



**OFFICE OF THE TOWN AND CITY CLERK
CITY OF HARTFORD
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT**



**SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019
5:00 p.m.**

- 1. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD'S YEAR FIVE ANNUAL ACTION PLAN (FY 2019-20) FOR USE OF FEDERAL ENTITLEMENT GRANT FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) AND PROPOSED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS IN YEAR FIVE OF THE PLAN.**

ATTEST:

**JOHN V. BAZZANO
CITY CLERK**



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

ITEM # 1 ON AGENDA

April 8, 2019

Honorable Glendowlyn L.H. Thames, Council President, and
Members of the Court of Common Council
City of Hartford
550 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103

RE: HUD Year Five Annual Action Plan

Dear Council President Thames,

Attached for your consideration is a resolution approving and authorizing the submission of the City of Hartford's Year Five Annual Action Plan (FY 2019-20) for use of Federal Entitlement Grant Funds administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Also attached is the proposed allocation of funds in Year Five of the plan.

The Year Five Annual Action Plan outlines the City's intended use of approximately \$7.3 million for activities funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs. These activities support specific priority needs and objectives identified in the City of Hartford Five Year Consolidated Community Development Plan which covers the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020. As a condition of receipt of these Federal Entitlement Grant Funds, each fiscal year the City is required to prepare and submit to HUD its Annual Action Plan.

The Year Five Annual Action Plan was developed in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan which includes two public hearings, several community meetings, and a 30-day comment period that solicits citizen feedback in areas such as Housing, Economic Development, and Public Service. A special public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM in Council Chambers regarding recommended funding allocations under the Year Five Annual Action Plan. Residents, community-based organizations, and other interested parties will be invited to attend.

Due to recent guidance from HUD shortening the deadline for submission of the Annual Action Plan, we respectfully request that the Council adopt the Year Five Annual Action plan no later than the May 13, 2019 Council meeting in order to allow for timely preparation and submission of the plan to HUD, and for timely notification of agencies awarded funding for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "L. Bronin", is written over a horizontal line.

Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

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INTRODUCED BY:
Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL
City of Hartford, April 8, 2019

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford must complete and submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) its Year Five Annual Action Plan for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, in order to receive entitlement funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs, and

WHEREAS, The Year Five Annual Action Plan outlines the City's intended use of approximately \$7.3 million in HUD entitlement funds and program income, including approximately \$4.4 million in CDBG, \$280 thousand in ESG, \$1.2 million in HOPWA, and \$1.5 million in HOME funding for activities and programs that support specific priority needs and objectives identified in the City of Hartford's Five Year Consolidated Community Development Plan (2015-2020), and

WHEREAS, The Year Five Annual Action Plan was developed according to HUD's approved Citizen Participation Plan, which included two public hearings, several community meetings and a 30-day comment period that solicits citizen feedback on the needs of the community in areas such as Housing, Economic Development, and Public Service, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following activities and allocations of funds are approved and incorporated into the Year Five Annual Action Plan:

Year Five Annual Action Plan July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 Proposed Activities and Allocations	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	
ORGANIZATION/ DEPARTMENT	AMOUNT
PUBLIC SERVICES	
ActUp Theater Inc. - ActUp Youth Performing Arts Program	\$9,000.00
Blue Hills Civic Assoc. - Blue Hills Youth Education Enrichment Program	\$10,000.00
Bright Futures - After School Program	\$4,000.00
Center for Urban Research, Education and Training Inc. - Youth Development	\$22,500.00
Charter Oak Boxing & Youth Development Program Inc. - Moving Forward: Hartford Youth Become Champions of Life!	\$32,000.00
Charter Oak Temple Restoration Association Inc. - Youth Arts Institute	\$25,000.00
Children In Placement - Youth Sponsorship	\$9,000.00
City of Hartford / Health and Human Services (CAN Shelter Support Services)	\$75,000.00
Community Partners in Action - The Resettlement Program	\$80,000.00
Center for Latino Progress (CPRF) - BiCi Co.	\$9,000.00
Cultural Dance Troupe of the West Indies Inc. - Hartford Youth on the Rise	\$4,000.00
Ebony Horsewomen Inc. - Equine Assisted Growth Learning and Therapy	\$4,000.00
Gifted Onez Inc. (The) - TGO MLK	\$14,000.00
Greater Hartford Harm Reduction Coalition Inc. - 557 The Drop	\$19,000.00
HARC Inc. - Capable Kids Six-Week Summer Camp	\$8,000.00
Hartbeat Ensemble Inc. - Youth Play Institute	\$5,000.00
Hartford Artisans Weaving Center - Artisan Program	\$5,000.00
Hartford Food System Inc. - Grow Hartford Youth Program	\$5,000.00
Hartford Knights - Hartford Knights Back on Track	\$8,000.00
Hartford Performs - Arts Based Programs	\$20,000.00

Hartford's Camp Courant - 2019 Camp Courant Camperships	\$20,000.00
Hispanic Health Council Inc. - Neighborhood Youth Center	\$15,000.00
Judy Dworin Performance Project Inc. - Moving Matters!	\$6,527.80
Keney Park Sustainability Project - Micro-Enterprise Development Program	\$20,000.00
Knox Inc. - Green Jobs Apprenticeships	\$22,000.00
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corporation - Jumpstart to Jobs Program	\$11,000.00
Open Hearth Association (The) - Shelter and Rehousing Program	\$31,000.00
Organized Parents Make a Difference Inc. - OPMAD After School Program	\$9,000.00
San Juan Center Inc. - Employment-Economic Development	\$14,000.00
Spectrum in Motion Dance Theater Ensemble - Instruments of Culture	\$4,000.00
Urban League of Greater Hartford - Housing Counseling Program	\$21,705.00
YMCA of Metropolitan Hartford Inc. - YMCA Teen Incentive Program	\$10,000.00
YWCA of New Britain - The Hartford Sexual Assault Crisis Service	\$6,000.00
Youth Challenge of CT, Inc. - Men's Home	\$9,000.00
SUBTOTAL PUBLIC SERVICES	\$566,732.80
ADMINISTRATION	
SUBTOTAL, ADMINISTRATION	\$762,310.40
OTHER ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES (NON-PUBLIC SERVICE)	
City of Hartford / Development Services (HPLF Staffing)	\$384,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (HPLF Program Income)	\$368,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (HPLF New Programming)	\$292,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Blight Remediation)	\$215,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Economic Development Staffing)	\$28,608.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Microgrant Initiative)	\$150,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Local Arts & Culture)	\$65,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Low Income Rental Housing Coordination)	\$50,000.00
City of Hartford / Development Services (Carousel)	\$50,000.00
City of Hartford / Fire Department (Fire Protection Equipment)	\$200,000.00
City of Hartford / Health and Human Services (Emergency Placement Services)	\$259,995.47
Billings Forge Community Works Inc. - Culinary Job Training at the Kitchen	\$40,119.00
Hands on Hartford - Culinary Collaborative	\$35,000.00
HEDCO Inc. - Merchants Association Small Business Loan Fund, Business Resource Center and Small Business Development Program	\$160,000.00
International Hartford LTD. - Business Consulting	\$40,000.00
Journey Home Inc. - Career Pathways to Employment Program	\$35,274.00
Minority Construction Council Inc. - Small Contractors/Minority Woman Business Enterprise Technical Assistance Program	\$70,000.00
Rebuilding Together Hartford Inc. - Homeowner Retention	\$170,000.00
Riverfront Recapture - Riverfront Parks & Trailers	\$138,473.00
Sheldon Oak Center - Vine/Albany Commercial Seed Program	\$18,300.00
Spanish American Merchants Assoc. - Small Business Technical Assistance Program	\$160,000.00
University of Hartford, Entrepreneurial Center & Women's Business Center - Hartford Small Business Technical Assistance	\$80,000.00
University of Hartford, Upper Albany Main Street - Micro Business Incubator Program	\$50,712.00
SUBTOTAL OTHER ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES	\$3,060,481.47
GRAND TOTAL, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	\$4,389,524.67

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)	
ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
SHELTER	
City of Hartford McKinney Shelter	\$29,514.67
Hartford Interval House Inc.	\$13,821.65
Immacare	\$27,392.11
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corp. (St. Elizabeth)	\$13,000.00
Open Hearth	\$22,729.69
Salvation Army	\$13,941.06
South Park Inn	\$32,248.80
YWCA Hartford Region	\$9,242.96
SUBTOTAL, SHELTER	\$161,890.94
PREVENTION	
City of Hartford / Health and Human Services - Homelessness Prevention/Rapid Rehousing	\$107,972.27
SUBTOTAL, PREVENTION	\$107,972.27
ADMINISTRATION	
Administration	\$9,787.79
SUBTOTAL, ADMINISTRATION	\$9,787.79
GRAND TOTAL, EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT	\$279,651.00

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA)	
ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
AIDS CT. Inc.	\$130,535.00
Chrysalis Center/Hartford	\$155,000.00
Chrysalis Center/St. Philip House	\$90,000.00
Hands on Hartford	\$315,780.00
Human Resources Agency of New Britain (HRA)	\$187,000.00
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corp.	\$132,000.00
Zezzo House Corporation	\$109,761.00
City of Hartford - DIG Extension	\$18,000.00
City of Hartford - Administration	\$34,425.00
GRAND TOTAL, HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA)	\$1,172,501.00

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	
ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
Set-aside for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) - 15%	\$194,329.95
Set-aside for homebuyer assistance, and rehabilitation/new construction of residential properties for homeownership or rental housing or any combination thereof - 75%	\$971,649.75
Program Administration - 10% of HOME Entitlement allocation	\$129,553.30
Program Administration - 10% of \$230,000 in anticipated Program Income	\$23,000.00
HOME Program Income - 90% of \$230,000 in anticipated Program Income - (For Activity)	\$207,000.00
GRAND TOTAL, HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	\$1,525,533.00

GRAND TOTAL, ALL HUD ENTITLEMENT	\$7,367,209.67
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and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to submit the Year Five Annual Action Plan to HUD for approval and release of funds, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council designates the Mayor as the City's authorized representative and further authorizes him to take all steps necessary to implement the Year Five Annual Action Plan, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is authorized in the event of any adjustments by HUD in the award(s) of Entitlement Funds in CDBG, HOME, ESG, and/or HOPWA, from the amounts on which the herein authorized allocations are based, to take all steps necessary to further implement the Year Five Annual Action Plan, first by ensuring all planned public and non-public service municipal functions continue without resort to increased expenditure of general funds, and then by adjustment of awards proportionally, across all subrecipients within the subject program (e.g., CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, HOME etc.), for the duration of the affected fiscal year or until all funds under each subrecipient contract, or any extension(s) thereof, have been expended in furtherance of the Year Five Annual Action Plan, and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

RESOLVED, That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the Mayor executing such agreements and documents, reallocating unexpended funds between existing line items within a 25% variance according to the City's evolving priority needs and objectives, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.