 Annual Action based on the 2017 allocations. Residents were encouraged to provide comments during a comment period from January 29, 2018 through February 28, 2018. To encourage citizen participation, a public meeting was held Monday, January 29, 2018. The Draft AP stated through the CDBG and HOME allocations may be increased or decreased, the various activities will be adjusted in order to balance the expected expenditures and comply with regulations which provide a maximum limit based on funding. Those items which may be adjusted due to a budget change would include administrative activities, public services and projects which do not contribute to the required 70% or greater benefit to low income. A public hearing will be held Thursday, June 21, 2018 @ 1:30 P.M., in the Council Chamber at the Decatur Civic Center to review the updated 2018 Action Plan.

The City of Decatur is presenting for review and comments the draft portions of its FY2018 Action Plan from Thursday, May 24, 2018 through Monday, June 25, 2018. The 2018 Annual Action Plan will be available at the following locations:

- City of Decatur - Decatur Public Library - Decatur Housing Authority
- Town & Community Dev. Dept. - Reference Area - Lobby Area
- Decatur Civic Center, 3rd Floor - 130 N. Franklin - 1808 E. Locust
- #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza - Decatur, IL 62523
- Decatur, IL 62523

The Action Plan will be available for review and comment at the City of Decatur's website at www.decaturil.gov.

Persons are welcome to provide written public comments during the review and comment period. All written comments submitted will receive a response from the City.

To obtain additional information concerning the CAPER, Consolidated Plan, and Action Plans, please contact Vickie Buckingham @ 424-2777.

Written comments can be sent to the following: City of Decatur, Department of Economic and Community Development, Neighborhood Services Division, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523.

Or

E-mail: actions@decaturil.gov

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, June 21, 2018
Decatur Civic Center-City Council Chamber
1:30 P.M.

Welcome and Staff Introductions

Purpose of Public Meeting

Purpose of the Consolidated Plan

Purpose of the Annual Plan

- 2018 CDBG Program Allocations
- 2018 HOME Program Allocations

Other Federal Elements/Requirements

- Citizen Participation
- Homeless and Other Special Populations

Process-Timeline

Questions and Comments

Please submit all written comments by Monday, June 25, 2018, 5:00 P.M. to the City of Decatur, Economic and Community Development Department-Neighborhood Services Division, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523. Comments may also be e-mailed to: actionplan@decaturil.gov. Thank-you!

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF DECATUR

2018 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

June 21, 2018

1:30 P.M.

Mrs. Irons welcomed everyone to the Public Hearing for the 2018 Annual Action Plan and introduced staff. Staff present: Richelle Irons, Vickie Buckingham, and Lacie Dodson.

Ms. Buckingham identified this meeting is the second meeting for the 2018 Action Plan. The first meeting was held February 21, 2018, at noon, for the 2018 Annual Action Plan. The first meeting identified potential funding of activities based upon the 2017 allocations. The current 2018 public review period identifies the actual 2018 allocations and funding of activities.

Purpose of Public Meeting

The City of Decatur's citizen participation plan requires that we provide a process at the community-wide level with regard to our federal programs. We hold public meetings for: the Action Plan, CAPER, Consolidated Plan, and whenever we are making a substantial amendment to an existing plan. The Citizen Participation plan also contains information on how we will proceed with informing the public. We use our website, newspapers, fliers, news releases, social media and vehicles like United Way 211 to let the public know what we are doing as it relates to our federal funds.

The Plan also gives guidance on the appeal and complaint process, how to submit views and comments, technical assistance and public notices.

Our current Consolidated Plan covers years 2015-19. The content explains our priorities and objectives and the plans we hoped to undertake over the 5 year period. The Action Plan is the 1 year Plan; and gives details as to what we hope to accomplish during a particular year, it also provides direction and guidance for expenditures, must tie into the Consolidated Plan.

We currently receive 2 annual allocations from HUD: CDBG & HOME

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)—which has national objectives of: elimination of slum and blight, benefit low-moderate income persons, or meet a need having a particular URGENCY. In May, the City was informed the CDBG allocation would be \$1,378,744.00 and the HOME allocation would be \$444,741.00.

HOME Investment Partnership \$\$\$\$,—which has objectives of

- 1) Providing decent affordable housing to lower-income households
- 2) Expanding the capacity of nonprofit providers.
- 3) Strengthening the ability to state and local government to provide housing and
- 4) Leveraging private-sector participation

A copy of the proposed activities and programs are available for the public to review at the following locations:

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| Department of Development Services 3 rd Floor #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza Decatur, IL 62523 | Decatur Housing Authority 1808 E. Locust Decatur, IL 62521 | Decatur Public Library 130 N. Franklin St. Decatur, IL 62523 |
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Citizen Participation Plan

The City of Decatur has a Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG and HOME programs. Section 91.105 of the Consolidated Plan Final Rule requires each participating jurisdiction/entitlement community to adopt a Citizen Participation Plan that sets forth policies and procedures for citizen participation. Decatur's plan is designed to encourage citizens to participate in the development of the Consolidated Plan, amendments to the plan, and the review of the performance report which is known as the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report or CAPER. The goal is to encourage participation by predominantly low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, minorities, and non-English speaking persons, as well as person with disabilities, local/regional institutions and other organization, and residents of public and assisted housing developments.

This provides and encourages citizen participation in an advisory role in planning and assessing the program for use of funds from HUD. The Consolidated Plan, Annual Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report, notice of substantial amendments are currently made available in the Reference Area of the Decatur Public Library, Decatur Housing Authority Lobby, and the Economic and Community Development Department Office, City of Decatur, 3rd Floor, of the Decatur Civic Center. Information may also be found at the City's web: <http://www.decaturil.gov/>.

The City holds two public hearings annually to present the CP/AP and one to receive comments for the CAPER. Additional meetings, hearings, or workshops may be held. Reviews and comments may be received at any time during the year. The Annual Plan and Consolidated Plan shall be on review for 30 days minimum whereas the CAPER shall be on review a minimum of 15 days.

Substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan would be:

- Changes in the allocation of priorities
- Changes in the distribution of funds, such as: 38% increase or decrease of programming funds to any eligible activity.
- Changes of the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

Homeless and Special Needs

Mrs. Buckingham stated that Residents of the community includes those who are homeless and/or may have special needs. The Consolidated Plan shall cover the assessment of needs for extremely low, low, and moderate income families, renters, owners, elderly, frail elderly, single persons, large families, public housing residents, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, victims of domestic violence, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with additions, and formerly homeless.

The City of Decatur collaborated with agency providers and a ten year plan was developed to End Chronic Homelessness. The City acknowledges factors and needs have changed since the plan was developed. The plan needs to be updated to reflect current and future needs.

Timeline

The proposed changes are also available on the City's website at www.decaturil.gov. Residents are encouraged to provide written comments through Monday, June 25th 2018. For more information, contact Richelle D. Irons, Director of Neighborhood Services at (217) 424-2864. Written comments can be sent to the City of Decatur, Neighborhood Services Division, Economic and Community Development Department, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523, or faxed to: (217) 450-2327 ATTN: Manager of the Neighborhood Services Division. Comments may also be e-mailed to: actionplan@decaturil.gov.

Surveys were provided to residents and community organizations at neighborhood meetings, by mail, and e-mail. Surveys are to be returned by Monday, June 25, 2018, to the City of Decatur, Department of Neighborhood Services, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523. Responses regarding the surveys will be provided after the comment period closing Monday, June 25, 2018.

Annual Action Plan

A summary of the actual FY 2018 CDBG allocation is shown below. It is based on a CDBG grant of \$1,378,744.

| Grantee (G), Sub-recipients (SR) | Allocation | Priority Objective |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| G General Administration/Indirect Costs | \$251,062 | P/A |
| G Section 108 Loan Repayment | \$190,000 | ED-1 |
| G CDBG Residential Rehabilitation | \$304,310 | OH-1 |
| G Emergency Program | \$65,000 | OH-1 |
| G Housing Rehabilitation Project Delivery Costs | \$40,000 | OH-1 |
| G Adult Education for Training & Employment | \$100,000 | PS-1 |
| G Code Enforcement | \$227,670 | CD-1 |
| G Public Improvements | \$200,702 | I-1 |
| Total | \$1,378,744 | |

The General Administration activity covers program administration, reporting, and related management activities. This activity is limited to 20% of the annual CDBG allocation. The City of Decatur has budgeted 18% for this activity. The Section 108 Loan Repayment activity will repay the principal amount of a Section 108 Loan where funds were used for the Wabash Crossing Redevelopment Project. The CDBG Residential Rehabilitation Activity will assist approximately 6 homeowners with code rehabilitation. The Housing Rehabilitation Project Delivery Cost activity addresses the administrative costs to carry out the rehabilitation activities. The public service activity has funding for adult education. Code Enforcement is an activity to identify housing and neighborhood issues in low/mod income census tracts/blocks. The outcome for this activity is estimated to be 200 new cases. In the long run, this activity may help maintain and improve the livability of neighborhoods and slow down or eliminate the potential for blighted areas.

The last CDBG activity is public improvements. The public improvements are targeted in the low-income neighborhoods.

A summary of the actual FY2018 federal fund allocation based on a HOME grant of \$444,741.

| | Grantee (G), Sub recipients (SR) | Allocation | Priority Objective |
|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| SR | CHDO Projects (15% minimum) | \$66,711.15 | OH-4 |
| G | Residential Rehabilitation | \$233,555.75 | OH-1 |
| G | HOME Program Administration | \$44,474.10 | ADMIN. |
| G | Homebuyer Program | \$100,000 | OH-3 |
| Total | | \$444,741 | |

The HOME Program Administration activity covers program administration, monitoring, reporting, and other related HOME management activities. This activity is limited to 10% of the annual HOME allocation. Residential Rehabilitation will be funded to assist approximately 6 homeowners with code improvements. CHDO projects are funded at 15% of the annual allocation. This project provides funds for Community Housing Development Organizations to create additional affordable residential units.

Due to repayment of past loans, the HOME Program has program income. 10% of the annual HOME program income will be used for administration. The balance of the program income or 90% will be utilized in the residential rehabilitation program. PLEASE NOTE: Program income funds will be utilized prior to new entitlement funds.

Questions and Comments

**MINUTES OF THE LEXINGTON MEETING
CITY OF DECATUR**

June 6, 2018

10:30 A.M.

*Prior to the meeting, Richelle Irons explained the surveys were to secure the residents input. She stated they residents may or may not have attended the Neighborhood Revitalization public meetings.

Mrs. Buckingham welcomed everyone to the meeting for discussion of the community needs. Mrs. Buckingham introduced staff.

Staff present: Richelle Irons, Vickie Buckingham, Lacie Dodson

Purpose of Public Meeting

Ms. Buckingham stated this meeting is to gather input from the residents at the Lexington to identify needs or issues within the community. The City of Decatur has held a series of meeting for the Neighborhood Revitalization Process. The Neighborhood Services Division holds community wide public meetings for public input on use of Community Development Block Grant funds and for review of past year accomplishments.

The surveys are available for residents who wish to provide their suggestions and thoughts regarding the community needs in writing. Surveys may be submitted to City of Decatur by mail or delivered to Economic and Community Development-Neighborhood Services on the 3rd floor of the Decatur Civic Center.

- Do you have a particular concern or interest that should be a priority for the City over the next year? Such as safety, crime, housing, streets, sidewalks, education, etc.
- Of the concerns discussed, what are the four most important items which need attention over the next year?
- Who or where do you see specific needs for housing that are not being addressed? Or adequately served? What are your thoughts regarding assistance or improvements to a particular area or program?

Please feel free to complete your survey and turn it in today or if you wish to submit a survey at a later date, please do so by Monday, June 25th.

Questions and Comments

PUBLIC NOTICE

Fiscal Year 2018 Action Plan/Fiscal Year 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan

The City of Decatur will host a public meeting to identify anticipated funding for 2018 Action Plan at 12:00 noon on February 21, 2018 in the City Council Chamber of the Decatur Civic Center, located at #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza. The 2018 Action Plan is the fourth year plan of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan 2015-2019.

The Action Plan is the one year plan that proposes activities and projects the City of Decatur will carry out during that fiscal year (May 1st - April 30th). The Consolidated Plan documents the City's proposed five-year goals, strategies and activities as they relate to the spending of the Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership allocations.

The draft 2018 Action Plan will be available for review on the City's website at www.decaturil.gov beginning Monday, January 29, 2018. The document will also be available for the public to review beginning Monday, January 29, 2018 at the following locations:

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| Economic and Community Development Department 3 rd Floor #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza Decatur, IL 62523 217-424-2797 | Decatur Housing Authority 1808 E. Locust Decatur, IL 62521 217-423-7711 | Decatur Public Library 130 N. Franklin St. Decatur, IL 62523 217-424-2900 |
|---|--|--|

Residents are encourage to provide written comments during the 30-day comment period which begins on Monday, January 29, 2018. The comment period will end Wednesday, February 28, 2018. For more information, contact Richelle D. Irons, Neighborhood Services Manager at (217) 424-2797. Written comments may be sent to the City of Decatur, Neighborhood Services Division, 1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523. Comments may also be e-mailed to: actplan@decaturil.gov.

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VICKIE BUCKINGHAM
NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAMS MANAGER
CITY OF DECATUR
1 GARY K. ANDERSON PLAZA
DECATUR IL 62523

Invoice Date
Jan. 10, 2018

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION - IN RE: Fiscal Year 2018 Action Plan published
Jan. 10, 2018.

ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

**Wednesday, February 21, 2018
Decatur Civic Center-City Council Chamber
12:00 - noon**

Welcome and Staff Introductions

Purpose of Public Meeting

Purpose of the Consolidated Plan

Purpose of the Annual Plan

- 2018 CDBG Program Allocations
- 2018 HOME Program Allocations

Other Federal Elements/Requirements

- Citizen Participation
- Homeless and Other Special Populations

Process-Timeline

Questions and Comments

Please submit all written comments by Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 5:00 P.M. to the City of Decatur, Economic and Community Development Department-Neighborhood Services Division, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523. Comments may also be e-mailed to: actionplan@decaturil.gov. Thank-you!

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF DECATUR
2018 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
February 21, 2018
12:00 Noon

Mrs. Irons welcomed everyone to the Public Hearing for the 2018 Annual Action Plan and introduced staff.

Staff present: Richelle Irons, Vickie Buckingham, Lacie Dodson

Ms. Buckingham identified this meeting is the meeting for the 2018 Action Plan.

Purpose of Public Meeting

The City of Decatur's citizen participation plan requires that we provide a process at the community-wide level with regard to our federal programs. We hold public meetings for: the Action Plan, CAPER, Consolidated Plan, and whenever we are making a substantial amendment to an existing plan. The Citizen Participation Plan also contains information on how we will proceed with informing the public. We use our website, newspapers, fliers, news releases, social media and vehicles like United Way 211 let the public know what we are doing as it relates to our federal funds.

The Plan also gives guidance on the appeal and complaint process, how to submit views and comments, technical assistance and public notices.

Our current Consolidated Plan covers years 2015-19. The content explains our priorities and objectives and the plans we hope to undertake over the next 5 year period. The Action Plan is the 1 year Plan; and gives details as to what we hope to accomplish during a particular year, it also provides direction and guidance for expenditures, must tie into the Consolidated Plan.

We currently receive 2 annual allocations from HUD: CDBG & HOME

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)—which has national objectives of: elimination of slum and blight, benefit low-moderate income persons. meet a need having a particular URGENCY. Last year---1.26 million ,the City was informed the CDBG allocation would be \$1,262,151.00 and the HOME allocation would be \$330,899.00.

HOME Investment Partnership \$\$\$\$, ---which has objectives of

- 1) Providing decent affordable housing to lower-income households
- 2) Expanding the capacity of nonprofit providers,
- 3) Strengthening the ability to state and local government to provide housing and
- 4) Leveraging private-sector participation

Consolidated Plan/Past Action Plans

Copies of the proposed Action Plan are available for the public to review at the following locations:

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| Department of Development Services 3 rd Floor #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza Decatur, IL 62523 | Decatur Housing Authority 1808 E. Locust Decatur, IL 62521 | Decatur Public Library 130 N. Franklin St. Decatur, IL 62523 |
|---|--|--|

Citizen Participation Plan

The City of Decatur has a Citizen Participation Plan for the CDBG and HOME programs. Section 91.105 of the Consolidated Plan Final Rule requires each participating jurisdiction/entitlement community to adopt a Citizen Participation Plan that sets forth policies and procedures for citizen participation. Decatur's plan is designed to encourage citizens to participate in the development of the Consolidated Plan, amendments to the plan, and the review of the performance report which is known as the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report or CAPER. The goal is to encourage participation by predominantly low- and moderate income neighborhoods, minorities, and non-English speaking persons, as well as person with disabilities, local/regional institutions and other organization, and residents of public and assisted housing developments.

This provides and encourages citizen participation in an advisory role in planning and assessing the program for use of funds from HUD. The Consolidated Plan, Annual Plan, Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report, notice of substantial amendments are currently made available in the Reference Area of the Decatur Public Library, Decatur Housing Authority Lobby, and the Development Services Office, City of Decatur, 3rd Floor, of the Decatur Civic Center. Information may also be found at the City's web: <http://www.decaturil.gov/>.

The City holds two public hearings annually to present the CP/AP and one to receive comments for the CAPER. Additional meetings, hearings, or workshops may be held. Reviews and comments may be received at any time during the year. The Annual Plan and Consolidated Plan shall be on review for 30 days minimum whereas the CAPER shall be on review a minimum of 15 days.

Substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan would be:

- Changes in the allocation of priorities
- Changes in the distribution of funds, such as: 38% increase or decrease of programming funds to any eligible activity.
- Changes of the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

Homeless and Special Needs

Mrs. Buckingham stated that Residents of the community includes those who are homeless and/or may have special needs. The Consolidated Plan shall cover the assessment of needs for extremely low, low, and moderate income families, renters, owners, elderly, frail elderly, single persons, large families, public

housing residents, persons with HIV/AIDs and their families, victims of domestic violence, persons with disabilities (mental, physical, developmental), persons with additions, and formerly homeless.

The City of Decatur collaborated with agency providers and a ten year plan was developed to End Chronic Homelessness. The City acknowledges factors and needs have changed since the plan was developed. The plan needs to be updated to reflect current and future needs.

Timeline

The information is also available on the City's website at www.decaturil.gov. Residents are encouraged to provide written comments through Wednesday, February 28, 2018. For more information, contact Richelle D. Irons, Director of Neighborhood Services at (217) 424-2864. Written comments can be sent to the City of Decatur, Neighborhood Services Division, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, IL 62523, or faxed to: (217) 450-2327 ATTN: Manager of Neighborhood Services Division. Comments may also be e-mailed to: actionplan@decaturil.gov.

Annual Action Plan

A summary of the estimated FY 2018 federal fund allocation based on the 2017 CDBG grant.

| | Grantee (G), Sub recipients (SR) | Allocation | Priority Objective |
|--------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|
| G | General Administration | \$197,766 | P/A |
| G | Section 108 Loan Repayment | \$185,000 | ED-1 |
| G | CDBG Residential Rehabilitation | \$374,310 | OH-1 |
| G | Emergency Program | \$55,002 | OH-1 |
| G | Housing Rehabilitation Project Delivery Costs | \$36,701 | OH-1 |
| G | Code Enforcement | \$212,670 | CD-1 |
| G | Public Improvements | \$200,702 | I-1 |
| Total | | \$1,262,151 | |

The General Administration activity covers program administration, reporting, and related management activities. This activity is limited to 20% of the annual CDBG allocation. The City of Decatur has budgeted under the 20% for this activity. The Section 108 Loan Repayment activity will repay the principal amount of a Section 108 Loan where funds were used for the Wabash Crossing Redevelopment Project. The CDBG Residential Rehabilitation Activity will assist approximately 5 homeowners with code rehabilitation. The Housing Rehabilitation Project Delivery Cost activity addresses the administrative costs to carry out the rehabilitation activities. The public service activity has funding for adult education from the 2017 allocation in the amount of \$100,000. Code Enforcement is an activity to identify housing and neighborhood issues in low/mod income census tracts/blocks. The outcome for this activity is estimated to be 200 new cases. In the long run, this activity may help maintain and improve the livability of neighborhoods and slow down or eliminate the potential for blighted areas. The last CDBG activity is public improvements. The public improvements are targeted in the low-income neighborhoods.

A summary of the estimated FY2018 federal fund allocation based on a HOME grant of 2017.

| Grantee (G), Sub recipients (SR) | | Allocation | Priority Objective |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| SR | CHDO Projects (15% minimum) | \$49,633.85 | OH-4 |
| G | Residential Rehabilitation | \$248,175.25 | OH-1 |
| G | HOME Program Administration | \$33,089.90 | ADMIN. |
| Total | | \$330,899 | |

The HOME Program Administration activity covers program administration, monitoring, reporting, and other related HOME management activities. This activity is limited to 10% of the annual HOME allocation. Residential Rehabilitation will be funded to assist approximately 5 homeowners with code improvements. CHDO projects are funded at 15% of the annual allocation. This project provides funds for Community Housing Development Organizations to rehabilitate existing residential units. The rehabilitation would provide an affordable, safe housing unit while potentially resolving a blighted property issue.

Due to repayment of past loans, the HOME Program has program income. 10% of the annual HOME program income will be used for administration. The balance of the program income or 90% will be utilized in the residential rehabilitation program. PLEASE NOTE: Program income funds will be utilized prior to new entitlement funds.

Questions and Comments



**PUBLIC MEETING
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN 2018
SIGN-IN SHEET**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 12:00 noon - City Council Chambers
City of Decatur, Civic Center, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois 62523

| PRINT YOUR NAME | YOUR SIGNATURE | E-MAIL ADDRESS or MAILING ADDRESS | GROUP REPRESENTED |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Zach Burns | <i>Zach Burns</i> | <i>Zach.Burns@decatur.gov</i> | <i>DLA</i> |
| 2. | | | |
| 3. | | | |
| 4. | | | |
| 5. | | | |
| 6. | | | |
| 7. | | | |

**City of Decatur
Citizen Participation Survey
FY 2018 Action Plan
2015-2019 Consolidated Plan**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Focusing on the areas of *decent affordable housing, suitable living environments, and expanded economic opportunities (especially for low and moderate income residents)*, please share your input below:

Is there a particular interest/concern that you believe should be a priority for the City over the next year?

Over the past few years, the City of Decatur's Neighborhood Services Division has used its federal funds (CDBG, CDBG-R, HOME, HPRP, & Stimulus Energy) for programs including:

- rehabilitation and repair of existing owner-occupied housing for low income persons
- emergency repairs
- housing improvements for people with disabilities
- new affordable housing
- housing for the chronically homeless
- demolition of vacant, unsafe structures
- code enforcement
- sidewalk improvements
- education training
- homebuyer assistance
- rental rehabilitation

Please continue to the back page to complete the survey.

Are there any of these programs which you believe have been especially successful, and should be continued? Or any which you believe should be discontinued, and if so, why?

What four issues do you view as the most important facing the Decatur community over the next year?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Do you know of areas or individuals in the community (e.g. neighborhoods, specific population groups, etc.) with housing or other needs?

a) that are not being addressed?

b) who are not being adequately served?

c) in which you believe assistance should be increased or decreased?

Additional Comments:

Thank you for your participation in this survey.

Please return your comments to: Neighborhood Services Division, 1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois. Comments will be taken through June 25, 2018.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

OMB Number: 4040-0004
Expiration Date: 10/31/2018

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | | |
|---|--|--|
| * 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | * 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision | * If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/> |
| * 3. Date Received: <input type="text"/> | 4. Applicant Identifier: K-18-WO-17-0263 | |
| 6a. Federal Entry Identifier: <input type="text"/> | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| State Use Only: | | |
| 6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/> | 7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/> | |
| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | |
| * a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="City of Decatur"/> | | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="37-6031308"/> | * c. Organizational DUNS: <input type="text" value="0756150000000"/> | |
| d. Address: | | |
| * Street: <input type="text" value="One Gary K. Anderson Plaza"/> | Street? <input type="text"/> | |
| * City: <input type="text" value="Decatur"/> | City: <input type="text"/> | |
| County/Parish: <input type="text" value="Knox"/> | County/Parish: <input type="text"/> | |
| * State: <input type="text" value="IL: Illinois"/> | State: <input type="text"/> | |
| Province: <input type="text"/> | Province: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Country: <input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/> | Country: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text" value="62523-1005"/> | Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text"/> | |
| e. Organizational Unit: | | |
| Department Name: <input type="text" value="Economic/Community Development"/> | Division Name: <input type="text" value="Neighborhood Services"/> | |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | |
| Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/> | * First Name: <input type="text" value="Michelle"/> | |
| Middle Name: <input type="text" value="E."/> | Middle Name: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Last Name: <input type="text" value="Lynn"/> | Last Name: <input type="text"/> | |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/> | Suffix: <input type="text"/> | |
| Title: <input type="text" value="Manager of Neighborhood Services"/> | | |
| Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text" value="City of Decatur"/> | | |
| * Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="217-424-2845"/> | Fax Number: <input type="text" value="217-424-2320"/> | |
| * Email: <input type="text" value="KLyons@decaturil.gov"/> | | |

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | |
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| <p>* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text" value="City or Township Government"/> <p>Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type</p> <input type="text"/> <p>Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>* Other (specify):</p> <input type="text"/> | |
| <p>* 10. Name of Federal Agency:</p> <input type="text" value="Department of Housing and Urban Development"/> | |
| <p>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</p> <input type="text" value="14-218"/> <p>CFDA Title:</p> <input type="text" value="HOME Investment Partnership Funds (HOME)"/> | |
| <p>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>* Title:</p> <input type="text"/> | |
| <p>13. Competition Identification Number:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>Title:</p> <input type="text"/> | |
| <p>14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</p> <input type="text"/> <p style="text-align: right;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/> </p> | |
| <p>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</p> <input type="text" value="HOME- City of Decatur: Housing Rehab, Acquisition/Rehabilitation, Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance, Administrative Costs, Rental Rehab for Special Needs Housing"/> | |
| <p>Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </p> | |

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:
 * a. Applicant: * b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

17. Proposed Project:
 * a. Start Date: * b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| * a. Federal | 444,741.00 |
| * b. Applicant | |
| * c. State | |
| * d. Local | |
| * e. Other | |
| * f. Program Income | 30,000.00 |
| * g. TOTAL | 474,741.00 |

* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?
 a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
 b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
 c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment)
 Yes No
 If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, Section 1001)
 ** I AGREE
 ** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

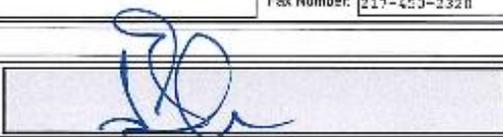
Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:
 Middle Name:
 * Last Name:
 Suffix:

* Title:

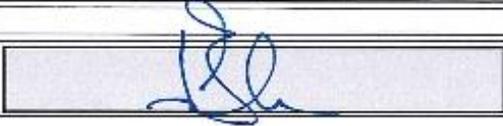
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* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative:  * Date Signed:

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | | |
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| * 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | | |
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| B. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | |
| * a. Legal Name: City of Decatur | | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): | | * c. Organizational DUNS: |
| 37-0961309 | | 0756130690000 |
| d. Address: | | |
| * Street1: | One Gary K. Anderson Plaza | |
| Street2: | <input type="text"/> | |
| * City: | Decatur | |
| County/Parish: | Macon | |
| * State: | IL Illinois | |
| Province: | <input type="text"/> | |
| * Country: | USA: UNITED STATES | |
| * Zip / Postal Code: | 62523-1005 | |
| e. Organizational Unit: | | |
| Department Name: | | Division Name: |
| Economic/Community Development | | Neighborhood Services |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | |
| Prefix: | Mr. | * First Name: Michelle |
| Middle Name: | M. | |
| * Last Name: | Evans | |
| Suffix: | <input type="text"/> | |
| Title: | Manager of Neighborhood Services | |
| Organizational Affiliation: | | |
| City of Decatur | | |
| * Telephone Number: | 217-424-2846 | Fax Number: 217-450-2320 |
| * Email: | m.evans@decaturil.gov | |

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | |
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| <p>* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text" value="City or Township Government"/> <p>Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>* Other (specify):</p> <input type="text"/> | |
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| <p>11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:</p> <input type="text" value="4-218"/> <p>CFDA Title:</p> <input type="text" value="Community Development Block Grant"/> | |
| <p>* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:</p> <input type="text"/> <p>* Title:</p> <input type="text"/> | |
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| <p>* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:</p> <input type="text" value="CDBG-City of Detroit: Housing Rehab, Emergency Rehab, Related Project Costs, Public Services, Crime Prevention, Education/Employment Training, Admin. Costs, Code Enforcement, Infrastructure"/> | |
| <p>Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </p> | |

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | |
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| 16. Congressional Districts Of: | |
| * a. Applicant: <input type="text" value="IL-C13"/> | * b. Program/Project: <input type="text"/> |
| Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed. | |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/> |
| 17. Proposed Project: | |
| * a. Start Date: <input type="text" value="05/01/2018"/> | * b. End Date: <input type="text" value="04/30/2019"/> |
| 18. Estimated Funding (\$): | |
| * a. Federal | <input type="text" value="1,378,744.00"/> |
| * b. Applicant | <input type="text"/> |
| * c. State | <input type="text"/> |
| * d. Local | <input type="text"/> |
| * e. Other | <input type="text"/> |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text"/> |
| * g. TOTAL | <input type="text" value="1,378,744.00"/> |
| * 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/> . | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review. | |
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| * 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment) | |
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| 21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, Section 1001) | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE | |
| <small>** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.</small> | |
| Authorized Representative: | |
| Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/> | * First Name: <input type="text" value="Dina"/> |
| Middle Name: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Last Name: <input type="text" value="Johnson"/> | |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Title: <input type="text" value="City Manager"/> | |
| * Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="217-454-2801"/> | Fax Number: <input type="text" value="217-450-2320"/> |
| * Email: <input type="text" value="DJohnson@decaturil.gov"/> | |
| * Signature of Authorized Representative:  | * Date Signed: <input type="text" value="6/20/18"/> |

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As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4733) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1695-1696), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-335) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11814; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11980; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11958; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11595 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 105(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2018, 2019 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(e):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.



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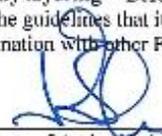
Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;



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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

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

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

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

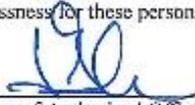
Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

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

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

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.



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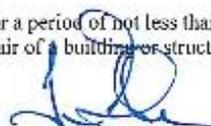
Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

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

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

1. For a period of not less than 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For a period of not less than 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.



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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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