



# BAYONNE, NJ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

DRAFT 2026 Annual Action Plan

**DRAFT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW  
MAY 1, 2026 – JUNE 1, 2026**

In order to obtain the views of residents, public agencies and other interested parties, Bayonne will place the 2026 Annual Action Plan on public display beginning May 1, 2026 through June 2, 2026, on the City's website at the following address: [www.bayonnenj.org](http://www.bayonnenj.org) and in person at Bayonne City Hall, 630 Avenue C in Bayonne. This document will be available to the public for a period of no less than 30 days. All interested persons are invited to submit written comments addressed to Ashley Lambert-Chavers, City of Bayonne, at the above address or by e-mail to [CDBG@baynj.org](mailto:CDBG@baynj.org). All comments received by June 2, 2026 will be considered.

## Executive Summary

### AP-05 Executive Summary - 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

#### 1. Introduction

The City of Bayonne, NJ has prepared a Five-Year Consolidated Plan to identify housing and community development needs and to develop specific goals and objectives to address those needs over a five-year period. The Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the City covers the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2029. The Annual Action Plan presented here covers the second year of this 5-year period, specifically from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

The Annual Action Plan sets forth the goals and objectives for the period and is a continuation of efforts begun in the first year of the current 5-year cycle to address needs identified in the current Consolidated Plan. More specifically, this Annual Action Plan details the City's intended use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan stipulates that the City's Department of Community Development will administer the CDBG Program.

The FY 2026 Annual Action Plan describes to HUD and to our stakeholders how the City of Bayonne intends to use CDBG funds to meet community needs. The funds are intended to provide low- and moderate-income households with viable communities by addressing one of HUD's three objectives; 1. Provide decent housing, 2. Create a suitable living environment, and 3. Create economic opportunities. Eligible activities include community facilities and improvements, roads and infrastructure, housing rehabilitation and preservation, development activities, public services, economic development, planning and administration.

Program outcomes are designed to show how each activity benefits the community or people served. All activities must provide one of the following benefits; 1. Improved Availability / Accessibility, 2. Improved Affordability or 3. Improved Sustainability.

Community Development Block Grant funds allocated to Bayonne in 2026 to address the needs outlined in this Plan are \$1,422,664.

#### 2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

All activities included in the 2026 Action Plan will support at least one objective from the following list:

1. Preserve existing affordable housing
2. Maintain and improve the infrastructure, including water, sewer, streets, sidewalks, storm water facilities that impact homeowners

3. Maintain and improve public facilities, including parks and recreation facilities; make handicap accessibility improvements as needed
4. Maintain and improve non-profit facilities that serve low-mod and at-risk residents, including food pantries and facilities for victims of domestic violence
5. Ensure that quality public services in support of youth development, public health, employment and housing needs are available to low-income residents
6. Continued support of services to those individuals and groups with special needs, such as disabled adults and the elderly
7. Support activities that address the needs of the Homeless and Non-homeless Special Needs Populations, especially in the areas of prevention and of transitioning to independent living
8. Execution of anti-poverty efforts that support and build upon existing programs, relate to economic development efforts and integrate job training and placement, welfare to work initiatives and other programs aimed at improving opportunities for economic self-sufficiency
9. Continue Administration and Management activities, including Fair Housing

Specific goals for the Plan are summarized in Section AP-20. Specific Projects to meet those goals and the objectives for each Project are detailed in Section AP-35.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

As detailed in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPERs) the City submits each year, Bayonne and its community partners regularly bring the benefits of the CDBG program to thousands of Bayonne residents. It has done so by focusing efforts of the City and its partners on the timely and compliant use of CDBG funds. That focus will continue in 2026.

As it has in previous years, through a concerted effort, Bayonne successfully made timeliness for the use of CDBG funds on the annual timeliness test date of May 2, 2026.

As of May 1, 2026, the City has drawn down some 99% of 2022 CDBG funds, 80% of 2023 funds, 64% of 2024 funds and 13% of the recently arrived 2025 funds. Bayonne has also drawn 95% of CDBG-CV funds.

Successful and popular services from previous years have been continued in 2026. Examples include the Senior Bus program, support for youth programs and support for special needs populations, including United Cerebral Palsy and Victory Hall. A program to improve facilities of non-profits serving the low-mod income population has also been continued from previous years.

Bayonne continues its commitment to further affordable housing through the Housing Rehabilitation Program, support for services to address homelessness and funding fair housing activities.

#### 4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

This Annual Action Plan resulted from a process of consultation and citizen participation. Citizens, not-for-profit organizations and other interested parties were afforded a variety of opportunities to: receive information about the meetings, participate in public hearings, comment upon the plan and its amendments, and register complaints about the plan and its amendments.

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#### 5. Summary of public comments

Comments received during the initial Jan. 20, 2026 public hearing to assess community needs and through the needs assessment portions of applications for CDBG funding indicate that there continue to be unmet needs in the Bayonne community. These include needs for public services, improvements to the facilities in which those services are provided, need for more available affordable housing, the need to improve the City's housing stock through their Housing Rehabilitation Program and the need for additional fair housing information and resources.

{{{{There were no public comments submitted during the second hearing, held on May 20, 2026. There were also no public comments submitted during the public review period.}}}}

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

All comments were accepted.

**7. Summary**

The 2026 Annual Action Plan sets forth a description of activities for the use of funds that are expected to become available during the coming Program Year, determines goals for individuals and households to be served, and describes the implementation plan and geographic location of the activities to be undertaken.

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

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

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	BAYONNE	
CDBG Administrator	BAYONNE	Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### Narrative

The City Council, through the Department of Community Development, has the ultimate responsibility in assuring that the priority needs of the Consolidated Plan are met. The Department provides the funding and technical assistance to the non-profit housing developers and service providers, and City agencies and authorities for projects that meet the needs documented in the plan. The City's housing and community development programs are administered by the Department of Community Development, working with a number of other City agencies, county offices, and not-for-profit service providers.

### Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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## **AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)**

### **1. Introduction**

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Intergovernmental cooperation is vital to the success of Consolidated Plan efforts, given the diversity of programs and agencies providing housing and housing services. The two primary housing service providers in the city are the City itself and the Bayonne Housing Authority. In addition, the City implements the Annual Action Plan through the efforts of public, private, non-profit, and for-profit organizations to meet the stated goals and objectives. The collaborative approach employed by the City has proven to be a valuable tool in eliciting input that would not otherwise be available. This development process synthesized diverse ideas and approaches into a comprehensive and coherent planning document and set of strategies that address the low-income housing needs of the City in a clear and logical fashion.

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**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 City's housing and community development programs are administered by the Department of Community Development, working with a number of other City agencies and not-for-profit service providers. The Bayonne Economic Opportunity Foundation, Bayonne Family Community Center, Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation and more all provide various public services, including mental health, case management/service referrals and emergency assistance to individuals experiencing homelessness. The City has worked closely with local non-profit organizations to actively encourage cross-sector collaboration and innovation in providing housing and services for low- and moderate-income persons.

Both the City and the Bayonne Housing Authority coordinate their efforts and activities to ensure adequate and efficient service in the areas of public housing and housing assistance. The Bayonne Housing Authority manages the public housing units and Section 8 program on a day-to-day basis. Also, the City Department of Community Development maintains a positive relationship with the builders, developers and financial institutions in the County and the region. This collaborative approach has assisted in the creation of affordable housing projects throughout the City.

A number of other agencies, organizations and programs are consulted with respect to providing services and assistance to the City’s low- and moderate-income residents. The NJ Department of Community Affairs provides technical and financial assistance through various housing programs. The Hudson County Board of Social Services and the Department of Human Services provide counseling programs for homeless persons and emergency assistance. The Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) Committee coordinates homeless strategies and programs countywide. Though these entities and the CEAS in particular, work well together, there are opportunities for improved coordination and communication. All agencies involved in these efforts are seeking new ways to better serve their target populations and the general public.

The City of Bayonne, as the administrator of the CDBG funds, works closely with non-profit organizations, the school and college districts, private sector organizations, such as banks, contractors and developers, and other government entities to address the community objectives outlined in this plan. These organizations also contributed to this plan in various ways:

- Participation in the focus group and public hearing.
- Individual conversations were held with various stakeholders who were unable to attend a public hearing or focus group.

The Bayonne Community Development Program maintains ongoing relationships with its municipal, agency and community-based partners through ongoing dialogues, application

processes, formal meetings and less formal settings. This frequent interaction with the varied components of the City allows the CD Program to complete both big picture, long-term planning and to assist in day-to-day implementation of those plans.

**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.**

In New Jersey, the state requires that each county establish a Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) to coordinate the provision of all human/social services in the county. The state further requires that a Comprehensive Emergency Assistance System (CEAS) subcommittee be established in each county, specifically to coordinate the provision of services and housing to the homeless.

Bayonne is a participant in the Jersey City-Bayonne-Hudson County Continuum of Care, known as the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH).

HCAEH is a consortium of homeless housing, shelter, consumers, advocates and government representatives working together to shape countywide planning and decision making. The HCAEH is led by the Hudson County Division of Housing and Community Development.

Each year, a Point-in-Time count is made of the persons residing in shelter and transitional facilities and living unsheltered in the County.

**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 Bayonne does not receive ESG funds but consults with Hudson County through the CoC and CEAS organizations to help the County determine how best to use ESG resources.

**2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations**

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Bayonne Planning Department
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Planning organization Grantee Department
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation via meetings, e-mails and less formal conversations with various City departments to continually evaluate relevant needs.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The City of Bayonne, Department of Community Development
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Other government - Local Grantee Department
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation via meetings, e-mails and less formal conversations with various City departments to continually evaluate relevant needs.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Windmill Alliance, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Public Services
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	In addition to consultation via meetings, e-mails and less formal conversation; the City held one public hearing, a community stakeholder meeting and a community survey to solicit input on community needs and priorities for the current Consolidated Plan. Public hearings were also held for this Annual Action Plan. This organization's application for CDBG funding also included a description of community needs.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Urban Enterprise Zone
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Planning organization Business Leaders Civic Leaders
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation via meetings, e-mails and less formal conversations with various City departments to continually evaluate relevant needs.
5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne Housing Authority
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
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6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Community Day Nursery
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Public Services
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7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne Family Community Center
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Public Services
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8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Public Services
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9	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne Economic Opportunity Foundation
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Public Services
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10	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne Youth Center
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public services

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11	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne Department of Health
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Health Other government - Local Grantee Department
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation via meetings, e-mails and less formal conversations with various City departments to continually evaluate relevant needs.
12	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HUDSON MILESTONES
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public Services
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13	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Wallace Temple
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Health

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public Services
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14	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Sunflower Adult Day
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public Services
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15	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Bayonne PAL Day Care Center Inc.
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	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs Public Services
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16	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	The Waterfront Project, Inc.
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Public Services
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17	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Victory Hall
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### Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

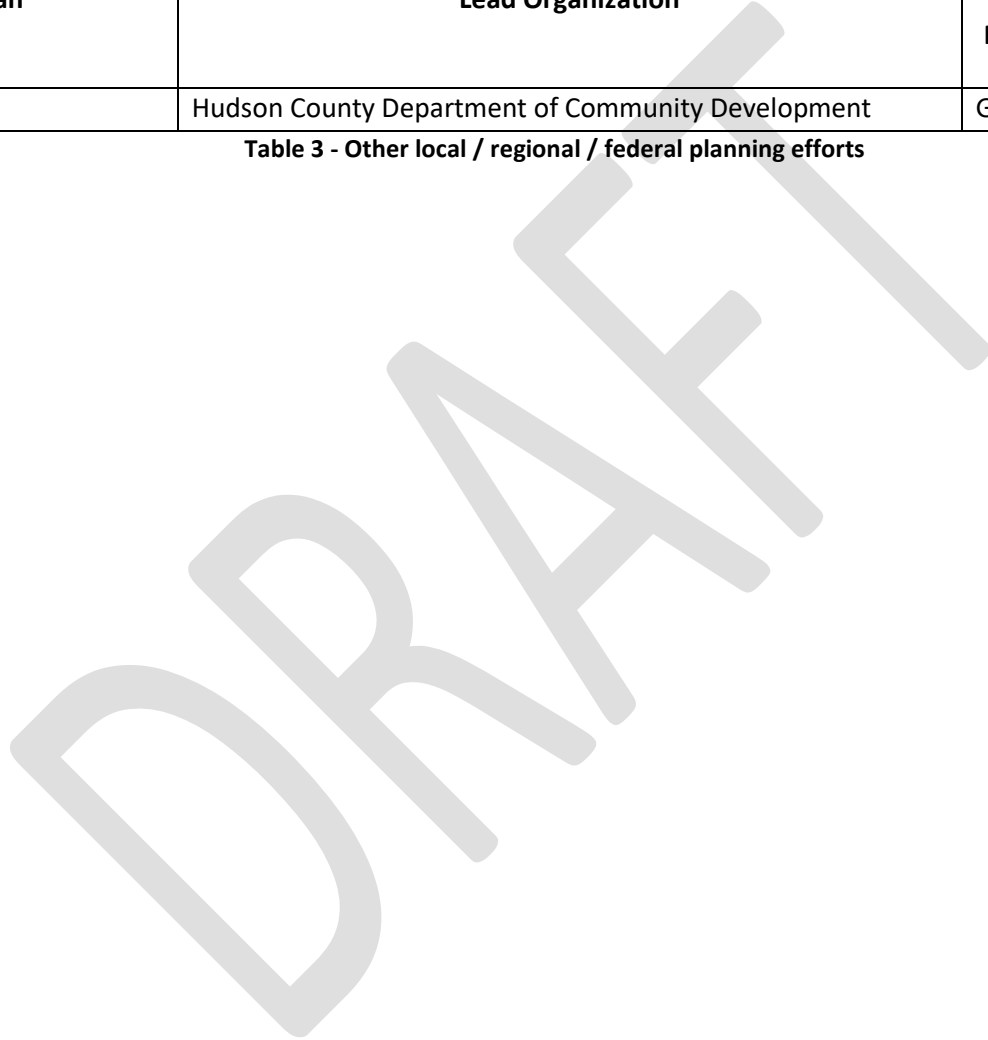
To the best of its ability, the City has been in contact with all known agencies and organizations involved in activities that are relevant to CDBG activities and programs.

**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?
Continuum of Care	Hudson County Department of Community Development	Goals are the same.

**Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

**Narrative**



**AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 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**

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**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)
1	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Held January 20, 2026 to receive community input on needs and opportunities. <b>XX people attended.</b>	Consensus was there remains a continued need for many public services as well as facility and infrastructure improvements and assistance with maintaining existing housing as well as adding new affordable units.	All comments were accepted.	
2	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Held May 20, 2026 to review draft Action Plan.			

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3	Funding applications	Local service providers	Applications received from many and varied providers in which they described current needs as well as their efforts to meet them.	Local non-profits continue to do remarkable working in meeting the needs of the City's many vulnerable populations. Need continues to outpace resources.	All comments were accepted.	

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

### AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

The City of Bayonne has been allocated \$1,422,664 from HUD for the 2026 Program Year.

#### Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,422,664.00	0.00	0.00	1,422,664.00	4,200,000.00	Expected amount for remainder of Con Plan is approximately 3 times the current 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.**

Non-profit partners in the City's CDBG program bring resources of every type to augment their CDBG funding. From federal Head Start dollars to state and foundation services grants to bake sales, Bayonne's non-profit partners are dynamic and resourceful in serving their particular constituencies.

Similarly, the City combines federal, state and local resources for infrastructure and facility projects. State and federal Department of Transportation and utility funding sources are added to CDBG resources to improve project scopes and efficiencies.

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

Any planned street improvements and public park improvements would take place on public property in the City.

**Discussion**

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## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Affordable Housing	2025	2029	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Provide Safe, Affordable Housing Opportunities	CDBG: \$350,000.00	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit
2	Public Service Programs	2025	2029	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Public Service Programs	CDBG: \$213,399.00	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2180 Persons Assisted
3	Public Facilities	2025	2029	Non-Housing Community Development	Low/mod areas Citywide	Public Facilities	CDBG: \$435,768.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 500 Persons Assisted
4	Public Improvements	2025	2029	Non-Housing Community Development	Low/mod areas	Public Infrastructure	CDBG: \$138,967.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Persons Assisted
5	Administration	2025	2029	Administration	Low/mod areas Citywide	Administration and Planning	CDBG: \$284,530.00	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

## Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Affordable Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Necessary repairs to residential units occupied by income-eligible households, both owner-occupied and rental. This goal will be met through Project 16.
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Through a combination of City departments and private, non-profit partners, the City of Bayonne will use 2025 CDBG funds to help provide a wide variety of services to seniors, youth and other low-moderate income residents. This goal will be met through Projects 2 through 15.
3	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Improvements, including accessibility improvements, to public facilities, including facilities owned by non-profits that serve primarily low-mod income residents. This goal will be met through Project 17.
4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Public infrastructure improvements including streets, water and sewer, parks and other eligible projects in low-mod residential areas or for removal of architectural barriers. This goal will be met through Project 18.
5	<b>Goal Name</b>	Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Program Administration. To include program planning, outreach, recordkeeping and reporting. This goal will be met through Project 1.

## AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

### Introduction

With input from a variety of stakeholders, with data from a variety of sources and with hands-on experience in front-line services to the most vulnerable populations in the City, Bayonne plans a mix of activities in FY 2026 to address a wide range of challenges for those populations. Housing rehab, recreation and child care programming and support for public facilities improvements are just some of the approaches to improving neighborhoods, houses and, most importantly, families in Bayonne.

All activities funded in the 2026 Program Year will support at least one objective and one outcome

1. Preserve existing housing through the Housing Rehabilitation Program 10 units
2. Maintain and improve public facilities including non-profit facilities that provide services to low- and moderate-income residents - facilities serving at least 500 residents
3. Ensure that quality public services in support of youth development, public health, employment and housing needs are available to low income residents - 14 public services assisting a minimum of 2,000 residents
4. Public improvements including streets and parks - benefiting a minimum of 1,000 residents
5. Continue Administration and Management activities, including Fair Housing

#	Project Name
1	Planning & Administration - 2026
2	Fair Housing - 2026
3	Community Day Nursery - 2026
4	Senior Bus - 2026
5	Head Start - 2026
6	HIGHWAYS Counseling and Crisis Intervention - 2026
7	United Cerebral Palsy - 2026
8	Bayonne Youth Center - 2026
9	Bayonne Family Community Center - 2026
10	Victory Hall - 2026

#	Project Name
11	PAL - 2026
12	Wallace Temple Food Pantry - 2026
13	Team Wilderness - 2026
14	Church World Service - 2026
15	Act Now Foundation - 2026
16	Residential Rehab - 2026
17	Public Facilities Fund - 2026
18	Public Infrastructure Improvements - 2026

**Table 7 – Project Information**

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

In allocating CDBG funds, the City endeavored to fund activities that were deemed to have the greatest benefit to residents in a timely, efficient manner. The aim was to provide benefits in coordination with other support structures so as to avoid redundancy.

The system for establishing the priority for the selection of these projects is predicated upon the following criteria:

- Meeting the statutory and regulatory requirements of the CDBG Program.
- Meeting the needs of low- and moderate-income residents
- Focusing on low- and moderate-income areas or neighborhoods
- Coordination and leveraging of resources
- Response to expressed needs
- Sustainability and/or long-term impact, and
- The ability to demonstrate measurable progress and success.

**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

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<b>1</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Planning & Administration - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Low/mod areas Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Administration
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Administration and Planning
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$284,530.00
	<b>Description</b>	Planning and administration of the CDBG program, including planning, outreach, monitoring, recordkeeping, reporting and affordable housing efforts.
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Properly implementing the City's CDBG program will benefit thousands of low and moderate-income residents, as specified within each project that follows.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Administration is from 555 Kennedy Boulevard in Bayonne as well as 630 Avenue C in Bayonne but the benefits are citywide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Planning and administration of the CDBG program, including planning, outreach, monitoring, recordkeeping, reporting and affordable housing efforts.
<b>2</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Fair Housing - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$26,399.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	At least 10 Bayonne residents from low-mod income households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	555 Kennedy Blvd., Bayonne, NJ.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide Fair Housing counseling services to low- and moderate-income individuals.

<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Community Day Nursery - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$20,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 50 families, the majority of whom will have household incomes of 80% or less of the Area Median Income.
	<b>Location Description</b>	593 Broadway, Bayonne, NJ.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for a program that provides day care to pre-school children primarily from low- and moderate-income families.
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Senior Bus - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$20,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	At least 700 unduplicated senior or disabled Bayonne residents from throughout the City will benefit from this service.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Bus travels throughout Bayonne, providing seniors with transportation to medical appointments, shopping and more.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for a senior bus that operates throughout the City. Includes activities for salaries and insurance costs.
<b>5</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Head Start - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs

	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$15,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	100 children from low- and moderate-income households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Head Start centers are located at 21 W. 8th Street and 557 Kennedy Boulevard in Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Support for operations of Head Start centers.
<b>6</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HIGHWAYS Counseling and Crisis Intervention - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$20,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Approximately 500 individuals, including homeless, those at risk of homelessness and victims of domestic violence.
	<b>Location Description</b>	184 Hobart Ave., Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Windmill Alliance's HIGHWAYS program supports various homeless shelters, food pantries and shelters for domestic violence victims as well as providing counseling and employment training and opportunities for the clients of those facilities.
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	United Cerebral Palsy - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$30,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	

	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	10 severely disabled adults.
	<b>Location Description</b>	721 Broadway, Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for an organization that assists severely disabled adults.
8	<b>Project Name</b>	Bayonne Youth Center - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$10,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	200 youth, primarily from low- and moderate-income households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	524 Kennedy Boulevard, Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for after-school programming for youths from low- and moderate-income families.
9	<b>Project Name</b>	Bayonne Family Community Center - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$5,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	100 primarily low and moderate-income families.

	<b>Location Description</b>	259 Avenue E, Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for a residential service program that assists clients with social service needs such as medical appointments, work programs, transportation needs etc.
<b>10</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Victory Hall - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$9,500.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	25 developmentally disabled adults and their families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	74 W. 46th St., Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for a program that provides activities for developmentally disabled adults.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	PAL - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$25,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	At least 100 children, primarily from low- and moderate-income households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	550 Avenue A, Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Support for a day care center operated by the Bayonne PAL and serving primarily low- and moderate-income families.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Wallace Temple Food Pantry - 2026

<b>12</b>	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$5,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	300 low and very low income residents of Bayonne, including homeless individuals.
	<b>Location Description</b>	392 Avenue C, Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Operating support for a food pantry and soup kitchen that provides nutritional education along with food.
	<b>13</b>	<b>Project Name</b>
<b>Target Area</b>		Citywide
<b>Goals Supported</b>		Public Service Programs
<b>Needs Addressed</b>		Public Service Programs
<b>Funding</b>		CDBG: \$15,000.00
<b>Description</b>		
<b>Target Date</b>		12/31/2027
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>		At least 25 Bayonne youth, primarily from low-mod income households.
<b>Location Description</b>		Programming is provided in partnership with the Bayonne Youth Center, 524 Kennedy Blvd., Bayonne.
<b>Planned Activities</b>		Operating support for Out of School Time program that brings youth into nature.
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Church World Service - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs

	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$2,500.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	10 Bayonne residents, primarily from low- and moderate-income households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Office is located at 26 Journal Square in Jersey City, but services will be provided in Bayonne.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Support for a program that provides employment and job readiness services.
15	<b>Project Name</b>	Act Now Foundation - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Service Programs
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$10,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	12/31/2027
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	50 Bayonne seniors age 62 and over who are dealing with memory loss.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Act Now Foundation is located at 400 38th St., Suite 406, Union City, NJ. Services to Bayonne residents will be provided at Bayonne Senior Center locations.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Support for a program that provides services to those affected by dementia as well as their caregivers.
16	<b>Project Name</b>	Residential Rehab - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Affordable Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Provide Safe, Affordable Housing Opportunities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$350,000.00
	<b>Description</b>	

	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2028
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	10 households, all at or below 80% Area Median Income.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Program available throughout Bayonne. Exact locations to be determined.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Loans for repairs to housing units, both owner-occupied and rental, inhabited by income-eligible residents. Funding includes amounts for all types of loans plus project delivery costs.
17	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Facilities Fund - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Low/mod areas Citywide
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$435,768.00
	<b>Description</b>	
	<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2028
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Exact numbers won't be determined until the facilities are selected but at least 500 low- and moderate-income residents will benefit from improvements to the non-profit facilities that provide them with services.
	<b>Location Description</b>	To be determined.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Facility-improvement grants for eligible improvements to municipal and non-profit facilities that are open to the public and serve as a venue for services to the City's low- and moderate-income residents, either by virtue of being located in a low-mod area or from a limited clientele standpoint of presumed benefit or documented income.
18	<b>Project Name</b>	Public Infrastructure Improvements - 2026
	<b>Target Area</b>	Low/mod areas
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Public Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$138,967.00
	<b>Description</b>	

<b>Target Date</b>	6/30/2028
<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Exact number to be determined once projects are selected, but it is expected that infrastructure improvements will benefit a minimum of 1,000 Bayonne residents, the majority of whom will be low-mod.
<b>Location Description</b>	To be determined.
<b>Planned Activities</b>	Projects to improve public infrastructure in eligible low-mod residential areas or to remove barriers to accessibility.

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**AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)**

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

It is expected that all activities except for Infrastructure Improvements will benefit eligible Bayonne residents from throughout the City. This is reflective of the fact that seniors, income-eligible homeowners, youth and other beneficiaries reside all across the City. The only other potential exception is the non-profit facilities fund, which could potentially benefit the residents of a low-mod service area rather than eligible residents from throughout the City. This won't be known until specific non-profits are selected for assistance.

**Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Low/mod areas	10
Citywide	90

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution**

**Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically**

The geographic distribution described above allows Bayonne to adhere to its funding allocation principals, specifically:

- \* abiding by CDBG regulations
- \* putting the most resources where the greatest need is
- \* using resources in the most efficient and effective manner.

**Discussion**

## **AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)**

### **Introduction**

Barriers to affordable housing in Bayonne include the deteriorated condition of some housing units, environmental problems and the high cost of remediating them, and low-income levels that make affordability a major concern. The City is attempting to address these issues through community and economic planning initiatives, as well as by providing financial assistance for housing repairs.

**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**

There are no indications that current municipal public policies serve as barriers to affordable housing.

### **Discussion**

Bayonne's proximity to New York City and recent indications of gentrification combine to keep property values very high, often placing homeownership beyond the reach of even those whose income is well above the low-mod range. This makes renting the only viable option for many and the inclusion of rental properties into the City's residential rehab program is intended to help provide decent, affordable housing to meet continued need among low and moderate-income households.

## **AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction**

This section summarizes by various category the anticipated benefits and impacts of the activities contained in this Annual Action Plan. The individual goals and aims of these activities are described in AP-35, the Projects Section. This section shows how multiple activities reinforce each other in addressing broad areas of community development.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is a lack of funds. There are many needs in all of the areas - public facilities, public services, infra-structure, and economic development – and municipal resources go only so far.

The City, through both staff and consultants, is constantly looking for additional funding sources to address the unmet needs identified in our community. The City is also working with the non-profit community to encourage out-of-the-box systems change thinking to maximize the resources and impact organizations can collectively have in the community.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

Bayonne currently has a statutory requirement that is applicable to residential redevelopment projects whereby the redeveloper is required to provide a minimum of ten percent of the residential units as affordable, whether they be sales or rental units, and has an “Affordable Housing Trust Fund” that requires residential developers to make a payment to the trust fund that is equal to one percent of the project’s cost and non-residential developers to make a payment that is equal to two percent of the project’s cost. Additionally, Bayonne has adopted a Fair Share Housing Plan pursuant to the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing’s (COAH) regulations which include a spending plan for the Affordable Housing Trust Funds.

The City continues to use all available resources including CDBG, HOME, New Jersey State housing programs and Federal tax credits to develop affordable housing. The City’s CDBG resources focuses on maintaining a homeowner rehab program.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

Bayonne’s residential rehab program will help reduce lead-based paint hazards in two ways:

- Education - by providing homeowners with information on the risk of lead-based paint, particularly to small children, and with information on how to reduce those risks.
- Testing & clearance - for all pre-1978 housing in the residential rehab program where painted

surfaces will be disturbed or are found to be deteriorated, the program will conduct a lead risk assessment and address any lead paint hazards through lead safe work practices, interim controls or abatement, as appropriate and in compliance with HUD and EPA regulations regarding lead paint.

The Community Development Office continues to contract with McCabe Environmental Services to perform (1) lead based paint risk assessments on effected properties being rehabilitated with CDBG funds and (2) follow-up with final clearance reports.

Additionally, abatement work is currently undertaken by qualified contractors who have completed US HUD and EPA lead training courses and outreach is being undertaken to bring in additional contractors. Also please see section SP-65 for additional efforts to address the lead-based paint hazard.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

The City has historically taken advantage of all programs that provide assistance to persons living below the poverty level and looks to place potential job applicants in entry level positions with various businesses that receive financial assistance from CDBG under the Urban Enterprise Zone Program.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The City Council, through the Department of Community Development, has the ultimate responsibility in assuring that the priority needs of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are met. The Department provides the funding and technical assistance to the non-profit housing developers and service providers, and City agencies and authorities for projects that meet the needs documented in the plan. The City's housing and community development programs are administered by the Department of Community Development, working with a number of other City agencies, county offices, and not-for-profit service providers. The City is also a member of the Hudson County Consortium. Both the City and the Bayonne Housing Authority coordinate their efforts and activities to ensure adequate and efficient service in the areas of public housing and housing assistance. The Housing Authority manages the Section 8 program.

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

As a common partner with so many of the public and private housing and social service providers, the Bayonne Community Development Program has been a natural conduit for communication and interaction among these entities. The CD Program will continue to serve in that capacity while

respecting the autonomy and uniqueness of each partner.

**Discussion**

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## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

#### Introduction

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	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
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>0</b>

#### 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.	100.00%

#### Discussion