

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

Williamson County is a federal entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The County is required to prepare an Annual Action Plan to implement its federal CDBG program. The program funding allocation of \$1,596,014 is to be used to successfully support community development and affordable housing efforts in low and moderate income areas throughout the County.

The Williamson County consortium consists of ten participating cities and the unincorporated areas of county. The participating cities included Cedar Park, Coupland, Georgetown, Granger, Hutto, Jarrell, Leander, Liberty Hill, Taylor and Weir.

Williamson County's current Five-Year Consolidated Plan covers 2019-2023. Williamson County CDBG 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan covers the period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021 and is the second Annual Action Plan for the five year period.

The county will allocate \$102,437 (6.4%) to program administration and oversight and \$155,000 (9.7%) to social services. The remaining funds will be allocated to infrastructure and public facilities. All projects are a high priority as identified in the current Consolidated Plan.

- Hope Alliance-Shelter Repair \$22,134
- Granger-Water System Improvements \$373,925
- Habitat for Humanity-Site Design 21st Street \$133,500
- Georgetown-21st Street Infrastructure/Habitat \$97,000
- Jarrell-Water System Improvements \$355,520
- Taylor Water System Improvements Old Coupland Road \$160,000
- Granger Housing Authority-Housing Repair/Weatherization \$46,498
- Georgetown-Home Repair Program \$75,000
- Habitat for Humanity-Home Repair Program \$75,000
- Hutto Resource Center-Social Service/Food Pantry \$20,000
- Helping Hands of Georgetown-Social Service/Food Pantry \$20,000
- Hope Alliance-Social Service/Transitional Housing \$35,000
- Bluebonnet Trails-Social Service/Housing First \$50,000
- Interagency Support Council-Social Service/Mental Health Assistance \$30,000
- Administration-Program Administration and Oversight \$102,437

Annual Action Plan
2020

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

The funded projects were selected to address one or more of the following performance objectives:

- Provide Decent Affordable Housing
- Create Suitable Living Environments
- Create Economic Opportunities

Projects will address one or more of the following performance outcomes:

- Improve Availability/Accessibility
- Improve Affordability
- Improve Sustainability

Project selection is guided by the 2019-2023 funding priorities:

Public Facility and Infrastructure Improvements

- Fund non-housing community development proposals that eliminate a threat to public health and safety to include water/sewer projects, drainage projects, sidewalks, and street improvements.
- Fund public facility improvements that benefit low income households and persons, and persons with special needs to include senior centers, neighborhood facilities, youth centers, homeless facilities, childcare centers, parks and recreational facilities.

Increase Access to Affordable Housing

- Fund activities that expand the supply and improve the condition of housing affordable to lower income households.
- Fund activities that leverage other public and private resources such as Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects.
- Extend the useful life of existing affordable housing through weatherization, repair, and rehabilitation programs.

Decrease Homelessness

- Provide funds to support shelter operations and transitional housing.
- Provide funding to increase permanent supportive housing opportunities and work to create a stronger network of providers of supportive and mainstream services to homeless clients.

Public Services

- Fund projects that provide supportive services to low- and moderate-income household as well as persons with special needs.
- Support efforts to develop a regional social service collaborative to coordinate the work of social service organizations, disseminate information, and eliminate duplication of effort.

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing

- Support improved access to community resources.
- Continue to operate in compliance with protected class definitions found in federal regulations.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The Williamson County CDBG Program identified priorities and needs during the 2019-2023 Consolidated Planning Process, which is utilized in identifying projects to be funded. The Williamson County CDBG program is currently utilizing funds allocated to projects that are in line with current priorities. These projects are monitored as they are being implemented as to ensure progress and eligible spending.

The county did not meet the required timeliness ratio in August 2019 as mandated by HUD. However, the county did meet the required ratio in 2020.

A summary of past performance is reported in the attached document “Past Performance Evaluation”. Information was taken from the county’s most recently completed Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report for fiscal year 2018 and submitted to HUD.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The CDBG citizen participation plan indicates that all federal regulations regarding public comment periods and participation will be followed by the Williamson County CDBG Office. The CDBG Office encourages the public to review documents concerning the CDBG program and provide feedback when desired and needed. Representatives of participating cities, County Commissioners, and other

stakeholders were notified of funding and information was posted on the Williamson County web site at www.wilco.org. Notification was also posted in local newspapers. Notices were published in both English and Spanish. A public hearing was held on March 17, 2020 to gather input regarding the CDBG program and potential projects.

Project funding was approved by the Williamson County Commissioners' Court on July 21, 2020. The FY20 Annual Action Plan was made available for public comment July 24, 2020-August 7, 2020 on the Williamson County website. An announcement of the comment period was published in local newspapers and on the County website. The final draft, along with any public comments were presented to the Williamson County Commissioners Court on August 11, 2020.

Williamson County amended their Citizen Participation Plan to include policies for citizen participation during emergencies and disasters.

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.

One comment was received from the City of Taylor. The City requested that the County reconsider funding the water project located on Old Coupland Road in Taylor, TX. The City indicated the need was high for this type of project and that due to the city's population, funding should be awarded. Based on the comment received, allocations were reconsidered and the project was funded.

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

All comments received are considered and accepted.

7. Summary

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 |
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| CDBG Administrator | WILLIAMSON COUNTY | Community Development |

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Williamson County is the lead agency for the CDBG program. CDBG FY20 application process was made available online.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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

1. Introduction

The Williamson County CDBG Office is the lead agency in implementing the Annual Plan. The CDBG Administrator works closely with local social service agencies and other county agencies and committees to meet the needs of LMI residents. County officials were also notified of the funding allocation.

Williamson County CDBG funds are awarded to participating cities and local social service agencies through the County's CDBG program. Williamson County calls for potential projects to be submitted for funding. Applications are reviewed and a recommendation is developed based on the projects submitted, the amount of money the County has available to fund projects, eligibility of potential projects and how these projects coincide with the priorities set in the Consolidated Plan. Each city and/or agency determines the projects that are submitted for consideration. These projects can be determined via a city comprehensive plan, public input and/or staff recommendation. Comprehensive plans are developed through a network of public meetings, public announcements, and staff and engineer recommendations. Members of the Commissioners Court gather input from constituents and discuss potential projects with the CDBG Administrator. The County also hosts public meetings and makes draft plans available for review prior to final approval.

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))

Williamson County is a member of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Regional Working Group. The group meets with other local non-profits and social service agencies to discuss the needs of homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless. The goals of this group are to form a homeless coalition and attempt to find resources to fill the gaps within the community regarding homeless and at-risk homeless. Agencies include food pantries, mental health agencies, neighboring local units of government, housing agencies, local and neighboring housing authorities, local not for profit health clinics, and Texas Homeless Network staff.

Williamson County will continue to support the efforts of the Williamson County and Cities Health Districts to address lead based paint (LBP) hazards. The County will also continue to notify CDBG sub-recipients of LBP requirements and ensure compliance with CDBG requirements.

Williamson County's CDBG policies and procedures comply with the federal lead-based paint regulations at 24 CFR Part 35.

In accordance with lead-based paint requirements, the County will incorporate the following factors to refine and narrow the communities that are at highest risk with lead-based paint hazards as related to housing rehabilitation activities:

- Age of housing (pre-1978 housing units)
- Condition of housing
- Tenure and poverty levels
- Presence of young children
- Presence of lead poisoning cases

All contractors, sub-recipients, and other community partners are advised of the lead-based paint regulations. Additionally, the County's CDBG Office will continue to distribute information and literature on lead hazards to households who may be at risk of exposure.

Calls from residents regarding affordable housing options are directed to the local public housing authorities in Austin, Georgetown, Taylor, Granger and Round Rock. Those looking for assistance are also encouraged to contact the Capital Area Housing Finance Corporation to discuss affordable housing options and home buyers assistance.

Williamson County funds the Taylor Housing Authority for downpayment assistance and the Granger Housing Authority for facility repairs. CDBG funds are also being used by the Georgetown Housing Authority for housing improvements.

Williamson County has a community resources website that allows people to search online for needed resources such as health care, mental health services, housing, food, and other community resources. The Williamson County Community Resources website is designed to empower residents with information about resources in the area so that they can connect with available services. The site is www.wilco.org/communityresources.

At this time, the CDBG office does not coordinate with corrections programs and institutions. However, the Mobile Outreach Team does coordinate with corrections programs and institutions in an effort to assist those who are experiencing a mental crisis. The program allows for mental health support in an effort to avoid incarceration.

All agency types are encouraged to participate in the Williamson County CDBG program.

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.

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

Williamson County does not receive ESG funds. Currently there are no Continuum of Care recipients for Williamson County. The County is a member of the Williamson County Homelessness Coalition that meets regularly. The Texas Homeless Network is represented in this coalition and provides information and updates on the Tx Balance of State. The group also includes representatives from organizations that assist the homeless and/or those approaching homelessness in varying aspects such as housing, emergency housing, temporary housing, mental health, physical health, rental assistance, and utility assistance. The Texas Homeless Network also provides guidance on how to complete the point in time count.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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| 1 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Cedar Park |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. While the city does not receive CDBG funds, Cedar Park could potentially apply for projects that the city could positively impact low-mod income residents. Projects could include any eligible project that is listed as a high priority for the County CDBG program. |
| 2 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Coupland |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. While the city does not receive CDBG funds, Coupland could potentially apply for projects that the city could positively impact low-mod income residents. Projects could include any eligible project that is listed as a high priority for the County CDBG program. |

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| 3 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Georgetown |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Georgetown is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Georgetown applied for funds to increase affordable housing and for the home repair program the city administers. |
| 4 | Agency/Group/Organization | Granger |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Granger is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The City of Granger applied for funds to improve a portion of the city's water system in low-income area of the city. |
| 5 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Hutto |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |

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| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Hutto is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The city will utilize CDBG funds to increase sidewalk accessibility in a low-mod income area. |
| 6 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Jarrell |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Jarrell is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The City of Jarrell applied for funding to improve the water system in a low income area of the city. |
| 7 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Leander |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Leander is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The City of Leander will use CDBG funds for a Senior Activity Center. |
| 8 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Liberty Hill |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Liberty Hill is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The City of Liberty Hill will utilize CDBG funds to increase sidewalk accessibility in a low-mod area of the city. |
| 9 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Taylor |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Taylor is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The city applied for funds to improve the city's water system in a low-mod income area. |
| 10 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Weir |
| | 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for participating city to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Cities are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. City of Weir is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The city will utilize CDBG funds for a community center. Weir is low-mod income. |
| 11 | Agency/Group/Organization | Taylor Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | PHA |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Public Housing Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. The Taylor Housing Authority is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Taylor Housing Authority utilizes CDBG funds for down-payment assistance to increase home ownership for income qualified households. |
| 12 | Agency/Group/Organization | Granger Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | PHA |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Public Housing Needs |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. The Granger Housing Authority is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Granger Housing Authority utilized CDBG funds to improve low income housing for income qualified households. |
| 13 | Agency/Group/Organization | Georgetown Housing Authority |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | PHA |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Public Housing Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. The Georgetown Housing Authority is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Georgetown Housing Authority is utilizing funds to improve sewer lines and plumbing for residents of their affordable housing units. |
| 14 | Agency/Group/Organization | WILLIAMSON COUNTY CRISIS CENTER D/B/A HOPE ALLIANCE |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence |
| | 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? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. The Crisis Center is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. The Crisis Center utilizes funds to increase supportive services for victims of domestic violence and to increase security at its shelter location through rehab/improvements. |
| 15 | Agency/Group/Organization | Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Housing |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Need Assessment |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Habitat utilizes fund for land acquisition and site development to build affordable housing throughout the county. Habitat also utilizes CDBG funds for a home repair program for income qualified households. |
| 16 | Agency/Group/Organization | BLUEBONNET TRAILS COMM. MHMR |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Housing 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? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. Bluebonnet Trails is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Bluebonnet utilizes CDBG funds to assist homeless individuals with housing first services. |
| 17 | Agency/Group/Organization | Interagency Support Council of Easter Williamson County |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | mental health |

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| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | mental health |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. Interagency Support Council is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Interagency utilizes CDBG funds to assist income qualified individuals with mental health support. |
| 18 | Agency/Group/Organization | Williamson County Commissioners Court |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - County |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. The CDBG office works with Commissioners to discuss projects in precincts and county wide. CDBG office provides information on eligibility and funding that Commissioners utilize to make allocation decisions. The Williamson County Commissioners Court strives to utilize funds to improve the quality of lives for low income residents in the county. |
| 19 | Agency/Group/Organization | Blackshear/O.L. Price Ex-Student Association |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Education Regional organization |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | public facilities |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. Blackshear is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Blackshear utilizes CDBG funds to improve a community center located in a low-mod area of Taylor TX. |
| 20 | Agency/Group/Organization | City of Round Rock |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Other government - Local |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Non-Homeless Special Needs |

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| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. The CDBG office consults with the City of Round Rock on CDBG shared projects, potential projects, CDBG management and policies. The City of Round Rock receives a direct allocation from HUD. Consultation is to discuss shared projects, if applicable. |
| 21 | Agency/Group/Organization | Key2Free |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Services - Victims |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Housing Need Assessment |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Public Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. Key2Free is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. Key2Free utilizes CDBG funds to assist homeless individuals who are victims of domestic violence and sex trafficking. |
| 22 | Agency/Group/Organization | Spectrum |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide |

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| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Broadband Services |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Researched information regarding plans available to low income families and households in Williamson County. Plan name Spectrum Internet Assist is available to low income households. Information gathered can be shared with other organizations assisting low income families or households contacting the CDBG office for assistance. |
| 23 | Agency/Group/Organization | AT&T |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Broadband Services |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Researched information regarding plans available to low income families and households in Williamson County. Plan name Access from AT&T is available to low income households. Information gathered can be shared with other organizations assisting low income families or households contacting the CDBG office for assistance. |
| 24 | Agency/Group/Organization | FEMA |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas |
| | 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? | Consult with FEMA regarding flood plain areas to ensure low income households and HUD funded projects are protected. Data collected from FEMA is used in determining projects and project eligibility. |

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| 25 | Agency/Group/Organization | Williamson County Department of Infrastructure |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Management of Public Land or Water Resources |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Infrastructure Flood Management |
| | Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination? | Consult with Department of Infrastructure to develop flood mapping and alleviation of flooding. Data acquired from the Department of Infrastructure allows the County to make informed decisions on project locations, eligibility and need. |
| 26 | Agency/Group/Organization | Williamson County Mobile Outreach Team |
| | Agency/Group/Organization Type | Services-homeless Services-Health Other government - County |
| | What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation? | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans 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 Hearing was held on March 17, 2020. Research via web. Continued outreach/networking. Outreach and networking provide the opportunity for organizations to discuss potential CDBG funded projects or projects that align with CDBG priorities. Organizations are encouraged to contact the CDBG office to discuss potential projects. MOT is a subrecipient of County CDBG funds therefore technical assistance is provided as needed. MOT also consults with law enforcement to provide crisis intervention for clients and avoid unnecessary incarceration. MOT utilizes funds to assist homeless individuals who are in a state of mental crisis. Intervention is to avoid unnecessary incarceration. |

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

All entities were considered for consultation.

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 | Central Texas Region units of government, including Williamson County | Barriers to affordable housing opportunities. |

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The CDBG citizen participation plan indicates that all federal regulations regarding public comment periods and participation will be followed by the Williamson County CDBG Office. The CDBG Office encourages the public to review documents concerning the CDBG program and provide feedback when desired and needed. Representatives of participating cities, County Commissioners, and other stakeholders were notified of funding and information was posted on the Williamson County web site at www.wilco.org. Notification was also posted in local newspapers. Notices were published in both English and Spanish. A public hearing was held on March 17, 2020 to gather input regarding the CDBG program and potential projects.

Participating cities and agencies are encouraged to submit applications to the Williamson County CDBG office for projects that meet the priorities and goals outlined in the Consolidated Plan. Project applications are determined via the use of comprehensive plans, public input and/or city staff/management. During the planning process, cities may hold public input meetings as well post information for review by the public. County Commissioners receive input from constituents and discuss potential projects with the CDBG Administrator. The CDBG Administrator guides potential applicants in the application process and is available to meet to discuss processes, projects and funding.

The project proposal was approved by the Williamson County Commissioners Court on July 21, 2020. Annual Action Plan was made available for public comment at www.wilco.org/cdbg. A comment was received by the City of Taylor. Project allocations were adjusted in response to the comment.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and in an effort to avoid public gatherings, the public was encouraged to contact the Community Development Block Grant office to discuss and/or comment. The following contact information was provided, Sally Bardwell at 512-943-3757 or sbardwell@wilco.org.

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 Meeting | Non-targeted/broad community | No comments received. | No comments received. | No comments received. | |
| 2 | Newspaper Ad | Non-targeted/broad community | No comments received. | No comments received. | No comments received. | |
| 3 | Internet Outreach | Non-targeted/broad community | No comments received. | No comments received. | No comments received. | |
| 4 | Posting at Public Housing and Local Government Offices | Non-targeted/broad community | No comments received. | City of Taylor submitted a comment regarding funding allocations. Allocations were adjusted based on comments submitted. | No comments received. | |

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

Williamson County was awarded \$1,596,257. The level of annual funding is expected to remain similar for the remainder of the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

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 | 1,596,014 | 0 | 0 | 1,596,014 | 4,788,042 | This is an estimated allocation based on historical allocations. The expected amount for the remainder of the Con Plan assumes the same allocation in each subsequent year. |

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

The nonprofit organizations funded have additional financial capacity through foundations and fundraising campaigns. Federal funds provide these organizations with the opportunity to expand their services to benefit more low- and moderate-income persons.

There are no federal or local matching requirements for the CDBG grant. However, the county encourages projects to provide match funds if available.

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

Williamson County does not intend to utilize publicly owned land or property to address the needs identified in this plan.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|--|------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|--|
| 1 | Housing Rehabilitation | 2019 | 2023 | Affordable Housing Public Housing | City of Georgetown City of Granger CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County | Increase Access to Affordable Housing | CDBG: \$196,498 | Rental units rehabilitated: 10 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 25 Household Housing Unit |
| 2 | Provide housing/services to the homeless/at risk | 2019 | 2023 | Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide | Decrease Homelessness | CDBG: \$85,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 150 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 20 Persons Assisted |
| 3 | Improve public facilities | 2019 | 2023 | Non-Housing Community Development | City of Granger City of Taylor CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements | CDBG: \$911,579 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2895 Persons Assisted |

| Sort Order | Goal Name | Start Year | End Year | Category | Geographic Area | Needs Addressed | Funding | Goal Outcome Indicator |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------|--|---|--|--------------------|--|
| 4 | Provide public services | 2019 | 2023 | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | Countywide City of Georgetown | Public Services | CDBG: \$70,000 | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 250 Persons Assisted |
| 5 | Home-ownership Assistance | 2019 | 2023 | Affordable Housing | City of Georgetown | Increase Access to Affordable Housing | CDBG: \$230,500 | Homeowner Housing Added: 12 Household Housing Unit |
| 6 | Planning and Administration | 2019 | 2023 | Administration and Planning | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County | Planning and Administration and Fair Housing | CDBG: \$102,437 | Other: 1 Other |

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

| | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | Goal Name | Housing Rehabilitation |
| | Goal Description | <p>Provide assistance to homeowners for rehabilitation of existing structures to improve and maintain the quality of the affordable housing stock.</p> <p>Granger Housing Authority \$46,498</p> <p>City of Georgetown Home Repair \$75,000</p> <p>Habitat for Humanity Home Repair \$75,000</p> |

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|----------|-------------------------|---|
| 2 | Goal Name | Provide housing/services to the homeless/at risk |
| | Goal Description | Provide support for facilities and services that are targeted at those experiencing homelessness and/or are unstably housed. Williamson County Crisis Center \$35,000 Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR \$50,000 |
| 3 | Goal Name | Improve public facilities |
| | Goal Description | Improvements to public facilities and infrastructure and facilities that deliver public services. Public facilities include those that serve youth/children, abused and neglected children, seniors, persons with disabilities and other vulnerable populations. Williamson County Crisis Center \$22,134 Granger Water System Improvments \$373,925 Jarrell Water System Improvements \$355,520 Taylor Water System Improvements \$160,000 |
| 4 | Goal Name | Provide public services |
| | Goal Description | Delivery of public services for seniors, persons with disabilities, youth, victims of domestic violence, abused and neglected children as well as childcare services, health and mental health services, transportation, non-homeless special needs and employment training. Hutto Resource Center \$20,000 Helping Hands of Georgetown \$20,000 Interagency Support Council \$30,000 |

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|---|-------------------------|---|
| 5 | Goal Name | Home-ownership Assistance |
| | Goal Description | Increase access to affordable housing. Habitat for Humanity 21st Street \$133,500 Georgetown 21st Street \$97,000 |
| 6 | Goal Name | Planning and Administration |
| | Goal Description | Administrative and planning costs to operate the CDBG program successfully. |

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The following table provides the names of the projects funded for FY 2020 utilizing CDBG funds. If a funded project has cost savings, slows down or discovers a barrier to being completed, an alternate project from the current Annual Action Plan may be selected to continue the timely spending of grant funds. Please refer to the Appendix for a list and description of alternate projects.

Williamson County was awarded \$1,596,014 in FY20.

Projects

| # | Project Name |
|----|--|
| 1 | Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance Shelter Rehab |
| 2 | Granger Wastewater/Colorado Street 2018 |
| 3 | Habitat/Georgetown 21st Street Project |
| 4 | Jarrell Water System Improvement |
| 5 | Taylor Water System Improvements/Old Coupland Road |
| 6 | Granger Housing Authority Rehab |
| 7 | City of Georgetown Home Repair Program |
| 8 | Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County/Homeowner Rehab |
| 9 | Hutto Resource Center |
| 10 | Helping Hands of Georgetown |
| 11 | Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance Transitional Housing |
| 12 | Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center/Social Service |
| 13 | Interagency Support Council of Eastern Williamson County |
| 14 | Program Administration FY20 |

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Allocation priorities were based upon the Needs Assessment undertaken as part of the planning process and demand for projects and services in the past. The primary obstacle to addressing underserved needs is the limited resources available to address such needs throughout the County. The County encourages CDBG applicants to seek other resources from other public and private entities in an effort to leverage

the limited amount of CDBG funds available.

Projects descriptions and specific allocations are found in the appendices of this document.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

| | | |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | Project Name | Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance Shelter Rehab |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Improve public facilities |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$22,134 |
| | Description | Funds will be utilized for shelter repair. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project to assist 357 domestic violence individuals. Presumed low-mod. |
| | Location Description | Non-disclosed location. |
| | Planned Activities | Funds will be utilized for shelter repair. |
| 2 | Project Name | Granger Wastewater/Colorado Street 2018 |
| | Target Area | City of Granger |
| | Goals Supported | Improve public facilities |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$373,925 |
| | Description | Replacement of existing 8 inch clay wastewater line with new PVC wastewater line and associated manholes. Project to include the repair of asphalt streets and concrete sidewalks and will take place on Colorado Street south of FM917 to East Mesquite, Colorado Street north of FM971 to East Ash, east on East Ash Street to North Alligator Road, north on Mustang Street from East Ash Street to before East Walnut. Project is in Granger, TX. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project is area based and expected to assist 878 people. Area is 50.89% low-mod. |
| | Location Description | Granger TX |

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| | Planned Activities | Project to include 35 isolation water valves to reduce the need to shut down the city's water supply due to maintenance/repair efforts. (funded in FY18 \$55,400) |
| 3 | Project Name | Habitat/Georgetown 21st Street Project |
| | Target Area | City of Georgetown |
| | Goals Supported | Home-ownership Assistance |
| | Needs Addressed | Increase Access to Affordable Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$230,500 |
| | Description | Site development engineering and architectural design and construction documents for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX. Infrastructure for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project will provide 6-12 affordable housing units for income qualified low-mod persons. |
| | Location Description | Georgetown TX |
| 4 | Planned Activities | Site development engineering and architectural design and construction documents for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX. Infrastructure for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX. |
| | Project Name | Jarrell Water System Improvement |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Improve public facilities |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$355,520 |
| | Description | Installation of approximately 2400 feet of 12" water line including valves, fittings and fire hydrants. Work to be completed on East Avenue A, between North 2nd Street and North 10th Street in Jarrell TX. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project is area based and anticipated to assist 560 people. Project area is 50.81% low-mod. |
| | Location Description | Jarrell TX |
| | Planned Activities | Installation of approximately 2400 feet of 12" water line including valves, fittings and fire hydrants. Work to be completed on East Avenue A, between North 2nd Street and North 10th Street in Jarrell TX. |
| 5 | Project Name | Taylor Water System Improvements/Old Coupland Road |
| | Target Area | City of Taylor |
| | Goals Supported | Improve public facilities |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$160,000 |
| | Description | Construction of approximately 1183 linear feet of 8" waterlines along Old Coupland Road in Taylor TX. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project is an areas based project. Assist approximately 1100 people. Project area is 70% low-mod. |
| | Location Description | Project is located on Old Coupland Road in Taylor Tx. |
| | Planned Activities | Construction of approximately 1183 linear feet of 8" waterlines along Old Coupland Road in Taylor TX. |
| 6 | Project Name | Granger Housing Authority Rehab |
| | Target Area | City of Granger |
| | Goals Supported | Housing Rehabilitation |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$46,498 |
| | Description | Weatherization through window replacement in approximately 10 units. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |

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| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project will assist approximately 20 low income individuals/10 households. |
| | Location Description | Granger Housing Authority |
| | Planned Activities | Weatherization through window replacement in approximately 10 units. |
| 7 | Project Name | City of Georgetown Home Repair Program |
| | Target Area | City of Georgetown |
| | Goals Supported | Housing Rehabilitation |
| | Needs Addressed | Increase Access to Affordable Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$75,000 |
| | Description | Project will assist approximately fifteen eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within Georgetown city limits. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. The program will be administered by Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project to assist approximately 15-20 low income households. |
| | Location Description | Project will be citywide in Georgetown TX. |
| | Planned Activities | Project will assist approximately fifteen eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within Georgetown city limits. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. The program will be administered by Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety. |
| 8 | Project Name | Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County/Homeowner Rehab |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |

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| | Goals Supported | Housing Rehabilitation |
| | Needs Addressed | Increase Access to Affordable Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$75,000 |
| | Description | Project will assist approximately ten eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within CDBG participating cities or the unincorporated areas of the County. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project will assist approximately 10 low income households. |
| | Location Description | CDBG participating cities or unincorporated areas of the county. |
| | Planned Activities | Project will assist approximately ten eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within CDBG participating cities or the unincorporated areas of the County. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety. |
| 9 | Project Name | Hutto Resource Center |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Provide public services |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$20,000 |
| | Description | Food Pantry Services |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |

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|-----------|--|---|
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project to assist approximately 110 low income individuals. |
| | Location Description | Hutto TX |
| | Planned Activities | Food Pantry Services |
| 10 | Project Name | Helping Hands of Georgetown |
| | Target Area | City of Georgetown |
| | Goals Supported | |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$20,000 |
| | Description | Food Pantry Services |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project expected to assist 110 low income individuals. |
| | Location Description | Georgetown TX |
| | Planned Activities | Food Pantry Services |
| 11 | Project Name | Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance Transitional Housing |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Provide housing/services to the homeless/at risk |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$35,000 |
| | Description | CDBG funds will be utilized to offer financial assistance to survivors of domestic violence participating in other life-saving services offered by Hope Alliance. Assistance would be provided in the form of monies paid directly to landlords and utility companies. Financial assistance would be provided for items such as deposits, rent, and utilities. This assistance will allow survivors to remain in their current safe housing or obtain new housing after fleeing from unsafe, abusive, and violent environments. |

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|-----------|--|---|
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project estimated to assist 150 victims of domestic violence. Presumed low-mod. |
| | Location Description | CDBG participating cities and unincorporated areas of the county. |
| | Planned Activities | <p>CDBG funds will be utilized to offer financial assistance to survivors of domestic violence participating in other life-saving services offered by Hope Alliance. Assistance would be provided in the form of monies paid directly to landlords and utility companies. Financial assistance would be provided for items such as deposits, rent, and utilities.</p> <p>This assistance will allow survivors to remain in their current safe housing or obtain new housing after fleeing from unsafe, abusive, and violent environments.</p> |
| 12 | Project Name | Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center/Social Service |
| | Target Area | Countywide |
| | Goals Supported | Provide housing/services to the homeless/at risk |
| | Needs Addressed | Decrease Homelessness |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$50,000 |
| | Description | Provide Housing First services that assist people in securing permanent housing and achieve housing stability, without preconditions or barriers as a prerequisite for housing. Focus will be on the housing needs of people that are homeless by connecting with local housing authorities, applying for Section 8 or Section 811, finding available rental units and negotiating with property managers. Housing First will also help individuals access employment, psychiatric and primary healthcare, veteran and peer support services, access community resources and apply for Social Security benefits and other benefits such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), as needed. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project will assist approximately 20 low income individuals. Clients are homeless or near homeless. |

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|-----------|--|---|
| | Location Description | CDBG participating cities and unincorporated areas of the county. |
| | Planned Activities | Provide Housing First services that assist people in securing permanent housing and achieve housing stability, without preconditions or barriers as a prerequisite for housing. Focus will be on the housing needs of people that are homeless by connecting with local housing authorities, applying for Section 8 or Section 811, finding available rental units and negotiating with property managers. Housing First will also help individuals access employment, psychiatric and primary healthcare, veteran and peer support services, access community resources and apply for Social Security benefits and other benefits such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), as needed. |
| 13 | Project Name | Interagency Support Council of Eastern Williamson County |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Provide public services |
| | Needs Addressed | Public Services |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$30,000 |
| | Description | Provide individual and group therapy, small and large group presentations, crises intervention, psychiatric care, medication monitoring and family therapy to participating schools in Eastern Williamson County. Funding will allow the program to maintain the number of clients served. |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | Project to assist 20-30 low to moderate income people. |
| | Location Description | Eastern Williamson County |
| | Planned Activities | Provide individual and group therapy, small and large group presentations, crises intervention, psychiatric care, medication monitoring and family therapy to participating schools in Eastern Williamson County. Funding will allow the program to maintain the number of clients served. |
| 14 | Project Name | Program Administration FY20 |
| | Target Area | CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County |
| | Goals Supported | Planning and Administration |

| | | |
|--|--|--|
| | Needs Addressed | Planning and Administration and Fair Housing |
| | Funding | CDBG: \$102,437 |
| | Description | Program administration and oversight |
| | Target Date | 9/30/2021 |
| | Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities | |
| | Location Description | |
| | Planned Activities | Program administration and oversight |

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

Projects are determined by the area low mod percent or by individual assistance. Projects will be located in Granger, Georgetown, Jarrell, Taylor, Hutto, and in the unincorporated areas of the county.

Distribution is as follows:

Granger 26.3%

Georgetown 20.4%

Jarrell 22.2%

Taylor 10%

Hutto 1.2%

Countywide 13.3%

Administration 6.4%

Geographic Distribution

| Target Area | Percentage of Funds |
|--|----------------------------|
| Countywide | |
| City of Leander | 0 |
| City of Georgetown | |
| City of Granger | |
| City of Taylor | |
| CDBG Participating Cities + Unincorporated Areas of County | |

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Williamson County will use CDBG funds throughout the jurisdiction to serve low and moderate-income persons and households. The county does not prioritize allocations geographically, but rather based on need. All projects either serve low-mod income individuals, households or areas based on census tract

data or survey.

Discussion

Williamson County does not have identified designated target areas for the FY20 Action Plan.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The county will use FY20 CDBG funds to assist with the Georgetown Home Repair Program and the Habitat for Humanity Home Repair program. Funds will also be used to improve the Granger Housing Authority the Hope Alliance Domestic Violence Shelter. In addition, Habitat for Humanity and Georgetown will partner to create 6-12 affordable homes in the 21st Street area of Georgetown.

Bluebonnet Trails and Hope Alliance will manage two housing assistance programs.

Projects to be funded as follows:

Georgetown Home Repair \$75,000

Habitat Home Repair \$75,000

Granger Housing Authority \$46,498

Hope Alliance \$22,134

Georgetown/Habitat \$230,500

Bluebonnet Trails/Social Service \$50,000

Hope Alliance/Social Service \$35,000

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported | |
|---|-----|
| Homeless | 20 |
| Non-Homeless | 41 |
| Special-Needs | 507 |
| Total | 568 |

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

| One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through | |
|---|----|
| Rental Assistance | 0 |
| The Production of New Units | 6 |
| Rehab of Existing Units | 41 |
| Acquisition of Existing Units | 0 |
| Total | 47 |

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

Discussion

Project outcomes are as follows:

Georgetown Home Repair 15 households

Habitat Home Repair 10 households

Granger Housing Authority 10 households/units

Hope Alliance 357 individuals served at shelter

Georgetown/Habitat 6-12 new homes

Bluebonnet Trails/Social Service 20 homeless individuals

Hope Alliance/Social Service 150 victims of domestic violence

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

Low-income residents largely depend on local housing authorities for access to affordable housing and related services. The purpose of public housing authorities (PHA) is to ensure safe, decent, affordable housing and to create opportunities for resident's self-sufficiency and economic independence.

The Georgetown Public Housing Authority manages Shady Oaks Apartments and Stonehaven Apartments. The Shady Oaks Apartments are Section 8 and offer 60 duplex apartments to qualified residents. The Stonehaven Apartments are public housing and offer 158 housing units to qualified residents. The Georgetown Housing Authority also manages a Section 8 (Housing Choice Voucher) program.

The Taylor Housing Authority owns and manages the Mary Olson property and the Avery property. These properties are public housing facilities and offer 46 units and 70 units respectively. The Taylor Housing Authority also administers a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program that assists approximately 142 families. The Voucher program is a rental subsidy program where families choose where they want to live (based on certain stipulations) and the rental subsidy is paid to the landlord.

The Granger Housing Authority operates and manages 26 units available to qualified residents.

As public housing facilities age, investment are needed to maintain and improve the buildings and units to preserve and maintain safe, decent, affordable housing for the County's most vulnerable residents. This section discusses actions taken to address the needs of public housing residents and the units in which they reside.

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

During FY 2020, Williamson County will fund the following:

- Funding to Granger Housing Authority (\$46,498) to weatherize 10 units through window replacement. Units are 2-3 bedroom units and will serve low-mod income families.

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

Georgetown Housing Authority (GHA) offers various services to residents in an effort to improve their living environment. Services include classes and activities for families such as nutrition and health classes; exercise groups; medical, hearing and prescription medicine screenings; defensive driving; financial literacy as well as classes about protection from identity fraud/theft. Computer labs and tutors

are available to residents for job search activities, resume building, and personal use.

GHA offers the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program, a HUD program that encourages communities to develop local strategies to help families obtain employment that will lead to economic independence and self-sufficiency. In partnership with welfare agencies, schools, businesses, and other local partners, GHA has developed a comprehensive program that gives participating FSS family members the skills and experience to assist them in obtaining employment that pays a living wage and focus on self-sufficiency.

The Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) program is another essential service provided through GHA. This program allows residents to receive one-on-one assistance and support from a ROSS Coordinator to identify goals and current needs and to find free or low-cost resources to assist residents in achieving their goals.

The Taylor Housing Authority was awarded \$100,000 in FY16 CDBG funds for their Home Ownership Program to assist income eligible families with purchasing a home. The down payment assistance available to families was increased in an effort to make home purchases affordable to income qualified households.

The County supports the Taylor Housing Authority with a CDBG homeownership program. The program provides down-payment assistance to eligible residents. The County has also provided CDBG funding to both the Granger and Georgetown Housing Authorities for housing improvements. While these projects don't directly affect homeownership, they do provide needed support to residents.

The CDBG office participates in the Williamson County Homeless Coalition. The coalition meets to discuss housing options and funding. Representatives from multiple agencies participate in the meetings including, but not limited to the Round Rock Housing Authority, Georgetown Housing Authority and Taylor Housing Authority.

Currently, only the Taylor Housing Authority has a homeownership program in place.

The Housing Authorities have resident representatives on the board for representation and to encourage residents to become more involved in management.

The County supports all efforts of the Housing Authorities to encourage home ownership and management.

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

provided or other assistance

None of the PHAs in Williamson County are designated as troubled.

Discussion

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

Introduction

The following section outlines Williamson County's goals and actions for the year in ending homelessness.

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

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The County participated in the Central Texas Fair Housing consortium. The full report can be found at <https://www.wilco.org/cdbg>.

The Central Texas Fair Housing consortium developed a regional Analysis of impediments to Fair Housing. The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, or AI, is a planning process for local governments and public housing agencies (PHAs) to take meaningful actions to overcome historic patterns of segregation, promote fair housing choice, and foster inclusive communities that are free from discrimination. This study was conducted for the Central Texas Region in

2018 and 2019 as a joint effort among the following entities:

- The City of Austin
- The Housing Authority of the City of Austin
- The Georgetown Housing Authority
- The City of Pflugerville
- The City of Round Rock
- The Round Rock Housing Authority
- The Taylor Housing Authority
- Travis County
- The Housing Authority of Travis County
- Williamson County

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Because Williamson County will be funding wraparound social services offered by service providers working with persons experiencing homelessness, the service providers are able to leverage their resources to provide emergency shelter to help meet the housing needs of homeless persons.

Williamson County has allocated to the following social services; \$20,000 Hutto Resource Center Food Pantry, \$20,000 Helping Hands of Georgetown Food Pantry, \$30,000 to Interagency Support Council of Eastern Williamson County, \$35,000 to Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance, and \$50,000 to Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center. Williamson County is not directly increasing the number of emergency shelter beds but rather is funding the supportive services utilized by persons accessing emergency and transitional housing.

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

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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.

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Discussion

The CDBG Program Administrator participates in the Williamson County Homeless Coalition. The coalition is made up of local organizations who assist the homeless. The group is meeting to discuss how better to address the homeless population in Williamson County.

The Balance of State CoC works to ensure that homeless individuals make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, is prioritizing safe and stable housing and making affordable housing options more accessible to homeless individuals. Many homeless that struggle to transition into permanent housing and independent living suffer from mental illness and substance addiction. Recent trends through the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing program and Housing First model

prioritize placing homeless individuals and families in permanent housing quickly, and then linking them to supportive services in the community. Williamson County continues to support local organizations, such as the Georgetown Project to assist homeless youth with transitional and permanent housing. This is done through Williamson County Juvenile Services.

Williamson Burnet County Opportunities (WBCO) provides services such emergency assistance, headstart, case management to transition out of poverty, adult education program for job skills, and rapid re-housing program.

Williamson County Mobile Outreach Team assists local law enforcement with individuals who are in a crisis. They work with health-care facilities, mental health facilities, corrections programs and institutions to ensure that individuals obtain the care they need. They also provide medications and temporary housing as needed and as funds allow.

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

Introduction:

This section describes some of the primary challenges to development of affordable housing.

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

Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) is the only nonprofit housing developer in Williamson County. Habitat must look for low-cost land as high taxes and insurance make much of the land cost prohibitive. Even with Homestead caps, valuations are increasing and hurting mortgage affordability while low-cost land is increasingly difficult to find. It is a priority of Williamson County to acquire land for affordable housing. Stakeholders discussed that development and zoning ordinances make it difficult to develop affordable housing units.

The City of Georgetown and Habitat for Humanity are partnering together to develop 6-12 workforce units located on West 21st Street in Georgetown TX.

Discussion:

Williamson County does not set land code uses, zoning and/or policies and procedures for participating cities. The County encourages all participating cities to remove any barriers to affordable housing.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The primary impediment to Williamson County's ability to meet underserved needs is limited availability of funding to address identified priorities; the need exceeds the availability of resources. The County will continue to seek public and private resources to leverage its entitlement funds in assisting with implementation of policies and programs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Williamson County is committed to fostering and maintaining affordable housing. FY20 CDBG funds have been awarded to following projects to improve or create additional affordable housing:

Granger Water System Improvements \$373,925

Project to include 35 isolation water valves to reduce the need to shut down the city's water supply due to maintenance/repair efforts.

Habitat for Humanity/Georgetown 21st Street Project \$230,500

Site development engineering, infrastructure and architectural design and construction documents for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX.

Jarrell Water System Improvements \$355,520

Installation of approximately 2400 feet of 12" water line including valves, fittings and fire hydrants. Work to be completed on East Avenue A, between North 2nd Street and North 10th Street in

Jarrell TX.

Taylor Water System Improvements Old Coupland Road \$160,000

Construction of approximately 1183 linear feet of 8" waterlines along Old Coupland Road in Taylor TX.

Granger Housing Authority Rehab \$46,498

Weatherization through window replacement in approximately 10 units that are 2-3 bedrooms.

City of Georgetown Home Repair Program \$75,000

Project will assist approximately fifteen eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within Georgetown city limits. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. The program will be administered by Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety.

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Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Williamson County will continue to support the efforts of the Williamson County and Cities Health Districts to address lead based paint (LBP) hazards. The County will also continue to notify CDBG sub-recipients of LBP requirements and ensure compliance with CDBG requirements.

Williamson County's CDBG policies and procedures comply with the federal lead-based paint regulations at 24 CFR Part 35.

In accordance with lead-based paint requirements, the County will incorporate the following factors to refine and narrow the communities that are at highest risk with lead-based paint hazards as related to

housing rehabilitation activities:

- Age of housing (pre-1978 housing units)
- Condition of housing
- Tenure and poverty levels
- Presence of young children
- Presence of lead poisoning cases

All contractors, sub-recipients, and other community partners are advised of the lead-based paint regulations. Additionally, the County's CDBG Office will continue to distribute information and literature on lead hazards to households who may be at risk of exposure.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

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Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Because Williamson County has relationships with public housing authorities and agencies such as Habitat for Humanity and Hope Alliance, there are opportunities for continued dialogue and support for advancement of institutional structure. Additionally, as a sub-recipient of CDBG funds, the receiving

entities must maintain a high level of reporting which requires a strong institutional structure. Williamson County will provide technical assistance as needed to ensure that sub-recipients are in compliance with CDBG regulations.

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

Williamson County will continue to support and encourage efforts of the four public housing authorities and agencies such as Habitat for Humanity to collaborate to increase and preserve the number of affordable housing units. Williamson County will also encourage public housing authorities to offer services to residents in financial literacy and planning and to encourage residents to participate in programs designed to increase self-sufficiency.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

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

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

Other CDBG Requirements

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| 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% |

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments

2020 Annual Action Plan Citizen Participation Comments

One comment received.



August 7, 2020

Honorable Bill Gravell, County Judge
710 Main Street
Georgetown, TX 78626

RE: Williamson County 2020 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

August 6, 2020

Dear Honorable Judge Gravell,

The City of Taylor recently learned that the proposed Williamson County 2020 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocation of \$1,596,257 does not include any allocated funding for the City of Taylor's infrastructure needs, and I wanted to reach out to you to ask you to consider some important points before making a final decision regarding the allocation of these funds.

The proposed plan contains \$898,859 allocated for the AP-2020 Goal of "Improve public facilities," but there are no funds allocated to infrastructure improvements in the City of Taylor. To better align with the funding priorities of the 2019-2023 Five-Year Consolidated Plan that was created specifically for this grant program, there should be some amount of funding allocated towards City of Taylor infrastructure improvements. For example, we would prefer to see the City of Taylor Water System Improvements Project for Old Coupland Road listed as a "Recommended Funding" project rather than the proposed listing as an "Alternate Project".

I want to make you aware of a couple of other points that emphasize why the City of Taylor Water System Improvements should be included in the recommended funding list:

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- In the plan geographic distribution numbers, Taylor-based nonprofit organizations would receive 9.2% of the funds, while the City of Taylor would receive 0% of the funding.
- Overall, within the infrastructure projects listed in the plan, the City of Taylor Water Project has the highest number of affected residents at 1,100.
- In Williamson County, Taylor is the largest population Low to Moderate Income community in the County. Our overall Low to Moderate Income rate is 59% .

We understand everyone has needs, but we do feel a greater percentage of overall funding from the CDBG Grant Program should go to Taylor due to the factors provided above.

On behalf of the City of Taylor, I appreciate and thank Williamson County for the opportunity to provide comments regarding the plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffery Jenkins".

Jeffery Jenkins
Deputy City Manager

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Grantee Unique Appendices

Recommended Funding for FY20 Community Development Block Grant Allocation \$1,596,014

Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance Shelter Rehab

Funds will be utilized for shelter repair. (funded in FY19 \$15,000)

Funding Requested: \$22,134

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$22,134

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: Undisclosed Location

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 357 People

Granger Water System Improvements

Project to include 35 isolation water valves to reduce the need to shut down the city's water supply due to maintenance/repair efforts. (funded in FY18 \$55,400)

Funding Requested: \$373,925

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$373,925

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: City of Granger

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 878 people

Habitat for Humanity 21st Street Project

Site development, engineering and architectural design and construction documents for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX.

Funding Requested: \$133,500

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$133,500

Annual Goals: Increase Access to Affordable Housing

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Homeownership Assistance

Goal Outcome Indicator: 6-12 households

City of Georgetown 21st Street Project

Infrastructure for the development of 6-12 for sale workforce units developed at 502 W. 21st Street, Georgetown TX.

Funding Requested: \$196,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$97,000

Annual Goals: Increase Access to Affordable Housing

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Homeownership Assistance

Goal Outcome Indicator: 6-12 households

Jarrell Water System Improvements

Installation of approximately 2400 feet of 12" water line including valves, fittings and fire hydrants. Work to be completed on East Avenue A, between North 2nd Street and North 10th Street in Jarrell TX.

Funding Requested: \$355,520

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$355,520

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: City of Jarrell

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 560 people

City of Taylor Water System Improvements Old Coupland Road

Construction of approximately 1183 linear feet of 8" waterlines along Old Coupland Road in Taylor TX.

Funding Requested: \$399,999

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$160,000

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: City of Taylor

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Infrastructure

Goal Outcome Indicator: 1100 people

Granger Housing Authority Rehab

Weatherization through window replacement in approximately 10 units that are 2-3 bedrooms. (funded in FY19 \$49,898)

Funding Requested: \$46,498

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$46,498

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: Granger Housing Authority

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facility

Goal Outcome Indicator: 20 People

City of Georgetown Home Repair Program

Project will assist approximately fifteen eligible homeowners who are in need of home repairs within Georgetown city limits. Homeowners will meet CDBG defined income qualifications. The program will be administered by Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County. Home repairs can include, but are not limited to, roofing, siding, weatherization (windows), energy efficiency/conservation (plumbing, electrical), accessibility and/or safety. (funded in FY19 \$75,000)

Funding Requested: \$100,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$75,000

Annual Goals: Increase Access to Affordable Housing

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Housing Rehabilitation

Goal Outcome Indicator: 15-20 Households

Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County Home Repair Program

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Funding Requested: \$75,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$75,000

Annual Goals: Increase Access to Affordable Housing

Target Areas: CDBG Participating Cities and Unincorporated Areas of the County

Priority Needs Addressed: Housing Rehabilitation

Goal Outcome Indicator: 10 Households

Hutto Resource Center/Social Service Food Pantry

Food pantry services to qualified clients.

Funding Requested: \$60,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$20,000

Annual Goals: Public Services/Food Pantry

Target Areas: City of Hutto

Priority Needs Addressed: Non-Homeless Special Needs

Goal Outcome Indicator: 110 People

Helping Hands of Georgetown/Social Service Food Pantry

Food pantry services to qualified clients.

Funding Requested: \$75,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$20,000

Annual Goals: Public Services/Food Pantry

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Non-Homeless Special Needs

Goal Outcome Indicator: 110 People

Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance/Social Service Transitional Housing

CDBG funds will be utilized to offer financial assistance to survivors of domestic violence participating in other life-saving services offered by Hope Alliance. Assistance would be provided in the form of monies paid directly to landlords and utility companies. Financial assistance would be provided for items such as deposits, rent, and utilities.

This assistance will allow survivors to remain in their current safe housing or obtain new housing after fleeing from unsafe, abusive, and violent environments.

Funding Requested: \$35,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$35,000

Annual Goals: Public Service

Target Areas: CDBG Participating Cities and Unincorporated Areas of the County

Priority Needs Addressed: Provide Public Service to Victims of Domestic Violence

Goal Outcome Indicator: 150 people

Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center/Social Service

Provide Housing First services that assist people in securing permanent housing and achieve housing stability, without preconditions or barriers as a prerequisite for housing. Focus will be on the housing needs of people that are homeless by connecting with local housing authorities, applying for Section 8 or Section 811, finding available rental units and negotiating with property managers. Housing First will also help individuals access employment, psychiatric and primary healthcare, veteran and peer support services, access community resources and apply for Social Security benefits and other benefits such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), as needed. (funded in FY19 \$50,000)

Funding Requested: \$50,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$50,000

Annual Goals: Public Service

Target Areas: CDBG Participating Cities and Unincorporated Areas of the County

Priority Needs Addressed: Provide Public Service

Goal Outcome Indicator: 20 people (approximate cost of \$2500/person)

Interagency Support Council of Eastern Williamson County, Inc/Social Service

Provide individual and group therapy, small and large group presentations, crises intervention, psychiatric care, medication monitoring and family therapy to participating schools in Eastern Williamson County. Funding will allow the program to maintain the number of clients served. (funded in FY19 \$25,000)

Funding Requested: \$40,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$30,000

Annual Goals: Public Services/Health and Mental Health Services

Target Areas: CDBG Participating Cities and Unincorporated Areas of the County

Priority Needs Addressed: Health and Mental Health Services

Goal Outcome Indicator: 20-30 People

Program Administration

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$102,437

Alternate Project FY20 CDBG Funding

This document includes a list of alternate projects for public review. If a funded project has cost savings, slows down or discovers a barrier to being completed, an alternate project from the current Annual Action Plan may be selected to continue the timely spending of grant funds. Consideration of any project that was not identified as an alternate will go through the approved substantial amendment process.

Alternate Projects contain the same level of information that funded projects contain in the Annual Action Plan to ensure appropriate review by the public. Project descriptions also include the maximum dollar amount the Commissioners Court will consider if funding becomes available. Approval by the Williamson County Commissioners Court will be necessary to replace a funded project with an alternate or to fund an alternate with cost savings from a completed project regardless of whether or not:

- the increase or decrease exceeds 50% change in federal funding where the project is \$25,000 or less, or
- the increase or decrease exceeds 25% change in federal funding where the project is more than \$25,000.

These actions will not require a substantial amendment since the alternate projects will have gone through a public review process.

Consideration of any project that was not identified as an alternate will go through the approved substantial amendment process.

Alternate Projects

Taylor Dickey Museum and Multipurpose Center

Rehabilitation of the Dr. James Lee Dickey House located at 500 Burkett Street in Taylor, TX. Working with Dickey House Architect Raymond Powell and Phoenix 1 Restoration/ Construction Co. to rehabilitate existing building to its original condition in accordance with the Secretary of Interior Standards SOI) and guidelines for historic buildings as required by Federal Law. Project includes building and foundation repairs, asbestos and lead paint testing and abatement, air testing, concrete walks and ramps. (funded in FY17 \$109,160 and FY19 \$98,000)

Funding Requested: \$147,280

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Facilities

Target Areas: City of Taylor

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 4/55 people

Good Life Percussion Park

Funding a portion of the Percussion Park project with ADA accessibility, musical play equipment, shade structures, public art and native trees and plants. Project located in Taylor TX.

Funding Requested: \$80,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: City of Taylor

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 9300 people

City of Liberty Hill Community Center

Renovate and expand the existing building at 3414 Ranch Road 1869 to create a new Community Center. The project will consist of renovating the existing 1350 square feet building and adding 1050 square feet to the building for a total of 2400 square feet. The renovations and addition will include a Community Meeting area, kitchen and bathrooms.

Funding Requested: \$390,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Facilities and Infrastructure Improvements

Target Areas: City of Liberty Hill

Priority Needs Addressed: Improve Public Facilities

Goal Outcome Indicator: 1150 people

Faith in Action Georgetown/Social Service Transportation

Provide transportation to Georgetown residents who no longer drive due to chronic health conditions and lack of affordability to own/maintain a vehicle. Provide reliable, door-through-door assisted transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping and personal errands.

Funding Requested: \$50,000

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Services/Transportation

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Non-Homeless Special Needs

Goal Outcome Indicator: 915 people

Georgetown Nest/Social Service Employment Training

Post-Secondary Employment Training Program to address the critical need of connecting low-income high school seniors and recent graduates who are at-risk, homeless or living in transition with post-secondary employment or training while providing a safety net of basic needs such as emergency housing and food support as they transition to financial self-sufficiency. Services include enhanced case management, emergency housing and utilities support.

Funding Requested: \$80,850

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Services/Education and Employment

Target Areas: City of Georgetown

Priority Needs Addressed: Non-Homeless Special Needs

Goal Outcome Indicator: 10 people

Life Steps/Social Service Substance Abuse

Expand the availability and quality of recovery-oriented support and services to Williamson County. Provide support to families who are experiencing the adverse effects of individuals with substance use disorders.

Funding Requested: \$76,009.50

Estimated Funding for FY20: \$0

Annual Goals: Public Services/Substance Abuse

Target Areas: Williamson County

Priority Needs Addressed: Non-Homeless Special Needs

Goal Outcome Indicator: 180 people

Past Performance and Evaluation as Reported in the FY18 CAPER

City of Weir Community Center

Activity 86

Accomplishments: Engineering for this project is complete. Original bids came in over budget. Project will rebid December 19, 2019. Once a contract is awarded, the project will take approximately 5-6 months for completion.

FY17 \$315,000

FY18 \$292,700

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$62,748

Census Tract 216.02 (Block Group 1)

Percent Low-Mod: 46.34%

Percent Minority: 25.3%

City of Taylor Water/Wastewater and Street Reconstruction

Activity 88

Accomplishments: Construction on West 3rd Street from Vance to Howard in Taylor, TX. 6732 square yards of recycled pavement (12" deep with cement), 6120 square yards of 2.5" HMA, 1355 linear feet of curb and gutter replacement, 340 linear feet of 8" wastewater main, 1750 linear feet of wastewater service lines with clean-outs at right of way, 2500 linear feet of 8" C900 water main, 1050 linear feet of water service lines 6 water valves and fittings, 3 wastewater manholes, 2840 linear feet of trench protection, 7 fire hydrants and associated appurtenances. Engineering is underway.

FY17 \$82,203

FY18 \$290,000

FY18 reallocated \$117,000

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0

Census Tract 211 (Block Groups 1 and 2) Census Tract 210 (Block Groups 1, 2 and 3)

Percent Low-Mod: 67.35%

Percent Minority: 211-57.49% 210-81.34%

Granger Wastewater/Colorado Street 2018

Activity 89

Accomplishments: Replacement of existing 8 inch clay wastewater line with new PVC wastewater line and associated manholes. Project to include the repair of asphalt streets and concrete sidewalks and will take place on Colorado Street south of FM917 to East Mesquite, Colorado Street north of FM971 to East Ash, east on East Ash Street to North Alligator Road, north on Mustang Street from East Ash Street to before East Walnut. Engineering for this project is complete. Construction funding will be requested in next grant cycle.

FY18 \$55,400

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0 (funding requests are being processed)

Census Tract 213 (Block Groups 2 and 3)

Percent Low-Mod: 50.50%

Percent Minority: 39.51%

City of Liberty Hill Sidewalk Project

Activity 90

Accomplishments: Construction of 2,600 linear feet of 4-foot sidewalk, 100 linear feet of 5-foot sidewalk, nine ramps, 16 driveway aprons, and 1,170 linear feet of drainage improvements. The streets to be addressed include Hickman Street, Church Street, Barton Drive, Grange Street, and Munro Street. Survey of service area has been completed and indicates the area is qualified to use CDBG funding. Engineering is complete. Easement acquisition is underway. Project is expected to bid in December 2019, contract awarded in January 2020, construction expected to take approximately four months.

FY16 \$26,000 (engineering only)

FY18 \$224,000
CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0
Survey indicates area is 60% low-mob

Hutto/Huttoparke Sidewalk

Activity 91

Accomplishments: Installing approximately 512 linear feet of 5 foot sidewalks and .25 mile of 10 foot sidewalk along FM1660 from Sylvan Street to between Almquist Street and Brown Street and just south of Limmer Loop. Survey must be completed to verify percent low mod.

FY18 \$56,095
CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0
Survey required to verify area low-mob eligibility

Georgetown 17th Street Sidewalk

Activity 84

Accomplishments: Approximately 1100 feet of 5 foot wide sidewalk, approximately 175 square yards of driveway approach, 8 curb ramps, 150 feet of crosswalk and two GoGeo (fixed route) bus shelters. Project is located on W. 17th Street from Railroad Ave to Forest Street in Georgetown, TX. Project was bid on September 10, 2019 and contract awarded on October 22, 2019. Construction expected to begin January 2020.

FY18 \$206,824
CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$8950
Census Tract 214.02 (Block Groups 3 and 4)
Percent Low-Mod: 93.59%
Percent Minority: 51.54%

Georgetown Housing Authority FY18

Activity 92

Accomplishments: Modernization of 158 dwelling buildings, office/community building, management/maintenance buildings, gazebos and fences. Rehab of entries by removing deteriorated wood on fascia boards, trim, soffits, wood siding, wood fencing and paint exterior surfaces. Project to take place at the Georgetown Housing Authority Stonehaven location. Project is being planned with a 2019 funded sewer project for the property. Project is expected to begin early 2020.

FY18 \$282,603
CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0
Housing Authority Rehab 100% low-mob

Taylor Dickey Givens Community Center

Activity 93

Accomplishments: Construction of a 2175 square foot community center to include a kitchen, two ADA compliant restrooms, large meeting room with a stage and all project incidentals. The center will be located in Fannie Robinson Park at the corner of South Dolan Street and MLK Jr. Blvd in Taylor TX. Environmental review is underway. Project expected to begin in January 2020.

FY16 \$150,000
FY18 \$150,000 (reallocated from Bluebonnet Trails Project)
CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$0
Census Tract 210 and 211
Percent Low-Mod: 67.35%
Percent Minority: 210-81.34% 211-57.49%

Program Administration

Activity 87

FY18 \$91,912

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$51,106.18

Taylor Housing Authority Home Ownership Program

Activity 79

Accomplishments: Down payment assistance was provided to one low income family in 2017 and one low income family in 2018. Homes are located in Taylor TX. Additional income qualified families and individuals are being identified. FY16 \$100,000

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$30,000

Percent Low-Mod: 100%

Percent Minority: White/Hispanic (both families)

City of Jarrell Water Improvements

Activity 81

Accomplishments: Project was amended on June 5, 2018 from a wastewater project to a water project. Updated project description is the extension of the 12" waterline that was installed in the 2012 CDBG funding cycle. Construction on North 5th Street (north of Avenue East), on East Avenue C from North 5th Street to North 10th Street, on North 10th Street from East Avenue C to West Avenue A, and on West Avenue A from North 10th Street to North 8th Street. This portion of the line is approximately 2000 feet. Project is complete. This is the final time this project will be reported in a CAPER.

FY17 \$215,850

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$215,850

Census Tract 216.03 (Block Group 2)

Percent Low-Mod: 56%

Percent Minority: 25.3%

City of Granger Sewer Project

Activity 80

Accomplishments: Bid will open on December 19, 2019. Design and location decisions delayed the project. Engineering for the project is complete. Construction anticipated to begin in early 2019 and take approximately four months to complete.

FY17 \$294,350

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$3150

Census Tract 213 (Block Groups 2 and 3)

Percent Low-Mod: 49.83%

Percent Minority: 39.51%

Interagency Support Council of Eastern Williamson County

Activity 83

Accomplishments: Provide individual and group therapy, small and large group presentations, crises intervention, psychiatric care, medication monitoring and family therapy to participating schools in Eastern Williamson County. Funding will allow the program to maintain the number of clients served. Program has assisted 20 new clients and provided 53 sessions.

FY17 \$25,000

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$13,262.42

Percent Low-Mod: Limited Clientele

Percent Minority: 65% minority

Taylor Dickey Museum and Multipurpose Center

Activity 82

Accomplishments: Phase 1 of this project was completed on 5-9-2019 and included raising the existing house as required, construction of new concrete piers/foundation, repair of existing floor beams, setting house down on new

foundation, replacing roof decking with plywood sheathing, replacing the edge metal, installing new felt, installing new 30 year composition shingles over the entire roof area. The project was funded an additional \$98,000 in 2019 to complete the project.

FY17 \$109,160

CDBG Funds Utilized to Date: \$105,259

Census Tract 212.03 (Block Group 1) Census Tract 210 (Block Groups 1 and 2) Census Tract 211 (Block Group 1)

Percent Low-Mod: 70.76%

Percent Minority: 212.03-37.08% 210-81.34% 211-57.49%

Williamson County Habitat for Humanity

Activity 85

Accomplishments: Family was selected on April 2, 2019. Panel build was in November 2019. On-site construction kick-off is scheduled for January 4, 2020.

Anticipated closing date in May 2020.

CDBG Funds Utilized: \$59,938.04

Income qualified household

Williamson County Habitat for Humanity

Activity 74

Accomplishments: Income qualified family has moved into one property at this location. The second property is scheduled to be completed December 2019. The third property is scheduled for construction Fall 2020.

CDBG Funds Utilized: \$48,137.32

Income qualified households

*Williamson County [RE]
710 Main Street, Ste 101
Georgetown, TX 78626
512-943-3757*

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR
WILLIAMSON COUNTY/HUD CDBG PROGRAM**

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Bill Gravell, County Judge

Condado de Williamson [RE]
710 Main Street, Ste 101
Georgetown, TX 78626
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LA PROGRAMA HUD CDBG / DEL CONDADO DE WILLIAMSON**

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Bill Gravell, Juez del Condado

Affidavit of Publisher to Publication of Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS
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**Williamson County Community Block Grant
Public Hearing and Call FOR Projects for
Williamson County/ HUD CDBG**

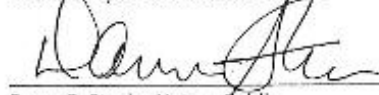
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First insertion 8th day of March, 2020
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Fourth insertion day of March, 2020


Newspaper Representative

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this
18th day of March, 2020.

Witness my hand and official seal


Dawn R. Steele, Notary Public
My Commission Expires August 26, 2020



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Bill Gravel, County Judge
Williamson County (RE)
710 Main Street, Ste 101
Georgetown, TX 78626
512-443-3757

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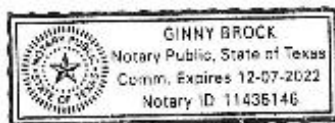
**State of Texas
County of Williamson**

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, this day personally appeared Kirsten Foltz and after being by me duly sworn, says that she is an authorized representative of the Hill Country News, a newspaper published in Williamson & Travis Counties, Texas, and that the Notice, a copy of which is hereto attached, was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

March 12 A.D. 20 20

Kirsten Foltz

SUBSCRIBED & SWORN TO before me, this the 12th day of March A.D. 20 20



Ginny Brock
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

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BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, this day personally

appeared Jason Hennington and after being by me duly sworn, says that
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March 8th A.D. 20 20



SUSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, this the 9th day of April A.D. 20 20



Carolyn Hill
Notary Public in and for Williamson County, Texas

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC POSTING FOR WILLIAMSON COUNTY/HUD CDBG GRANT
2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Williamson County has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocation of \$1,596,257 to successfully support community development and affordable housing efforts for low and moderate-income areas throughout the County. On July 21, 2020 Williamson County Commissioner's Court approved the proposed 2020 Annual Action Plan. In accordance with HUD regulations, the County encourages public participation to review and comment on the proposed plan.

Notice is hereby given that the Williamson County Community Development Block Grant is presenting an updated Citizen Participation Plan.

Direct written comments by August 7, 2020 to the following address:

Honorable Bill Gravell, County Judge
710 Main Street
Georgetown, TX 78626

The proposed plans are available for review from July 24, 2020 – August 7, 2020 at www.wilco.org.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and in an effort to avoid public gatherings, the public is encouraged to contact the Community Development Block Grant office to discuss and/or comment. Contact Sally Bardwell at 512-943-3757 or sbardwell@wilco.org.

Williamson County is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call 512-943-3757 (voice) or Relay Texas at 1-800-735-2989 (TDD) for assistance.

Williamson County also offers, to all non-speaking English persons and upon written request, translated versions of all public documents and public hearing notices. Non-English speaking persons who desire translated public documents or public notices should formally request these items from the Williamson County CDBG Office during normal business hours.

Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities and for non-English speaking populations will be made upon request and as appropriate. Call 512-943-3757 or write to the address above to request information, documents, records or accommodations.

Bill Gravell, County Judge

**AVISO PÚBLICO DE LA FIJACIÓN DE WILLIAMSON COUNTY / HUD CDBG GRANT
DESPLAZAMIENTO DE
2020 PLAN DE ACCIÓN ANUAL
PLAN DE PARTICIPACIÓN CIUDADANA
AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

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en todo el Condado. El 21 de julio de 2020 la Corte Williamson del Comisionado del Condado aprobó el Plan de Acción Anual 2020. De conformidad con las regulaciones de HUD, el Condado fomenta la participación del público a revisar y comentar sobre el plan.

Por la presente se da aviso de que la Subvención para el Desarrollo Comunitario del Condado de Williamson presenta un Plan de Participación Ciudadana actualizado.

Los comentarios deben ser recibidos antes del 7 de agosto de 2020 a la siguiente dirección:
Honorable Bill Gravell, Juez del Condado
710 Main Street, Ste 101
Georgetown, TX 78626

Los planes propuestos están disponibles para revisión desde 24 de julio de 2020 hasta 7 de agosto de 2020 en SitioWeb en www.wilco.org.

Debido a la pandemia de Covid-19 y en un esfuerzo por evitar las reuniones públicas, se anima al público a ponerse en contacto con la oficina de Community Development Block Grant para discutir y/o comentar. Contacte a Sally Bardwell al (512) 943-3757 o sbardwell@wilco.org.

El Condado de Williamson se compromete al cumplimiento de la Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA) y la Sección 504 del Acta de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmendada. Modificaciones razonables e igual acceso a comunicaciones se puede proporcionar a petición. Por favor llame a 512-943-3757 (voz) o Relay Texas al 1-800-735-2989 (TDD) para obtener ayuda.

El Condado de Williamson también ofrece, a todas las personas que no hablen inglés y previa solicitud por escrito, versiones traducidas de todos los documentos públicos y avisos de audiencia pública. Las personas que no hablen inglés que deseen documentos públicos traducidos o avisos públicos deben solicitar estos artículos formalmente en la Oficina de CDBG del Condado de Williamson durante el horario comercial normal.

Se realizarán adaptaciones razonables para personas con discapacidades y para poblaciones que no hablen inglés a pedido y según corresponda. Llame al 512-943-3757 o escriba a la dirección de arriba para solicitar información, documentos, registros o adaptaciones.

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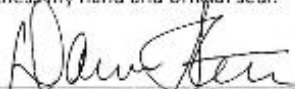
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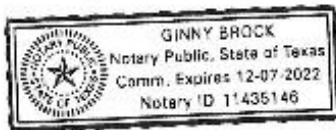
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July 23 A.D. 20 20

Kirsten Foltz

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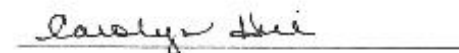
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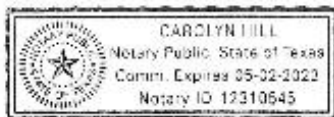
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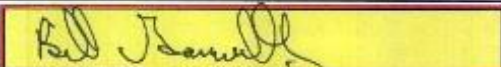
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Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | | |
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| * 3. Date Received: 01/25/2021 | | * 4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/> |
| 5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/> | | 5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/> |
| State Use Only: | | |
| 6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/> | | 7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/> |
| 8. APPLICANT INFORMATION: | | |
| * a. Legal Name: Williamson County | | |
| * b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 74-6000978 | | * c. Organizational DUNS: 0769300490000 |
| d. Address: | | |
| * Street1: 710 Main Street | | |
| Street2: <input type="text"/> | | |
| * City: Georgetown | | |
| County/Parish: <input type="text"/> | | |
| * State: TX: Texas | | |
| Province: <input type="text"/> | | |
| * Country: USA: UNITED STATES | | |
| * Zip / Postal Code: 78626-5763 | | |
| e. Organizational Unit: | | |
| Department Name: <input type="text"/> | | Division Name: <input type="text"/> |
| f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: | | |
| Prefix: <input type="text"/> | | * First Name: Sally |
| Middle Name: <input type="text"/> | | |
| * Last Name: Sardwell | | |
| Suffix: <input type="text"/> | | |
| Title: <input type="text"/> | | |
| Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/> | | |
| * Telephone Number: 512-943-2757 | | Fax Number: <input type="text"/> |
| * Email: ssardwell@wilco.org | | |

| Application for Federal Assistance SF-424 | |
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| * 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text" value="County Government"/> | |
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| Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/> | |
| * Other (specify): <input type="text"/> | |
| * 10. Name of Federal Agency: <input type="text" value="Department of Housing and Urban Development"/> | |
| 11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: <input type="text" value="14.019"/> | |
| CFDA Title: <input type="text"/> | |
| * 12. Funding Opportunity Number: <input type="text" value="CDD-20-01"/> | |
| * Title: <input type="text" value="Guidance on Submitting Consolidated Plans and Annual Action Plans for the Fiscal Year 2020."/> | |
| 13. Competition Identification Number: <input type="text"/> | |
| Title: <input type="text"/> | |
| 14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <div> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/> </div> | |
| * 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: <input type="text" value="Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to assist Williamson County with housing and community development activities."/> | |
| Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions. <div> <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/> </div> | |

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| Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed. | |
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| 17. Proposed Project: | |
| * a. Start Date: 10/01/2020 | * b. End Date: 09/30/2021 |
| 18. Estimated Funding (\$): | |
| * a. Federal | 1,596,014.00 |
| * b. Applicant | 0.00 |
| * c. State | 0.00 |
| * d. Local | 0.00 |
| * e. Other | 0.00 |
| * f. Program Income | 0.00 |
| * g. TOTAL | 1,596,014.00 |
| * 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/> | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372. | |
| * 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | |
| If "Yes", provide explanation and attach | |
| <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/> | |
| 21. "By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 28, Section 1001) | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE | |
| ** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions. | |
| Authorized Representative: | |
| Prefix: Mr. | * First Name: Bill |
| Middle Name: | |
| * Last Name: Carroll | |
| Suffix: | |
| * Title: County Judge | |
| * Telephone Number: 512-943-1645 | * Fax Number: |
| * Email: bcarroll@wilson.org | |
| * Signature of Authorized Representative:  | * Date Signed: 3/10/21 |

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

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


1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance, and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

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11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§459a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

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CERTIFICATIONS

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

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

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

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

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

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


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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

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

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

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

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

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

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2020 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

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

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

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

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

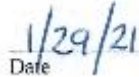
1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility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

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

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

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


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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

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

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


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