
CITY OF JOHNSTOWN

City Hall, 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901

FY 20**23** Annual Action Plan

Substantial Amendment No. 1

*For Submission to HUD for the
Community Development Block Grant and
HOME Investment Partnership Programs*

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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of Johnstown, as a Federal Entitlement, is required to complete an annual application for the use of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Annual Action Plan is a guide to how the City will allocate its resources for specific activities that support the Priority Needs and Goals/Strategies of the City of Johnstown's Five Year Consolidated Plan. This is the City of Johnstown's fourth (4th) Annual Action Plan of the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plan describes the housing and non-housing needs of City residents and presents a yearly strategy to address those needs. The Annual Action Plan relied

upon efforts of many individuals, agencies, organizations, residents, and City Departments in the development of a comprehensive strategy to address the needs of the City. The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan for the City of Johnstown includes the City's CDBG and HOME Programs, and outlines which activities the City will undertake during the program year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024. The City of Johnstown's Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) is the lead entity and administrator for the CDBG and HOME funds.

The City of Johnstown's FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was developed to strategically implement CDBG and HOME funds for housing, community development, economic development, and planning activities. Programs and benefits described in this plan are intended to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income residents and their neighborhoods in the City of Johnstown, as well as the City as a whole. Activities to benefit the residents were developed to maximize the use of federal resources and to provide a framework for tracking the accomplishments of the activities through clearly outlined program objectives and outcomes.

Available Funds:

The following financial resources are included in the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan to address the priority needs and goals/strategies identified in the City of Johnstown's FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan. The City of Johnstown will receive the following Federal funds during the FY 2023 program year:

- **FY 2023 CDBG Funds** - \$1,268,362.00
- **CDBG Program Income** - \$0.00
- **FY 2023 HOME Funds** - \$237,876.00
- **HOME Program Income** - \$0.00

Total: \$1,506,238.00

FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Programs Budget:

The City of Johnstown proposes to undertake the following activities with the FY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds:

Revised FY 2023 CDBG Budget

- Public Service: \$50,000.00
 - Cambria County Backpack Project: \$10,000.00
 - Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter: \$10,000.00
 - Flood City Youth Mentoring Program: \$10,000.00
 - The Learning Lamp - Learning Lamp to Go: \$10,000.00
 - Women's Help Center, Inc. - Case Management: \$10,000.00
- Fair Housing: \$10,000.00

- Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation: \$60,000.00
- Rehabilitation/Delivery Costs: \$50,000.00
- Demolition/Clearance: \$250,000.00
- Sewer Lateral Line Replacement Program: \$25,000.00
- Playground Improvements: \$25,000.00
- CDBG Administration: \$193,672.00
- Planning: \$60,000.00
- Fire Equipment - Fire Truck: \$544,690.00

Total FY 2023 CDBG Funds for Project Activities: \$1,268,362.00

FY 2023 HOME Budget

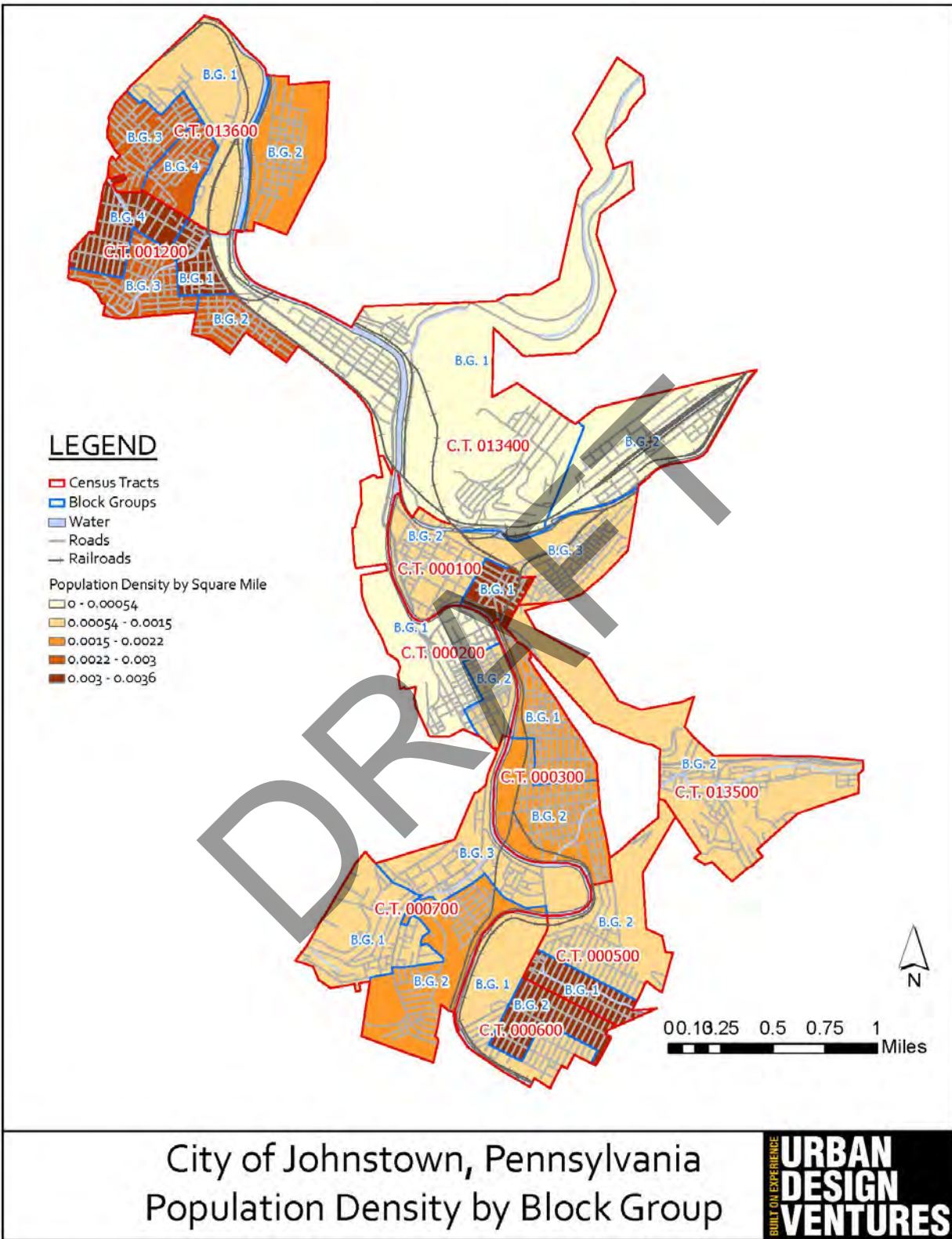
- Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation: \$178,407.00
- HOME Administration: \$23,787.00
- CHDO Set Aside: \$35,682.00

Total FY 2023 HOME Funds for Project Activities: \$237,876.00

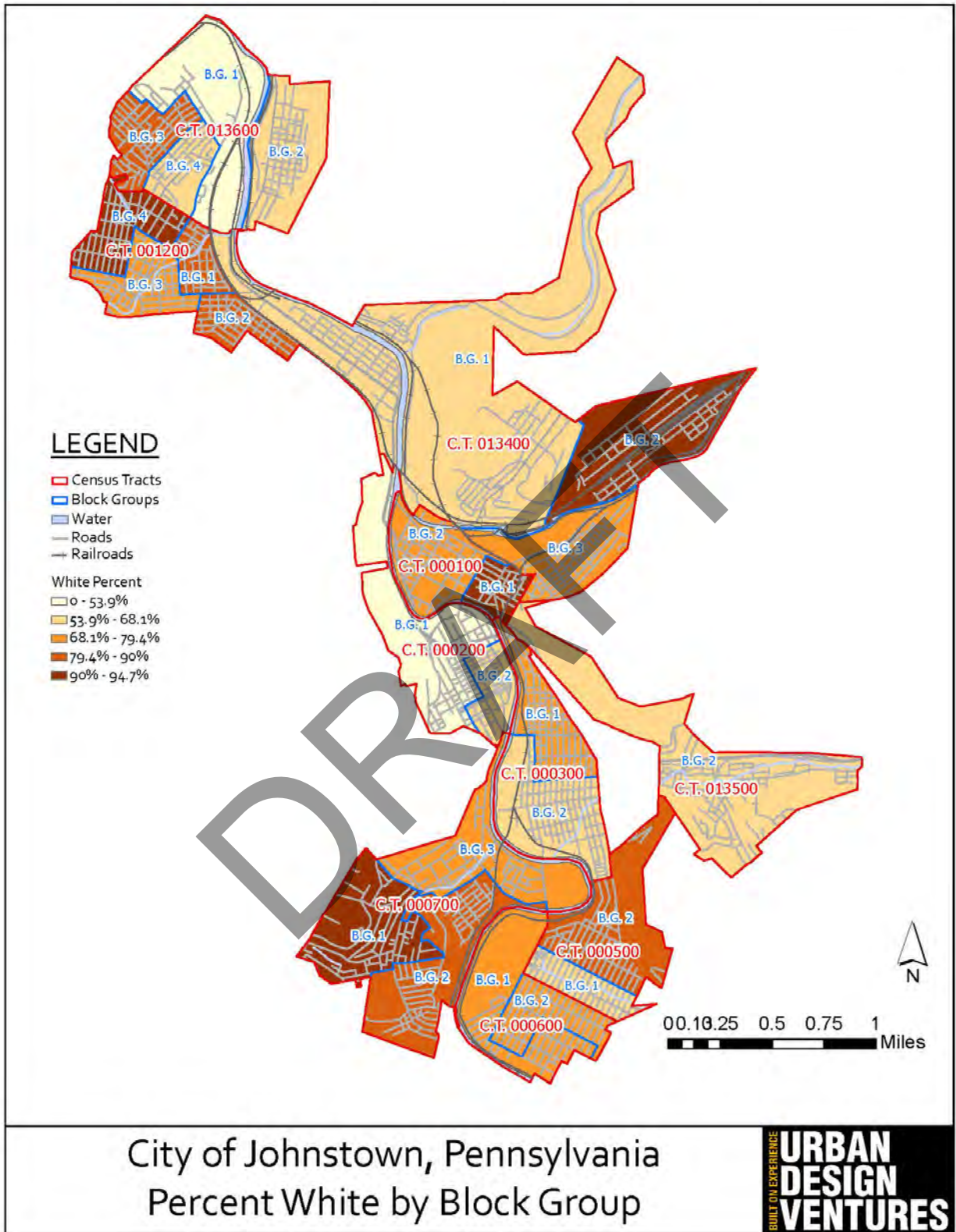
Maps:

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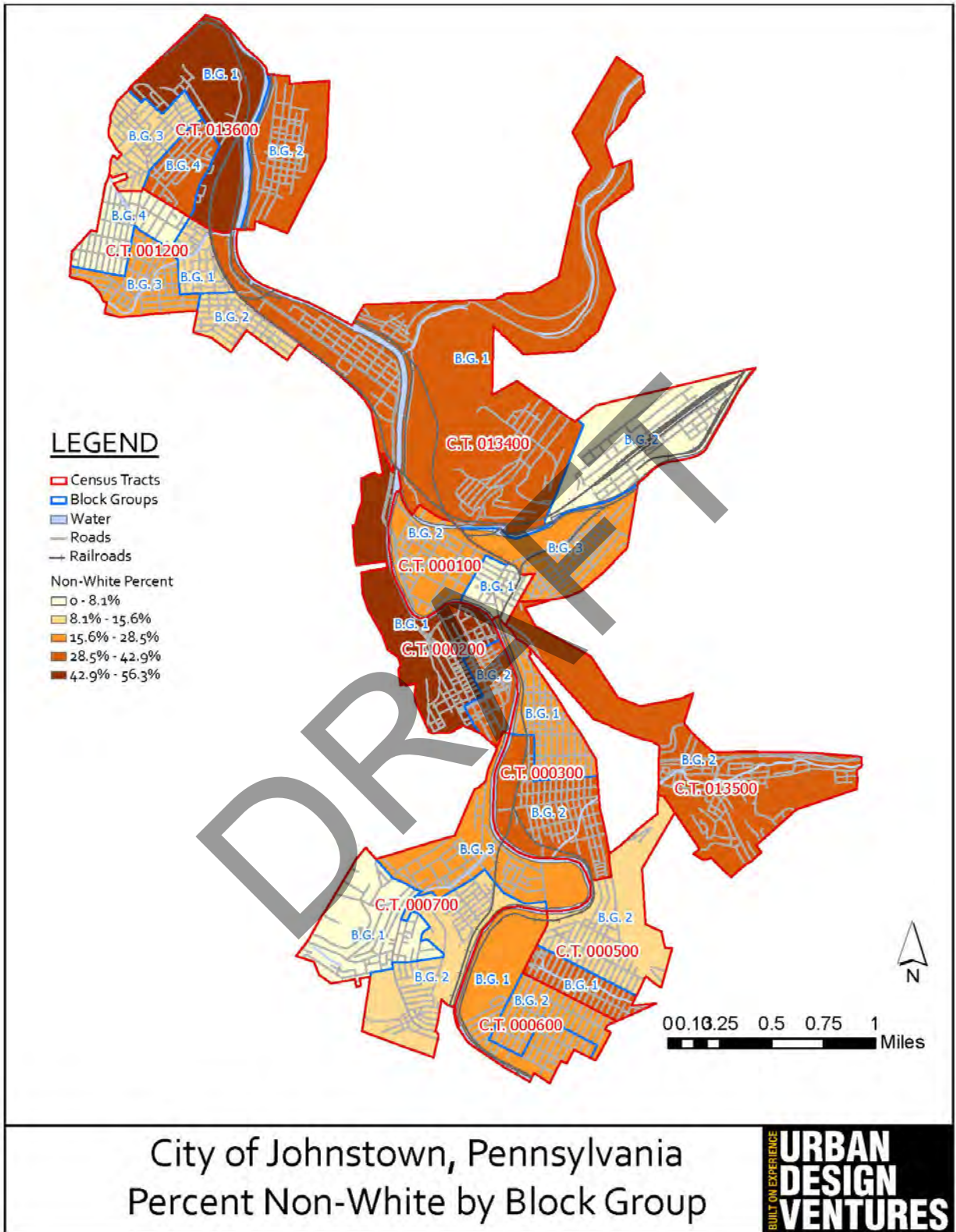
- Population Density by Block Group
- Percent White Population by Block Group
- Percent Minority Population by Block Group
- Percent Population Age 65+ by Block Group
- Housing Density
- Percent Owner-Occupied Housing Units by Block Group
- Percent Renter-Occupied Housing Units by Block Group
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- Low/Moderate Income Percentage by Block Group
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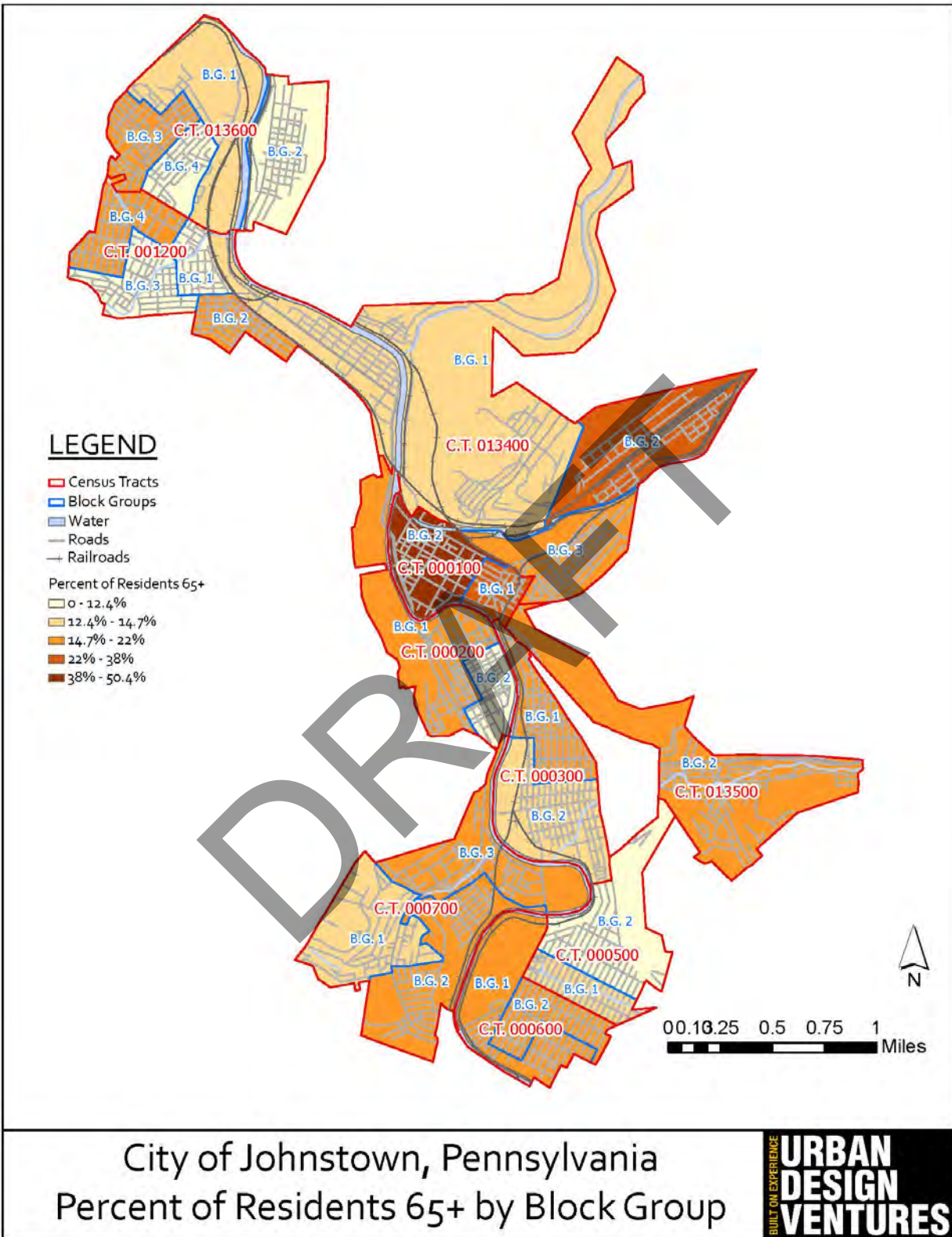
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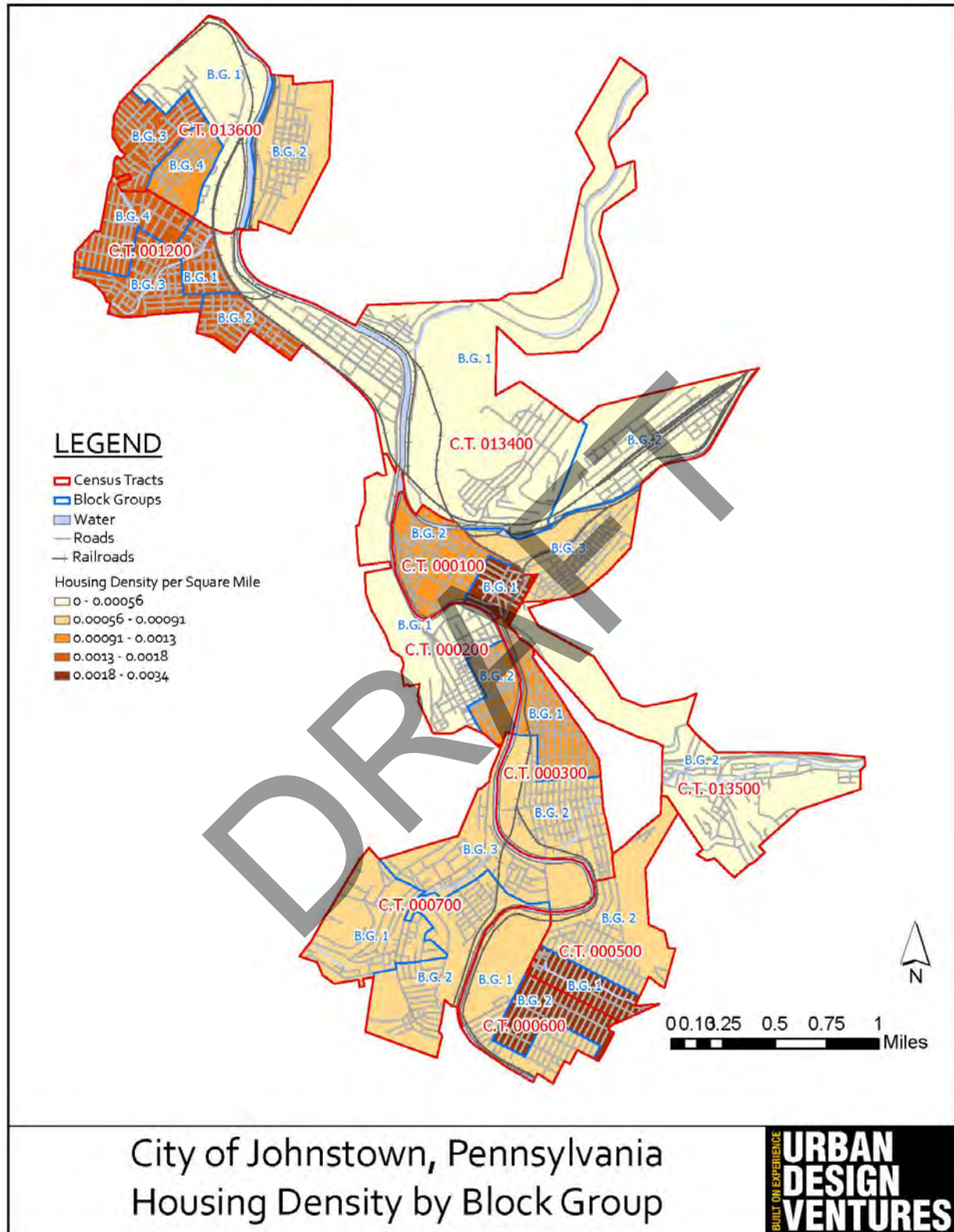
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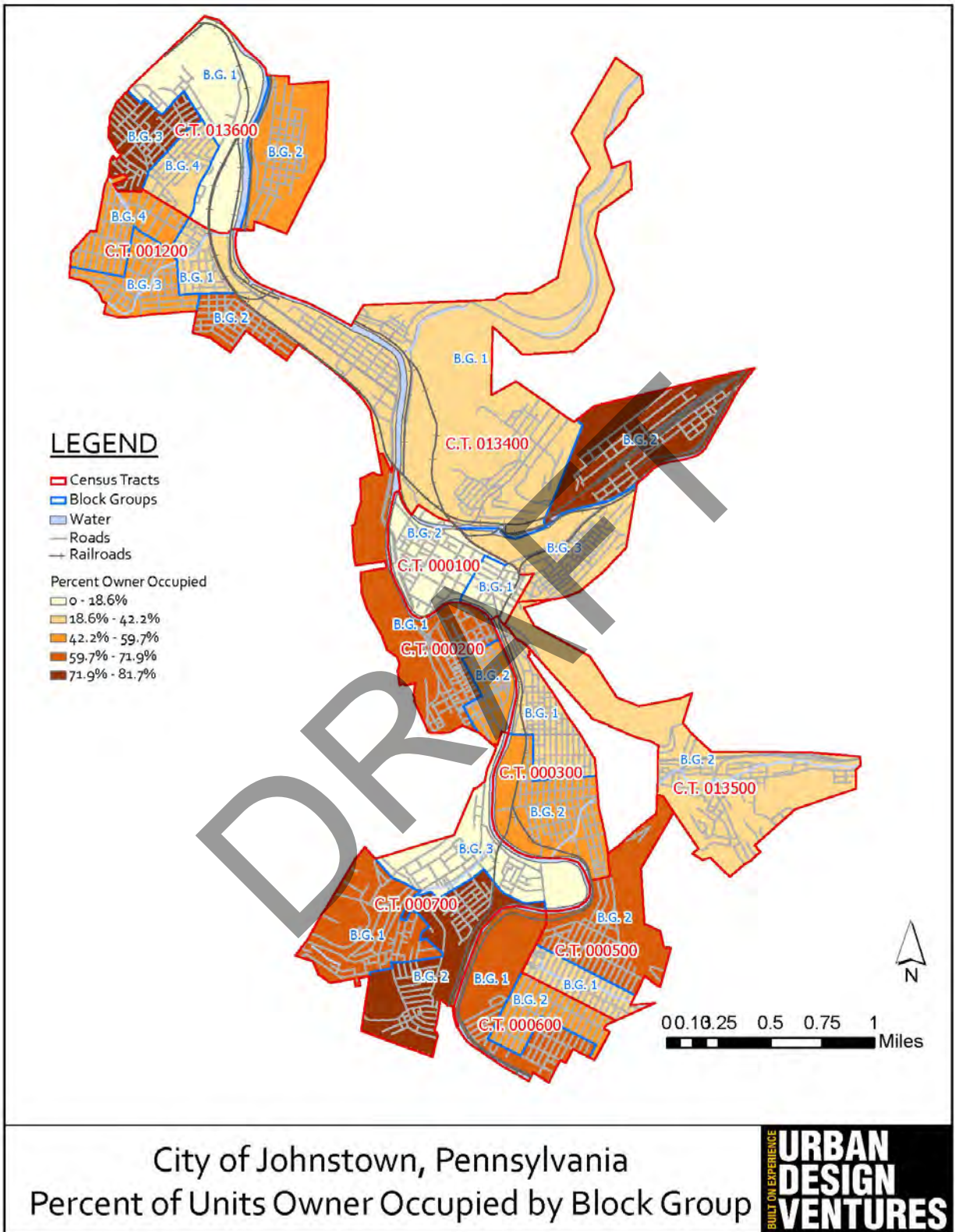
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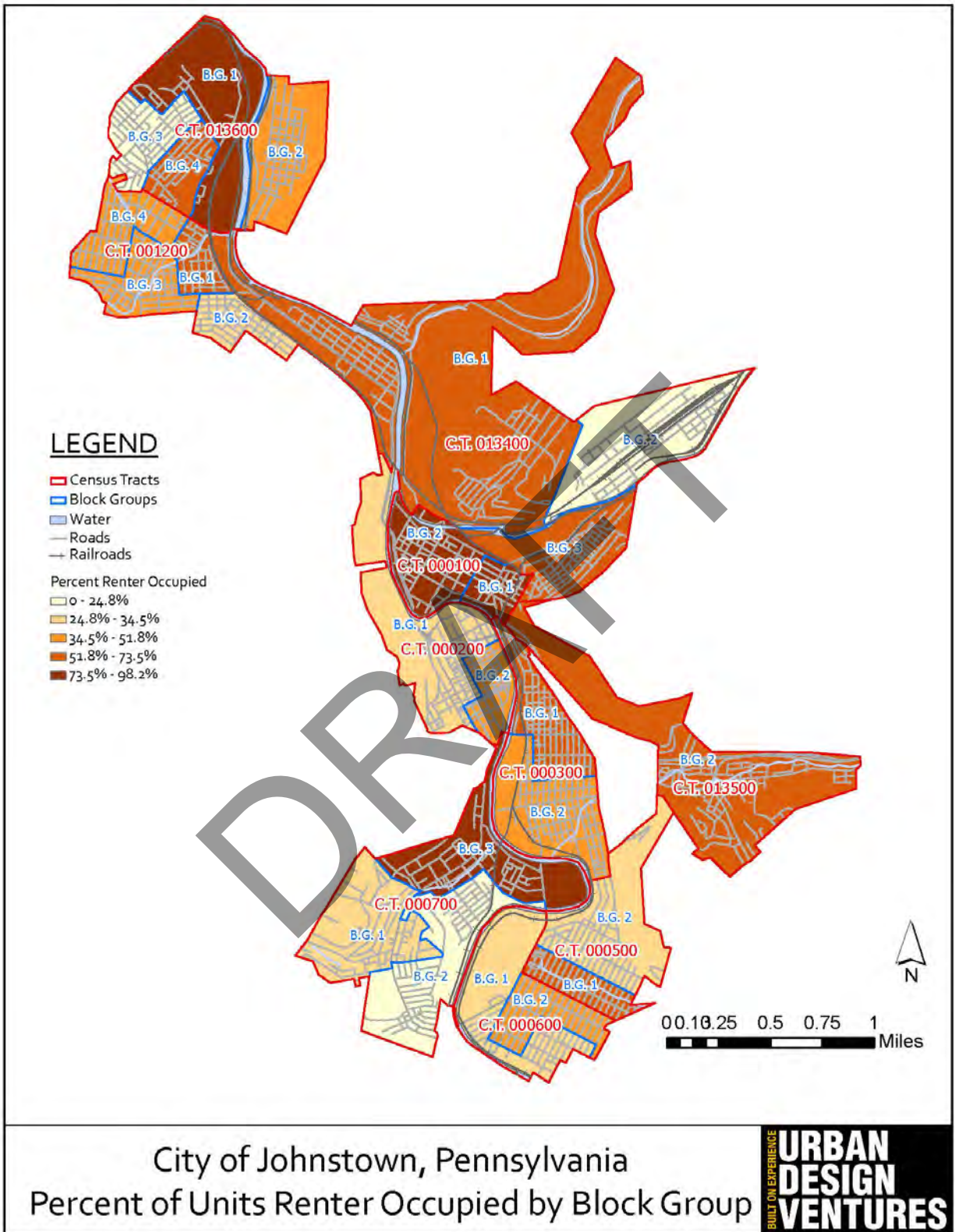
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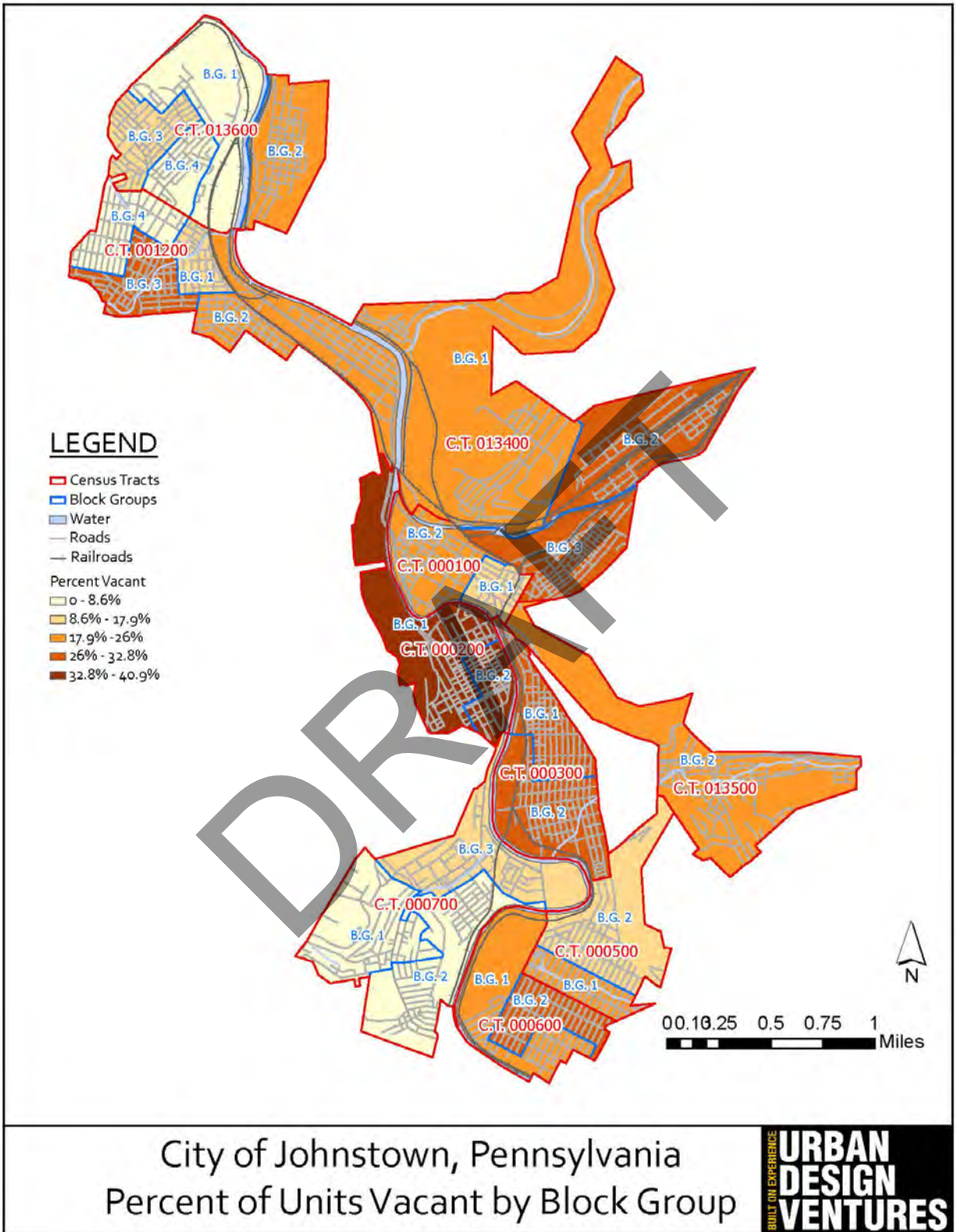
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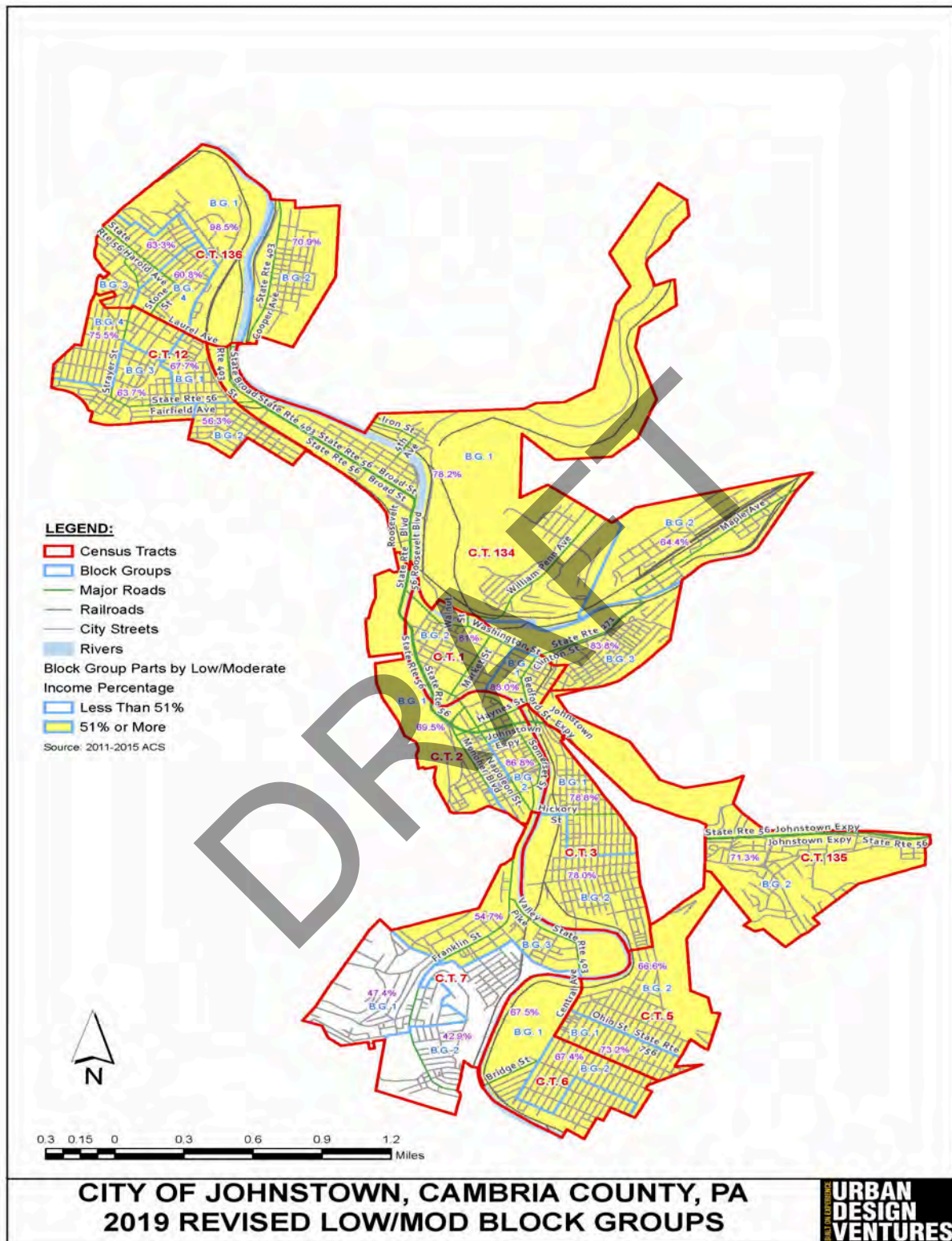
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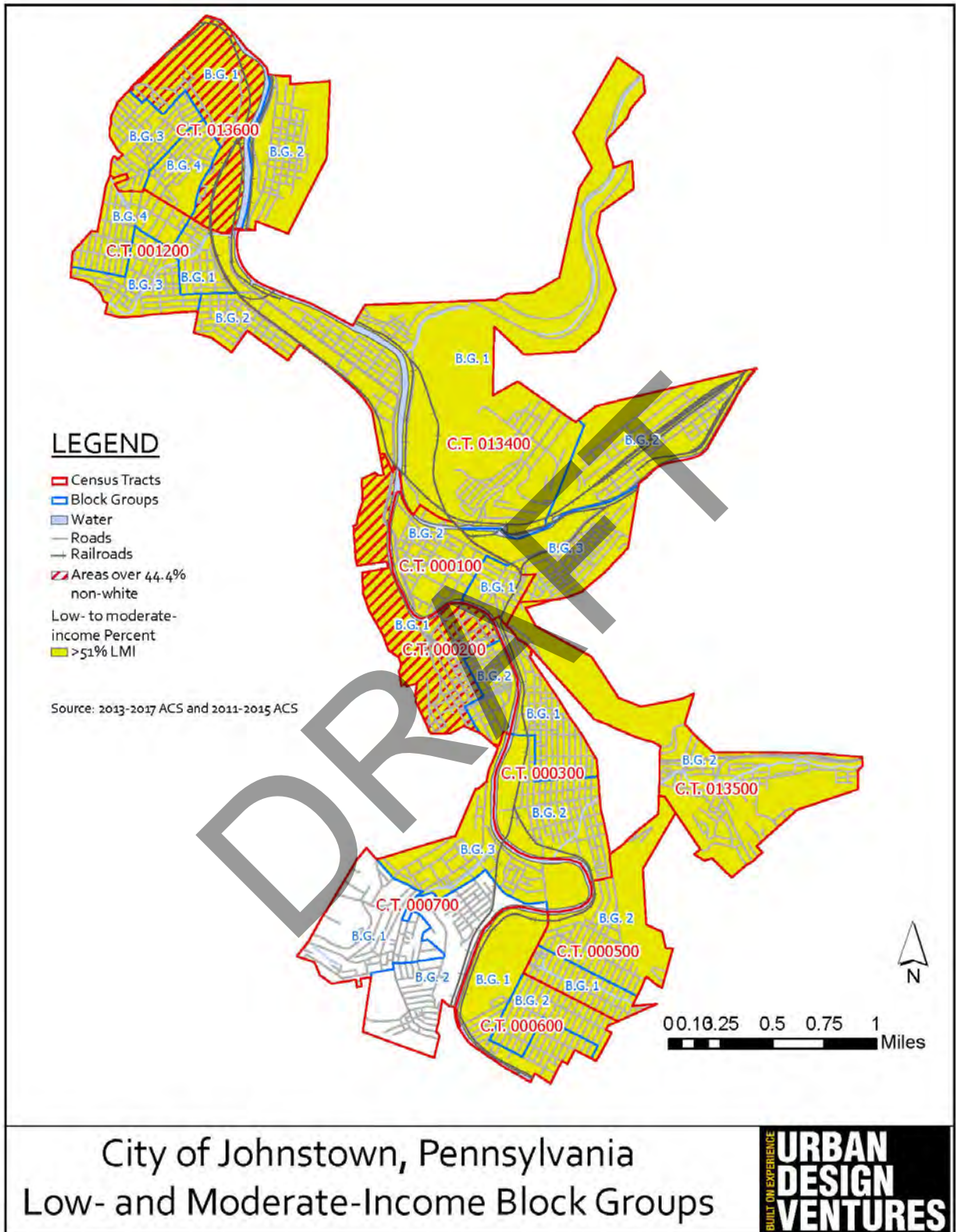
Percent Renter-Occupied Housing Units by Block Group



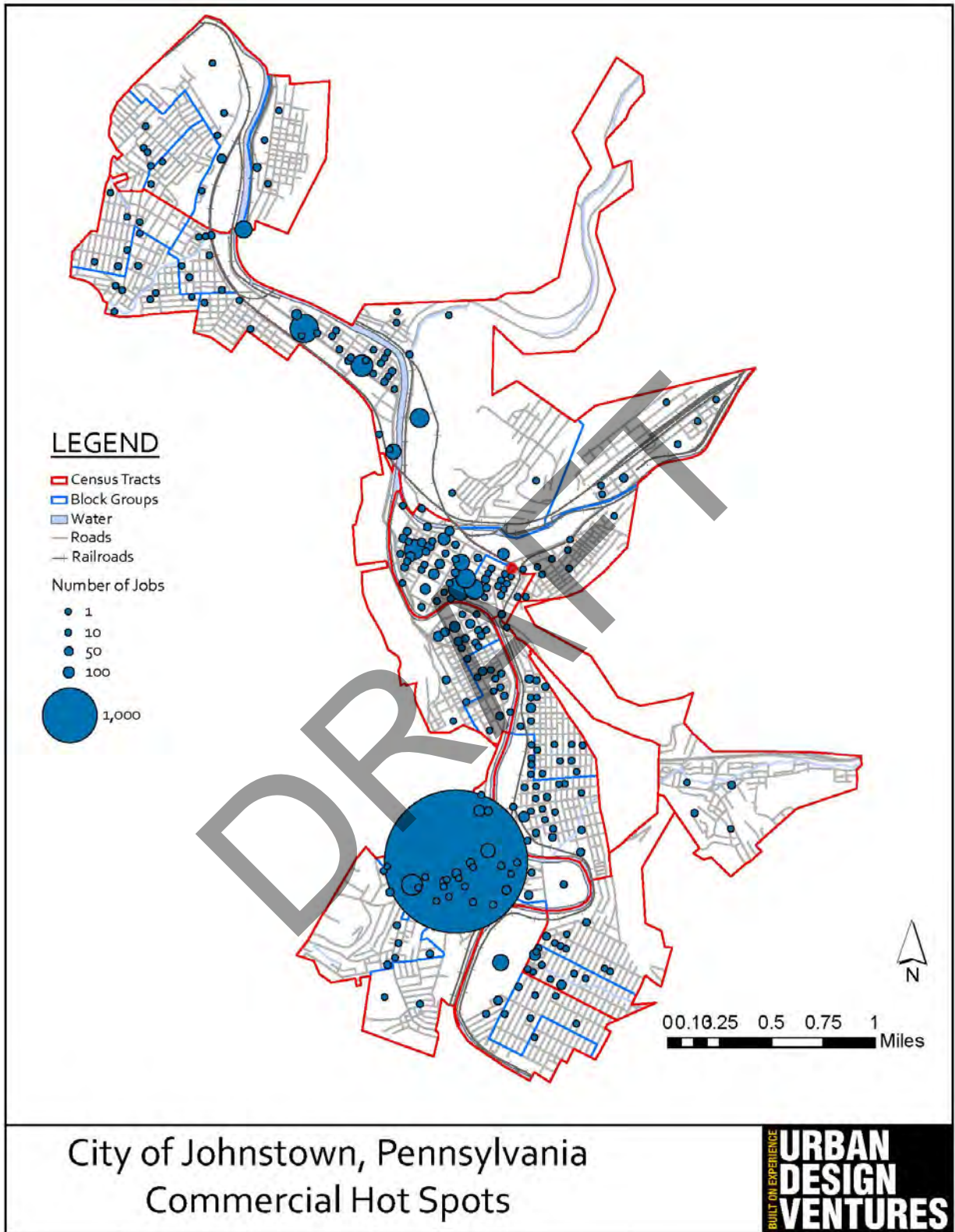
Percent Vacant Housing Units by Block Group



Low/Moderate Income Percentage by Block Group



Low/Moderate Income with Minority Percentage by Block Group



Commercial Hot Spots

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.

It is the mission of the City of Johnstown to invest its limited federal funds in ways that will garner long-term, sustainable results for low- and moderate-income households. The goal of the City of Johnstown is to improve the quality of life for City residents by funding infrastructure improvements, economic development, public services, and housing. During the FY 2023 Program Year, the City proposes to address the following priority need categories identified in its FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan:

HOUSING PRIORITY (High priority)

There is a need to improve the quality of the housing stock in the City of Johnstown. The City aims to do so by increasing the stock of affordable, decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing for homeowners, renters, and homebuyers.

Goals/Strategies:

- **HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation** - Continue to rehabilitate the existing owner and renter occupied housing stock in the City, including handicap accessibility modifications
- **HSS-2 Homeownership** - Promote homeownership in the City by providing down payment assistance, closing cost assistance, and providing housing counseling training to low- and moderate-income residents in the City.
- **HSS-3 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation** - Increase the supply of decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing that is affordable to owners and renters in the City through new construction and rehabilitation.
- **HSS-4 Housing Assistance** - Provide for utilities, deposits, mortgage, and rental fees for low-income households who are faced with the threat of eviction and who are at-risk of becoming homeless.
- **HSS-5 Fair Housing** - Promote fair housing choice through monitoring, education, and outreach.

HOMELESS PRIORITY (Low priority)

There is a need for housing and supportive services for homeless persons and persons who are at-risk of becoming homeless.

Goals/Strategies:

- **HMS-1 Operation/Support** - Assist homeless providers in the operation of housing and supportive services for the homeless and persons who are at-risk of becoming homeless.
- **HMS-2 Housing** - Support efforts of local agencies to provide emergency shelters and permanent supportive housing for the homeless.
- **HMS-3 Prevention and Re-Housing** - Continue to support the prevention of homelessness through anti-eviction activities and programs for rapid re-housing.

OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS PRIORITY (Low priority)

There is a need for affordable housing, services, and facilities for the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence, persons with alcohol/drug dependency, and persons with other special needs.

Goals/Strategies:

- **SNS-1 Housing** - Increase the supply of affordable, decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing for the elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV/AIDS, and persons with other special needs through rehabilitation, new construction, and making reasonable accommodations to existing housing.
- **SNS-2 Social Services** - Support social service programs and facilities for the elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV/AIDS, and persons with other special needs.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY (High priority)

There is a need to improve the public and community facilities, infrastructure, public social/welfare services, public safety, clearance, and the quality of life for all residents throughout the City.

Goals/Strategies:

- **CDS-1 Community Facilities** - Improve the City's parks, recreational centers, and public and community facilities through rehabilitation and new construction.
- **CDS-2 Infrastructure** - Improve the public infrastructure through rehabilitation, reconstruction, and new construction of streets, sidewalks, ADA curb cuts, waterlines, sewer lateral lines, storm drainage, flood controls, sanitary sewers, addressing hill slips, bridges, green infrastructure, etc.
- **CDS-3 Accessibility Improvements** - Remove and eliminate architectural barriers and make ADA accessibility improvements to public and community facilities.

- **CDS-4 Public Services** - Improve and enhance public services including programs for youth, the elderly, disabled, and other public service programs for low- and moderate-income persons.
- **CDS-5 Nutritional Services** - Promote and support programs that provide more access to food and nutritional programs for low income residents.
- **CDS-6 Clearance/Demolition** - Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions through demolition of vacant, abandoned, and dilapidated structures in the City.
- **CDS-7 Public Safety** - Improve the public safety facilities, equipment, crime prevention programs, community policing, and ability to respond to emergency situations.
- **CDS-8 Neighborhood Revitalization** - Promote targeted neighborhood revitalization through planning studies, acquisition, demolition, special neighborhood cleanups, code enforcement, infrastructure improvements, housing rehabilitation, housing construction, public and community facility improvements.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY (High priority)

There is a need to increase employment, job training, technical assistance, work force development, and economic empowerment of low- and moderate-income residents in the City of Johnstown.

Goals/Strategies:

- **EDS-1 Employment** - Support and encourage new job creation, job retention, workforce development for low- and moderate-income residents.
- **EDS-2 Financial Assistance** - Support the expansion, growth and new development of business and commercial enterprise through technical assistance programs, low interest financing and façade improvement programs.
- **EDS-3 Redevelopment Program** - Plan and promote the development and redevelopment of vacant commercial and industrial sites and facilities.

ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING, MANAGEMENT PRIORITY (High priority)

There is a continuing need for sound planning, administration, management, and oversight of Federal, State, and local funded programs.

Goals/Strategies:

- **AMS-1 Overall Coordination** - Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of Federal, State, and local funded programs, including planning services for special studies, annual action plans, five year consolidated plans, substantial amendments, consolidated annual performance and evaluation reports, environmental

review and clearance, fair housing, and compliance with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.

- **AMS-2 Special Studies/Management** - Provide and promote funds to assist with the development of special studies, plans, and management activities related to these activities.
- **AMS-3 Fair Housing** - Provide funds for training, education, outreach, and monitoring to affirmatively further fair housing in the City of Johnstown.

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The City of Johnstown has a good performance record with HUD and regularly meets its established performance standards. Each year the City prepares a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). This report is submitted to HUD within ninety (90) days after the start of the next program year. Copies of the FY 2021 CAPER are available for review at the City of Johnstown's Department of Community and Economic Development Offices. The FY 2021 CAPER, which was the second CAPER for the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan, was submitted to HUD on September 28, 2022. In the FY 2021 CAPER, the City of Johnstown expended 77.11% of its CDBG funds to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The City expended/obligated 5.21% of its funds during the FY 2021 CAPER period on public services, which is below the statutory maximum of 15%. The City expended/obligated 19.55% of its funds during this CAPER period on Planning and Administration, which is less than the statutory maximum of 20%. As of August 23, 2022, the City of Johnstown had a drawdown ratio of 1.63, which is over the maximum 1.5 ratio. The City of Johnstown created a workout plan to address this issue and intends to expend enough CDBG funds to be under the maximum 1.5 ratio by the next timeliness test. The HOME program is being administered in a timely manner and in accordance with applicable activity limitations and match requirements.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The first step of the planning process for the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan started with holding a public hearing to obtain resident input on the needs of the City of Johnstown. The needs hearing was held on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM. The needs hearing notice was published on Saturday, March 4, 2023 in the "The Tribune-Democrat." At the public hearing, residents had the opportunity to give their input and their thoughts on the needs in the City of Johnstown and how the CDBG and HOME funds should be spent to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. This provided the residents, agencies and organizations with the opportunity to discuss the City's

CDBG and HOME Programs and to provide suggestions for future CDBG and HOME Programs priorities and activities.

The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was on public display beginning Monday, April 10, 2023 through Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at the following locations in the City and on the City's website (<http://www.cityofjohnstownpa.net/>):

- **City Hall** – 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901
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The following schedule was used in the preparation of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan:

- **Publish First Public Hearing in the Newspaper** – Saturday, March 4, 2023
- **First Public Hearing** – Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM
- **Publish Second Public Hearing Notice and that Annual Action Plan is on Display** – Friday, April 7, 2023
- **FY 2023 Annual Action Plan goes on Display** – Monday, April 10, 2023
- **Second Public Hearing** – Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 12:00 PM
- **End of FY 2023 Annual Action Plan on Display** – Tuesday, May 9, 2023
- **City Council Adoption of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan** – Wednesday, May 10, 2023
- **FY 2023 Annual Action Plan submitted to HUD Pittsburgh Office** – On or before Monday, May 15, 2023
- **Program Year Begins** – July 1, 2023

Substantial Amendment No. 1:

The City of Johnstown placed the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan – Substantial Amendment No. 1 on its website, at City Hall, at the Cambria County Public Library (248 Main Street), and at the Johnstown Housing Authority (501 Chestnut Street) from Monday, March 11, 2024 through April 9, 2024. The City held a Public Hearing on the Substantial Amendment No. 1 on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to present the Substantial Amendment No. 1 to residents for the FY 2023 Program Year.

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.

The City of Johnstown held its First Public Hearing on Thursday March 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM. No comments were received at the first public hearing. The First Public Hearing was opened with

Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb going over the schedule, an overview of the Annual Action Plan process, eligible and ineligible projects, and then prior year performances. Ms. Purelli-Webb then opened the public hearing for comments. Once no comments were received, the meeting was closed.

The FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was placed on public display from Monday, April 10, 2023 through Tuesday, May 9, 2023. A Second Public Hearing was scheduled on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at the Second Floor Conference Room in City Hall.

The Citizen Participation section of the Annual Action Plan includes the newspaper notices, sign-in sheets, meeting agendas, and the summary minutes from both of the public hearings.

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

All of the comments were accepted and the requests for funding were incorporated into the FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Programs.

7. Summary

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- HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
- HSS-3 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation
- HSS-5 Fair Housing

- HMS-1 Operation/Support
- CDS-4 Public Services
- CDS-5 Nutritional Services
- CDS-6 Clearance/Demolition
- CDS-7 Public Safety
- EDS-1 Employment
- EDS-2 Financial Assistance
- AMS-1 Overall Coordination
- AMS-3 Fair Housing

There was one (1) needs hearing held on Thursday, March 16, 2023 and another public hearing was held to obtain public comments on the “draft plan”. The “draft plan” was on public display for a period of 30 days. All comments that were received are included in the Exhibits Section - Citizen Participation. In addition, the City had received applications requesting CDBG and HOME funds. Applications were due to the City by 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023. These applications were reviewed and considered for funding. Through the citizen participation process, the City uses resident input to develop how the plan will best serve the needs of the low- and moderate-income population and to reach its goals of the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

The first public hearing was held on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM prevailing time. The advertisement was published on Saturday, March 4, 2023 in the "The Tribune-Democrat." This ad also informed the public about the availability of CDBG and HOME funding applications and the due date. The information for eligibility for the CDBG and HOME programs was found in the RFPs that were provided to non-profits and other public and private agencies for request for funding.

The “draft” FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was on public display beginning Monday, April 10, 2023 through Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at the following locations in the City and on the City’s website (<http://www.cityofjohnstownpa.net/>):

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Another ad was published in the “Tribune Democrat” on Friday, April 7, 2023 to inform the public that the “draft plan” was on public display, and that a second public hearing would be held to obtain public comments on the “draft plan” on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at noon, prevailing time, in the Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA.

Both newspaper ads and public hearings targeted outreach to the following City residents: minorities; persons with disabilities; non-targeted/broad community; residents of public and assisted housing; and agencies/organizations. In addition, the newspaper ads were posted at the

Housing Authority Communities and at their Administration Office to reach residents of public and assisted housing.

Upon completion of the 30-day comment period, the City of Johnstown submitted the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Pittsburgh Office on or before Monday, May 15, 2023.

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PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)**1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan**

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	City of Johnstown	Department of Community and Economic Development
CDBG Administrator	City of Johnstown	Department of Community and Economic Development
HOME Administrator	City of Johnstown	Department of Community and Economic Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**Narrative (optional)**

The City of Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development is the administrating agency for the CDBG and HOME programs. The Department of Community and Economic Development prepares the Five Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, Environmental Review Records (ERR's), the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER), monitoring, pay requests, contracting, and oversight of the programs on a day to day basis. In addition, the City of Johnstown has a private planning consulting firm available to assist the City on an as needed basis.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)**1. Introduction**

While preparing the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan, the City of Johnstown consulted with the Johnstown Housing Authority, social services agencies, housing providers, and members of the Eastern Pennsylvania CoC's South Central Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB), which includes nine (9) counties in South Central Pennsylvania, including Cambria County.

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

The City of Johnstown works with the following agencies to enhance coordination:

- **City of Johnstown, Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)** - oversees the CDBG and HOME programs.
- **Johnstown Housing Authority** - oversees the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, improvements to public housing communities, and the development of scattered site affordable housing.
- **Social Services Agencies** - provides services to address the needs of low- and moderate-income persons.
- **Housing Providers** - rehabilitates and develops affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families and individuals.
- **Eastern Pennsylvania CoC - South Central RHAB** - oversees the Continuum of Care Network for Central Pennsylvania for the following counties: Adams, Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Centre, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Somerset.

A part of the CDBG and HOME application planning process, local agencies, and organizations were invited to submit proposals for CDBG and HOME funds for eligible activities. These groups participate in the planning process by attending the public hearings and submission of funding applications.

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

The City of Johnstown is part of the Eastern PA CoC, South Central Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB), which oversees the Continuum of Care Network for Central Pennsylvania for thirty-

three (33) counties. Cambria County agencies in the CoC, which serve the City of Johnstown, include the Cambria County Redevelopment Authority, Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation, the Community Action Partnership of Cambria County, Catholic Charities, Salvation Army, Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, and the Women's Help Center.

CoC standing committees, membership, and functions are defined in the Governance Charter. Committee members are recruited by the Board or by the Committee and are drawn from the CoC and community-at-large to provide needed expertise. Key to meeting the goals of Opening Doors, which is the nation's first comprehensive federal strategy to prevent and end homelessness, include: 1) Data Management, Collection, and Outcomes Committee, which develops and maintains a system for tracking CoC performance outcomes and progress in meeting goals of Opening Doors; 2) a Funding Committee, which develops ranking criteria; reviews and ranks projects; and determines a reallocation strategy to best meet the Opening Doors goals; and 3) an Ad Hoc Coordinated Entry Committee, which works with a consultant to oversee Coordinated Entry planning and provides tools for the CoC to meet Opening Doors goals.

The CoC solicits and considers a full range of opinions through the five (5) Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHABs) monthly meetings and semi-annual full CoC meetings. Both forums provide opportunities for knowledgeable persons to provide input and assistance in ending homelessness. The RHAB Co-Chairs represent multiple interest groups including: CDBG Jurisdictions, Public Housing Authorities, domestic violence service providers, Veterans, youth service providers, Community Action Partnerships (CAP), homeless service providers, and faith-based organizations.

The Eastern PA CoC intends to release RFPs for Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing projects once HUD releases their 2023 NOFA application. In addition, HUD has added the category of Joint Transitional Rapid Rehousing that combines elements of both Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing. The CoC will also accept applications for Joint Transitional Rapid Rehousing. The CoC set "threshold" requirements for all new projects, including: Housing First priority; providing assistance with Mainstream Benefits; experience with the population proposed to be served; cost-effective; and client-centered/culturally competent services. Projects prioritized included those proposed in communities where significant TH resources were reallocated, and those targeting one or more "Opening Doors" populations.

The CoC collaborated with twelve (12) of thirteen (13) Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions. Pennsylvania's Department of Community and Economic Development (PA-DCED), the Collaborative Applicant, covers thirty (30) of forty-two (42) CoC Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) Geographies. PA-DCED uses web-based forums for annual meetings with Regional Housing Advisory Committees (RHACs). The RHACs include state grantees, housing officials, developers, nonprofits, CoC Chairs and PA-DCED staff. As part of the citizen participation process, members of the CoC receive notice of public meetings, documents available for review, and citizen

comment periods. The County and City Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions follow the Consolidated Plan guidelines for consultation, including interviews, surveys and focus groups with stakeholders that are knowledgeable about homelessness in their communities.

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

The South Central Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB) comprises a diverse set of representative stakeholders throughout the region, including many social service and governmental organizations. The RHAB identifies regional and local homeless issues; coordinates regional planning; identifies regional housing gaps and needs, strategies, and priorities; provides input for Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SVF) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) applications; participates in completion of the CoC application; monitors Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) participation and implementation; and coordinates the Point in Time (PIT) count and AHAR.

Most ESG funding for the Eastern PA CoC is allocated by PA-DCED. The CoC participated in developing priorities, target populations, outcome measures, and evaluation processes for ESG, including prioritizing Rapid Rehousing. They also had input on the development of the scoring tool used to select ESG proposals for funding. Each year, they provide input on applicants, including: CoC participation, coordination with other providers, and capacity. PA-DCED, as the Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead, has access to Point in Time Count (PITC) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data. Coordination between the CoC and ESG funding will be furthered through CoC/ESG strategic planning.

Other than CoC, ESG, Housing Choice Voucher Programs and Public Housing, there are other subsidized or low-income housing opportunities that exist within the CoC that target persons experiencing homelessness. Multiple funding sources are being used in the Eastern PA CoC to provide affordable housing for persons experiencing homelessness including: State Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Fund (PHARE) funds through the Pennsylvania Housing Trust Fund, Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program (AHP), Section 811 Rental Assistance, and additional resources planned through the PA Department of Human Services Five Year Housing Plan targeting homeless, which includes expanding affordable housing and housing services funded through Medicaid.

Recipients of ESG in Cambria County include the Cambria County Redevelopment Authority, Community Action Partnership of Cambria County, Catholic Charities of Cambria County, and the

Women's Help Center. The Cambria County Redevelopment Authority administers the ESG Grant for Cambria County.

Throughout different times of the year, the CoC and the HMIS lead work together to assess data quality throughout the CoC. This includes working on Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) submission, the PIT count, project review/ranking, and working with individual programs while completing their Annual Performance Reports (APRs). Participation among Emergency Shelter (ES) providers in HMIS remains the most significant challenge. This is most significantly related to the lack of participation among non-HUD funded volunteer/faith-based ES, as well as the lack of participation among providers of seasonal shelters and hotel/motel vouchers. According to the Eastern PA CoC, the largest overall barrier to HMIS-participation remains non-HUD funded volunteer and faith-based operated projects and VA-funded projects, such as VASH. Additional outreach to volunteer and faith-based organizations will occur through the implementation of coordinated entry. Increased engagement and education among these groups should lead to increased HMIS participation. The CoC will work with Veterans to improve participation among VA-funded projects. In regards to VASH, the CoC built a new bed/voucher-based process within the CoC's HMIS and will begin piloting this enhancement with Public Housing Authorities.

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1.	Agency/Group/Organization	Johnstown
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Management of Public Land or Water Resources Agency - Emergency Management Other government - Local Planning organization Grantee Department
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City's Departments of Community and Economic Development and City Management were interviewed for their input on the housing needs, homeless needs, non-homeless special needs, community development, and economic development needs and goals for the City of Johnstown.

2.	Agency/Group/Organization	Johnstown Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing PHA Services - Housing Other government - Local Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Johnstown Housing Authority was contacted to determine the housing needs of its very low-income clients. The City reviewed its program and funded activities that met the goals and objectives as outlined in the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan to address these housing needs.
3.	Agency/Group/Organization	Eastern PA CoC - Regional Homeless Advisory Board (South Central-RHAB)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Regional organization Correctional Facilities

	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 Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Eastern PA CoC South Central-RHAB was contacted and presented the homeless needs in the region, Point In Time Survey results, and 2022 CoC funding amounts.
4.	Agency/Group/Organization	Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Fair Housing Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services was contacted to determine the Fair Housing needs of the City. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the activity because it met the goals and strategies as outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

5.	Agency/Group/Organization	Johnstown Redevelopment Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Planning organization Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Johnstown Redevelopment Authority was contacted to determine the housing and community development needs of residents of the City of Johnstown.
6.	Agency/Group/Organization	Cambria County Redevelopment Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Anti-poverty Strategy

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Cambria County Redevelopment Authority was contacted to determine the homeless, housing and community development needs of residents of the City of Johnstown.
7.	Agency/Group/Organization	Cambria County Behavioral Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health Other government - County
	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 Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Cambria County Behavioral Health was contacted to determine health and community development priorities in the City of Johnstown.
8.	Agency/Group/Organization	Catholic Charities
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Services-Health Services - Victims Regional organization Planning organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Catholic Charities was contacted and presented the homeless needs in the City and the region. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the activity because it met the goals and strategies as outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.
9.	Agency/Group/Organization	Johnstown Area Regional Industries
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Regional organization Planning organization Business Leaders Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Johnstown Area Regional Industries was contact to determine economic development and workforce priorities.

10.	Agency/Group/Organization	The Learning Lamp
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Child Welfare Agency
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Learning Lamp was contacted to determine community development priorities in the City of Johnstown. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the public service activity because it met the goals and strategies outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.
11.	Agency/Group/Organization	PA Department of Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health Health Agency Other government - State Lead Based Paint
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City consulted the Childhood Lead Surveillance Annual Report released by the Pennsylvania Department of Health. The data identified in the Report is incorporated in the Annual Action Plan.
12.	Agency/Group/Organization	Northern Cambria County Development Corporation (NCCDC)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	NCCDC was contacted to determine housing needs in the City of Johnstown.

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13.	Agency/Group/Organization	YMCA
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	YMCA was contacted to determine community development priorities in the City of Johnstown.
14.	Agency/Group/Organization	Cambria County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services – Children Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Agency - Managing Flood Prone Areas Agency - Management of Public Land or Water Resources Agency - Emergency Management
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Cambria County was contacted to determine community development priorities in the City of Johnstown. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application for the Backpack program. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the public service activity because it met the goals and strategies outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

15.	Agency/Group/Organization	Flood City Youth Mentoring
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Flood City Youth Mentoring was contacted to determine community development priorities in the City of Johnstown. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application for the Youth Mentorship program. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the public service activity because it met the goals and strategies outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.
16.	Agency/Group/Organization	Peer Empowerment Network
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Peer Empowerment Network was contacted to determine community development priorities in the City of Johnstown.
17.	Agency/Group/Organization	Women's Help Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Services - Victims Regional organization Planning organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Women's Help Center, Inc. was contacted and presented the homeless needs in the City and the region. The City reviewed the CDBG funding application and funded the activity because it met the goals and strategies as outlined in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.
18.	Agency/Group/Organization	Verizon
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Regional Organization Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Verizon internet plans were examined to see the services they offer for City residents.

19.	Agency/Group/Organization	Comcast/Xfinity
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide Regional Organization Business Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Xfinity/Comcast internet plans were examined to see the services they offer for City residents.

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

All known agency types were consulted and contacted during the planning process.

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	Eastern Pennsylvania South Central Regional Homeless Advisory Board (Central-RHAB)	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
PHA Five Year Plan and Annual Plan	Johnstown Housing Authority	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
City of Johnstown Comprehensive Plan	City of Johnstown	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Cambria County Comprehensive Plan	Cambria County	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
City of Johnstown Master Plan, iCity	City of Johnstown	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
Sixth Amended Recovery Plan	City of Johnstown	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
Revitalization Strategy for the City of Johnstown	City of Johnstown	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
Johnstown 20/20: Report and Recommendations	City of Johnstown	They are incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
2020 Childhood Lead Surveillance Annual Report	PA Department of Health	The data is incorporated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.
Broadband Enhancement Plan	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	They are incorporated in the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plans.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The City of Johnstown has consulted and coordinated with various agencies and organizations city-wide, county-wide, and Commonwealth-wide. A culmination of these efforts has resulted in the development of the City's FY 2023 Annual Action Plan.

The Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development is the administrating agency for the CDBG and HOME programs. Close coordination is maintained with other City departments such as the Public Works and Recreation, Administration, Police and Fire Departments, as well as County departments such as the Cambria County Redevelopment Authority, Johnstown Housing Authority, Greater Johnstown/Cambria County Chamber of Commerce, Johnstown Area Regional Industries (JARI), Johnstown Redevelopment Authority, the Eastern PA Continuum of Care, and Cambria County Behavioral Health/Intellectual Disabilities Programs. Coordination with various non-profit organizations, such as Cambria County Redevelopment Authority, the Community Action Partnership of Cambria County, Catholic Charities, the United Way, Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, and the Women's Help Center helped aid the planning process and develop priorities. The City works

closely with the Cambria County Commissioners and County staff to address projects and activities that extend beyond the City limits. The City and the County agencies have a good working relationship.

DCED works with the Eastern PA CoC for coordinating Con Planning, CoC strategic planning and ESG policies/priorities/allocations. A partnership of Cambria County Behavioral Health and the Greater Johnstown Landlord Association administers the ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) for Cambria County.

Substantial Amendment # 1:

The City put the “draft” FY 2023 Annual Action Plan - Substantial Amendment on public display on the City’s website: <http://johnstownpa.gov>.

The display period started on Monday, March 11 and ended Tuesday, April 9, 2024. A Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 5:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 401 Washington Street, Johnstown, PA 15901 to discuss the proposed substantial amendment and solicit resident comments.

In order to broaden citizen participation, the City placed the Draft FY 2023 Annual Action Plan – Substantial Amendment #1 on its website to solicit public comments.

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 FY 2023 Annual Action Plan has many components which include citizen participation. There was one (1) needs hearings held and another public hearing to obtain public comments on the “draft plan” which was on public display. All these comments are included in the Exhibits Section - Citizen Participation. In addition, the City had CDBG and HOME funding request applications. These applications were reviewed and considered for funding. Through the citizen participation process, the City uses resident input to develop how the plan will serve the low- and moderate-income population needs and to reach its goals of the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

Citizen Participation Outreach

#	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.	Newspaper Ad # 1	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	The needs public hearing notice was published on Saturday, March 4, 2023 in the "Tribune-Democrat." A copy can be found in the Citizen Participation Section of the Annual Action Plan.	None.	None.	Not Applicable.
2.	Public Meeting # 1	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	The First Public Hearing was held on Thursday, March 16, 2023. See first public hearing minutes in the summaries and the sign-in sheets.	See first public hearing minutes in the Citizen Participation	None.	Not Applicable.

#	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Response / Attendance	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted and Reasons	URL (If applicable)
		Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations		section of the Plan.		
3.	Funding Applications	Agencies/ Organizations	The City published a notice in the local newspaper on Saturday, March 4, 2023 that non-profit funding applications were available for pickup at the Community and Economic Development Office. The notice advised the public that funding applications were due by 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023.	The City received funding requests.	The City staff reviewed the funding requests, determined eligibility, and submitted their recommendations to Council for final approval.	Not Applicable.
4.	Newspaper Ad #2	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies	The second public hearing notice was published on Friday, April 7, 2023 in the "Tribune-Democrat." A copy can be found in the Citizen Participation Section of the Annual Action Plan.	None.	None.	Not Applicable.
5.	Public Meeting #2	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and	The Second Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. See second public hearing minutes in the summaries and the sign-in sheets.	See second public hearing minutes in the Citizen Participation	None.	Not Applicable.

#	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Response / Attendance	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted and Reasons	URL (If applicable)
		Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations		section of the Plan.		
6.	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	None.	None.	None.	http://www.cityofjohnstownpa.net/
7.	Posting at the Housing Authority Communities	Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	None.	None.	None.	Not Applicable.
8.	Substantial Amendment No. 1 - Newspaper Ad	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	On Friday, March 8, 2024, the City of Johnstown published the Substantial Amendment No. 1 Public Hearing Notice in the newspaper.	None.	None.	Not applicable.
9.	Substantial Amendment No. 1 - Internet Outreach	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	The Substantial Amendment No. 1 was posted on the City's website.	None.	None.	http://johnstownpa.gov
10.	Substantial Amendment	Minorities	The Substantial Amendment No. 1 Public Hearing was held on	Meeting minutes can	None.	Not applicable.

#	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of Response / Attendance	Summary of Comments Received	Summary of Comments Not Accepted and Reasons	URL (If applicable)
	No. 1 - Public Hearing	Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.	be found in the appendix section of this Annual Action Plan - Substantial Amendment No. 1.		

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of Johnstown is receiving \$1,268,362 from FY 2023 CDBG funds and \$237,876 from FY 2023 HOME. The program year goes from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

These funds will be used to address the following priority needs: Housing; Homeless; Community Development; Economic Development; and Administration, Planning, and Management. The accomplishments of these projects/activities will be reported in the FY 2023 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	Public federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,268,362	0	0	1,268,362	1,312,051	Ten (10) projects/activities were funded based on FY 2023 CDBG allocations

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	237,876	0	0	237,876	218,523	Three (3) projects/activities were funded based on FY 2023 HOME allocations.

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

In addition to the entitlement funds, the City of Johnstown anticipates the following federal resources may be available to local non-profit organizations to undertake the housing strategies identified in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

- The Johnstown Housing Authority received \$4,369,504 in its FY 2023 Capital Fund Grant.
- The City is receiving \$400,000 over 4 years in Lead Hazard Control funds. The funds will be used for lead hazard mitigation in combination with the City's Owner-Occupied and First-Time Homebuyer Housing Rehabilitation programs.
- The City is receiving a Brownfield grant for \$600,000 over 4 years from the EPA to address petroleum and other hazards.

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

Not Applicable. The City of Johnstown does not have any publicly owned land or property within the jurisdiction that was part of the CDBG Program.

Discussion

Private and non-federal resources that may be available to the City of Johnstown in FY 2023 to address needs identified in the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan are listed below.

- **PHFA Home Purchase Programs** – The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency offers a variety of home purchase loans at competitive rates. Loan products include HFA loans and Keystone loans. Many of these loans are provided at below market rate for qualified buyers. Local mortgage lenders apply to PHFA for a commitment of a pool of mortgage loan funds.
- **Neighborhood Assistance Tax Credit** – This program allows business corporations to receive a tax credit from a variety of State taxes for donations made to community based non-profit organizations for the implementation of housing, job training, and education programs.
- **Pennsylvania Office of Vocational Rehabilitation** – OVR will provide funds to make housing units accessible if such improvements will assist persons with disabilities in an employment situation.
- **Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Program (HRA)** – The Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) provides funding for community development and housing assistance.
- **Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program (AHP)** – Congress has mandated that ten (10%) of the Federal Home Loan Bank's profits be allocated to provide affordable housing. The FHLB encourages its members to work with public agencies and non-profit housing development organizations in creating highly leveraged affordable housing initiatives. Both sales and rental housing are eligible.
- **Financial Institutions** – Several local financial institutions have developed flexible underwriting criteria to encourage homeownership.

The following federal resources may be available to local non-profit organizations to undertake the homeless strategies identified in the Five Year Consolidated Plan.

- **Cambria County Behavioral Health and the Greater Johnstown Landlord Association** administer the ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) as partners for Cambria County.

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.	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Priority	CDBG: \$85,000 HOME: \$178,407	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 38 Household Housing Unit
2.	HSS-3 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Priority	HOME: \$35,682	Homeowner Housing Added: 1 Household Housing Unit Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 0 Household Housing Unit
3.	HSS-5 Fair Housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Priority	CDBG: \$10,000	Other: 1 Other
4.	HMS-1 Operation/Support	2020	2024	Homeless	Citywide	Homeless Priority	CDBG: \$20,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 80 persons assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 60 persons assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
5.	CDS-1 Community Facilities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$25,000	Other: 1 Other
6.	CDS-4 Public Service	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$20,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2,300 Persons Assisted
7.	CDS-5 Nutritional Services	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$10,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 200 Persons Assisted
8.	CDS-6 Clearance/Demolition	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$250,000	Buildings Demolished: 18 Buildings
9.	CDS-7 Public Safety	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Priority	CDBG: \$544,690	Other: 1 Other
10.	EDS-1 Employment	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Economic Development Priority	CDBG: \$0	Jobs created/retained: 0 Jobs Businesses assisted: 0 Businesses Assisted
11.	EDS-2 Financial Assistance	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Economic Development Priority	CDBG: \$0	Jobs created/retained: 15 Jobs
12.	AMS-1 Overall Coordination	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority	CDBG: \$253,672 HOME: \$23,787	Other: 3 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
13.	AMS-3 Fair Housing	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority	CDBG: \$0	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1.	Goal Name	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Continue to rehabilitate the existing owner and renter occupied housing stock in the City, including handicap accessibility modifications.
2.	Goal Name	HSS-3 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	Increase the supply of decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing that is affordable to owners and renters in the City through new construction and rehabilitation.
3.	Goal Name	HSS-5 Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Promote fair housing choice through monitoring, education, and outreach.
4.	Goal Name	HMS-1 Operation/Support
	Goal Description	Assist homeless providers in the operation of housing and supportive services for the homeless and persons who are at-risk of becoming homeless.

5.	Goal Name	CDS-1 Community Facilities
	Goal Description	Improve the City's parks, recreational centers, and public and community facilities through rehabilitation and new construction.
6.	Goal Name	CDS-4 Public Service
	Goal Description	Improve and enhance public services including programs for youth, the elderly, disabled, and other public service programs for low- and moderate-income persons.
7.	Goal Name	CDS-5 Nutritional Services
	Goal Description	Promote and support programs that provide more access to food and nutritional programs for low income residents.
8.	Goal Name	CDS-6 Clearance/Demolition
	Goal Description	Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions through demolition of vacant, abandoned, and dilapidated structures in the City.
9.	Goal Name	CDS-7 Public Safety
	Goal Description	Improve the public safety facilities, equipment, crime prevention programs, community policing, and ability to respond to emergency situations.
10.	Goal Name	EDS-1 Employment
	Goal Description	Support and encourage new job creation, job retention, workforce development for low- and moderate-income residents
11.	Goal Name	EDS-2 Financial Assistance
	Goal Description	Support the expansion, growth and new development of business and commercial enterprise through technical assistance programs, low interest financing and façade improvement programs.

12.	Goal Name	AMS-1 Overall Coordination
	Goal Description	Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of Federal, State, and local funded programs, including planning services for special studies, annual action plans, five year consolidated plans, substantial amendments, consolidated annual performance and evaluation reports, environmental review and clearance, fair housing, and compliance with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.
13.	Goal Name	AMS-3 Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Provide funds for training, education, outreach, and monitoring to affirmatively further fair housing in the City of Johnstown.

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

The City of Johnstown proposes to assist the following:

- Extremely Low-Income – 3 household
- Low-Income – 10 households
- Moderate-Income – 25 households

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Johnstown proposes to undertake the following activities with the FY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds:

Projects

#	Project Name
1.	Public Service
2.	Fair Housing
3.	Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (CDBG)
4.	Rehabilitation/Delivery Costs
5.	Demolition/Clearance
6.	Sewer Lateral Line Replacement Program
8.	Playground Improvements
9.	CDBG Administration
10.	Planning
11.	HOME Administration
12.	CHDO Set-Aside
13.	Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (HOME)
14.	Fire Equipment - Fire Truck

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Rationale for funding activities were based on the eligibility of the activity, the activity must meet a national objective, and evidence of the need in the City or by the agency/organization. Additional consideration was given based on the agency/organization's past history of expenditure of CDBG and HOME funds, and the ability to leverage other funds for this activity. The City of Johnstown will provide CDBG and HOME funds to activities principally benefitting low/mod income persons in the City. Such assistance is not directed to any specific geographic area, but based on income benefit.

The City of Johnstown allocated its FY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds to provide assistance with activities that met the underserved needs of the residents. The activities that meet HUD criteria for benefit to low-

and moderate-income households are located in those Census Tracts or Block Groups that are defined as low/mod area in the City.

The City of Johnstown has established the following criteria for residents when establishing priorities for housing related CDBG projects:

- Those who are considered to have very low-, low-, or moderate-incomes
- Those who are cost-burdened and pay more than 30% of their median household income for housing
- Those who live in substandard housing
- Those who live in overcrowded housing
- Residents who live under any combination of the above
- First-time homebuyers, including potential homeowners who are minorities
- Homeless individuals and families in need of emergency shelters, transitional shelters, and permanent housing

For non-housing and community development needs, the following were the identified objectives:

- Improve the Public Infrastructure: Street, Sidewalk, and Other Infrastructure Improvements
- Enhance Youth Recreation Programs/Crime Prevention
- Encourage the Acquisition and Rehabilitation of Commercial/Industrial Facilities
- Assist with Commercial/Industrial Improvements
- Create a Loan Funding Mechanism for New and/or Expanding Businesses in the NRSA and through-out the City
- Plan for Future Growth and Improvements

The City of Johnstown does not anticipate any obstacles in the performance of the FY 2023 CDBG activities. Affordable housing and/or financial housing assistance for qualified residents was identified as the largest underserved need in the City of Johnstown in the Five Year Consolidated Plan. The primary obstacle to meeting the underserved needs is the limited financial resources available to address the identified needs in the City. The City of Johnstown will continue to partner with other agencies when feasible to leverage resources and maximize outcomes in housing and community development programs.

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

1.	Project Name	Public Service
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HMS-1 Operation/Support CDS-4 Public Service CDS-5 Nutritional Services
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Priority Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000.00
	Description	Funding for public service organizations that serve low- to moderate-income populations.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated number by activity is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambria County Backpack Project - 200 youth • Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter - 60 homeless persons • Flood City Youth Mentoring Program - 200 youth • Learning Lamp - Learning Lamp to Go - 2,100 youth • Women's Help Center, Inc. - Case Management - 80 homeless persons
	Location Description	Citywide.

2.	Planned Activities	<p>The City is going to fund the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambria County Backpack Project (\$10,000.00) - CDBG funds will be used to provide backpacks filled with food items for children to carry home over the weekends within the City of Johnstown. The national objective is Low/Mod Income Limited Clientele (LMC). The Matrix Code is 05W Food Banks. • Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter (\$10,000.00) - Funds to pay for the Martha and Mary House homeless shelter per diem for up to seven (7) nights for homeless persons. The national objective is Low/Mod Income Limited Clientele (LMC). The Matrix Code is 03T Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs. • Learning Lamp - Learning Lamp to Go (\$10,000.00) - Funds will be used to pay for eligible delivery costs of “Learning Lamp To Go” Program that will provide science, geography, and math curriculum for low- and moderate-income elementary and middle school aged learners in the City through mobile/portable outreach. The national objective is Low/Mod Income Limited Clientele (LMC). The Matrix Code is 05D Youth Services. • Flood City Youth Mentoring Program (\$10,000.00) - CDBG funds will be used to pay for staffing to deliver tutoring and mentoring services for K-12 students in the Greater Johnstown School District. The national objective is Low/Mod Income Limited Clientele (LMC). The Matrix Code is 05D Youth Services. • Women’s Help Center, Inc. - Case Management (\$10,000.00) – CDBG funds will be used to provide case management to City of Johnstown homeless residents. The national objective is Low/Mod Income Limited Clientele (LMC). The Matrix Code is 03T Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs.
	Project Name	Fair Housing
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-5 Fair Housing AMS-3 Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority Administration, Planning, and Management Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000

	Description	Expanded fair housing outreach and education efforts, including production of a fair housing brochure; inclusion on the City's Department of Community and Economic Development website; a workshop of fair housing issues with neighborhood groups; the development of a supplemental handout for clients of local organizations; a fair housing testing program; and at least one annual training. This will be in cooperation with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	14,085 low-income persons 1 Other
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod-Income Area Benefit (LMA). The Matrix Code is 05J Fair Housing Activities.
3.	Project Name	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (CDBG)
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000
	Description	Funds used for rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing on a citywide basis. Deferred loans up to a maximum of \$22,000 per household.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	5 low-income households.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH). The Matrix Code is 14A Rehab; Single Unit Residential.
4.	Project Name	Rehabilitation/Delivery Costs
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation

	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000.00
	Description	Funding for rehabilitation delivery costs, including staff, supplies, a vehicle for the housing construction coordinator, etc., for housing assistance programs.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	38 low-income households.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH). The Matrix Code is 14H Rehabilitation Administration.
5.	Project Name	Demolition/Clearance
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	CDS-6 Clearance/Demolition
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$250,000
	Description	Funding for the removal of vacant substandard structures and delivery costs.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	18 structures.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Slum and Blight Removal on a Spot Basis (SBS). The Matrix Code is 04 Clearance and Demolition.
6.	Project Name	Sewer Lateral Line Replacement Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000.00

	Description	Funds will be used for residential sewer lateral line replacement for low income households. The City will match half of the costs up to \$1,000.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	25 low-income households.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH). The Matrix Code is 03J Water/Sewer Improvements.
8.	Project Name	Playground Improvements
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	CDS-1 Community Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000.00
	Description	CDBG funds will be used to make playground improvements to neighborhood parks located in low and moderate income areas of the City.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 public facility
	Location Description	Low and moderate income areas of the City.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod-Income Area Benefit (LMA). The Matrix Code is 03F Parks and Recreational Facilities.
9.	Project Name	CDBG Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	AMS-1 Overall Coordination
	Needs Addressed	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$193,672.00
	Description	Funding for administration of the various HUD programs including oversight, coordination, accounting, audit, environmental review, CAPER, and Annual Action Plan preparation.

	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	20,140 people 1 Other
	Location Description	Department of Community and Economic Development, City of Johnstown, 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901.
	Planned Activities	The Matrix Code is 21A General Program Administration.
10.	Project Name	Planning
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	AMS-1 Overall Coordination
	Needs Addressed	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,000.00
	Description	Funds will be used for planning services for special studies, environmental clearance, fair housing, and compliance with all Federal, state, and local laws and regulations.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	20,140 people 1 Other
	Location Description	Citywide.
11.	Planned Activities	The Matrix Code is 20 Planning.
	Project Name	HOME Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	AMS-1 Overall Coordination
	Needs Addressed	Administration, Planning, and Management Priority
	Funding	HOME: \$23,787.00
	Description	To provide planning activities and administration for the City's HOME programs.
	Target Date	6/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	20,140 people 1 Other
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The Matrix Code is 21A General Program Administration.
12.	Project Name	CHDO Set-Aside
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-3 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	HOME: \$35,682.00
	Description	Funding for the acquisition and rehabilitation of single family homes to be sold to low income households.
	Target Date	6/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 low-income household.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH). The Matrix Code is 14G Acquisition for Rehabilitation.
13.	Project Name	Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (HOME)
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HSS-1 Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Priority
	Funding	HOME: \$178,407.00
	Description	Funds used for rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing on a citywide basis. Deferred loans up to a maximum of \$22,000 per household.
	Target Date	6/30/2024

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	8 low-income households.
	Location Description	Citywide.
	Planned Activities	The national objective is Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH). The Matrix Code is 14A Rehab; Single Unit Residential.
14.	Project Name	Fire Equipment - Fire Truck
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	CDS-7 Public Safety
	Needs Addressed	Community Development Priority
	Funding	CDBG: \$544,690
	Description	CDBG funds will be used to purchase one (1) Firetruck complete with a specialized ladder per specifications to serve low- and moderate-income neighborhoods to be housed in Fire Station #1. This is a multi-year activity.
	Target Date	6/30/2025
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 Other
	Location Description	Citywide

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**

The following information provides a profile of the population, age, and racial/ethnic composition of the City of Johnstown. This information was obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau American Factfinder website, <http://factfinder.census.gov>. The 2017-2021 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates were used to analyze the social, economic, housing, and general demographic characteristics of the City of Johnstown. The Decennial Census and 5-year estimates are the most recent data available for the City. The 2010 U.S. Census data is included where possible.

Population:

The City of Johnstown's overall population:

- Between 1980 and 2021, the population decreased by approximately 47.5%, declining from 35,496 to 18,647.
- Since 2010, the population decreased by 11.1%, which is expected to continue.

Age:

The City of Johnstown's age of population:

- Median age in the City is 44.4 years old.
- Youth under age 18 account for 23.2% of the population.
- Adults between the ages of 35 and 60 account for 30.3% of the population.
- Seniors over the age of 65 account for 20.1% of the population.

Race/Ethnicity:

Racial/ethnic composition of the City of Johnstown from the 2017-2021 American Community Survey:

- 73.3% are White
- 17.1% are Black or African American
- 0.4% are Asian
- 1.9% are Some Other Race
- 7.2% are Two or More Races
- 4.6% are Hispanic

Income Profile:

The median income for a family of four (4) in the Johnstown, PA MSA is \$73,900 for 2022. The following

is a summary of income statistics for the City of Johnstown:

At the time of the 2017-2021 American Community Survey, median household income in the City of Johnstown was \$31,200, which was less than half the median household income of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (\$63,627).

- 42.6% of households have earnings received from Social Security income.
- 7.4% of households have earnings received from public assistance.
- 24.2% of households have earnings received from retirement income.
- 66.7% of female-headed households with children under the age of 18 were living in poverty.
- 56.9% of all youth under 18 years of age were living in poverty.

In the City of Johnstown, the overall percentage of low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons was 69.94%. Out of a total of 10 census tracts and 25 block groups in the City, 23 block groups have a low- and moderate-income population of over 51%.

Economic Profile:

The following illustrates the economic profile for the City of Johnstown as of the 2017-2021 American Community Survey:

- 29.0% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as management, professional, or related.
- 21.0% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as sales and office.
- 25.1% were in the service sector.
- The education, health, and social service industry represented 27.3% of those employed.
- 86.7% of workers were considered in private wage and salary workers class.
- 3.5% of workers were considered in the self-employed workers in their own not incorporated business.

According to the U.S. Labor Department, the preliminary, not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the City of Johnstown in January of 2023 was 6.5% compared to a rate of 5.7% in Cambria County, a preliminary seasonally adjusted rate of 4.3% for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in January 2023, and a seasonally adjusted national unemployment rate of 3.4%.

The City of Johnstown will provide CDBG and HOME funds to activities principally benefitting low/mod income persons in the City. Such assistance is not directed to any specific geographic area, but based on income benefit.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100%

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Most of the City's FY 2023 activities are operated on a citywide basis. The City cannot predict which homeowners or businesses will apply for assistance, what parts of the City will require code enforcement, which structures will require demolition, etc. Therefore, the City cannot allocate funds geographically within the City on a pre-determined basis. Instead, the City can only report the geographic distribution of funds in its CAPER, which are limited to low- and moderate-income areas.

Rationale for funding activities were based on the eligibility of the activity. The activity must meet a national objective, and evidence of the need in the community or by the agency/organization must be presented. Additional consideration was given based on the community's or the agency/organization's past history of expenditure of CDBG funds; the ability to leverage other funds for this activity; the ability to complete the project in a timely manner; and whether the FY 2023 request was related to projects that if not funded, would result in a special assessment against low-income homeowners. The City of Johnstown will provide CDBG funds to activities principally benefitting low/mod income. Such assistance is not directed to any specific geographic area, but based on income benefit.

Affordable housing and/or financial housing assistance for qualified residents was identified as the largest underserved need in the City of Johnstown in the Five Year Consolidated Plan. The primary obstacle to meeting the underserved needs is the limited financial resources available. The City of Johnstown will continue to partner with other agencies when feasible to leverage resources and maximize outcomes in housing and community development needs.

In its 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan, the City of Johnstown defined areas of racial or ethnic minority concentration as geographical areas where the percentage of a specific minority or ethnic group is 20 percentage points higher than in the City overall. The most recent data available on the concentration of racial or ethnic minorities is the 2016-2020 American Community Survey 5-year estimates by Census Tract and Block Group. According to this data, the City of Johnstown has an overall minority population of 24.6% of its total population. By HUD's "minority neighborhood" definition, a Census Tract or Block Group in Johnstown would have to have a minority population of at least 40% to be considered a minority neighborhood.

According to the 2017-2021 ACS, Black or African American residents made up 5.0% of the Johnstown Metropolitan Areas population. The following Census Tracts and Block Groups have a higher Black or African American population that is 20 percent higher than the Johnstown Metropolitan Area, which meets the HUD definition of a "Minority Area."

- C.T. 000100 B.G. 5
- C.T. 000200 B.G. 2
- C.T. 000300 B.G. 1
- C.T. 013400 B.G. 1
- C.T. 013600 B.G. 2
- C.T. 013600 B.G. 1

Additionally, two (2) block groups are considered areas of concentration of people that are two or more races. These two block groups are:

- C.T. 000600 B.G. 1
- C.T. 000700 B.G. 3

The CDBG Program includes a statutory requirement in which at least 70% of funds must benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons. As a result, HUD provides the percentage of LMI persons in each block group for entitlements such as Johnstown. HUD data reveals that in 26 of the City's 28 block groups, the percentage of LMI persons exceeds 51%. All of the block groups in the census tracts identified as areas of “minority concentration” are also areas of concentration of LMI persons. The City of Johnstown overall low- and moderate-income percentage is 69.94%.

Discussion

The geographic locations and the public benefit for the FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Activities/Projects are as follows:

- **Cambria County Backpack Project** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Flood City Youth Mentoring Program** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Learning Lamp - Learning Lamp to Go** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Women's Help Center, Inc. - Case Management** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (CDBG)** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH)
- **Rehabilitation/Delivery Costs** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH)
- **Fair Housing** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Clientele (LMC)
- **Demolition/Clearance** - Citywide; Slum/Blight on Spot Basis (SBS)
- **Sewer Lateral Line Replacement** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH)
- **Park Improvements** - Low/Mod-Income Area Benefit (LMA)
- **CDBG Administration** - Citywide
- **Planning** - Citywide
- **HOME Administration** - Citywide
- **CHDO Set-Aside** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH)

- **Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (HOME)** - Citywide; Low/Mod Income Housing (LMH)
- **Fire Equipment - Fire Truck** - Citywide

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Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City of Johnstown will utilize its CDBG and HOME funds to rehabilitate owner occupied housing. The one year goals for affordable housing in the City of Johnstown for FY 2023 are the following:

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	60
Non-Homeless	39
Special-Needs	0
Total:	99

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

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	60
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	38
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total:	99

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

Discussion

The City of Johnstown will fund the following projects with FY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds:

- **Public Service - Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter** - The City will continue to fund this program to assist homeless individuals. (60 households)
- **Sewer Lateral Line Replacement Program** - Funds will be used for residential sewer lateral line replacement for low income households. The City will match half of the costs up to \$1,000. (25 households)
- **CHDO Set-Aside** - The City will continue to fund CHDO Organizations to rehabilitate a single family house for re-sale in the City. In 2023, the City anticipates rehabilitating one (1) low income unit. (1 household)
- **Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program** - The City will continue to fund this program that provides CDBG and HOME funds to rehabilitate owner-occupied housing for low-income families. (13 households)

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Johnstown Housing Authority (JHA) is the only municipal housing authority in Cambria County that is designated to oversee public housing. Johnstown Housing Authority has eleven (11) public housing developments in Cambria County consisting of a total of 1,504 public housing assisted units. Nine (9) of these developments are in the City of Johnstown. There are a total of 983 units for general occupancy, 251 units for mixed populations (elderly or disabled), and 270 units for elderly occupancy.

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

Each year Johnstown Housing Authority (JHA) receives an allocation of funds from HUD under the Capital Fund Program to undertake physical improvements. In addition, the JHA receives operating subsidies to offset the operating deficits associated with public housing units and to carry out maintenance. The Johnstown Housing Authority received \$4,369,504 under a HUD Capital Fund grant for FY 2023.

The Housing Authority is using the FY 2023 grant amount for the following activities:

- **Operations** = \$380,000
- **Administration** = \$380,000
- **Fees and Costs** = \$140,000
- **Site Improvement** = \$1,157,792
- **Dwelling Structures** = \$1,300,000
- **Non-dwelling Structures** = \$1,000,000

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

The JHA has an active Resident Advisory Board which consists of five (5) Public Housing Residents. The Resident Advisory Board provides input on such things as the Operating Budget, Agency Plan (Five-Year Plan), Annual Plan, and Policies.

JHA has active Resident Councils at five (5) of its communities. The Authority meets with the community residents on a monthly basis to update them on activities, programs and various stages of modernization on their respective communities. They are also consulted in the preparation of various projects and plans for submission to HUD. Council presidents report on the various initiatives at their developments.

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

Johnstown Housing Authority is not designated as "troubled" by HUD. Therefore, no assistance is needed to improve operations of this Public Housing Authority.

Discussion

Not Applicable.

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

Introduction

The Eastern PA CoC serves a total of thirty-three (33) counties. The 33 counties are organized into five (5) geographically dispersed Regional Homeless Advisory Boards (RHABs). The City of Johnstown belongs to the South Central Pennsylvania Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB) which oversees the Continuum of Care Network for Central Pennsylvania for nine (9) counties. The South Central RHAB includes Adams, Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Centre, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, and Somerset counties.

According to the Governance Charter for the PA Eastern Continuum of Care Collaborative, the mission of the PA Eastern CoC is to end homelessness throughout the 33-county Continuum of Care. The CoC works toward ending homelessness by providing a framework for a comprehensive and well-coordinated regional and local planning process. This includes identifying needs, conducting a system-wide evaluation of existing resources and program activities, and building a system of housing and services that addresses those needs. This mission will be pursued through the development of long-range plans to prevent and end homelessness in the geographic area, as well as the coordination necessary for successful implementation. The objectives of the CoC include the following:

- Promote development of adequate funding for efforts for preventing homelessness, rapidly re-housing homeless persons, and stabilizing their housing;
- Maximize potential for self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness;
- Promote full access to, and effective use of, mainstream programs.

The Funding Committee is responsible for coordinating the annual application to HUD. In this capacity, it reviews all documents from the previous funding round; sets a schedule and time line for the current funding round; develops and edits forms for new project and renewal evaluations; develops ranking criteria; collaborates with the Data Management, Collection, and Outcomes Committee, as necessary; and provides ranking reports to the CoC. In addition, in order to increase CoC-wide performance, ensure the strategic use of HUD funds, and develop new resources, this Committee will also be charged with developing the CoC's reallocation strategy. This includes setting policy to make any funding cuts or allocate new resources, based on the NOFA for the Continuum of Care.

Cambria County also receives ESG funds through PA-DCED, which are administered by the Cambria County Redevelopment Authority and distributed to agencies in the county helping the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness. ESG funds were distributed to Catholic Charities, Blair County Community Action, and Cambria County Community Action.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including**Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs**

The Continuum of Care completes a regular “Point in Time Count Survey” (PITC) each January to determine the number of homeless individuals and families in the Eastern Pennsylvania Region. The Point In Time Count was completed in January 2023, but the data is not yet available. Based on the Point In Time Count conducted during January 2022, the following numbers of homeless persons were reported in Cambria County:

- **Unsheltered** - 0 individuals, 0 families with children, and 0 children only
- **Transitional Housing** - 7 individuals, 2 families with children, and 0 children only
- **Emergency Shelter** - 9 individuals, 2 families with children, and 0 children only

The CoC uses a complete census count for its sheltered PITC, using both Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and interviews of sheltered persons to gather population and subpopulation data. In most cases, the PITC is primarily conducted as a service-based count or only in known/probable locations (i.e. downtown corridors, main street areas, town squares, truck stops and other 24/7 locations). HMIS was used to collect PITC data for ES and TH providers with strong data quality. HMIS is the preferred method, however, only 55% of all sheltered beds are HMIS participating. In order to ensure that a complete census count was conducted, the second data collection method, sheltered interviews, was required.

The unsheltered count was conducted on a single night throughout the CoC’s 33-county geographic area. Each county had an identified coordinator who organized the county-level PIT planning. As a result, some counties did a complete canvas, while others focused on the most populated sections of the county or only known locations. Due to the CoCs large size and rural nature, a service-based count was conducted in some counties with locations known to be frequently utilized by persons experiencing homelessness. To prevent duplication, survey forms asked if a household was previously surveyed that night. Each county determined their methodology based on the prevalence of unsheltered homeless, the size of the county, volunteer availability, and weather-related factors (snowfall, cold). Search areas excluded mountains, forests, and extremely remote areas. In the most remote areas, some counties developed partnerships with state police and park rangers, who notified a designated contact if someone was identified as unsheltered. Unsheltered homelessness is not common in the mostly rural Eastern PA CoC, with fifteen (15) counties reporting zero unsheltered persons, and another thirteen (13) reporting 10 or less unsheltered persons. The unsheltered count in Cambria County was zero (0) persons, which was an decrease from three (3) unsheltered persons in 2020.

There were zero (0) Chronic homeless person identified in Cambria County on the night of the PITC, was

a slight decrease from 2020.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) providers conduct the most widespread outreach throughout the COC. A by-name-list has been created through the Veteran subcommittee of the CoC, which is used to track Vets in the region. Resources provided through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs are used to rapidly rehouse any Veterans identified. There was one (1) homeless Veteran identified in Cambria County on the night of the PITC, which was the same as in 2021.

Cambria County also receives ESG funds through PA-DCED, which are administered by a partnership of Cambria County Behavioral Health and the Greater Johnstown Landlord Association. These organizations distribute funds to agencies in the county helping the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness. ESG funds support outreach in Cambria County.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

Since the City of Johnstown doesn't receive Emergency Solutions Grants, it works as a partner in the Continuum of Care process to address the needs of persons who are not homeless but may be at risk. A partnership of Cambria County Behavioral Health and the Greater Johnstown Landlord Association administers the ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) for Cambria County.

Catholic Charities of Cambria County continues to receive Emergency Solution Grant funds to operate the new Martha and Mary House homeless shelter in Dale Borough. The shelter was built with Cambria County CDBG funds, ESG funds, State PHARE (Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement) funds, and Cambria County Affordable Housing Trust Funds. The shelter has been operating since the beginning of March 2015, with four (4) bedrooms offering a maximum occupancy of fifteen (15) residents. Martha and Mary House provides temporary housing, individualized service plans for success, and case management services to homeless men, women, and families in Cambria County for up to 30 days (those with a history of violent or sexual crimes will not be admitted; priority will be given to Cambria County residents). Portions of the funding for the program come from private, State, and Federal grants, but ongoing community support will be required to maintain the program. The City of Johnstown and Cambria County participate in the Emergency Shelter Committee, which has about twenty-two (22) agencies represented, to continue an ongoing conversation with Cambria County human services stakeholders on the needs of the homeless population and the available resources to help support the population's community re-integration from the shelter setting.

The Women's Help Center provides shelter for women, men, and their children who are victims of domestic violence. The Women's Help Center has identified a need for additional transitional and permanent supportive housing. With the help of the community, victims can learn about their different options, but many still face barriers to receiving more permanent supportive housing. The Women's Help Center did not receive FY 2022 ESG funds.

No agencies in the City of Johnstown received Balance of State Continuum of Care funds from the FY 2022

CoC NOFA. The following projects were funded in Cambria County:

- Blair County Community Action Program - Rapid Rehousing Program
- Center for Community Action - South Central PA Rapid Rehousing Program
- Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation - Independence Gardens
- Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation - Schoolhouse Gardens
- PCADV - Eastern PA CoC Comprehensive DV Rapid Rehousing 2022 renewal
- PCADV - Eastern PA CoC Comprehensive DV Rapid Rehousing (new)

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

Using HUD System Performance Measure Guidance, the HMIS Lead developed a CoC Performance Report with metrics for “Length of Time Homeless” (LOTH) and reviewed this data with the CoC Data Committee, which meets quarterly to review CoC Performance and identify needed interventions. The CoC continues to use its funds for Rapid Rehousing and Coordinated Entry.

HMIS is used to monitor and record returns to homelessness, which is monitored through the Data Subcommittee each quarter. The CoC is significantly increasing Permanent Housing resources through reallocation and Permanent Housing bonuses, which will assist those exiting shelters.

Severity of need is taken into consideration in prioritizing people experiencing homeless. This is determined in a number of different ways in the ranking criteria. Specific vulnerabilities considered included chronic homelessness; most significant health and behavioral health needs; youth; and victims of domestic violence. CoC policies require all Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects to prioritize beds to those with the greatest LOT, but some PSH projects have had very little turnover since the adoption of policy. As a result, the level of vulnerability within PSH projects may widely vary. To adjust for this discrepancy, the ranking included a question measuring “severity of need” based on the vulnerabilities from the Annual Performance Report to HUD. This question asked about additional criteria relevant to vulnerability, including not scoring victims of domestic violence on recidivism, and scoring youth differently on employment outcomes.

2-1-1 Human Services Helpline

The United Way of the Laurel Highlands has its free 2-1-1 Human Services Helpline is available twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week in Cambria and Somerset Counties. The helpline offers up-to-date resources to callers looking for utility, financial, and rent assistance; housing and shelter assistance;

food assistance; drug and alcohol treatment and support; medical assistance; transportation; and other related information.

Chronic Homeless

The CoC has prioritized reducing chronic housing. As such, all Public Supportive Housing beds are dedicated to the chronically homeless. PSH beds are located throughout many of these 33 counties, however, the majority of chronically homeless households are concentrated in a small number of counties. While the procedures outlined in the CoC's PSH prioritization policy require all projects to advertise available PSH beds, logistics and client choice often result in the bed being occupied by the highest prioritized non-chronic household within the given county.

Veterans

The number of homeless veterans has been significantly reduced throughout the CoC over the years. This decrease has largely been accomplished through the extensive outreach efforts of Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) funded providers. Additionally, they participated in PITC efforts throughout the CoC in order to identify and engage any known and unknown Veterans. SSVF providers have developed relationships with a significant number of shelters across the CoC. They conducted outreach throughout the CoC in unsheltered locations as well as through partnerships with Emergency Shelter Programs, etc. The number of sheltered Veterans also decreased due to the Lebanon Veteran Affairs Medical Center's Domiciliary Care program no longer being included in the Point In Time Count (PITC). The CoC has also increased coordination through Vets@HOME technical assistance, which is a toolkit that provides information on best practices to identify and engage Veterans experiencing homelessness.

Victims of Domestic Violence

The CoC has adopted an emergency transfer plan, where victims living in scattered site housing requesting emergency transfers have their needs addressed as quickly as possible. Victims make contact with trained, trauma-informed, victim-centered Coordinated Entry operators and Managers. Coordinated Entry operators work in partnership with domestic violence centers while maintaining confidentiality of victims.

The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV) prioritized its partnership with the CoC. PCADV is a state-based organization that acts as a funding conduit for domestic violence shelters and related organizations. The CoC acknowledges the need for a data driven system to show the permanent housing outcomes for survivors and the ongoing creation and implementation of permanent housing acquisition and retention through survivor-first services. The partnership between the CoC and PCADV will prioritize funding the creation of this system.

Youth

The CoC's strategic plan includes the goal of reducing youth homelessness by 75% by 2022. In addition, the CoC will be providing quarterly training to share best practices for working with youth experiencing homelessness.

The CoC tracks the increases in total dollars dedicated to resources and bed increases set aside for homeless youth. With the addition of resources and beds dedicated to homeless youth, the CoC has also developed collaboration and education services and created additional discharge planning. Collaboration efforts include youth development and workforce development programs, the creation of a coalition among state education agencies to improve resources for youth experiencing homelessness, and partnerships with school districts across the CoC.

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.

In the Eastern PA Continuum of Care's Five-Year Strategic Plan to Reduce and End Homelessness, the CoC outlines the following goals and actions under "Strategy 1: Prevent and Divert Homelessness."

A. Evaluate and Improve Discharge Planning where Needed:

- Evaluate current discharge planning from these systems to help stem the flow of individuals leaving institutional settings and entering homelessness because they lack stable housing options.
- Research and provide information to other systems/organizations on effective discharge planning policies/procedures for individuals and households at risk of entering homelessness upon discharge, as well as information on available housing resources.
- Engage with statewide efforts to improve discharge planning policies across systems, emphasizing the need for permanent housing placement for those exiting institutions.

B. Increase Coordination of Homeless Prevention Sources:

- Assess the use of existing funding available for prevention and identify gaps.
- Coordinate funding (including ESG, HAP, PHARE) across the CoC so that resources are used effectively. For example, the CoC may decide to channel prevention resources to geographic areas where emergency shelter access is limited, either due to wait lists or lack of shelter facilities.
- Investigate the use of tools, such as the Prevention VI-SPDAT, to help the CoC more effectively assess households requesting assistance.
- Ensure coordination of prevention activities with Coordinated Entry to increase the effectiveness

of the system.

Furthermore, “Strategy 2” of the CoC’s Five-Year Strategy Plan focuses on the streamlining of the system and better coordination among housing and social services through the CoC’s Coordinated Entry System. Lack of resources, combined with the lack of a well-developed coordinated entry process, results in severe hardships for persons experiencing homelessness who often face long wait times to receive assistance or are screened out of needed assistance. Coordinated entry processes help communities prioritize assistance based on vulnerability and severity of service needs to ensure that people who need assistance the most can receive it in a timely manner. Coordinated entry processes also provide information about service needs and identify gaps to help communities plan their assistance and resources.

The CoC’s strategic plan includes the goal of reducing youth homelessness by 75% by 2022. In addition, the CoC will be providing quarterly training to share best practices for working with youth experiencing homelessness. The CoC currently funds three (3) youth-dedicated projects, all of which are located in the Lehigh Valley Area.

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The following types of organizations in the Eastern PA CoC provide referrals to the Coordinated Entry Process: law enforcement agencies; hospitals; EMT/Crisis Response Teams; Mental Health Service Organizations; Substance Abuse Service Organizations; non-CoC funded Youth Homeless Organizations; school administrators/homeless liaisons; non-CoC funded Victim Service Organizations; Street Outreach Teams; homeless or formerly homeless persons; Coordinated Entry virtual and physical entry points; Veterans programs; and faith-based organizations.

Discussion

In addition to the resources listed above, the CoC-funded housing projects listed below serve Cambria County:

- Blair County Community Action Program - Rapid Rehousing Program
- Center for Community Action - South Central PA Rapid Rehousing Program
- Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation - Independence Gardens
- Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation - Schoolhouse Gardens

- PCADV - Eastern PA CoC Comprehensive DV Rapid Rehousing 2022 renewal
- PCADV - Eastern PA CoC Comprehensive DV Rapid Rehousing (new)

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

Introduction:

The largest housing problem in the City of Johnstown is affordability. According to the 2017-2021 ACS data, 44.90% of all renter households are cost burdened by 30% or more, 22.4% of all owner households with a mortgage, and 16.3% of all owner households without a mortgage are cost overburdened by 30% or more.

The City of Johnstown also experiences a lack of accessible affordable housing for the elderly and disabled. The housing stock is older and most single family residential structures are two stories in height, and therefore, are not accessible.

The City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania is an entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). In accordance with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, each entitlement community must "affirmatively further fair housing." In order to "affirmatively further fair housing," each entitlement community must conduct a Fair Housing Analysis which identifies any impediments to fair housing choice. The City has prepared the FY 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice in conjunction with the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. The impediments identified by the City include the following:

Impediment 1: Fair Housing Education and Outreach

There is a continuing need to educate persons about their rights under the Fair Housing Act and to raise community awareness to affirmatively further fair housing choice, especially for low-income residents, minorities and the disabled population.

Goal: Improve tenants and landlord's knowledge and awareness of the Fair Housing Act, related Laws, regulations, and requirements to affirmatively further fair housing in the community.

Impediment 2: Continuing Need for Affordable Housing

The median value and cost to purchase a single family home in Johnston that is decent, safe, and sound is \$41,500. About 6.72% of homeowners and 17.04% of renters in the City are cost burdened by more than 50% of their household income.

Goal: Promote the development of additional housing units for lower income households through new construction, in-fill housing, and rehabilitation of vacant houses, outside areas of low-income concentration.

Impediment 3: Continuing Need for Accessible Housing Units

As an older built-up urban environment, there is a lack of accessible housing units and developable sites in the City of Johnstown, since 87.3% of the City's housing units were built over 50 years ago and do not have accessibility features, and 28.1% of the City's population is classified as disabled.

Goal: Increase the number of accessible housing units through new construction and rehabilitation of existing housing units for the physically disabled and developmentally delayed

Impediments 4: Economic Issues Affect Housing Choice

There is a lack of economic opportunities in the City which prevents low-income households from improving their income and their ability to live outside areas with concentrations of low-income households, which makes this a fair housing concern.

Goal: The local economy will provide new job opportunities, which will increase household income, and will promote fair housing choice.

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

Johnstown's Zoning Ordinance does not distinguish housing type by occupants or income and does not place any restrictions on housing developed with a public subsidy. Group homes are permitted by special exception in R2, R3, TND, and H districts.

Group homes should not be considered as a "special exception" in the Multi-Family R3 District and the Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) District. The group homes should be listed as a permitted use.

The 2011 Zoning Ordinance defines *family* as follows:

- A single person or two or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, guardianship, or any other duly-authorized custodial relationship; living together as a single cohesive and nonprofit housekeeping unit which shares common facilities; or
- Two unrelated people and any children related to either of them; or
- Any group of three unrelated people; or
- A group of not more than five unrelated people whom can be classified as "disabled" living together as a single cohesive housekeeping unit which shares common facilities as considered reasonably appropriate for a similar number of persons related by blood, marriage, adoption, or

guardianship.

Under section 105 Purpose of Community Development Objectives, the City should consider adding another purpose to the text as evidence that the City does affirmatively further fair housing. The following language is suggested:

Section 105

“This ordinance is also intended to affirmatively further fair housing in the City of Johnstown by: abiding by the provisions of the Fair Housing Act of 1968, as amended; promoting fair housing choice for all residents in the City; assuming the rights of all individuals that are identified as members of a protected class by the Federal Government; and prevention of discrimination in housing based on a person’s race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or handicap.”

Under Section 202 Definitions, the City should consider adding the following definitions and revising other definitions:

Section 202

Group Home: Revise the definition to state “A residential living arrangement for a group of more than five (5) ‘disabled’ persons not considered a ‘family’ by the City of Johnstown Zoning Ordinance.” This will bring the definition into compliance with the definition of family.

Fair Housing Act: Add a new definition.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Add a new definition.

Accessibility: Add a new definition.

Visitability: Add a new definition.

The City has been reviewing and revising its Zoning Ordinance on a regular basis and the last revision was in November 2013. These recommendations should be considered in the next revision and presented to the City Planning Commission for review.

The City has adopted the Pennsylvania State Building Code which contains the 2009 International Building Code Amendments.

Discussion:

The City of Johnstown has allocated FY 2023 CDBG and HOME funds for the following activities to affirmatively further fair housing:

- **Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation** - Funds used for rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing on citywide basis. (CDBG \$100,000 and HOME \$178,407)
- **Fair Housing** - Expanded fair housing outreach and education efforts, including production of a fair housing brochure; inclusion on the City's Department of Community and Economic Development website; a workshop of fair housing issues with neighborhood groups; the development of a supplemental handout for clients of local organizations; a fair housing testing program; and at least one annual training. This will be in cooperation with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. (CDBG \$10,000)
- **CHDO Set Aside** - Funds will be used for the acquisition and rehabilitation of single family homes for re-sale to low-income households. (HOME \$35,682)

The three (3) major undertakings that the City of Johnstown plans to undertake in partnership with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services to affirmatively further fair housing include the following:

- Continue to conduct community education events to audiences throughout the City, including public, community service providers, housing providers and local attorneys; initiate and develop a comprehensive outreach effort to the mental health providers within the service area; maintain a referral of complaints of discrimination; refer complaints to HUD and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission; and possibly a special event recognizing and publicizing Fair Housing Month.
- Continue to recruit and train new testers to join with existing testers in conducting single tests throughout the City for residential, accessibility, sales and lending or insurance discrimination; maintain referral of complaints of discrimination, review complaints made and litigate appropriate complaints in state, federal, and administrative courts; and conduct educational outreach meetings throughout the City.
- Expand the presence and availability of educational materials, handouts, and/or flyers related to fair housing and discrimination.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

The City of Johnstown has developed the following actions planned to: address obstacles to meeting underserved needs, foster and maintain affordable housing, reduce lead-based hazards, reduce the number of poverty-level families, develop institutional structures, and enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Johnstown will work to address these obstacles through the agencies and programs to be funded in FY 2023. Some of the activities to address these obstacles include:

- **Public Service - Cambria County Backpack Project** - CDBG funds will be used to provide backpacks filled with food items for children to carry home over the weekends within the City of Johnstown.
- **Public Service - Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter** - Funds to pay for the Martha and Mary House homeless shelter per diem for up to seven (7) nights for homeless persons.
- **Public Service - Learning Lamp - Afterschool Outreach Program** - Funds to pay for the costs to run this program that will provide science, geography, and math curriculum for low- and moderate income elementary and middle school aged learners in the City through mobile/portable outreach.
- **Public Service - Flood City Youth Mentoring Program** - CDBG funds will be used to pay for staffing to deliver tutoring and mentoring services for K-12 students in the Greater Johnstown School District.
- **Public Service - Women's Help Center, Inc. - Case Management** - CDBG funds will be used to provide case management to City of Johnstown homeless residents.
- **Fair Housing** - Expanded fair housing outreach and education efforts, including production of a fair housing brochure; inclusion on the City's Department of Community and Economic Development website; a workshop of fair housing issues with neighborhood groups; the development of a supplemental handout for clients of local organizations; a fair housing testing program; and at least one annual training. This will be in cooperation with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc.
- **Sewer Lateral Line Replacement Program** - Funds will be used for residential sewer lateral line replacement for low income households. The City will match half of the costs up to \$1,000.
- **CHDO Set-Aside** - The City will continue to fund CHDO Organizations to acquire and rehabilitate single family homes for re-sale to low income households in the City. In 2023, the City anticipates acquiring and rehabilitating one (1) low income unit.
- **Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program** - The City will continue to fund this program that provides CDBG and HOME funds to rehabilitate owner-occupied housing for low-income families.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

During the FY 2023 CDBG program year, the City of Johnstown does not plan to fund any projects that will construct new units or provide any rental assistance. All the projects are open to the residents of the City.

The City of Johnstown will fund the following projects with 2023 CDBG and HOME funds:

- **Public Service - Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House - Emergency Shelter** - Funds to pay for the Martha and Mary House homeless shelter per diem for up to seven (7) nights for homeless persons.
- **Public Service - Women's Help Center, Inc. - Case Management** - CDBG funds will be used to provide case management to City of Johnstown homeless residents.
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Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Lead-based paint poses a particular hazard to children under the age of six, and is the focus of efforts by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to raise awareness of the problem and mitigate or eliminate the hazard. Lead-based paint was banned in 1978, but housing constructed prior to that time typically contains lead-based paint to some degree. Lead hazards were addressed during housing rehabilitation efforts. All homes that received rehabilitation assistance were tested for the presence of lead-based paint. When evidence of the paint was found, the paint surfaces were removed and/or the material is encapsulated to prevent exposure.

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rehabilitation efforts. All homes that received rehabilitation assistance were tested for the presence of lead-based paint. When evidence of the paint was found, the paint surfaces were removed and/or the material is encapsulated to prevent exposure.

The City of Johnstown currently has four (4) contractors, employed by four (4) contracting firms who are certified by the PA-Department of Labor and Industry to perform Lead-Based Paint hazard reduction work. During the FY 2021 CAPER period, the City continued to operate a housing rehabilitation programs with HOME funds: the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program. The City performs risk assessments on all units under these programs regardless if there are children aged 6 and under or no children at all. If the unit has lead hazards, then the City used the lead interim control method to make the unit lead safe. The City required that contractors follow Lead Safe Work Practices on all projects that tested positive for LBP hazards.

The City of Johnstown entered into an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Lead Hazard Control Program in FY 2019 for \$365,000 to provide lead hazard reduction work over the next three (3) years from February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2024. A total of twenty-six (26) homes are proposed to be completed over the two (2) year period. Of the total \$390,315.98 award, \$60,000 will be used for Healthy Homes interventions at \$2,300 per unit (which may differ on a case-by-case basis) for items such as radon, pests, electrical hazards, etc. There are twenty-nine (29) additional hazards that HUD recognizes as suitable for Healthy Homes interventions. Under the terms of the grant, the City will be required to complete thirty-nine (39) risk assessments and enroll at least twenty-six (26) families. In addition, the City must complete outreach and education to at least fifty-six (56) individuals. Outreach and education will consist of the City speaking to health care providers, child care providers, and neighborhood groups, as well as ensuring that the City contractors are current with their lead paint education. The Grant will cover outreach/education, travel, administration fees, and inspection fees, in addition to lead hazard control measures.

The units utilizing the Lead Hazard Control Program funding must have children under the age of 6 who either reside in the unit or spend a significant amount of time in the unit. As part of the Lead-Based Paint grant agreement, for every dollar of funds spent the City of Johnstown shall spend a 25% matching amount from local funds. The 25% match can come from CDBG funds being used specifically dedicated to and integrated into units on which lead-based paint hazard control work is being performed under the agreement. The City of Johnstown's housing rehabilitation programs (CDBG and HOME) follow these procedures. The City of Johnstown will document all matching fund expenditures in writing and submit to the Department on the required forms.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Approximately 33.7% of the City of Johnstown's residents live in poverty, which is higher than the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania where 8.3% of residents live in poverty. Female-headed households with children under 5 years are particularly affected by poverty at 66.7%, and 56.9% of all youth under the age

of 18 were living in poverty. This information is taken from the U.S. Census 2017-2021 ACS Five-Year Estimates. The City's goal is to reduce the extent of poverty by actions the City can control and through work with other agencies/organizations.

The resources and opportunities that the City has for reducing the number of families with incomes below the poverty line are limited. Since poverty is a function of income, its effect on housing opportunity and choice is apparent. Conversely, without adequate, stable housing, alleviating poverty is more difficult. Still, the means of addressing both issues are fragmented. Several structural barriers to poverty are addressed through different local policies. For example, the City has a policy that requires the employment of Section 3 households in construction contracts when possible.

More direct efforts to alleviate poverty by combining case management, social services job training, and housing assistance are becoming more common. City and County social service agencies have become more committed to the Continuum of Care models being introduced across the country. As these agencies become more proficient at providing services to the needy, the poverty rates will decline.

The City's anti-poverty strategy is based on attracting a range of businesses and supporting workforce development including job-training services for low income residents. In addition, the City's strategy is to provide supportive services for target income residents.

Planned economic development programs include:

- **EDS-1 Employment** - Support and encourage new job creation, job retention, workforce development for low- and moderate-income residents.
- **EDS-2 Financial Assistance** - Support the expansion, growth and new development of business and commercial enterprise through technical assistance programs, low interest financing and façade improvement programs.
- **EDS-3 Redevelopment Program** - Plan and promote the development and redevelopment of vacant commercial and industrial sites and facilities.

In City of Johnstown will fund the following anti-poverty projects with FY 2023 CDBG funds:

- **Economic Development** - Funds for competitive economic development awards targeted to for-profits and non-profits in the City of Johnstown that will remain in business for a minimum of five years. Potential awards include: Financial assistance in the form of grants to private commercial property owners located within the City of Johnstown for the purpose of correcting existing building code violations and facade improvements. Funds to acquire property within the City of Johnstown for the purpose of promoting new commercial development. Funds to acquire and/or rehabilitate commercial buildings within the City of Johnstown. The City of Johnstown will also provide financial assistance to non-profits in the form of grants to rehabilitate commercial buildings. Financial assistance in the form of grants to for-profit businesses for the purpose of

acquiring property, clearing structures, expanding or rehabilitating a building, and purchasing equipment.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of Johnstown's CDBG and HOME Program funds are administered by the City of Johnstown's Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). The Department of Community and Economic Development ensures compliance with the program guidelines through monitoring of the sub-recipients. The DCED staff coordinates with the agencies to ensure that they perform in the time frame that is stated in their agreement. The DCED staff meets regularly with these agencies to promote coordination among these agencies.

DCED works with other City Departments to address infrastructure, recreational, code enforcement, and public safety needs. These partnerships have identified areas of need throughout the City, and helps the City address these problems.

Historically, the largest gap in the institutional structure was the lack of communication. The City of Johnstown is continuing to overcome this through communication and consultations with the following public and private organizations:

- **City of Johnstown, Department of Community and Economic Development** - oversees the CDBG and HOME programs.
- **Johnstown Housing Authority** - oversees the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program, improvements to public housing communities, and the development of scattered site affordable housing.
- **Social Services Agencies** - the City provided funds to address the needs of low- and moderate-income persons.
- **Housing Providers** - the City provided funds to rehabilitate and develop affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families and individuals.

Each year, as part of the CDBG and HOME application planning process, local agencies and organizations are invited to submit proposals for CDBG and HOME funds for eligible activities. These groups participate in the planning process by attending the public hearings, informational meetings, and completing survey forms.

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

Public Institutions: The City will act as a clearinghouse and facilitator for many of the activities described in the annual action plan. As the local unit of government, the City is empowered to apply for and administer certain types of grants. Support from the City, expressed as a certification of consistency or

some other instrument, may be all that is required for some activities. Other activities will involve the more direct participation of the City for funding, acquisition of land or buildings, or in convening meetings of various agencies to iron out differences or strategies on how to seize opportunities. The City will continue to administer the CDBG and HOME programs.

The Johnstown Housing Authority administers public housing and Section 8 Rental Assistance Programs in the City. This Authority is responsible for the management and maintenance of public housing units. The Housing Authority will continue in its efforts to modernize these public housing units in order to provide decent, affordable housing in the City.

Non-Profit Organizations: Non-profit housing agencies play a role in the implementation of this plan. Through the construction of new housing, and the rehabilitation of existing units, these agencies access financing sources such as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, HOME funds from PHFA, and charitable contributions that increase the supply of affordable housing. While some groups focus on the rehabilitation of single units for resale to first time homebuyers, others have attempted to create assisted rental developments. In the future, the union of such groups with social service agencies that serve specific special needs populations will address the Five Year Consolidated Plan strategy for creation of supportive housing and affordable housing opportunities.

Social service agencies are a link between the provision of housing and the population it is intended to serve. The agencies work directly with providers of services to persons with special needs including: mental health, mental retardation, elderly, drug and alcohol addiction and families that are at-risk of becoming homeless. Although these agencies cannot provide housing, they can direct housing efforts where needed and are integral in the planning of housing and services for target populations. Emergency shelters, including the Women's Help Center, will continue to provide shelter for the homeless.

Private Industry: Several lending institutions cooperate with the City to provide first mortgage financing for first-time homebuyers that participate in the City's program to rehabilitate units that are substandard. Those lending institutions play an important role by providing financing that would not otherwise be available.

Discussion:

Monitoring:

The Monitoring Plan represents the City of Johnstown's strategy for overseeing the activities of entities that carry out CDBG and HOME assisted activities. The Monitoring Plan identifies the following:

- The organizations to be monitored
- The issues to be explored and the methodology to be utilized in conducting the monitoring
- Identification of the specific DCED staff members that will assume responsibility for monitoring

- The follow-up measures to be followed in communicating the results of the monitoring to affected organizations and the methods that will be utilized to obtain feedback from affected organizations

The CDBG and HOME monitoring will be carried out at two (2) separate levels. First, the City will conduct an internal monitoring to review the homeowner rehab program and to ensure that the CDBG and HOME Programs are being administered in accordance with CDBG, HOME, and other federal regulatory and statutory requirements. Second, the City will conduct an external monitoring to review the activities of its sub-recipients.

The purpose of the City's monitoring efforts is:

- to identify and correct issues that prevent the City from achieving full compliance with the regulatory requirements of the CDBG and HOME Programs and other Federal requirements before deficiencies lead to HUD monitoring findings, and
- to learn more about the strengths and weaknesses of the various organizations that plays a role in the City's CDBG and HOME programs and to use this knowledge as the basis for structuring future CDBG and HOME activities.

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Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

The City of Johnstown receives an annual allocation of CDBG and HOME funds. Since the City receives a CDBG and HOME Federal allocation, the questions below have been completed as applicable.

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

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

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|---|---------------|
| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed | \$0.00 |
| 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 | \$0.00 |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements | \$0.00 |
| 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. | \$0.00 |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities | \$0.00 |
| Total Program Income: | \$0.00 |

Other CDBG Requirements

- | | |
|---|--------|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | \$0.00 |
| 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. | 75.4% |

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

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

The City of Johnstown does not anticipate the receipt of any additional program income funds prior to July 1, 2023 that it has not yet programmed. The City does not anticipate that it will receive any HOME Program Income during the FY 2023 Program Year.

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

See attached Resale/Recapture Policy in the appendix section of the Annual Action Plan.

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

No HOME funds are used for acquisition during this program year. Not Applicable.

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

The City of Johnstown does not intend to use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds. Not Applicable.

Discussion

The City solicits applications for CDBG and HOME funds; applications are sent out to a list of agencies, organizations, and housing providers that have previously submitted an application or which have expressed an interest in submitting an application. The application is reviewed by the Department of Community and Economic Development staff and any questions are discussed with the applicant.

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.220 (l)(2)(vii) the participating jurisdiction may limit the beneficiaries or give preferences to a particular segment of the low-income population only if described in the annual action plan. The City of Johnstown has chosen to not limit beneficiaries or provide preference to any segment of the low/mod income population under the HOME Program.

Information on the Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation program, First Time Homebuyer program, and the Sewer Lateral Assistance program is available on the City's website (<https://cityofjohnstownpa.net/residential-development/>), which is continuously updated. Applications are available and are accepted on a first-come first-served basis. Using the most current HOME and Housing Trust Fund Homeownership Sales Price Limits (95% Value Limits) the City verifies, the home selected by an income eligible applicant, the initial purchase price or after-rehabilitation value of homeownership units assisted with CDBG and HOME funds do not exceed 95 percent of the area median purchase price for single family housing, as determined by HUD.

HOME Match Requirements:

- The City's HOME-funded activities are limited to owner-occupied housing rehabilitation, which traditionally does not generate any HOME Match. There may be homeowner contributions by owners whose projects are HOME-funded, but where the cost for the work exceeds the funding limit of \$22,000. The spending of CHDO funds could also produce a HOME Match. The City of Johnstown has distressed status as a municipality by HUD, and the City has a 100% reduction in the HOME match requirement.

HOME Program Income:

- The City of Johnstown does not anticipate it will receive any HOME Program Income during this program year.

CHDO Organizations:

- The City of Johnstown has one (1) certified CHDO organization, which is Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation (NCCDC.)

CDBG Program Income:

- The City of Johnstown does not anticipate it will receive any CDBG Program Income during this program year.

CDBG Percentages:

- Administrative Percentage: 20.0%
- Public Service Percentage: 3.9%
- Low and Moderate-Income Percentage: 75.4%
- Slum and Blight Percentage: 24.6%

HOME Percentages:

- Administrative Percentage: 10%
- CHDO Set-Aside: 15%

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State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>		7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="City of Johnstown"/>		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="25-6000865"/>		* c. UEI: <input type="text" value="XBNQXGRF1YJ9"/>
d. Address:		
* Street1: <input type="text" value="401 Main Street"/>		
Street2: <input type="text"/>		
* City: <input type="text" value="Johnstown"/>		
County/Parish: <input type="text" value="Cambria County"/>		
* State: <input type="text" value="PA: Pennsylvania"/>		
Province: <input type="text"/>		
* Country: <input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/>		
* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text" value="15901-1334"/>		
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text" value="Community and Economic Develop"/>		Division Name: <input type="text"/>
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/>		* First Name: <input type="text" value="John"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>		
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Dubnansky"/>		
Suffix: <input type="text"/>		
Title: <input type="text" value="Director"/>		
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text" value="Community and Economic Development Department"/>		
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="(814) 539-2504 Ext: 110"/>		Fax Number: <input type="text" value="(814) 410-0991"/>
* Email: <input type="text" value="jdubnansky@cojtown.com"/>		

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C: City or Township Government

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* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.218

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) / Entitlement Grant

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

Not Applicable.

* Title:

Not Applicable.

13. Competition Identification Number:

Not Applicable.

Title:

Not Applicable.

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* a. Start Date:

07/01/2023

* b. End Date:

06/30/2024

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	1,268,362.00
* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	1,268,362.00

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☒ ** I AGREE

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

Mr.

* First Name:

Frank

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Janakovic

Suffix:

* Title:

Mayor

* Telephone Number:

(814) 539-2504

Fax Number:

(814) 410-0991

* Email:

mayorfrank@gmail.com

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

05/10/2023

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

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) 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.

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 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 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.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	Mayor
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
City of Johnstown, PA	05/10/2023

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* a. Legal Name: City of Johnstown		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 25-6000865		* c. UEI: XBNQXGRF1YJ9
d. Address:		
* Street1: 401 Main Street		
Street2: <input type="text"/>		
* City: Johnstown		
County/Parish: Cambria County		
* State: PA: Pennsylvania		
Province: <input type="text"/>		
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES		
* Zip / Postal Code: 15901-1334		
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Community and Economic Develop		Division Name: <input type="text"/>
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Mr.	* First Name: John	
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>		
* Last Name: Dubnansky		
Suffix: <input type="text"/>		
Title: Director		
Organizational Affiliation: Community and Economic Development Department		
* Telephone Number: (814) 539-2504 Ext: 110		Fax Number: (814) 410-0991
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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.239

CFDA Title:

HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

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13. Competition Identification Number:

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* b. Applicant	0.00
* c. State	0.00
* d. Local	0.00
* e. Other	0.00
* f. Program Income	0.00
* g. TOTAL	237,876.00

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Prefix:

Mr.

* First Name:

Frank

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

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Suffix:

* Title:

Mayor

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(814) 539-2504

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* Signature of Authorized Representative:

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05/10/2023

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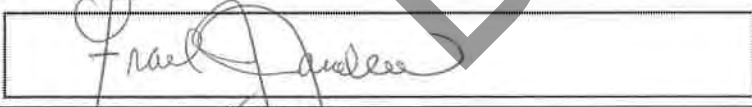
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6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance 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.

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 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 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.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE
	Mayor
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION	DATE SUBMITTED
City of Johnstown, PA	05/10/2023

CERTIFICATIONS

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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.

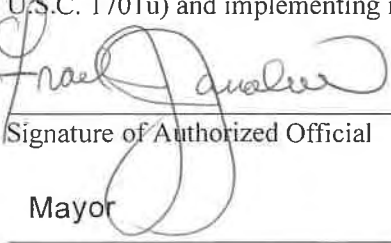
Anti-Lobbying --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

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 75.


Signature of Authorized Official

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May 10, 2023

Date

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) 2021, 2022, and 2023 [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.

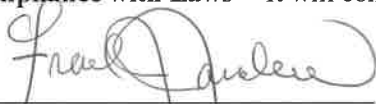
Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

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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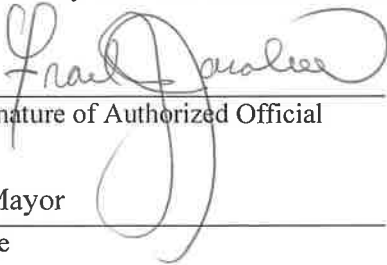
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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

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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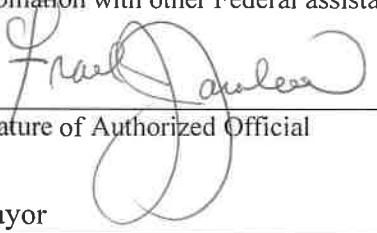
Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

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

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

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



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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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

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RESOLUTION

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CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 10568

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE FY 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG) AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAMS APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to extend financial assistance to communities in the prevention or elimination of slums or urban blight, or activities which will benefit low- and moderate-income persons, or other urgent community development needs; and

WHEREAS, under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program created by the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (NAHA) and amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to extend financial assistance to participating jurisdictions to expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has advised the City of Johnstown that under Fiscal Year 2023, the City is eligible to apply for an entitlement grant under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program in the amount of \$1,268,362 and \$237,876 under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME); and

WHEREAS, the City of Johnstown's Department of Economic and Community Development has prepared a FY 2023 Annual Action Plan which proposes how the entitlement grant funds will be expended to address the housing and community development needs identified in the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan; and

WHEREAS, a draft of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan was on public display from Monday, April 10, 2023 through Tuesday, May 9, 2023, and the City held a series of public hearings on the said Plan and the comments of various agencies, groups, and residents were taken into consideration in the preparation of the final document.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan for the FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Programs are hereby in all respects APPROVED.

SECTION 2. That the City is COGNIZANT of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and carrying out of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME

Investment Partnerships (HOME) Programs with Federal financial assistance, including those relating to (a) the relocation of site occupants, (b) the prohibition of discrimination because of race, color, age, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin, and (c) other assurances as set forth under the certifications.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor or his designee, on behalf of the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, is AUTHORIZED to file an Application for financial assistance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, which has indicated its willingness to make available funds to carry out the CDBG Program in the amount of \$1,268,362; and the HOME Program in the amount of \$237,876; and is further AUTHORIZED to act as the representative of the City of Johnstown to sign any and all documents in regard to these programs.

SECTION 4. That the Mayor or his designee, on behalf of the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, is AUTHORIZED to provide assurances and/or certifications as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and any other supplemental or revised data which the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development may request in review of the City's Application.

ADOPTED: May 10, 2023

By the following vote:

Yeas: Ms. Huchel, Rev. King, Mr. Britt, Mr. Arnone, Mrs. Mock Mayor Janakovic

Nays:

Absent: Mr. Capriotti



Frank J. Janakovic, Mayor
Michael Capriotti, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:

I do hereby certify that the preceding is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. **10568** as the same adopted by the City Council of the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania.



Ethan Imhoff, City Manager

MONITORING PLAN

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City of Johnstown FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Monitoring

CDBG MONITORING PLAN FOR 2023 INTERNAL MONITORING PLAN

Name of Organization to be Monitored	Activity to be Monitored	DCED Staff to perform Monitoring	Monitoring Schedule	
			Begin Date	End Date
City of Johnstown	Owner Occupied Rehabilitation, First Time Homebuyer Program, Demolition/Clearance, Non Profit Capital Improvement Assistance Program, and Economic Development	Kathy Webb	May 20, 2024	May 24, 2024
City of Johnstown	General Administration of CDBG Program and Planning	Kathy Webb	June 2024	June 2024

EXTERNAL MONITORING PLAN

Name of Organization to be Monitored	Activity to be Monitored	DCED Staff to perform Monitoring	Monitoring Schedule	
			Begin Date	End Date
Catholic Charities - Martha & Mary House	Emergency Shelter	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
Learning Lamp	Learning Lamp Go	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
Cambria County	Backpack Project	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
Flood City Youth	Youth Mentoring Program	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
Women's Help Center, Inc.	Case Management	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
SLAP	Fair Housing	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024

HOME MONITORING PLAN FOR 2023 INTERNAL MONITORING PLAN

Name of Organization to be Monitored	Activity to be Monitored	DCED Staff to perform Monitoring	Monitoring Schedule	
			Begin Date	End Date
City of Johnstown	Homeowner Rehabilitation	Kathy Webb	May 20, 2024	May 24, 2024
City of Johnstown	General Administration of HOME Program	Kathy Webb	June 2024	June 2024

EXTERNAL MONITORING PLAN

Name of Organization to be Monitored	Activity to be Monitored	DCED Staff to perform Monitoring	Monitoring Schedule	
			Begin Date	End Date
Chandler School Partnership	Chandler School Apartments	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024
NCCDC	CHDO	Kathy Webb	May 27, 2024	June 7, 2024

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RESALE - RECAPTURE

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RESALE/RECAPTURE POLICY FOR THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME)

It is the policy of the City, wherever possible, to recapture the appropriate amount of the HOME investment rather than restricting the sale to a qualified low income family that will use the property as its principal residence. The guidelines for resale or recapture for the homebuyer programs that the City has adopted is as follows:

1. Sale of Property Before the End of the Period of Affordability - The City's guidelines for resale and recapture are:

- The City will place a mortgage on the property in its favor for the full amount of the HOME investment.
- Upon sale of the home by the HOME assisted household before the period of affordability expires, the City will recapture its pro rata share of the HOME investment from the net proceeds of the sale.
- The City will determine the net proceeds by subtracting loan repayments and closing costs from the gross sale price of the home.
- The City will enable the homeowner to recover the amount of the homeowner's down payment, principal payments, and any capital improvement investment from the net proceeds.
- After calculating the amounts above, if the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full HOME investment, the HOME investment amount may be reduced and prorated based on the time the homeowner has owned and occupied the unit, measured against the required affordability period of five (5) years.
- If the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full HOME investment, the homeowner may not recover more than the amount of the homeowner's down payment, principal payments, and any capital improvement investment.
- The City will use HOME funds that are recaptured to assist other income eligible homebuyers.

In the event the mortgaged property is sold or otherwise transferred prior to the expiration period of affordability as established by the amount of HOME assistance received, from the date of the initial sale, then the pro rata share of the net proceeds from the sale or transfer shall be paid to the City of Johnstown.

The City may reduce the amount of the direct HOME subsidy on a pro rata basis for the time the homebuyer has owned and occupied the house, measured against the required affordability period. The resulting ratio would be used to determine how much of the direct HOME subsidy the consortium would recapture. The pro rata amount recaptured by the City cannot exceed what is available from net proceeds.

$$\frac{\text{Number of Years Homebuyer Occupied the Home}}{\text{Number of Years Period of Affordability}} \times \text{Total Direct HOME Subsidy} = \text{Recapture Amount}$$

The total amount payable by borrower under the preceding paragraphs shall never exceed the face amount of the note.

To the extent that the net proceeds are less than the outstanding principal balance of the note, the remainder shall be forgiven.

If the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the full HOME investment [or a reduced amount as provided for in 24 CFR Sub-Part 92.254 (a)(5)(ii)(A)(2)] and enable the homeowner to recover the amount of his/her down payment and any capital improvement investment made by the owner since the purchase, the City may share the net proceeds. The net proceeds are the sales price minus loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and closing costs. The net proceeds may be divided proportionally as set forth in the following mathematical formulas:

$$\frac{\text{Direct HOME Subsidy Amount}}{\text{HOME Subsidy} + \text{Homeowner Investment}} \times \text{Net Proceeds} = \text{HOME Recapture Amount}$$

$$\frac{\text{Homeowner's Amount of Investment}}{\text{HOME Subsidy} + \text{Homeowner Investment}} \times \text{Net Proceeds} = \text{Amount to Homeowner}$$

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAMS
Program Year 2023
July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Applications Must Be Typed In Entirety – No Applications With Any Handwritten Entries Will Be Accepted Excluding Signatures and Check Boxes

A separate application must be submitted for each federally funded program and category

APPLICATIONS DUE: Thursday, March 23, 2023 by 4:00 PM
PLEASE NOTE: No applications will be accepted after Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Only non-profit agencies, public or private, with current 501(c)(3) or (c)(4) non-profit status, are eligible to apply for CDBG funds.

CDBG AND HOME NATIONAL OBJECTIVES AND ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, is the development of viable communities by the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment, and the expansion of economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income. The City of Johnstown receives an annual federal entitlement of Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) to implement the Act locally. The Department of Community and Economic Development staff ensures that projects recommended meet federal CDBG and HOME eligibility criteria and are consistent with City, County, State and Federal laws and regulations.

Up to 15% of the annual federal CDBG allocation may be used for Public Services that provide assistance to the community in accordance with the priorities set through community input relating to the upcoming program year.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under the **CDBG Program**: acquisition of property; disposition costs; improvements to public facilities, including the removal of architectural barriers; demolition and environmental clean-up; public services that are new or a quantifiable increase in the level of service; interim assistance; relocation payments for persons displaced as a result of a CDBG activity; rehabilitation of houses; code enforcement; special economic development activities; special activities undertaken by a community based development organization; home ownership assistance for purchase; planning; environmental; review; program administration; audit; and other miscellaneous activities. A minimum of 15% of the annual Federal HOME allocation has to go to a CHDO activity.

The following types of activities may be eligible for **HOME Program**: acquisition of property, rehabilitation of housing; new construction of housing; down payment and closing costs; tenant based rental assistance; administration; and other miscellaneous activities.

APPLICATION DUE

Please submit one (1) original copy of your grant application to the Department of Community and Economic Development located at 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901 no later than 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023.

If you have any questions or would like technical assistance or guidance in completing this application, please contact the following at the number listed below:

Ms. Katherine Purelli – Webb, MBA
Community Development Fiscal Officer
23kpurelliwebb@cojtn.com
(814) 539-2504, Ext. 113

Please Note: The City of Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development has established that it will not be accepting applications after the posted deadline. The posted deadline for this application is March 23, 2023. This means that the application must be received by 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023. Applications postmarked by March 23, 2023, but not received by March 23, 2023, will not be considered for funding. Any exceptions to the above can be waived at the discretion of the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Thank you for submitting this grant request. The exact dollar amount of the CDBG and HOME allocation is not available at this time. This is a competitive application process for limited funding. HUD mandates that only 15% of the City's CDBG allocation may be used for Public Service, which makes these funds very competitive and a minimum of 15% for CHDO Activities under the HOME Program.

Please Note: Applicants that submit an eligible request are not guaranteed an award.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO APPLICATION

1. Successful applications may be funded for less than the amount requested based on the number of applications received which are for eligible projects and the cut back in Federal funds.
2. Funding provided by this process will be awarded for the FY 2023, however, no contracts can be executed until the City has completed any necessary environmental assessments and executed funding agreements with HUD. Due to the fact that the City generally receives its funding agreement from HUD around September or October, the contract dates will be from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. You will be notified in writing once the City receives its funding agreement from HUD as to when we can execute your contract and the amount of the award.
3. Agencies that currently receive CDBG/HOME funds from the City, who are also applying for FY 2023 funds, must be in compliance with all terms of their current agreement and must not have any outstanding audit findings, monitoring findings or concerns as determined by the City or HUD.
4. Nonprofit agencies must have an active Board and must submit a list of the current Board Members and a copy of their bylaws with the application.
5. Applications must be signed by the Chair or President of the Board. In the case of an application submission by a department of a community service organization, the application must be signed by the Director or Chief Executive Officer of the organization.
6. All applications must be bound with clips. Please do not staple, bind, secure with rubber bands, or put your application in a folder or notebook.
7. Each applicant must submit one (1) original copy of their application. The original copy must contain original signatures and not duplications.
8. **All Applications must be received by the Department of Community and Economic Development no later than 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023.**
9. For additional information on the Community Development Block Grant Program, visit HUD's website at www.hud.gov/offices/cpd.
10. If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb (kpurelliwebb@cojtwm.com) at (814) 539-2504 Ext. 113.
11. If you are applying for HOME funds, please complete the attached CHDO Check List. (Exhibit "A")

APPLICATION PREPARATION

All forms (attachments & exhibits) must be completely filled out according to instructions.

Please “Tab” all sections and use the following application format:

- Cover Letter/Letter of Transmittal
- Section I – Application Form – pages 13 & 14 of this packet
- Section II – Financial Information – page 15 of this packet
- Section III – Project Eligibility – page 16 of this packet
- Section IV – Project Accomplishments – page 17 of this packet
- Section V – Outcome Performance Measurement – pages 18 & 19 of this packet
- Section VI – Description of the Project/Program – pages 20-23 of this packet
- Section VII – Certification w/attachments – pages 24-27 of this packet
- Exhibit A – CHDO Checklist.

If an area does not apply, state N/A, do not leave a question blank

- All Exhibits and Attachments must be typed and single sided
- All Exhibits and Attachments must be letter size, (8½ x 11)

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS: By submitting an application, the applicant accepts all terms, conditions and requirements of this application. The applicant’s proposal will become part of the grant agreement in the event the applicant is awarded funds. The applicant will be bound by what is in the proposal, unless otherwise approved in writing by the City of Johnstown. **Applicant understands and accepts that the most restrictive conditions may apply.**

The applicant’s proposal and other materials submitted in response to the application process becomes the property of the City of Johnstown and may be returned only at the City’s discretion. Applications are public documents and may be inspected or copied by anyone after they have been reviewed, rated and approved for funding by the City. Financial statements included in the application may also be considered public information.

The City takes no responsibility for content, or any incomplete submissions. All costs of responding to this Request for Proposal are the responsibility of the applicant.

Please count households by the anticipated number to be assisted, not by the number in the household.

City of Johnstown
Proposal Application For
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) /
HOME Investment Partnership Grant (HOME)
Program Year 2023
Funding Dates: July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

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Date Received:	Eligibility/Nat'l Obj.:	Yes	No
Amount Requested: \$	Amount Approved: \$		
Checklist Complete:	Yes	No	Leverage: Yes No

PLEASE TYPE
Organization Name:
Project Name:
Project Address:
Telephone:
Fax:
E-mail:
Website:
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) Number: [Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) is a number issued by the System for Award Management (SAM) to identify businesses and other entities that do business with the federal government. The UEI has replaced the DUNS number as the authorized identifier for the federal government.]
CONTACT INFORMATION
Name/Title:
Telephone:
Fax:
E-mail:
PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST
CDBG Funds Requested: \$
Funding Leveraged from Other Sources: \$

CHECK THE PROGRAM/PROJECT FOR THIS FUNDING REQUEST

<input type="checkbox"/> Child Care Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Abuse Counseling/ Treatment Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Fair Housing Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Job Training
<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Family Rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Family Rehabilitation
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Services for Homeless Persons	<input type="checkbox"/> Services for Seniors
<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Conservation Counseling/Testing	<input type="checkbox"/> Homebuyer Counseling and downpayment Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Services for the Disabled	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

CHECK THE ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY CATEGORY

<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition of Real Property	<input type="checkbox"/> Disposition	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Facilities/ Improvements
<input type="checkbox"/> Clearance	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Privately-Owned Utilities
<input type="checkbox"/> Relocation	<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Rental Income	<input type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement
<input type="checkbox"/> Rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction of Housing	<input type="checkbox"/> Homeownership Assistance
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Economic Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Microenterprise Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> Community-Based Development Housing Organizations (CHDO)

Please provide estimate of the number of Johnstown residents who will receive assistance from the use of CDBG and/or HOME funds for this activity/project/program.

	Estimated Number
Total number of persons estimated to be serviced	
At or below 30% of median income	
At or below 50% of median income, but above 30%	
At or below 80% of median income, but above 50%	

Service Group:

Service Group:	Estimated Number of those to be served
Elderly	
Family	
Disabled	
Homeless	
Domestic Violence	
Other (specify):	

FINANCIAL

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A. Please complete chart below:

Source	Amount	% of Total Project Cost	Grant / Loan	Status Pending/Committed
CDBG				
HOME				
Local Funds (Specify):				
State Funds (Specify):				
Other Federal Funds (Specify):				
Private Financing (Specify):				
Other (Specify):				
Totals				

B. Please attach a detailed copy of your budget.

Per Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, costs of amusement, diversion, social activities, ceremonials, and costs relating thereto, such as meals, lodging, rentals, transportation, and gratuities are not allowable.

PLEASE NOTE:

LEVERAGE

Consideration will be given to the amount of non-CDBG or HOME funds committed to the project. CDBG/HOME funds may not be used to displace other available City, State or Federal funds. CDBG/HOME can be used as gap financing that is necessary to help make a project or program cost effective for the intended low-to-moderate income beneficiary. We encourage you to report as much leverage as possible and probable when you fill out this application.

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY SECTION

A. This project is located in Census Tract_____.

- Is this project going to services person in the Kernville Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)? ☐ Yes ☐ No (*See Attached Map*)
- Is this project going to services person in the Downtown Central Business District?
☐ Yes ☐ No (*See Attached Map*)

B. This project meets at least ONE of the HUD National Objectives listed below (*please check all applicable; discussion and definitions available on page 3 of application packet*)

- ☐ Benefits low/moderate income individuals/households
- ☐ Addresses the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
- ☐ Meets a particularly urgent community development need. (only used for major disasters)

C. Check all statements that describe HOW this project or activity meets one of the National Objectives above:

- ☐ **Low/Moderate (L/M) Area Benefit:** the project meets the identified needs of L/M income persons residing in area where at least 51% of those residents are L/M income persons. The benefits of this type of activity are available to all persons in the area regardless of income. Examples: street improvements, water/sewer lines, neighborhood facilities, façade improvements in neighborhood commercial districts.
- ☐ **L/M Limited Clientele:** the project benefits a specific group of people rather than all residents in a particular area, at least 51% of whom are L/M income persons. The following groups are presumed to be L/M: elderly persons, battered spouses, homeless, disabled persons and illiterate persons.
- ☐ **L/M Housing:** the project adds or improves permanent residential structures that will be occupied by L/M income households upon completion. Housing can be either owner or renter occupied units in either one family or multi-family structures. Rental units for L/M income persons must be occupied at affordable rents. Examples: acquisition of property for permanent housing, rehabilitation of permanent housing, conversion of non- residential structures into permanent housing.
- ☐ **L/M Jobs:** the project creates or retains **permanent** jobs, at least 51% of which are taken by L/M income persons or considered to be available to L/M income persons. Examples: loans to pay for the expansion of a factory, assistance to a business which has publicly announced its intention to close w/resultant loss of jobs, a majority of which are held by L/M persons.
- ☐ **MicroEnterprise Assistance:** the project assists in the establishment of a microenterprise or assists persons developing a microenterprise. A microenterprise is defined as having five or fewer employees, one or more of whom owns the business. This activity must benefit L/M income persons, area or jobs as defined in previous sections.
- ☐ **Slum or Blighted Area:** the project is in a designated slum/blight area and the result of this project addresses one or more of the conditions that qualified the area.
- ☐ **Spot Blight:** the project will prevent or eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay outside a slum area. Activities are limited to clearance, historic preservation, rehabilitation of buildings, but only to extent necessary to eliminate conditions

detrimental to public health and safety. Examples: historic preservation of a public facility threatening public safety, demolition of a deteriorated abandoned building.

PROPOSED PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Please briefly describe proposed accomplishments if funding is awarded:

(Accomplishments must be described in terms of households served, people served, business created, housing units created, jobs created or public facilities undertaken. Example: This program will serve 50 Low/Moderate income individuals or this program will create 25 jobs, etc.)

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Clients' income will be verified by:

OUTCOME PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT SECTION

HUD now requires recipients of federal funding to assess the outcomes of programs and activities. A new Performance Measurement System has been designed to establish and track measurable goals and objectives for the CDBG and HOME programs. All applicants selected for program/project funding will be required to comply with the Performance Measurement System.

Program/Project <u>OBJECTIVE</u>	Select only one (X)
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Create Suitable Living Environment</u></p> <p>In general, this objective relates to activities that are designed to benefit communities, families, or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Provide Decent Affordable Housing</u></p> <p>The activities that typically would be found under this objective are designed to cover the wide range of housing possible under HOME, CDBG, HOPWA or ESG. This objective focuses on housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs and not programs where housing is an element of a larger effort, since such programs would be more appropriately reported under Suitable Living Environment.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Create Economic Opportunity</u></p> <p>This objective applies to the types of activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization, or job creation.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Program/Project <u>OUTCOME</u>	Select only one (X)
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Availability/Accessibility</u></p> <p>This outcome category applies to activities that make services, infrastructure, public services, public facilities, housing, or shelter available or accessible to low-and moderate-income people, including persons with disabilities. In this category, accessibility does not refer only to physical barriers, but also to making the affordable basics of daily living available and accessible to low and moderate income people where they live.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Affordability</u></p> <p>This outcome category applies to activities that provide affordability in a variety of ways in the lives of low-and moderate-income people. It can include the creation or maintenance of affordable housing, basic infrastructure hook-ups, or services such as transportation or day care.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sustainability</u></p> <p>This outcome applies to projects where the activity or activities are aimed at improving communities or neighborhoods, helping to make them livable or viable by providing benefit to persons of low-and moderate-income or by removing or eliminating slums or blighted area, through multiple activities or services that sustain communities or neighborhoods.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT OUTCOME STATEMENT

Combine the elements from the categories above to summarize why the proposed activity is needed and what outcomes will be achieved from the proposed project or program. Outcomes are the changes you expect to occur in clients' lives and/or community as a result of the proposed activity. A complete statement includes output (quantified) + outcome (from categories above) + activity (description) + national objective.

- Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Accessibility for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing
- Accessibility for the purpose of creating economic opportunities
- Affordability for purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Affordability for purpose of providing decent affordable housing
- Affordability for purpose of creating economic opportunities
- Sustainability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments
- Sustainability for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing
- Sustainability for the purpose of creating economic opportunity

Examples:

- 52 households will have new access to public sewer for the purposes of creating a suitable living environment.
- 7 households will be able to afford to live at units of rental housing, which will be created through conversion of former mill building to a residence for the purpose of creating decent housing.
- 250 unduplicated uninsured or under-insured persons will receive affordable outpatient health care through provision to provider agency of grant to assist with subsidy for the purpose of creating a more suitable living environment.
- 1 public facility providing job training for physically challenged adults will be rehabilitated for purposes of increasing accessibility to economic opportunity.

Please provide an Outcome Statement for your project using the above format:

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

Please answer the following questions:

- A. Please provide a detailed description of the proposed activity including how the activity will address the community need you have indicated. Identify whether the activity is new, ongoing, or expanded from previous years. (*Attach additional sheet if necessary*)**

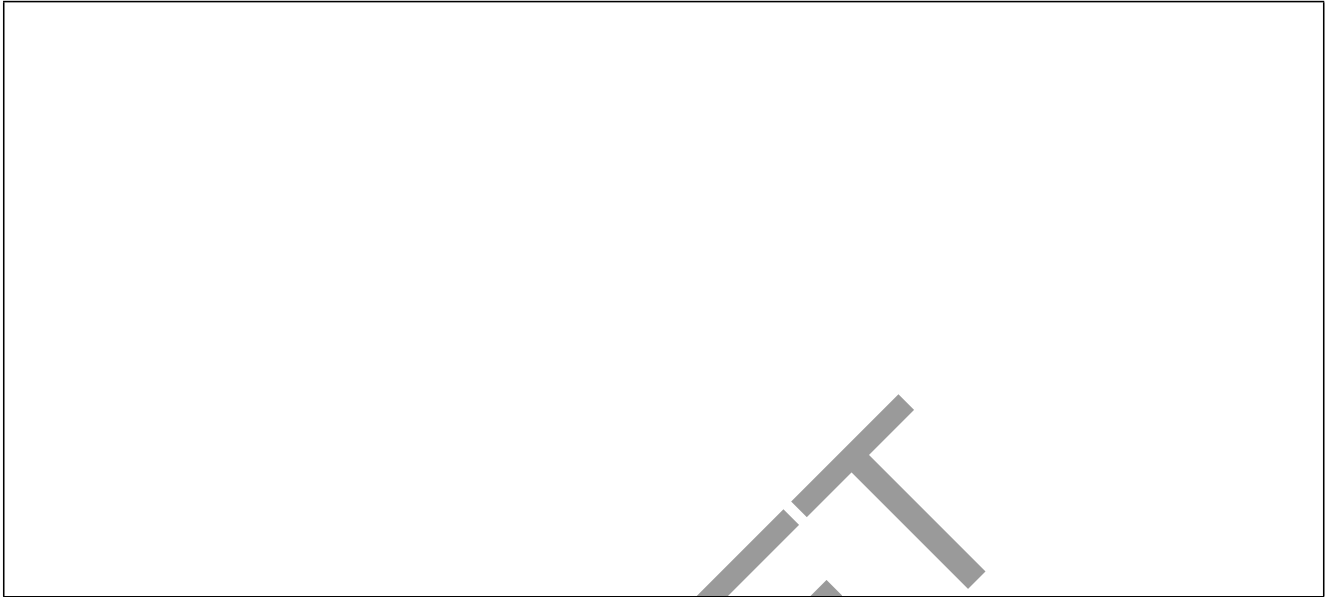
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- B. Identify who will benefit from the proposed activity (e.g., homeless, youth, seniors, disabled, etc.) Because one of the requirements is that the project benefit Low/Moderate income persons, describe the process you will use to identify these persons and ensure that the activity meets this objective. (*Please attach a copy of your client application*)**


C. Identify the accomplishments you intend to achieve with this activity. Provide an activity timeframe/schedule (include start, completion dates, and other significant stages).

D. Identify any other agencies/partners for this activity/project and define the roles and responsibilities of these partners.

- E. Demonstrate that the proposed activity/project is economically feasible and can be implemented in a timely cost effective manner within the proposed program year. Please attach a timeline for the activity/project.**



- F. Oftentimes activities/projects that receive an award of CDBG and/or HOME funding are actually awarded less than the amount originally requested. This required the submission of a revised budget and a description of how it will carry out the proposed activity with reduced funding prior to the commitment of any funding. Please indicate here whether your proposed activity/project could be undertaken with a reduced commitment of funding and if so, please highlight how that would affect the scope of services your are proposing.**



G. How will program/project be evaluated?

AGENCIES OR OTHER ENTITIES SEEKING CAPITAL ASSISTANCE (CONSTRUCTION/REHAB)

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

TASK

DATE

What is the status of site control? (i.e., do you own the land or under contract)

CERTIFICATIONS

In order for your application to be accepted, in addition to the application itself, your organization must submit the following items to the Department of Community and Economic Development **no later than 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 23, 2023.**

☐ 1 original and 1 copy of the application with **all** questions completed. ***If an area does not apply, state N/A, do not leave a question blank.***

☐ Articles of Incorporation and By Laws

☐ Current List of Board of Directors

☐ Certified Organization Audit/Financial Statements of most recent year

- a. Copy of OMB A-133 Audit (required if \$750,000 in aggregate Federal funds expended), or
- b. Financial statements audited by a CPA (only if not qualified for A-133), or

☐ IRS 501(c)(3) Designation Letter (Pending letters will not be accepted)

☐ Copy of IRS Form 990 filed for most recent year

☐ Form W-9 (can be obtained at www.irs.gov)

☐ Current Fiscal Year Agency Budget, including all funding sources

☐ Job Descriptions for this activity/project

☐ Organizational Chart

☐ An Executed Statement of Applicant Form

☐ An Executed Signature Authorization Form

I hereby confirm that this packet contains all materials requested.

Printed Name of person completing this application

Signature of person completing this application

Date

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT

The undersigned acknowledges the following:

1. That, to the best of its knowledge and belief, all factual information provided is true and correct and all estimates are reasonable.
2. That no revised proposals/applications may be made in connection with this application once the deadline for applications has passed.
3. That the City of Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development may request or require changes in the information submitted, and may substitute its own figures, which it deems reasonable for any or all figures provided. That the applicant will participate in required interview for project assessment and cooperatively assist in the review process.
4. That, if the project(s) is recommended and approved by the selection committee, the Department of Community and Economic Development reserves the right to reduce and/or cancel the allocation if federal entitlements are canceled, reduced, or rescinded.
5. The Department of Community and Economic Development reserves the right not to fund any submittals received.
6. By submission of this application, the organization agrees to abide by the federal regulations applicable to this program
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8. That past program and financial performance will be considered in reviewing this application.
9. That services are to be provided at no cost to citizens during the grant period. All program income (i.e., fees, repayments, foreclosures, etc.) must be remitted to the Department of Community and Economic Development.
10. That, if the project is funded, the Department of Community and Economic Development, or a designated agency may conduct an accounting system inspection to review internal controls, including procurement and uniform administrative procedures, prior to issuance of payments for projected expenditures.
11. That, if the project is funded, the Department of Community and Economic Development will perform an environmental review prior to the obligation of funds.
12. That, if a project is funded, a written agreement that includes a statement of work, records retention and reporting, program income procedures, local and federal requirements, circumstances that would trigger grant suspensions and terminations, and reversions of assets would be required between the organization and the Department of Community and Economic Development.
13. That a project's funding does not guarantee its continuation in subsequent action plans.
14. Provide written signatory authority from the organization's governing body indicating who can execute contracts and amendments on its behalf.
15. Disclosure by attached memo of matters that may give the appearance of a conflict of interest. (i.e., Department of Community and Economic Development and the City of Johnstown staff members/employees, elected officials, staff members' families, elected officials' families, etc.

By signature below, the applicant acknowledges the above in its name on this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Authorized Signature / Title: _____

Date: _____

SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION FORM

The Board of Directors of _____ (name of organization) hereby applies to the City of Johnstown Department of Community and Economic Development for funding consideration for the Fiscal Year 2023 and in a proper motion and vote approved this application for submission.

The Board further certifies that the organization making this application has complied with all applicable laws and regulations pertaining to the application and is a non-profit organization, tax-exempt and incorporated in the State of Pennsylvania.

(Name of organization requesting CDBG and/or HOME funds) hereby proposed to provide the services of project identified in the Scope of Services in accordance with this application for CDBG and/or HOME funds. If this application is approved and this organization receives CDBG and/or HOME funding from the Department of Community and Economic Development, on behalf of the City of Johnstown, this organization agrees to adhere to all relevant Federal, State and local regulations and other assurances as required by the City. Furthermore, as the duly authorized representative of the organization, I certify that the organization is fully capable of fulfilling its obligation under this application as stated herein.

I further certify that this application and the information contained herein are true, correct and complete.

I also authorize the following person(s) to have signatory authority regarding this grant:

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

President/Board of Directors:

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PENALTY FOR FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENT

U.S. Code Title 18, Section 1001, provides that a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for a period not to exceed five years, or both, shall be the penalty for willful misrepresentation and the making of false, fictitious statements, knowing same to be false.

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND
THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS**

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Parcel No. 1:
Cambria County Uniform Identifier No. 22-004. -214.000
Instrument Year-Number: 2019-8999
Property Descriptions: 25 X 150 - 3RD
Reserve Amount: \$ 900.00

Parcel No. 2:
Cambria County Uniform Identifier No. 22-001. -200.000
Instrument Year-Number: 2021-15844
Property Descriptions: IRREGULAR - JACKSON ST
Reserve Amount: \$680.00

Parcel No. 3:
Cambria County Uniform Identifier No. 22-001. -235.000
Instrument Year-Number: 2021-15834
Property Descriptions: 24 X 75 JACKSON ST
Reserve Amount: \$420.00

Parcel No. 4:
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Property Descriptions: IRREGULAR - NUTMEG CT
Reserve Amount: \$680.00

Parcel No. 5:
Uniform Parcel Identifier No. 22-011. -224.001
Instrument Year-Number: 2021-15846
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East Conemaugh Borough Council

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Frank Janakovic, Mayor
City of Johnstown

On this 6th day of March A.D. 2023, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared *Christine Marhefka*, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as Sales Manager / Major Accounts of the Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, PA, a newspaper of general circulation as defined by the "Newspaper Advertising Act", a merger September 8, 1952, of the Johnstown Tribune, established December 7, 1853; and of the Johnstown Democrat, established March 5, 1863,

and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and published in said publication in the regular issues 4, 2023; and that the Affiant is not interested in the allegations as to time, place and character

Christine Marhefka

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISING COSTS

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ry Fee		5.00
cal Fee		2.50
Total Cost		493.50

To The Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, PA
For publishing the notice or publication
attached hereto on the above stated dates.

PUBLISHER'S RECEIPT FOR ADVERTISING COSTS

_____ for publisher of _____
a newspaper of general circulation, hereby acknowledges receipt of the aforesaid
and publication costs and certifies that the same has been duly paid.

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Christine Marhefka

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Signed and sworn to before me on
6th day of March, 2023,
by Christine Marhefka making the statement.

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CDBG AND HOME PUBLIC HEARING FY 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

March 16, 2023

**Johnstown City Hall
Second Floor Conference Room
401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901**

Opening Remarks – Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb, Community Development Fiscal Officer

FY 2023 Annual Action Plan Schedule:

- **Publish First Public Hearing in the Newspaper – Saturday, March 4, 2023**
- **First Public Hearing – Thursday, March 16, 2023 @ noon**
- **CDBG and HOME Applications due to the City – Thursday, March 23, 2023 @ 4:00 PM**
- **Publish Second Public Hearing Notice and the Plan is on display – Friday, April 7, 2023**
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Eligible CDBG Activities

CDBG funds may be used for activities which include, but are not limited to:

- acquisition of real property;
- relocation and demolition;

- rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures;
- construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes;
- public services, within certain limits;
- activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources; and
- provision of assistance to profit-motivated businesses to carry out economic development and job creation/retention activities.

Ineligible CDBG Activities

Generally, the following types of activities are ineligible:

- acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of buildings for the general conduct of government;
- political activities;
- certain income payments; and
- construction of new housing by units of general local government.

Review of Past Performance

The City of Johnstown has a good performance record with HUD and regularly meets its established performance standards. This report is submitted to HUD within ninety (90) days after the start of the next program year. Copies of the FY 2021 CAPER are available for review at the City of Johnstown's Department of Community and Economic Development Offices.

The FY 2021 CAPER, which was the second CAPER for the FY 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan, was submitted to HUD on Wednesday, September 28, 2022. HUD has approved the FY 2021 CAPER.

- In the FY 2021 CAPER, the City of Johnstown expended 77.11% of its CDBG funds to benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
- The City expended 5.21% of its funds during the FY 2021 CAPER period on public services, which is below the statutory maximum of 15%.
- The City expended 19.55% of its funds during this CAPER period on Planning and Administration, which is less than the statutory maximum of 20%.
- The City of Johnstown was over the required 1.5 maximum drawdown ratio at a drawdown ratio of 1.63.

Public Comments on Needs of the City of Johnstown

- What are the Needs of the City of Johnstown?

Closing Remarks and Adjournment – Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb, Community Development Fiscal Officer



City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania
FY 2023 Annual Action Plan
Public Hearing in Johnstown City Hall, Second Floor Conference Room
Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 12:00 P.M.

Call to order 12:05pm

Name	Organization	Phone Number	Email Address
Katherine Powell-Wood	CST		
Karl Haglund	Urban Design (Phone)		



**CDBG AND HOME FIRST PUBLIC HEARING
MEETING SUMMARY
FY 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

March 16, 2023

In Attendance:

- Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb
- Mr. Karl M. Haglund (via Phone)

Summary Meeting Minutes:

Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb opened the public hearing at 12:05 PM. She introduced the City's CDBG Consultant, Mr. Karl Haglund of Urban Design Ventures, LLC.

Ms. Purelli-Webb read the newspaper notice and then explained the Annual Action Plan and its anticipated schedule.

Ms. Purelli-Webb stated that the City anticipates that it will receive \$1,268,362 in CDBG funds and \$237,876 in HOME funds from the U.S. Dept. of HUD.

She reviewed what are eligible and ineligible CDBG and HOME activities.

Ms. Purelli-Webb reviewed the prior program year accomplishments and expenses.

Ms. Purelli-Webb opened the meeting up for public comments. When no comments were offered Ms. Purelli-Webb closed the meeting at 12:23 PM.

SECOND PUBLIC HEARING

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW

NO. 2023 - 0439
ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

ESTATE OF EARL D. WILLIAMS vs.
GREEN TREE CONSUMER DISCOUNT COMPANY

To the named Defendants,
GREEN TREE CONSUMER DISCOUNT COMPANY

You are hereby notified that the above action has been commenced against you to quiet title to the following described real estate:

ALL those tracts of land situate in Franklin Borough, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

PARCEL NO. 1, FRONTING 40 feet on the Easterly side of Hazel Street and extending back between parallel lines with the same width 100 feet to Ramsey Alley in the rear; having Lot No. 1107 on the Plan of Lots hereinafter referred to on the Northerly side and Lot No. 1109 on said plan on the Southerly side, being marked and known as Lot No. 1108 on the Plan of Lots of Franklin Borough.

Further identified as Tax Map No. 29-004-.405.000 and Tax Map No. 29-004-.405.00A

You are further notified that you are required to answer the Complaint filed in said action within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication and, in default of an Answer, a Final Order will be entered against you, whereby you will be forever barred from asserting any lien, right, title, interest or claim to the described premises inconsistent with the interest or claim of the Plaintiffs.

Richard A. Messina, Esquire
Attorney for Plaintiff
Messina Law Offices Inc.
508 Somerset Street
Johnstown, PA 15901
(814) 535-6575

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before me, the subscriber, a Notary
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sworn according to law, deposes and
says as Sales Manager / Major
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Christine Marhefka

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Christine Marhefka

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May 9, 2023

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Public Comments on FY 2023 CDBG and HOME Projects:

Closing Remarks and Adjournment



City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania
FY 2023 Annual Action Plan
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Name	Organization	Phone Number	Email Address
Hannah Forcelli-Webb	COS	814-539-2504 Ext 113	Hpwebb@cojtown.com
Ralph Trofino	Catholic Church	814-254-4054	RTTROFINO@GMAIL.COM
Andy O'Connor	" "	814-317-2621	AOConnor@dioceseaj.org
Laura Huchel	City Council	484-333-1595	lhuchel@cojtown.com



May 5, 2023

Katherine Purelli-Webb, Fiscal Officer
Community & Economic Development Department
City Hall, 401 Main Street
Johnstown, PA 15901

Dear Ms. Purelli-Webb:

RE: FY 2023 Action Plan Comments – CDBG and HOME Funds

In accordance with the Public Notice published in the 4/7/23 edition of the *Tribune-Democrat*, representatives of the *Adaptive Reuse & Preservation Capture Team* reviewed the draft Action Plan at City Hall, and subsequently reviewed it with this Capture Team at a meeting on 4/26/23. The following comments reflect the consensus of this Capture Team review and discussion.

Overall, the Action Plan offers a rather comprehensive approach to address local community and economic development needs in the City of Johnstown. As our Capture Team name suggests, we encourage the rehabilitation and reuse of structures – residential and commercial – and applaud the doable Owner Occupied Housing targets, with the understanding that other financial resources are also targeted for this important effort. The Team also is encouraged in the proposed targeting of \$504,690 for economic development, with incentives for code compliance, rehabilitation, and façade upgrades specifically noted. Our Team suggests earmarking a portion of these funds for projects that result in downtown residential development, typically in currently vacant upper floor space, further implementing the recommendations of *Elevate Johnstown* (May 2020) in providing incentives and resolving identified financial gaps that may hinder this development. Several of these efforts have been completed and/or underway, and result in ripple economic and community benefits to the Central Business District and larger region. Our Team has developed an inventory of potential candidate sites for this development and would be glad to share it with the City.

The Action Plan earmarks \$60,000 for planning and identifies special studies among potential uses. Our Team encourages using these funds for the completion of the Comprehensive Plan Update. While this amount may be modest, it can be used as a match for other planning funds from the Commonwealth and/or private foundations. The latter sources have been used in a number of other communities. A comprehensive plan is a necessity in affording the community reasonable and attainable goals, and in programming the many other projects being planned and programmed in the City.

We complement Department staff in the planning and programming of the CDBG and HOME funds.

Sincerely,

Richard F. Truscello, AICP (retired)
o/b/o Adaptive Reuse & Preservation Capture Team



**CDBG AND HOME SECOND PUBLIC HEARING
MEETING SUMMARY
FY 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

May 9, 2023

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- **Mr. Cindy O'Conner (Catholic Charities)** - Ask if Ms. Webb could briefly explain each line item and what the funds were for.
- **Ms. Kathy Webb (City)** - Ms. Webb read off the proposed budgets and provided a brief project description for each line item.

- **Ms. Cindy O’Conner (Catholic Charities)** - Ms. O’Conner Thanked Ms. Webb for the additional information.
- **Ms. Kathy Webb (City)** - Ms. Webb asked if anyone else had any additional questions or comments. After none were received, she adjourned the public hearing at 12:35 PM.

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SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT # 1 PUBLIC HEARING



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FY 2020, 2021, 2022, AND 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN –
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, PA will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, April 2, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**, prevailing time, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 401 Washington Street, Johnstown, PA 15901. The Council Chambers are accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements are needed to accommodate residents in order for them to participate in the public hearing, please contact Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb, Community Development Fiscal Officer, at (814) 539-2504 ext 113, to make those arrangements. The telephone number for the hearing impaired is 7-1-1.

The purpose of this public hearing is to present Substantial Amendments to the City of Johnstown's FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 Annual Action Plans for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

The City of Johnstown previously adopted its FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 Annual Action Plans and Budgets for the use of CDBG funds. In accordance with CDBG Program regulations, the City is allowed to make substantial amendments to its Annual Action Plans and Budgets in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan.

The City has determined that it is necessary to amend the approved CDBG budget for FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023. Funds will be reprogrammed from previously approved FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 projects to previously approved and newly created FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 projects/activities. This is considered a substantial amendment in accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan as the following applies: the scope, purpose, and/or location of a project/activity has changed.

The amendments to the FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 CDBG Annual Action Plans are proposed as follows:

FY 2020 Substantial Amendment No. 2 - Activities:

- 1. CD-20-02 First Time Homebuyer Rehabilitation Assistance.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$46,288.94 and reallocate that amount of \$46,288.94 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
- 2. CD-20-10 Economic Development (For Profit).** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$15,170 and reallocate that amount of \$15,170 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
- 3. CD-20-17 Fire Equipment - Turnout Gear.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$30,000. CDBG funds will be used to purchase turnout gear for the City of Johnstown Fire Department.

4. **CD-20-18 Fire Equipment - Cascade Filling System.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$30,000. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a cascade filling system for the City of Johnstown Fire Department.
5. **CD-20-19 Fire Equipment - Fire Truck.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$1,458.94. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a Ladder Truck for the City of Johnstown Fire Department. This is a multi-year activity.

FY 2021 Substantial Amendment No. 2 - Activities:

1. **CD-21-01 Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (CDBG).** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$35,520.48 and reallocate that amount of \$35,520.48 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
2. **CD-21-02 First Time Homebuyer Rehabilitation Assistance.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$125,000 and reallocate that amount of \$125,000 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
3. **CD-21-03 First Time Homebuyer Closing Cost Assistance.** Delete this project/activity in its entirety and reallocate a total of \$12,000 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
4. **CD-21-07 Sewer Lateral Line Replacement.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$14,609.69 and reallocate that amount of \$14,609.69 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
5. **CD-21-10 Economic Development.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$196,568 and reallocate that amount of \$196,568 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
6. **CD-21-11 CDBG Administration.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$217,945.46 and reallocate that amount of \$217,945.46 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
7. **CD-21-17 Fire Equipment - Fire Truck.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$601,643.63. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a Ladder Truck for the City of Johnstown Fire Department. This is a multi-year activity.

FY 2022 Substantial Amendment No. 2 – Activities:

1. **CD-22-04 Non-Profit Capital Improvement Assistance Program.** Delete this project/activity budget line-item by \$100,430 and reallocate a total of \$100,430 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
2. **CD-22-06 Administration.** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$115,779 and reallocate that amount of \$115,779 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.

3. **CD-22-15 Fire Equipment - Fire Truck.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$216,209. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a Ladder Truck for the City of Johnstown Fire Department. This is a multi-year activity.

FY 2023 Substantial Amendment No. 1 - Activities

1. **CD-23-03 Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (CDBG).** Reduce this project/activity budget line-item by \$40,000 and reallocate that amount of \$40,000 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
2. **CD-23-07 Economic Development.** Delete this project/activity in its entirety and reallocate a total of \$504,690 in CDBG funds to a new project/activity.
3. **CD-23-14 Fire Equipment - Fire Truck.** Create a new project/activity with a budget line-item of \$544,690. CDBG funds will be used to purchase a Ladder Truck for the City of Johnstown Fire Department. This is a multi-year activity.

The Substantial Amendment to the FY 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 Annual Action Plans is on display for viewing by the public for a period of thirty (30) days beginning Monday, March 11, 2024 and ending Tuesday, April 9, 2024 on the City of Johnstown's website (<http://johnstownpa.gov>) and at the following locations:

City Hall

401 Main Street, Room 200
Johnstown, PA 15901

Cambria County Public Library

248 Main Street
Johnstown, PA 15901

Johnstown Housing Authority

501 Chestnut Street
Johnstown, PA 15906

All interested residents are encouraged to attend this public hearing and they will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the proposed amendment to the use of CDBG funds under the FY 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 Annual Action Plans. All comments received by Tuesday, April 9, 2024 will be considered by the City of Johnstown prior to submittal of the Substantial Amendments to City Council at their Wednesday, April 10, 2024 regular City Council meeting. Written or oral comments may be addressed to Ms. Katherine Purelli-Webb, Community Development Fiscal Officer, 401 Main Street, Johnstown, PA 15901, (814) 539-2504 ext 113, or by email to kpurelliwebb@cojtwm.com. Persons with hearing and/or speech impediments may contact the City via 7-1-1.

Frank J. Janakovic, Mayor
City of Johnstown

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