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PLEASE NOTE: CHARLESTON COUNTY HAS NOT RECEIVED ITS FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), SO THIS PLAN IS A DRAFT ONLY.

SEE ATTACHMENT 1 FOR LIST OF PROJECTS SUBMITTED TO CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE MARCH 28, 2017 PUBLIC HEARING. THESE AMOUNTS WILL NOT BE FINALIZED UNTIL CHARLESTON COUNTY RECEIVES NOTICE OF ITS PY2017 FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FROM HUD.



Annual Action Plan - Program Year 2017

Community Development Department

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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Each year Charleston County submits an Action Plan explaining how the U.S. Department of Urban Development (HUD) resources will be used to improve communities throughout the County (outside the city limits of Charleston). This is an annual implementation plan of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan addressing the housing and community development needs in Charleston County. The needs and goals were identified through collaboration with participating jurisdictions and other public and private organizations. The goals of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are targeted to low-to-moderate income residents and households in Charleston County.

This is the County's second Annual Action Plan from the 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan. It identifies activities that the County will undertake in the 2017-2018 Program Year to address priority needs in the community. The Plan describes the resources available, the programs and projects to be funded, and the proposed accomplishments.

The Action Plan, developed with the input of citizens serves four major functions:

1. It is the County's application for funds available through the three HUD Formula Programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (HESG);
2. It is the annual planning document, built through public input and participation and an open Request For Application (RFA) process;
3. It lays out expected annual funding resources, the method of fund distribution and the actions the County will follow in administering HUD Programs; and,
4. It provides accountability to citizens for the use of the funds and allows HUD to measure program performance.

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.

Throughout the Consolidated planning process, Charleston County identified four priority needs:

- Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options
- Infrastructure Improvements and Development
- Social Services to Benefit the LMI (Low- and Moderate-Income) Community
- Homeless Needs

To meet those needs, the County is planning to achieve the following goals and outcomes over the next year:

- Well and Septic Improvements – Assist LMI Households
- Infrastructure Improvement (Sidewalks) - Access for individuals
- Infrastructure Improvement (Water lines) - Access for LMI households
- Rehabilitation (vacant units to sell or rent) – Rehabilitate units for LMI households
- New Housing Construction (Rental and Sales) – Add new housing units for LMI households
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation – Rehabilitate housing units for LMI households
- Emergency Rehabilitation – Rehabilitate housing units for LMI households
- Direct Services to the LMI Community – Provide services to LMI persons
- Action on Homelessness – Shelter homeless persons and provide rapid re-housing for 30 households
- Demolition – Demolish dilapidated buildings

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The following represents outcomes reported in the fifth and final year of the 2011-2015 Consolidated Plan submitted and accepted by HUD in September 2016. For CDBG, Infrastructure projects (particularly well, septic, and water connections) were one of the top priorities for the County in Program Year (PY) 2015. A total of 44 LMI households now have clean drinking water and safe, sanitary septic systems through activities completed by the Town of Hollywood and the Charleston County Community Development Department. In addition to these infrastructure projects, sidewalk projects were completed in North Charleston (with prior year funds), including the Accabee Walking Trail, Dobson Street, and Louise Drive.

Emergency Repairs were one of the other top priorities under CDBG for the County in PY2015, with 23 repairs performed during the year. Also using CDBG funds, public service activities reached the most vulnerable of the county residents through youth programs, literacy and workplace training, in addition to legal and senior services. In total, 2,937 Charleston County residents received public service activities during the program year.

Owner-Occupied and Rental Rehabilitation were also priorities in PY2015, with 5 rentals and 20 owner-occupied homes rehabilitated using HOME funds. Utilizing ESG funds, 16 individuals were rapidly rehoused and 732 homeless individuals were provided emergency shelter.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

A sequence of public meetings was held in 2016 to discuss the preparation of the 2017 - 2018 Annual Action Plan, to answer resident questions, and to seek public input. Comments and feedback from citizens were consistently encouraged throughout the entire planning process. In addition, a hearing about the annual action plan was held on March 28, 2017. The public comment period was held for 30 days from March 28 - April 27, 2017. See Appendix A for the Citizen Participation Section, which includes a summary of public meeting times/dates as well as public comments received.

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.

See Appendix A for the Citizen Participation Section, which includes a summary of public meeting times/dates as well as public comments received.

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

All comments were accepted and are attached in Appendix A.

7. Summary

Charleston County's community development programs seek to develop viable communities by providing affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities. The Annual Action Plan enables Charleston County to examine the housing and community development needs of the county and to develop programs that effectively utilize the resources available to address these needs and improve the quality of life for low and moderate income residents.

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
Lead Agency	CHARLESTON COUNTY	
CDBG Administrator	CHARLESTON COUNTY	Community Development Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	CHARLESTON COUNTY	Community Development Department
ESG Administrator	CHARLESTON COUNTY	Community Development Department
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Charleston County’s Community Development Department administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) for Charleston County and is designated as the lead entity responsible for overseeing the development of the county’s Consolidated Plan. However, preparation and development of the plan required input from numerous individuals, municipalities, agencies and organizations throughout the county.

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

1. Introduction

Charleston County is engaged in ongoing efforts to increase coordination amongst the complex network of public, private, and nonprofit organizations that deliver housing and social services to the community. As the administrators of HUD's CDBG, HOME and HESG programs, the County's Department of Community Development acts as a hub for community and economic development in the area. Open lines of communication are maintained between the County and the area's many non-profit and social service agencies.

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))

Charleston County staff is readily accessible and present at all County Council meetings to hear public comments on various public items on Council's agenda. Community Services: Community Development staff is actively engaged in discussions and initiatives related to affordable housing; fair housing; Lowcountry Homeless Coalition (LHC) meetings and discussions; and, Planning and Zoning coordination. County staff is continuing discussions with the Charleston County Housing Authority to see how we can better partner.

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 local Continuum of Care's (CoC) 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness incorporates the five goals and themes of Opening Doors. A taskforce was convened to develop the 10-Year Plan. The special taskforce includes the Lowcountry Homeless Coalition and other HUD recipients, local officials, representatives from systems of care, the faith community, housing developers, homeless/formerly homeless individuals, and a variety of nonprofit organizations. The taskforce developed its own steps and action plans to achieve the goals, taking into consideration specific characteristics of our community. A departmental staff person is also on the Board of Directors for the local CoC.

Outreach teams work to establish relationships and trust amongst unsheltered homeless populations in Charleston County. The teams use the common assessment for homeless services to assess the vulnerability of unsheltered persons. Homeless service providers then use the vulnerability scores to identify who is most at risk and how to prioritize housing services. Outreach teams communicate and collaborate with each other through the help of the shared Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

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

Charleston County is one of two HESG recipients in the CoCs geographic area, with plans to award \$142,479 in 2017. LHC, the area CoC, uses HMIS data to identify the most successful interventions. LHC assisted in establishing these two funding priorities for 2017:

1. Rapid Re-housing
2. Shelter Operations

LHC collaborates with the other South Carolina CoCs and the South Carolina Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) to establish state-wide HESG priorities; performance measures, HMIS data collection standards, and evaluation methods. The first priority is rapid re-housing, which has been proven to be the best practice to affect real change for this population.

LHC provides HESG data for the County's CAPER. HMIS data is reviewed monthly by LHC staff and quarterly by the Performance Review/Selection Committee. The Committee evaluates the performance of renewal projects in the following areas, as captured in HMIS: data quality; client exits to permanent housing; length of time homeless; exits with earned income and income from all sources; occupancy rate; and recidivism rate. Project performance is evaluated in comparison to LHC's performance objectives in each of these categories. New and renewal applicants are evaluated on general agency capacity: experience managing federal grants; review of monitoring visits; review of financial audits; timely payment of LHC Administrative Fees; PIT Count participation; CoC participation; adequate staffing and facilities; and use of best/evidence-based practices. Projects that serve clients with more barriers to housing are acknowledged and evaluated relative to their target-population.

Only LHC endorsed applications are considered for funding by the County HESG Program.

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

1	Agency/Group/Organization	One80 Place
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	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
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Lowcountry Homeless Coalition (LHC) Participation; Response to Request For Application for ESG and CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Florence Crittenton Programs of South Carolina
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Response to Request For Application for ESG; Environmental review training and discussions; Lowcountry Homeless Coalition (LHC) Participation and Coordination; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	CHARLESTON AREA SENIOR CITIZENS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	Technical assistance; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Dee Norton Lowcountry Children's Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services - Victims Child Welfare Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Technical assistance; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	EAST COOPER MEALS ON WHEELS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs 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?	Technical assistance; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Charleston County Housing & Redevelopment Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Emergency Repair Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	MOUNT PLEASANT WATERWORKS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Utility
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Infrastructure needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	PRO BONO LEGAL SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Fair Housing
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	TOWN OF AWENDAW
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Public Meeting and Presentation at Town of Awendaw; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board; Technical Assistance.

10	Agency/Group/Organization	THE SUSTAINABILITY INSTITUTE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Operation Home
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Meetings about environmental review procedures; Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board; Technical Assistance.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	EAST COOPER COMMUNITY OUTREACH
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Response to Request For Application for CDBG; Presentation to Community Development Advisory Board; Technical Assistance.

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

Not applicable.

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	Lowcountry Homeless Coalition	The goals of the HESG annual action plan, as developed in coordination with the local Continuum of Care, will enhance and strengthen programs directly benefiting homeless and those at risk of homelessness.
HUD Strategic Plan 2014 - 2018	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	End homelessness; fair housing
Opening Doors: Federal Strat. Plan on Homelessness	United States Interagency Council on Homelessness	End homelessness
Blueprint to End Homelessness in South Carolina	South Carolina Council on Homelessness	Programs to prevent homelessness (rapid re-housing)
Charleston County Comprehensive Plan	Charleston County Planning Department	Affordable housing
Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Housing Needs Asses	Charleston County Planning Department	Affordable housing
Opportunity Next	Charleston Regional Development Alliance	Employment training
Comprehensive Development Plan	City of North Charleston	Affordable housing; end homelessness
Public Housing Authority Five-Year Plan	Charleston County Housing and Redevelopment Authority	Affordable housing

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

As shown in this section, Charleston County is engaged in ongoing efforts to increase coordination amongst the the network of public, private, and nonprofit organizations to administrator HUD's CDBG, HOME and HESG programs.

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

Citizen participation is a critical part of the planning process. Citizens are encouraged to participate in all phases of the CDBG, HOME, and HESG programs and are provided full access to program information.

The County's Community Development Department conducts public hearings during the course of a year for the purpose of providing information on Community Programs to County residents and to receive comments from citizens regarding program activities. At a minimum, hearings are conducted to obtain citizen's views on community development needs, prior to developing funding policies and to receive citizen's comments on proposed activities, prior to final funding decisions being made. Hearings are conducted at locations other than the County Council meeting chambers, to make them more convenient to residents, and hence increase the likelihood of citizen participation for those low-to-moderate income residents where housing and community development funds may be spent. At least once per year, generally scheduled to coincide with each year's annual HUD allocation, a public hearing is held in each of the participating jurisdictions (at the request of the jurisdictions). Hearings are held in the evening to encourage greater public attendance. A sequence of public meetings was held in 2016-2017 to discuss the preparation of the 2017 - 2018 Annual Action Plan, to answer resident questions, and to seek public input. Comments and feedback from citizens are consistently encouraged (public comments are located in Appendix A).

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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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 Meeting	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Hearings were held separately in the following jurisdictions: Town of Awendaw, Town of Hollywood, Town of James Island, Town of Lincolnville, Town of Ravenel, Town of Mount Pleasant. Annual Action Plan 2017	o Question: How can citizens get a new well or septic system? o Answer: Residents must meet eligibility requirements and can contact the Community Development for an application. Provided contact information for application. o Question: What types of projects are funded through HUD funds? Answer: CDBG, HOME, and ESG projects are funded (Discussed different types of projects funded under each). County priorities are water/septic/sewer upgrades and connections as well as affordable housing and home rehabilitation and	Not applicable.	17

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)
2	Public Hearing	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	County residents were invited to comment on the annual plan.		Not applicable.	
3	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	Charleston County citizens invited to public hearing on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at the Charleston County Council Chambers in North Charleston as well as comment on the Annual Action Plan (comment period March 28 - April 27, 2017).		Not applicable.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

CDBG, HOME, and ESG are the entitlement grant funds Charleston County receives directly from HUD.

Priority Table

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	0	0	0	0	0	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	0	0	0	0	0	

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

Match/leveraged funds are satisfied in each project by the Subrecipient documenting their matching funds in the monthly/quarterly reporting system, or when they ask for reimbursement for the activity that they were funded. In addition, County staff monitors each Subrecipient on an annual basis at a minimum. Staff reviews each file’s documentation and also requests a copy of their audit to make sure there were no findings. Staff provides technical assistance where needed to all Subrecipients.

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

The County's Public Services Building acts as a hub for administering the CDBG, HOME, and HESG programs as well as a meeting place for hearings and focus groups to discuss plan goals.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

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

Goals Summary Information

No Goals Found

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Well and Septic Improvements	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	County (Rural only)	Infrastructure Improvements and Development	CDBG: \$225,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 20 Households Assisted
2	Infrastructure Improvement (Water lines)	2016	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Infrastructure Improvements and Development	CDBG: \$94,900	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8 Households Assisted
3	New Housing Construction (Rental and Sales)	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Countywide	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options	HOME: \$142,480	Homeowner Housing Added: 2 Household Housing Unit
4	Rehabilitation (vacant units to sell or rent)	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Countywide	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options	HOME: \$133,484	Rental units rehabilitated: 2 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Added: 1 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5	Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Countywide	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options	HOME: \$269,062	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 6 Household Housing Unit
6	Emergency Rehabilitation	2016	2020	Affordable Housing	Countywide County (Rural only)	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options	CDBG: \$265,770	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 35 Household Housing Unit
7	Infrastructure Improvement (Sidewalks)	2016	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Infrastructure Improvements and Development	CDBG: \$335,992	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3800 Persons Assisted
8	Demolition	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Homeless	Countywide	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options Infrastructure Improvements and Development	CDBG: \$100,000	Buildings Demolished: 10 Buildings
9	Direct Services to the LMI Community	2016	2020	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Countywide	Social Services to Benefit the LMI Community	CDBG: \$197,528	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 7404 Persons Assisted Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 74 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 50 Persons Assisted Jobs created/retained: 8 Jobs

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	Action on Homelessness	2016	2020	Homeless	Countywide	Homeless Needs Social Services to Benefit the LMI Community	ESG: \$142,479	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 5 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 400 Persons Assisted
11	Program Administration	2016	2020	Affordable Housing Public Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Countywide	Affordable Housing and Suitable Living Options Infrastructure Improvements and Development Social Services to Benefit the LMI Community	CDBG: \$305,154 HOME: \$54,516	Other: 0 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Well and Septic Improvements
	Goal Description	Upgrading failing wells and septic systems or connecting LMI households to existing infrastructure
2	Goal Name	Infrastructure Improvement (Water lines)
	Goal Description	Install water/sewer lines for LMI households so that they have access to clean and potable water/sanitary sewer.

3	Goal Name	New Housing Construction (Rental and Sales)
	Goal Description	The County will continue to support the construction of affordable housing (sales and rental) throughout the jurisdiction.
4	Goal Name	Rehabilitation (vacant units to sell or rent)
	Goal Description	A priority for the County and its partners is to promote the availability of decent housing by rehabilitating housing units to sell or rent to LMI households.
5	Goal Name	Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	A priority for the County and its partners is to rehabilitate housing owned and occupied by LMI households.
6	Goal Name	Emergency Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Emergency housing repairs occupied by LMI households.
7	Goal Name	Infrastructure Improvement (Sidewalks)
	Goal Description	Provide sidewalk construction and repair to create livable and walkable communities.
8	Goal Name	Demolition
	Goal Description	Demolish and remove dilapidated housing to allow new housing for LMI individuals and households to be built.
9	Goal Name	Direct Services to the LMI Community
	Goal Description	Provide public services such as training/education, health services, elderly services, neglected and abused children services, legal services, and subsistence payments.

10	Goal Name	Action on Homelessness
	Goal Description	The County and its partners will assist households with rapid re-housing to prevent homelessness and to provide overnight shelter for homeless individuals. This goal also includes HMIS administration.
11	Goal Name	Program Administration
	Goal Description	Funds will be used to administer Charleston County's CDBG and HOME programs.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.215(b):

The number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing is as follows:

3 families will have access to homes acquired for rehabilitation to rent or own.

2 families will have access to new homes constructed.

5 families will be rapidly rehoused.

In addition, 6 owner-occupied homes will be rehabilitated and 35 homes will be provided emergency repairs.

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

#	Project Name

Table 8 – Project Information

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

SEE ATTACHMENT 1 FOR LIST OF PROJECTS SUBMITTED TO CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE MARCH 28, 2017 PUBLIC HEARING.

Projects

AP-38 Projects Summary

Project Summary Information

Table 9 – Project Summary

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

Charleston County awards grant funds to support housing and community development activities throughout the entire county (with the exception of the City of Charleston, which receives its own HUD funding).

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Countywide	95
County (Rural only)	5

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

There are needs throughout the county (including rural areas), so funds are distributed wherever they can be best utilized by partnering organizations. Charleston County Well, Septic and Infrastructure Upgrades typically occur in rural areas of the County, which is represented by 5 percent of the total funds (this is an estimate only).

Discussion

Charleston County's partnering organizations serve the needs of residents in all of the county's communities, so no area is prioritized over another.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

Charleston County is committed to supporting the development of affordable housing for low and moderate income families in the communities throughout the county.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	5
Non-Homeless	46
Special-Needs	0
Total	51

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	5
The Production of New Units	2
Rehab of Existing Units	44
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	51

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

While the one year goals show support for 46 non-homeless households, some of these recipients could be homeless and/or special-needs. Specifically, homeless and special-needs households could potentially receive one of the two new units or one of the three acquired/rehabilitated existing units. However, the determinations of who will receive these units will be made at a future date.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Charleston County works with two Public Housing Authorities within its jurisdiction: the Charleston County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (CCHRA) and the North Charleston Housing Authority.

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

There are 1,079 vouchers allocated for use in Charleston County. At this time, the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) waiting list is closed and the HCVP division of CCHRA is not accepting applications. CCHRA also oversees the management and operations of 399 one, three, and four bedroom housing units (143 single-family homes and 256 elderly residences). Our single family homes are located in 50 different subdivisions throughout Charleston County. Public Housing serves an average of 508 families annually. Currently, however, CCHRA is not accepting new applications for single families.

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

CCHRA administers two programs to help residents become economically self-sufficient:

1. The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program, a Section 8 program of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) encourages communities to develop local strategies to help assisted families obtain employment that will lead to economic independence and self-sufficiency. Residents in the Section 8 Program may sign up to participate in FSS. The program works with residents, who establish goals such as, continuing their education, job training, purchasing a first-time home, or starting a small business. Residents who participate in the program must agree to work toward achieving their goals and participate in specific training. Participants build escrow accounts from their rent payments to help them reach their final goal at the completion of the program. The Resident Services Department works with various agencies in the community to develop resources for participating FSS family members.
2. The Individual Development Accounts Program is administered by the Lowcountry Housing & Economic Development Foundation, Inc. (LHEDF). This asset building program helps participating families learn about saving money, budgeting, and more, through financial literacy training. They also receive goal specific training. The three-year program provides matching funds (2:1) as participants save for purposes such as buying a first home, going to college, or starting a small business.

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

N/A

Discussion

CCRHA will be receiving County CDBG funds to repair 2 of its single family homes.

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

Introduction

Homelessness is a particularly troublesome and complex issue that plagues communities across the nation. A major reason that homelessness is so difficult to combat is that it has many causes with overlapping and interrelated variables. The cause of any one person's homelessness often lies, not in a single factor, but at the convergence of multiple events and conditions. From one angle, homelessness can be seen as an economic problem - caused by unemployment, foreclosure, or poverty. From another viewpoint, homelessness could appear to be a health issue - as many homeless persons struggle with one or more conditions such as mental illness, physical disability, HIV, or substance abuse. Looking at the problem another way, homelessness emerges as a social problem - with factors such as domestic violence, educational attainment, or race lying at the root. In reality, homelessness is caused by all of these issues, sometimes simultaneously. As such, fighting homelessness requires a truly collaborative, community-based approach.

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

Lowcountry Homeless Coalition (the area CoFC) uses a Coordinated Entry System (CES) that covers a seven county service area (including Charleston County) and therefore employs unique aspects to address the differing needs that exist in these urban and rural settings. Outreach teams throughout the service area target both known locations where persons live unsheltered and service sites where homeless persons go to receive services. They assess all households engaged through outreach and/or who seek housing assistance to determine their level of vulnerability and appropriateness for housing interventions. The CES is advertised and participated in by all service providers in the service area and by SC 211, a human services information call center staffed 24/7. All federally funded housing services provided within the CoC are prioritized based upon vulnerability. All outreach workers and service providers use HMIS to build and update our Prioritization List and a By-Name List on an ongoing basis.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

One80 Place offers emergency shelter for individual men and women and/or women with children. Permanent Housing is the one of the main needs for many of the individuals living in emergency shelter or transitional housing in Charleston County. Research has shown that providing adequate, stable housing and supportive services is less expensive than allowing persons to live unsheltered because the costs of housing are less than local hospitals and jails or detention centers. Formerly homeless persons in stable housing enter the ER and jail systems at far lower rates than persons living unsheltered. Currently Charleston's HUD-funded permanent supportive housing developments are at full capacity

and the County and its collaborative partners need to pursue alternative means to secure supportive housing for these unsheltered populations if the community is to achieve an end to homelessness in Charleston.

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

One80 Place, Origin SC, and Florence Crittenton provide rapid re-housing financial services to help individuals and families get back into housing quickly. Origin SC offers Permanent Supportive Housing for chronically homeless individuals. Origin SC and Florence Crittenton both offer homeless prevention services to help families stay in their current housing.

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.

Origin SC and Florence Crittenton both offer homeless prevention services to help families stay in their current housing. These can certainly help those persons who are exiting institutions of care. The Humanities Foundation, a member of the LHC, also administers a program called ShelterNet, which assists persons who are at-risk of becoming homeless by providing financial assistance to prevent them from losing their homes or apartments. Humanities Foundation also provides permanent housing for formerly homeless persons in several of its developments.

Discussion

Charleston County is one of two HESG recipients in the CoCs geographic area, with plans to award \$142,479 in 2017. LHC, the area CoC, uses HMIS data to identify the most successful interventions. LHC assisted in establishing these two funding priorities for 2016-2020:

1. Rapid Re-housing
2. Shelter Operations

LHC collaborates with the other South Carolina CoCs and the South Carolina Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) to establish state-wide HESG priorities; performance measures, HMIS data collection standards, and evaluation methods. The first priority is rapid re-housing, which has been proven to be the best practice to affect real change for this population.

One year goals for the number of households to be provided housing through the use of HOPWA for:
Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness of the individual or family
Tenant-based rental assistance
Units provided in housing facilities (transitional or permanent) that are being developed, leased, or operated
Units provided in transitional short-term housing facilities developed, leased, or operated with HOPWA funds
Total

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

Introduction

The provision of safe, decent affordable housing is one of the greatest challenges facing Charleston County, its development partners, and many jurisdictions across the State and Nation.

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 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for the Charleston region discusses several actions to remove barriers to affordable housing: Introduce inclusionary zoning as an affordable housing tool that links the production of affordable housing to the production of market-rate housing, which either requires or encourages new residential developments to make a certain percentage of the housing units affordable to low- or moderate- income residents; Increase TBRA or Section 8, VASH options; Provide additional financial incentives to Charleston area housing developers who provide additional affordable housing options; Continue working closely with the local Housing Authorities; Continue working with local lenders including CDFIs like the South Carolina Community Loan Fund to encourage additional investments and lending activity within the county.

Discussion

Two factors contribute to the Charleston County's affordable housing problem: 1) A household's ability to afford housing based on its income, and 2) the price of housing. In response, the County will work with the City of Charleston and City of North Charleston in implementing the strategies mentioned previously. In addition, the County (through its partners) will employ activities intended to foster the development of affordable housing for low-to-moderate income families and individuals such as rehabilitating vacant units to sell or rent, constructing new housing to sell or rent, and rehabilitating owner-occupied housing.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction

Through its Community Development programs, the County seeks to meet underserved needs, create and maintain affordable housing, reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of families in poverty, develop institutional structure, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. Actions related to address these obstacles are discussed throughout this section.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The County seeks to meet underserved needs through its housing and community development programs. A particular need in the Charleston County is financial assistance to persons who are homeless or who are at-risk of becoming homeless. The County addresses this need by providing funds to nonprofit organizations serving homeless individuals and households. In addition, infrastructure improvements, mostly in underserved communities, will help to foster safe and decent living environments for the residents of Charleston County.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The County (through its partners) will employ activities intended to foster and maintain affordable housing for low-to-moderate income families and individuals such as rehabilitating vacant units to sell or rent, constructing new housing to sell or rent, and rehabilitating owner-occupied housing.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Charleston County requires documented evidence of adherence to the LSHR requirements and routinely evaluates project management to ensure awardee compliance with county policies in the area of LBP Hazards oversight.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Some of the actions Charleston County will take this program year are as follows:

- (1) Through the use of collaborative partnerships, provide additional and improved housing by engaging in the rehabilitation and creation of housing;
- (2) Provide essential legal services supporting home and family stability through a non-profit partner funded for that purpose;
- (3) Through the County's partnering institutions, provide persons who are at risk of becoming homeless with rapid re-housing, rental, mortgage and/ or utility assistance;

(4) A non-profit partner funded by the County will provide comprehensive health services to uninsured and under-insured low-income adults at no cost; and,

(5) Fund partners that assist homeless individuals and households with overnight shelter.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Charleston County's Community Development Department continues to improve its processes and programs by participating in HUD-sponsored training and other training activities that will increase our capacity to deliver superior service to low and moderate income citizens in Charleston County. The Department is also building its capacity by continuing to partner with nonprofit housing and public service providers as well as engaging professional services (e.g., well drilling) when necessary to ensure that the needs of the community are being addressed. The Department is fortunate to have a Community Development Advisory Board to assist it in making funding decisions and meeting the needs of the community.

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

Charleston County has targeted significant CDBG and HOME resources for its housing partners to build affordable housing and rehabilitate existing units and owner-occupied homes. The County will continue to work with its partners to encourage affordable housing.

Discussion

Overall, Charleston County is engaged in ongoing efforts to increase coordination amongst the complex network of public, private, and nonprofit organizations that deliver housing and social services to the community. As the administrators of HUD's CDBG, HOME and HESG programs, the County's Department of Community Development acts as a hub for community and economic development in the area. Open lines of communication are maintained between the County and the area's many non-profit and social service agencies.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction

The following items provide responses for additional regulatory requirements for the CDBG, HOME, and HESG programs.

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
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.	90.00%

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:

N/A

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:

The County uses recapture as its method of protecting affordability. All properties receiving financial assistance from the County for homeownership and homebuyer activities must ensure that the housing remains affordable to families with incomes of 80 percent or less of the area median for at least the minimum affordability period based on the initial amount of assistance provided. The affordability requirements will be enforced with restrictive covenants or liens that will be recorded with the County Register Mesne Conveyance (RMC). More details about the guidelines can be found in the County's HOME Program Operating and Procedures Manual.

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:

For all homebuyer or homeowner activities to include owner-occupied rehabilitation, homebuyer down payment and closing cost assistance and housing development subsidies that cause the unit to be sold below fair market value projects, a recapture provision shall be utilized. These subsidies represent a direct subsidy to the homebuyer. If the home is sold during the period of affordability, the County must be notified of the sale. The County will execute written agreements that reflect the recapture provisions at or before the time of sale and will be enforced via a recorded lien. All County initiated activities for homebuyer and homeownership activities will have an affordability period as required by 24 CFR Part 92.254. Homeowner occupied rehabilitation lien documents will be placed for not more than 10 years. CHDO's and or subrecipients will be required to enforce these recapture provisions. These provisions will be included in the lien/loan documents. More details about the guidelines can be found in the County's HOME Program Operating and Procedures Manual.

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:

No funding will be utilized to refinance existing debt.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

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Reference 91.220(l)(4)

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

See attached "Monitoring Plan," which is applicable to all Urban Entitlement projects.

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

Lowcountry Homeless Coalition (the area CofC) uses a Coordinated Entry System (CES) that covers a seven county service area (including Charleston County) and therefore employs unique aspects to address the differing needs that exist in these urban and rural settings. Outreach teams throughout the service area target both known locations where persons live unsheltered and service sites where homeless persons go to receive services. They assess all households engaged through outreach and/or who seek housing assistance to determine their level of vulnerability and appropriateness for housing interventions. The CES is advertised and participated in by all service providers in the service area and by SC 211, a human services information call center staffed 24/7. All federally funded housing services provided within the CoC are prioritized based upon vulnerability. All outreach workers and service providers use HMIS to build and update our Prioritization List and a By-Name List on an ongoing basis.

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

The County issues a Request for Applications (RFA) requesting that interested agencies apply for ESG eligible activities. After applications are received, an ad hoc grant review subcommittee reviews/scores the applications and provides the scores to the Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB). The CDAB makes funding recommendations, which are then reviewed and approved during a Charleston County Council public hearing. The public hearing notice is published in The Post & Courier. For HESG funding, the Lowcountry Homeless Coalition first reviews project requests and endorses selected projects for the Boards consideration.

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

A homeless and/or formerly homeless individual participates in the Lowcountry Homeless Coalition, the CoC governing body. Charleston County consults LHC when prioritizing policy and funding decisions related to the ESG program.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

See attached "Monitoring Plan," which is applicable to all Urban Entitlement projects.

Discussion

ATTACHMENT 1

PLEASE NOTE: CHARLESTON COUNTY HAS NOT RECEIVED ITS FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD), SO THIS PLAN IS A DRAFT ONLY.

THIS ATTACHMENT SHOWS THE LIST OF PROJECTS SUBMITTED TO CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE MARCH 28, 2017 PUBLIC HEARING. THESE AMOUNTS WILL NOT BE FINALIZED UNTIL CHARLESTON COUNTY RECEIVES NOTICE OF ITS PY2017 FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FROM HUD.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ESTIMATED AMOUNTS.

PY 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDING*
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INFRASTRUCTURE

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Mount Pleasant Waterworks
PROJECT TITLE: Snowden Community Wastewater - Phase II LMI Connections
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mount Pleasant Waterworks is further extending wastewater service within the Snowden Community. The funding will connect 8 households inside town limits. The CDBG funds will be used for service connections (construction, impact and connections fees) to LMI households. The Snowden Community has been identified as an environmentally distressed community due to septic system failures.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 94,900

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Charleston County Community Development Department
PROJECT TITLE: Well, Septic, Infrastructure Connection, and Maintenance Program
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Provide clean water and sanitary wastewater by upgrading failing wells and septic systems, maintaining well and septic systems, or connecting LMI households to existing infrastructure and to provide HUD-related program management.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 225,000

REHABILITATION & PRESERVATION PROJECTS

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Charleston County Housing and Redevelopment Authority
PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Housing Repairs
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project entails replacing roofs and electrical wiring for homes.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 10,000

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Operation Home
PROJECT TITLE: The Critical Home Repair Program County of Charleston
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Operation Home is partnering with the Towns of Awendaw, Hollywood, Mount Pleasant and James Island to ensure safe and accessible living environments. Repairs may include accessibility ramps, roof replacement, repair and replacement of ceilings, flooring, or walls.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 65,770

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Palmetto Community Action Partnership
PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Home Repair
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: County funds will be used for home repairs while our agency performs energy related services such as insulation, doors, windows, HVAC systems.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 10,000

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Town of Awendaw**
PROJECT TITLE: **Emergency Housing Repair**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Perform emergency repairs on LMI dwellings within the Town.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 30,000**

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Charleston Area Senior Citizen Services**
PROJECT TITLE: **In-Home Service**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In-Home Service offers Personal Care and Meals on Wheels as an intervention service for homebound, LMI seniors. Clients receive meals and/or personal care to prevent or delay institutionalization. A client care plan defines the service: housekeeping; cooking; and assistance with basic daily activities such as feeding, transferring from bed, bathing/dressing; and/or meals on wheels.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services**
PROJECT TITLE: **Legal Services Supporting Family & Home Stability**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Charleston Pro Bono Legal Services provides essential legal services to low-income children, families, and individuals. Specifically, the organization provides free civil legal services to overcome the legal barriers, prevent injustice, and secure basic needs such as food and shelter for those in our community who need it most.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 20,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **East Cooper Community Outreach (ECCO)**
PROJECT TITLE: **Access to Medical and Dental Care for Low-income Adults**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: ECCO will provide comprehensive health services to more than 2,000 uninsured and under-insured low-income adults with no cost to the client. Individuals will receive personalized medical and dental care, prescription assistance, eye exams and glasses along with health education from certified industry professionals. This project aims to improve the physical and/or mental well-being of ECCO's clients, while equipping individuals and their families with the knowledge and tools to prevent future health issues.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **East Cooper Meals on Wheels (ECMOW)**
PROJECT TITLE: **Eliminating Senior Hunger and Malnutrition**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: ECMOW is committed to eliminating senior and disabled resident hunger and malnutrition to allow these at-risk residents to live independently in their homes in dignity and respect and without the fear of isolation and fear of where the next meal is coming from.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 20,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Dee Norton Lowcountry Children’s Center (DNLCC)**
PROJECT TITLE: **Coordinated Community Response to Child Abuse**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The DNLCC Coordinated Community Response to Child Abuse program provides the necessary community coordination for the identification and treatment of child abuse victims and their non-abusing family members, as well as for the successful prosecution of offenders. This project aims to prevent child maltreatment through primary prevention and education in the community and through direct interventions with children and their caregivers.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Humanities Foundation**
PROJECT TITLE: **ShelterNet**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: ShelterNet provides emergency financial assistance to very low-income households facing eviction/foreclosure or utility disconnection because they have temporarily fallen behind on their bills. The program also assists homeless individuals and families by helping with deposits to enable them to move into permanent housing.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **The Sustainability Institute**
PROJECT TITLE: **Housing Weatherization Repairs**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Our Energy Conservation Corps program performs housing weatherization repairs for low-income homes, reducing utility bills by 25 percent or more for families that are suffering from high energy costs. This weatherization program also serves as a workforce training and job placement program, training military service veterans and at-risk youth with in-demand skills and certifications that enable them to secure jobs in the energy efficiency and construction industries.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Teachers’ Supply Closet**
PROJECT TITLE: **Free School Supplies for At-risk Children**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A grant will help Teachers Supply Closet distribute free school supplies to 497 teachers in 27 Title I schools and their nearly 12,400 City of North Charleston and Charleston County children who lack pencils and paper to complete their classwork and achieve educational success.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 10,000**

CDBG PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: **Charleston County Community Development Department**
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Administrative support to operate, contract, and monitor the Community Development Block Grant Program.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING: **\$ 305,154**

** Total funding available is an estimate; it is anticipated that final funding amounts will be available in May 2017. If funding received is less than funding estimate, all awards will be reduced proportionately while maintaining best practices in grants management.*

PY 2017 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME) FUNDING*
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AFFORDABLE HOUSING- NEW CONSTRUCTION

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: P.A.S.T.O.R.S
PROJECT TITLE: Affordable Housing Initiative
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: PASTORS will develop, construct, and sell two (2) single-family houses for families at or below 80% of the Charleston Area Median Income. The homes will contain three bedrooms and two bathrooms with approximately 1200 square feet of heated space.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 142,480

REHABILITATION – RENTAL

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Metanoia
PROJECT TITLE: Rehabilitation of Rental Home
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Metanoia will rehabilitate a duplex located at 1914 Carlton Street into two (2) units of 2-bedroom affordable rental housing.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 80,000

HOME planning and administration

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Charleston County Community Development Department
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Administrative support to operate, contract, and monitor the HOME Program.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 54,516

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PY 2017 HEARTH EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (HESG) FUNDING*
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RAPID RE-HOUSING AND SHELTER OPERATIONS

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: Florence Crittenton Programs of South Carolina
PROJECT TITLE: Rapid Re-Housing for Young Families
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Project will provide housing and home-based support services for five homeless families who have at least one child under the age of five, for a time period of up to one year.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 50,000

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: One80 Place
PROJECT TITLE: Men's Shelter/Family Center Operations
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: One80 Place requests \$85,000 to help offset the cost of shelter operations in order to provide a safe, secure environment for homeless men, women and families in need. Specifically, these funds will be used to cover the costs of utilities, repairs, maintenance, supplies and a kitchen assistant.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$ 75,000

HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (HMIS) SET-ASIDE

REQUESTING ORGANIZATION: One80 Place (on behalf of Lowcountry Homeless Coalition)
PROJECT TITLE: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Management
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Provide HMIS technical assistance, training, and quality assurance reporting and monitoring for all Charleston County Emergency Solutions Grant sub-recipients.
RECOMMENDED FUNDING: \$17,479

** Total funding available is an estimate; it is anticipated that final funding amounts will be available in May 2017. If funding received is less than funding estimate, awards will be reduced proportionately while maintaining best practices in grants management.*