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## **CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes**

### **Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)**

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

The City of Altoona, Pennsylvania's 1st Program Year (PY2020) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) describes the activities undertaken during the program year beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 using Federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs. Activities and accomplishments described in this report primarily benefit low and moderate-income residents of the City of Altoona.

**Attachment #5 includes all accomplishments under the COVID-19 Projects. The City had received two rounds of COVID-19 funds. First Round \$966,699.00 and Third Round \$305,145.00. The totals reported in Attachment #5 narrative are expenditures from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 totaling \$249,264.21. The PR26 CDBG-CV Financial Summary Report which is also included in Attachment #5 shows the City of Altoona spending a total from July 1, 2020 through the date the PR26 was downloaded on 08/16/21. So there is a difference of \$15,812.94 for total expended based on the download of the PR26 and the written narrative of the projects.**

**CDBG** - At the beginning of the 2020 Program Year, the City of Altoona had \$1,456,966.84 of unexpended but committed funds from the previous reporting period. In Program Year 2020 the City received an entitlement of \$1,643,245 of CDBG funds and \$278,864.47 of program income. During the 2020 Program Year the City expended a total of \$236,102.67 or 12.28% on administrative activities; \$1,439,086.99 or 80.33% on activities that benefitted low/moderate income persons; \$16,195.58 or .90% of the total low/moderate was expended in the public service category and \$289,553.17 or 16.750% was expended on slum and blight activities.

With the use of CDBG and HOME funds, the City continues to work with several non-profit agencies, our local CHDO and city staff to upgrade/create new playground areas and park facilities in low/mod areas, provide fire detection equipment to income eligible households, rehabilitate owner-occupied and rental housing units, assist our local housing authority to maintain the low/moderate income housing developments, eliminate slum and blight through the demolition of dilapidated structures, assist with the rehabilitation of an old commercial building into a family shelter, installed new storm drainage in an aging low/mod neighborhood, provided funding to reconstruct roadways in low/moderate income neighborhoods, and started improvements to an eleven unit apartment building that houses low-income chronically ill persons .

**HOME** - At the beginning of Program Year 2020, the City of Altoona had \$65,041.94 of unexpended but committed HOME funds. The HOME Investment Partnership Program received \$353,129.00 in Program Year 2020 and also received \$16.34 of program income. Ten percent, or \$35,239.90 was allocated for administrative costs; 15%, or \$52,969.35, was allocated to our CHDO; and \$264,846.75 was allocated for project costs. Total HOME funds expended for PY 2020 is \$197,714.12, consisting of \$27,766.35 in administrative costs and \$169,947.77 in project costs. The City maintained it's supply of affordable housing by rehabilitating 6 affordable housing units with HOME funds.

**Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)**

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee’s program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
AMS-1 Overall Coordination	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$212,579.94	Other	Other	5	1	20.00%	1	1	100.00%
AMS-2 Fair Housing	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$23,522.73	Other	Other	5	1	20.00%	1	1	100.00%
CDS-1 Community Facilities	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$454,585.19	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	10835	18420	170.10%	29293	18430	62.92%
CDS-2 Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$419,210.98	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	4713	20405	432.95%	20405	20405	100.00%

CDS-3 Public Services	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$16,195.58	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	48				
CDS-4 Clearance/Demolition	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$289,553.17	Buildings Demolished	Buildings	50	12	24.00%	10	12	120.00%
HSS-2 Housing Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$50,500.00 HOME: \$169,947.77	Rental units rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	91	124	136.26%	139	124	89.21%
HSS-2 Housing Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$363,595.24	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	50	8	16.00%	10	8	80.00%
HSS-3 Emergency Rental Assistance	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / HOME: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	100	0	0.00%	20	0	0.00%

**Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date**

**Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.**

One of the highest priorities identified in the City's 5-year Consolidated Plan is affordable housing for low to moderate income individuals. The City has and continues to possess one of the oldest housing stocks in the area. A product of outdated housing occupied by low income families many of whom can not afford to keep up with home repairs and rent which constitutes greater than their monthly income.

Other high priority projects is the City continuing to fund non-profit organizations to assist the low/moderate income persons by individual, households and by area benefit, also the installation of a storm drainage project and street reconstruction project in the low/mod area of of the City. The City has also funded the installation of three playgrounds in the Altoona Housing Authority's Low-moderate income Housing Development, replacing one of them that was old and outdated and a new playground from ground that was donated by the adjacent church on 6th Avenue, Altoona. The City of Altoona has continued their fight on blight with the removal of dilapidated housing under the Blighted Property Program.

## CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

91.520(a)

	CDBG	HOME
White	36,468	3
Black or African American	1,909	3
Asian	90	0
American Indian or American Native	76	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	17	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,560</b>	<b>6</b>
Hispanic	348	0
Not Hispanic	38,212	6

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds

### Narrative

Racial categories that are not listed in the chart above:

Under CDBG:

Other multiple race combinations:

Other 63

Two or more races 1,168

Black & White 27

Asian & White: 1

Under HOME:

Black or African American and White: 6

Other Multiple Race Combination: 0

Low/moderate income areas benefitting projects under the CDBG Program are based on the U. S. Census Data. When this data is broken down by racial/ethnic groups, those totals do not match the totals for the persons in those low/moderate income areas. Only projects that have a LMC or LMH National Objective are 100% accurate in the total counts.



## CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

### Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	1,643,051	1,752,022.05
HOME	public - federal	353,056	197,714.12

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

### Narrative

The City of Altoona had \$1,456,966.84 of unexpended (but obligated) funds at the beginning of PY2020. The 2020 CDBG entitlement was \$1,643,051 and the City received \$278,864.47 of program income. The City spent \$1,752,022.05 of entitlement funds and \$212,720.78 of RL/PI funds. CDBG total expenditure for PY2020 is \$1,964,742.83.

The City of Altoona had \$214,422.35 of unexpended, but committed HOME funds as the end of the previous program and received \$353,056.00 of PY2020 HOME entitlement funds. The HOME program also received program income of \$16.34 for PY2020 and was unable to expend the interest from PY2019 in the amount of \$10.81 due to change in staffing for the Community Development Department. During the PY2020 program year the total interest for PY2019 and PY2020 was expended for Activity #1171. The balance of HOME Program funds on hand at the end of the PY2020 program year \$0.00.

### Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
CENTRAL ALTOONA NEIGHBORHOOD STRATEGY AREA	0		
Citywide	100	100	No target areas or NRSA
Garfield Area	0		
NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREA	0		

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

### Narrative

The PY 2020 Action Plan did not identify target areas, as defined by the CDBG Program for allocating resources to specific areas. The City of Altoona's allocation process is based on applications for funding.

The Community Development staff annually reviews and scores applications for funding from nonprofit organizations based on the priorities and goals established in the 5 year Conplan. All funding recommendations are approved by the City Council. The City of Altoona will focus attention on the low/moderate income neighborhoods, however experience shows that a programmatic approach, rather than a geographic approach, works best in Altoona. To meet the needs of all low/moderate income residents, the City routinely expends funds outside the identified low/moderate geography when the beneficiaries qualify. A comparison over three decades indicates a decrease in the number of neighborhoods that are low and moderate income. This is an indicator of the success of HUD administered programs in Altoona and also an indicator of the deconcentration of low-mod individuals and families throughout the City.

## Leveraging

**Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.**

FEDERAL PROGRAMS: The City of Altoona worked with the Altoona Housing Authority, leveraging its Federal funding on projects to upgrade the Authority's housing stock. This year, that included the Altoona Housing Authority (AHA) finishing up the Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stairs Replacement and Roadway Revitalization projects and also installing three new playgrounds within the Fairview Hills low/mod housing development. These projects were leveraged with \$290,000.00 of AHA Capital funds. The acquisition of the commercial building to be rehabilitated as a homeless shelter by Family Services, Inc., leveraged \$100,000.00. Note that the City match requirement for the HOME Program has been waived due to the distressed status of the City of Altoona. However, our CDBG funded Homeowner Rehabilitation Program is a revolving loan fund that continually leverages repayments against new federal monies, extending the effectiveness of the Federal funds.

STATE PROGRAMS: The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) provides loans and grants under the Penn Homes Program for development of rental housing and administers the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) also administers several programs related to affordable housing. This leverages our Federal funds against those state programs. The City also received an ARLE grant to assist with improving public facilities Downtown.

PRIVATE RESOURCES: Our CDBG and HOME funds were leveraged against private funds for the following projects: the 6th Avenue Playground Installation, AHA-Fairview Hills Playground, Fairview Hills Roadway Revitalization and Sidewalk/Stairs Replacement, Street Reconstruction, the FSI Shelter Acquisition, the HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program (50-50 match), and the IDA Taylor Building Kitchen Replacements. These resources can take many forms and may even be raised through obtaining either the Low Income Housing Tax Credits or an historic tax credit. Qualifying all of the activities of the private market far exceeds our abilities.

LOCAL RESOURCES: Our CDBG and HOME funds were leveraged against local government funds for the following projects: Planning & Community Development Administration (planning), the Blighted Property Program (leveraged against code enforcement efforts), Street

Reconstruction, the 6th Avenue Playground Installation, and the FSI Shelter Acquisition. City capital planning and general funds are used to leverage federal funds for various public works projects, including street reconstruction, and streetscaping.

**PUBLICLY OWNED LAND:** The City of Altoona and the Altoona Redevelopment Authority list all publicly owned land for sale on the City of Altoona's website. The City has 4,993,181.05 +/- square feet of land inside the City limits. The value is estimated to be \$4,344,067.51. Because not all of the City parcels are vacant, this value is land value only. The City also has 293,896,77.00 square feet +/- of land outside the City limits valued at \$132,253,550. The Redevelopment Authority owns 397,908.06 square feet +/- of vacant land in the City of Altoona. Land value estimated at \$56,565.64. Little of publicly owned land has the infrastructure necessary for housing. But we remain open for any future request for use of this land.

<b>Fiscal Year Summary – HOME Match</b>	
1. Excess match from prior Federal fiscal year	1,892,903
2. Match contributed during current Federal fiscal year	211,800
3. Total match available for current Federal fiscal year (Line 1 plus Line 2)	2,104,703
4. Match liability for current Federal fiscal year	0
5. Excess match carried over to next Federal fiscal year (Line 3 minus Line 4)	2,104,703

**Table 5 – Fiscal Year Summary - HOME Match Report**

Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year								
Project No. or Other ID	Date of Contribution	Cash (non-Federal sources)	Foregone Taxes, Fees, Charges	Appraised Land/Real Property	Required Infrastructure	Site Prep, Construction Materials, Donated labor	Bond Financing	Total Match
1138	07/01/2020	14,950	0	0	0	0	0	14,950
1139	07/01/2020	54,000	0	0	0	0	0	54,000
1169	02/02/2021	14,950	0	0	0	0	0	14,950
1170	02/02/2021	14,950	0	0	0	0	0	14,950
1171	02/02/2021	28,950	0	0	0	0	0	28,950
1172	02/02/2021	28,000	0	0	0	0	0	28,000
1173	02/10/2021	56,000	0	0	0	0	0	56,000

Table 6 – Match Contribution for the Federal Fiscal Year

**HOME MBE/WBE report**

Program Income – Enter the program amounts for the reporting period				
Balance on hand at begin-ning of reporting period \$	Amount received during reporting period \$	Total amount expended during reporting period \$	Amount expended for TBRA \$	Balance on hand at end of reporting period \$
11	16	27	0	0

Table 7 – Program Income

<b>Minority Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises – Indicate the number and dollar value of contracts for HOME projects completed during the reporting period</b>						
	Total	Minority Business Enterprises				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
<b>Contracts</b>						
Dollar Amount	174,275	0	0	0	0	174,275
Number	5	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Sub-Contracts</b>						
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dollar Amount	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	Women Business Enterprises	Male			
<b>Contracts</b>						
Dollar Amount	174,275	0	174,275			
Number	5	0	5			
<b>Sub-Contracts</b>						
Number	0	0	0			
Dollar Amount	0	0	0			

**Table 8 - Minority Business and Women Business Enterprises**

<b>Minority Owners of Rental Property – Indicate the number of HOME assisted rental property owners and the total amount of HOME funds in these rental properties assisted</b>						
	Total	Minority Property Owners				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
Number	5	0	0	0	0	5
Dollar Amount	91,299	0	0	0	0	91,299

**Table 9 – Minority Owners of Rental Property**

**Relocation and Real Property Acquisition** – Indicate the number of persons displaced, the cost of relocation payments, the number of parcels acquired, and the cost of acquisition

Parcels Acquired		0	0			
Businesses Displaced		0	0			
Nonprofit Organizations Displaced		0	0			
Households Temporarily Relocated, not Displaced		0	0			
Households Displaced	Total	Minority Property Enterprises				White Non-Hispanic
		Alaskan Native or American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	
Number	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cost	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 10 – Relocation and Real Property Acquisition**

## CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	8	6
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>

Table 11 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	0	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	8	6
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>

Table 12 – Number of Households Supported

**Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.**

The HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program completed six (6) units during the PY 2020, the proposed goal of 8 units was not met due to the suspension of construction activities caused by the Coronavirus Pandemic.

**Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.**



The five (5) year goal for PY 2020 to PY 2024 is for the completion of 91 housing units. The City completed six (6) housing units in PY 2020 and is on track to complete seventy-two (72) additional units in the next few years.

**Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.**

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	6
Low-income	0	0
Moderate-income	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>

**Table 13 – Number of Households Served**

**Narrative Information**

**Number of households served** under the HOME Program for the following activity:

- (2) 5-person households- 1 Black/African American, two parents; 1 White, single parent.
- (3) 4-person households- 1 Black/African American, single parent; 2 White, single parents.
- (1) 3-person household- 1 Black/African American, single parent.

**HOME Rental Rehabilitation Program:** (6) extremely low-income persons 0 to 30% of median income.

The number of affordable units generated this year have decreased due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. All households identified are renter households.

**Worst Case Needs:** The City of Altoona's Housing Programs under the CDBG and HOME Programs address the low end part of the market. The City continues to work with the Blair Community Action Agency and Family Services, Inc., to help worst case needs people to improve their housing and to build a fully accessible homeless shelter. The City is unaware of any large scale involuntary displacement.

## **CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)**

**Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:**

### **Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs**

In all programs throughout Blair County Community Action Program (BCCAP) an intake assessment is completed to find out each household's unique needs. Referrals are then made, either in house or to other community resources, to address those needs. BCCAP is an access site for the Coordinated Entry System that, along with 211, conducts assessments for those that are homeless or near homeless and gets referrals to organizations that may be able to assist them. Additionally BCCAP conducts a Point-In-Time Count annually per HUD guidelines. During this count volunteers conduct a street search and Blair County Community Action Program's main office becomes a drop-in site for households to come be counted.

Family Services, Inc., (FSI) works closely with Blair County Community Action to determine who is in the Que through the Coordinated Entry Program. Persons who are unsheltered get priority for the next available bed in the shelter. If other needs are reported, they would be offered services that are available through Family Services, Inc.

UPMC Western Behavioral Health of the Alleghenies (UPMC WBHA) (formerly known as Home Nursing Agency - HNA) has a PATH program (Projects in the Assistance in Transition from Homelessness). This program is a case management style outreach program. The case manager for this program can meet with anyone, anywhere in Blair County to assess their needs and offer resources and assistance in locating housing. PATH is the 'Clearing House' for all in-house housing services at UPMC WBHA, this person can meet with anyone and makes referrals to our other programs, or outside of our organization if we cannot help.

### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

The CoC annually funds a rapid re-housing program operated in Altoona/Blair Co. by the Blair Co. Community Action Program (BCCAP), that serves the general public and the subpopulation of 18-25 having a mental or physical disability but are able to live independently. This program offers a variety of supportive services to clients to assist them to acquire permanent housing. Services include life skills, employment services, clothing, case management, housing search, budget counseling. Since October 1, 2020 BCCAP has served 92 households with 193 individuals with these program funds. BCCAP also receives the ESG to assist individuals and families that are homeless under HUD's guidelines gain safe, affordable housing. Through the ESG funds assisted those in need of homeless prevention (eg. those

that have an eviction notice). This funding, participants have to meet income guidelines. Funds fluctuate from year to year but do help assist the general population. Currently BCCAP has the Housing Assistance Program (HAP) that is able to serve homeless individuals that meet income and other requirements to secure safe, affordable housing and/or to obtain temporary shelter (eg. Hotel stays). BCCAP has acquired CDBG CARES, HOME4GOOD and FEMA CARES funds to assist the homeless population with hotel/motel stays to attempt to prevent the spreading of the coronavirus.

Family Services, Inc., did not receive PA Emergency Solutions Grant funds to operate their shelter.

Family Services Incorporated applied for and received County Emergency Solutions Grant-Rapid Rehousing funds to assist clients in our Family Shelter to move into Permanent Housing. Family Services had total Rapid Rehousing funding of \$39,448.19 remaining on the ESG 2019 Grant & \$66,000 for the ESG 2020 Grant. As of 6/30/21 we have used \$46,370.30 of the 2020 Grant to provide Security Deposits, Rental Assistance, Utility Deposits, and moving expenses. The balance of these funds will continue to provide services into 2021/2022. 39 Men, Women, Families from the Family Shelter were provided with Security Deposits and Rental Assistance. Security Deposits = \$21,379.00 Rental Assistance = \$61,184.00, Other Services = \$3,255.

UPMC WBHA offers transitional housing through the Blair House. It is a 4-month transitional housing program for individuals who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. Tenants can stay up to 4 months and they pay 32% of their income to stay there. While there, they work with UPMC WBHA PATH Housing Coordinator, to assist with exploring housing options for after the 4 months.

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after 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); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs**

The Blair County Community Action Agency had no specific programs designed to address individuals and families who are being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care. The Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) and the Housing Assistance Program (HAP) has been operated to help low-income families from becoming homeless. Both the City of Altoona and Blair County operated the ESG program in the past. With Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation (PHARE) funds, BCCAP was able to assist with preventing homelessness as well. Blair County Community Action Program provides a HUD approved Housing Counseling Program (HUD HCP) offering one-on-one counseling services and workshops in the following areas: Pre-Purchase, Post-Purchase, Mortgage Delinquency, Rental and Near Homeless. In each of these categories, budgeting plays a vital role in educating individuals and families regarding basic financial planning.

Family Services, Inc., offers assistance with utilities, rents, and other crisis assistance on a case by case basis through our charitable donations. In general we are able to assist when other agencies no longer have funds or if the person does not meet some of the requirements of other programs.

UPMC Western Behavioral Health of the Alleghenies (UPMC WBHA) operates a personal care home referred to as Tartaglio Personal Care Home. Residents must have an Axis I Mental Health diagnosis and have a completed MA-51 signed by a doctor stating that they cannot live independently. This home is a diversion from the state hospital or inpatient stays. UPMC WBHA also operates the Blair House with the first floor being transitional housing where residents can stay up to 4 months and work with the PATH Housing Coordinator to obtain other housing. The 2nd and 3rd floor are permanent apartments where rent is based on their income. Both need an Axis I Mental Health diagnosis.

**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**

BCCAP receives other ESG funds that specifically assists veterans in our community. In 2021 Blair County Community Action Program has been able to secure funds for both rapid re-housing and homeless prevention. These funds will assist veterans that may or may not qualify for assistance through the VA (eg. Those that serve in the National Guard, etc). Program serves those households that have military experience and does have maximum limits allowable to each participant.

The goal of the Family Shelter, operated by Family Services, Inc., is to provide safe housing for homeless individuals and families while assisting them in securing employment and permanent housing. We serve men, women, children and veterans. Resume writing and other job seeking efforts are facilitated while at the shelter along with referrals to housing and other needed resources.

UPMC WBHA operates a Project in the Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program. This is a Housing Case Management Program. UPMC WBHA receives Office of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS) funding for Blair County. The funds serve Blair County residents 18 years or older, who have an Axis I Mental Health Diagnosis and who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. We also operate the Juniata House which is a single room occupancy (SRO) where residents sign residential agreements, with no time limit on their stay. It is completely independent housing, with no staff on site. This is a HUD homeless permanent housing program that can house up to 6 individuals at a time.

UPMC WBHA served the following from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021: Juniata House - 2; Blair House Crisis - 12; Blair House Permanent - 9; Tartaglio Personal Care Home – 15; Juniata House - 2

## **CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)**

### **Actions taken to address the needs of public housing**

The Altoona Housing Authority is currently addressing the needs for public housing by keeping our waiting lists open. Fairview Hills, the Green Avenue Tower and the Eleventh Street Tower are all currently accepting applications, with the exception of one-bedroom units at Fairview Hills. The waiting list for one-bedroom units at Fairview Hills was closed effective April 22, 2019 based upon the current number of applications on said waiting list and the number of available apartments. The waiting list moves based upon move-outs. Only those that fit the HUD approved income guidelines will be accepted into the program.

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

The Altoona Housing Authority will continue to instill a sense of pride in their residents so that they want to engage in providing safe and secure housing. The Authority currently contracts with Keystone Investigation & Security Specialists, LLC, which provides security at Fairview Hills (family public housing development) and the Green Avenue & Eleventh Street Towers (elderly public housing development). The Authority partners with the Gloria Gates Memorial Foundation to provide a five day a week After School Program for the children residing at Fairview Hills. The Altoona Housing Authority wants to make their housing developments a suitable place for families and children to reside.

The Altoona Housing Authority residents have an opportunity to be involved with Management through Resident Organizations, as well as the Resident Advisory Board (RAB). The RAB members are informed as to what is going on in their communities and they are asked for suggestions on what improvements they feel are important. The RAB meets a few times throughout the year and is instrumental in helping the Authority prepare the Agency Plan, which is submitted to HUD on an annual basis.

In regard to home ownership, the Authority has a Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program which was created to help families become more self-sufficient. FSS provides incentive to residents by helping them establish a savings account. If an FSS participant has an increase in their portion of the rent due to an increase in earned income (wages), the difference is matched by the Housing Authority and placed in an escrow account for the participant. Each escrow accrues interest and is accessible to the participant upon successful completion of the program. From 7/1/2020 – 6/30/2021, the FSS Program served 136 families/individuals, 61 of them had a balance in their escrow account as of the latter date. During that time, 21 participants graduated and collected a total of \$73,355.05 from their escrow accounts. Four (4) of those participants purchased their own homes and two (2) others had plans to use their escrow towards home ownership once they were ready. The total in escrow as of June 30, 2021, was \$173,043.91. FSS also provides case management services for its participants. This includes coordination with local resources and workshops on various topics to assist participants in achieving their self-sufficiency goals.

**Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs**

The City of Altoona's PHA is not troubled.

## **CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)**

**Actions taken 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. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)**

An identified barrier to affordable housing is a financing gap for first-time homebuyers. First-time homebuyers are having difficulty with closing costs. The private sector continues to address the issue. The City does not use federal funds to help close this gap because once the City uses those funds, the lead-based paint requirements apply. The cost associated with mitigation will often put the total cost of the house beyond reach of the average purchaser. That being said, several changes were made to our zoning regulations to allow a wider variety of housing types to be constructed in the City, including more dense types such as townhomes. This mitigated a regulatory barrier to affordable housing. Also, the amendments to our zoning that were suggested by our previous Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice were adopted into law by Altoona City Council on July 12, 2017.

**Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The major obstacle to meeting our needs is our limited financial resources. The primary action taken in addressing this obstacle is identifying additional financial resources and leveraging funds with available state and local resources. An additional strategy we use to stretch our funding is to coordinate with other local service provider organizations -- so to minimize duplication of service and maximize collaborative efforts.

Despite this, we are working on a future CDBG project to help support the establishment of a new major homeless shelter. Our zoning has been amended to make it easier to make our existing housing stock more accessible, and our housing rehabilitation programs continue to support this where they can.

The City of Altoona provides fire alarms for the disabled throughout the City's under the "Get Out Alive Program".

**Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City's housing rehabilitation programs have intergrated lead paint remediation into every application funded where lead paint has been found or presumed. There are no plans to alter this approach to lead based paint remediation. The approach includes notification, inspection, testing/presumption, remediation and clearance procedures concerning lead paint in accordance with federal regulations. In addition to the above, the City continues to address two other facets of the lead paint compliance; first, is to provide educational materials explaining the dangers of lead exposure, particularly in children and second facet is to ensure the City makes proper referrals for health screening and care when lead is discovered in a unit which is being rehabilitated with HUD monies. These activities

are undertaken through a contract with EADS Engineering to perform the lead-based paint inspection, risk assessments and clearance testing.

**Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

Virtually all of the City's housing activities, programs and projects are intended to benefit low to moderate income persons, and moreover, to reduce the number of poverty level families. One of the City's primary anti-poverty components of the CDBG and HOME programs is to provide safe and sanitary housing for the low and moderate income individuals residing in the City. Because two thirds of City residents own their home, a high percentage in comparison with State and National figures, maintaining low to moderate income residents in their own home is a primary component of the City's antipoverty program. The City addresses this through its ongoing single family housing rehabilitation program and the rental rehabilitation program and projects funded through the City's CHDO providing affordable housing. Providing safe and affordable housing opportunities for the low to moderate income population is a major deterrent to poverty. The City also uses CDBG and Capital funds to rebuild infrastructure (street reconstruction, curb and sidewalk, rehab of the low/mod housing developments, rehab or creation of neighborhood parks, and accessible elevators) Although these actions improve the quality of life of our low to moderate income residents more than address their poverty, they are still important.

Other City and local efforts aggressively support economic development and the establishment of new jobs and the retention of old ones. However, these are not funded through CDBG or HOME but have been funded with the COVID-19 CDBG funds.

**Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The Department is aware of a few minor gaps in delivery of services in Altoona. These gaps are not related to institutional capabilities, but rather in insufficient funding of the services. The major strength in the delivery system rests in the fact that the human service agencies, housing agencies, and the City of Altoona operate in a small geographic, demographic, and socioeconomic environment. As a direct result of this, routine communication and coordination is easy. It is most often accomplished through our monthly Local Housing Options Team meetings at the Blair County Community Action Agency. At these meetings, nearly every social service provider in Blair County sits around the table and coordinates their efforts.

**Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The City of Altoona created the Altoona Housing Authority (AHA), a body independent of city government whose members are appointed for staggered terms of office by the Mayor with a concurring vote from Altoona City Council. This organizational relationship is determined by Pennsylvania Law. The administrative activities of the agency are determined in accordance with



Pennsylvania law and agency policy, including hiring, contracting and procurement. The relationships between the Altoona Housing Authority and the City of Altoona can be delineated by contract for specific projects. The City and the Housing Authority cooperate in providing police protection to the housing projects and provide funding assistance for specific housing projects. The City also reviews and concurs on capital improvements conducted by the AHA and provides annual inspections on rental units under the City's rental inspection program. The construction of new developments or the demolition or disposition of existing developments is within the exclusive purview of the Housing Authority, although the authority consults routinely with the City of Altoona on these matters. Coordination is also accomplished through our monthly Local Housing Options Teams meetings at the Blair County Community Action Agency. At these meetings, nearly every social service provider in Blair County sits around the table and coordinates their efforts.

**Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)**

2020-2024 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice has been completed and provided by Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, a firm under contract with the City of Altoona to provide fair housing services. The update encompasses activities and people assisted between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. The Annual Update is attached to this document, as ATTACHMENT "3" titled "City of Altoona Annual AI Update".

## **CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230**

**Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements**

The Community Development staff continues to engage in monthly meetings reviewing the status of the program as a whole as well as each individual project. Each CDBG sub-recipient and/or interagency recipient is required to submit quarterly progress reports on their project status, along with the applicable documentation on persons/households or area served. Each individual project has its own set of required documentation to be submitted as set forth in the subrecipient and/or interagency agreements. Our 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan was prepared according to HUD's planning requirements and approved by HUD. Every project is reviewed against the City's adopted comprehensive plan for consistency.

When invoices are submitted for reimbursement, the Community Development staff determines if a subrecipient/interagency recipient is charging costs to the project which are eligible under applicable laws and CDBG regulations, and reasonable in light of the services or project delivered. For construction projects that are monitored by the Labor Compliance Officer, for wage rate compliance, interviews and certified payrolls and all other documentation required for compliance has been received before payment is made to the Contractor or reimbursed to the Subrecipient.

Risk assessment analysis is conducted at the beginning of the program year to determine if the subrecipient will require a desk top, six month or annual site visit monitoring. This is based on several factors such as experience with HUD funds, any previous compliance issues, staff turnovers, size of the award, and history with the subrecipient. Due to the Coronavirus, staff conducted "Desk-top" monitorings of each Subrecipient and Interagency staff that oversees a HUD Program/Project.

The City of Altoona's Community Development Dept. underwent an annual audit to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations, local practice, as well as established accounting practices during Program Year 2020.

The City's Minority/Women Business Outreach Program is designed to ensure the inclusion, to the maximum extent possible, of minorities and women, and entities owned by minorities and women, in all contracts entered into by the City in order to facilitate the activities of the City to provide affordable housing authorized under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act and any other fair housing law applicable to the City. In addition, the Program implements 24 CFR Part 85.36 (e) which outlines the actions to be taken to assure that minority business enterprises and women business enterprises are used when possible in the procurement of property and services.

The City of Altoona includes CDBG and HOME programs in their outreach and bidding process for MBE/WBE's/Section 3 Business participation. A current list of MBE/WBE/Section 3 for the Blair County Area is provided to agencies under a subrecipient agreement with the City and also City Departments under an Interagency Agreement that handle CDBG or HOME projects. The MBE/WBE/Section 3 Businesses are sent emails advising them of the request for bids or proposals being offered by the City of Altoona. This is documented by copies of the emails submitted to the MBE/WBE/Section 3 Businesses and or provided through PennBid, an online bid management company. Any responses from the MBE/WBE/Section 3 Businesses are maintained in the appropriate project files. The successful prime contractor is also provided the current list of MBE/WBE/Section 3 Businesses which is incorporated into their contract. During Program Year 2020 **no responses have been received from any Minority Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises or Section 3 Businesses.**

### **Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)**

**Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.**

A public notice was published in the Altoona Mirror (local newspaper) on August 28, 2021, revised advertisement on September 2, 2021 (due to a typo), posted on the City of Altoona's web site and scrolled on the Public Access Channel. This notice explained the availability of the "Draft" 2020 CAPER and the announcement of the CAPER Public Hearing . A copy of the following IDIS Reports were available for the public to review prior to the public hearing. During the 15 day comment period no public comments were received.

- IDIS Report C04PR03 CDBG Activity Summary Report (GPR) for PY 2020
- IDIS Report C04PR06 Summary of Consolidated Plan Projects Report Year 2020
- IDIS Report C04PR26 CDBG Financial Summary for Program Year 2020
- IDIS Report C04PR23 PY2020 Summary of Accomplishments
- IDIS Report C04PR83 CDBG Performance Measures Report
- IDIS Report C04PR84 CDBG Strategy Area, CDFI, & Local Target Area
- IDIS Report C04PR85 HOME Housing Performance Report
- Annual Performance Report HOME Program
- HOME Match Report
- A Draft version of the 2020 CAPER narratives

The notice read as follows:

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Altoona will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 5:00 P.M., in the 4th Floor Conference, Altoona City Hall, 1301 12th Street, Altoona, PA regarding the Program Year 2020 HUD Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). The CAPER covers program activities during the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) and COVID-19 Program projects and expenditures. The purpose of the hearing is to provide the public with an opportunity to comment or ask questions about the CAPER and the City's use of HUD funds. Comments will be received from September 8, 2021 through September 22, 2021. Persons unable to attend the scheduled public hearing are invited to submit comments and questions to: Community Development Department, 1301 12th Street, Suite 400, Altoona, PA 16601. The 2020 CAPER will be available for inspection on September 8, 2021 at the following locations during regular hours of operation: Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 1301 12th Street, Suite 100; City Community Development Department, 1301 12th Street, Suite 400; Altoona Housing Authority, 2700 Pleasant Valley Boulevard; and the Altoona Area Public Library, Reference Section, 1600 Fifth Avenue. The City of Altoona must submit its CAPER to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development no later than September 27, 2021. Individuals who require auxiliary aids for effective participation are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the City of Altoona Community Development Department, 814-949-2470, TDD 711 or FAX 814-949-0372.

**CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)**

**Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.**

During Program Year 2020 no changes were made to the program objectives as a result of its experiences.

**Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?**

No

**[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.**

## **CR-50 - HOME 91.520(d)**

### **Include the results of on-site inspections of affordable rental housing assisted under the program to determine compliance with housing codes and other applicable regulations**

Please list those projects that should have been inspected on-site this program year based upon the schedule in §92.504(d). Indicate which of these were inspected and a summary of issues that were detected during the inspection. For those that were not inspected, please indicate the reason and how you will remedy the situation.

In accordance with the HOME Program regulations, the City conducted several on-site inspections of affordable rental housing units during PY 2020. HOME on-site inspections were conducted by City staff to ensure compliance with income and rent requirements as well as local property standards during a projects period of affordability. Inspections comply with the following schedule: 1-4 Units every three (3) years; 5-25 Units every two (2) years; and 26 or more Units annually.

Where projects may utilize other state or federal funding sources requiring inspections, the City may accept such reports to ensure compliance with applicable standards. Irregardless of the source of funding, all inspections shall uphold local code requirements as a minimum. **All deficiencies noted were remediated.**

#### **Achievements:**

Six (6) on-site inspections were conducted in structures following the three year cycle.

**Project:** Rental Rehabilitation Program

#### **Locations:**

-130 Willow Avenue (1 unit)- Install one CO detector on the first floor. Install one smoke detector on the first floor. Install a heat vent cover on the attic floor. Replace the front door lock set.

-309 Beech Avenue (1 unit)- No violations.

-871 24th Street (1 unit)- Reattach all loose siding on the rear of the property.

419 Spruce Avenue (1 unit)- No violations.

918 N. 4th Avenue (2 units)- No violations.

2915 Broad Avenue (3 units)- Install a smoke detector in the first floor hallway. Install a CO detector in the attic. Repair smoke/CO detectors in the hallway of the 2nd floor. Repair roof covering of the main roof.

One (1) on-site inspection conducted in structures following a two year cycle.

2701 Walnut Avenue- No violations.

Two (2) on-site inspections conducted in structures following a one year cycle.

409 Eveningtide Avenue (50 units)- No violations.

1010 12 th Street (125 units)- No violations.

**Provide an assessment of the jurisdiction's affirmative marketing actions for HOME units.  
92.351(b)**

In accordance with the City's commitment of non-discrimination and equal opportunity in housing, it has established procedures to affirmatively market units rehabilitated or assisted under the HOME Investment Partnership Program. These procedures are intended to further the objectives of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and Executive Order 11063.

The City believes that individuals of similar economic levels in the same housing market area should have available to them a like range of housing choices regardless of their race, color, religion, sex, familial status, handicap or national origin. Individuals eligible for public housing assistance or who have minor children should also have available a like range of housing choices. The City will carry out this policy through affirmative marketing procedures designed for the HOME Program.

Participating landlords and property managers are required to agree to the following Affirmative Market requirements.

The Borrower/Property Owner certifies that, to the extent that there are vacant units in properties being rehabilitated through the HOME Program, those units will be marketed in an affirmative manner to attract tenants, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, handicap and national origin. In soliciting tenants and buyers, the Borrower/Property Owner agrees to: use the Equal Housing Opportunity Logo, slogan or statement in all advertising; where appropriate to advertise, use media, including minority outlets, likely to reach persons least likely to apply for the housing; maintain a nondiscriminatory hiring policy; adopt a fair housing policy; display a Fair Housing Poster in the rental and sales office, where appropriate; and where there is a project sign, display the Equal Housing Opportunity Logo, and follow the City of Altoona's Affirmative Marketing Plan.

**Refer to IDIS reports to describe the amount and use of program income for projects, including the number of projects and owner and tenant characteristics**

The amount of \$10.81 was available at the beginning of the PY 2020 from Program Income received during 2019. Total program income received for PY 2020 was \$16.34. The balance on hand at the end of this report period is \$0.00.

The total amount of \$27.15 was drawdown for payment towards Activity #1171 Home Rental Rehabilitation Program. This project is still under construction and is approximately 90% complete. One 2-bedroom unit and one 3-bedroom unit. No tenants as of the end of June 30, 2021.

**Describe other actions taken to foster and maintain affordable housing. 91.220(k) (STATES ONLY: Including the coordination of LIHTC with the development of affordable housing). 91.320(j)**

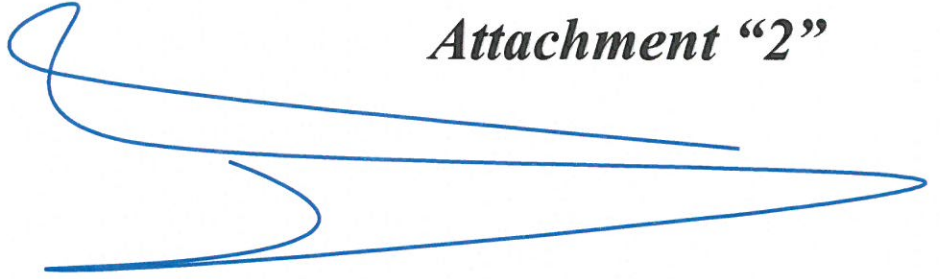
Due to limited HOME funding no other actions were taken to foster and maintain affordable housing.

The City will continue to use CDBG and HOME funds for rehabilitation programs, and to encourage the creation of affordable housing opportunities as they arise.

Further, the City has a strong code enforcement program and rental inspection program that is used to prevent blight and improve the housing stock.



*Attachment “2”*



*2020 Project Accomplishments by Priority  
5-Year Accomplishment Table  
Financial Summary Report PR26*

**PROGRAM YEAR 2020 (JULY 1, 2020 THRU JUNE 30, 2021)**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**

**HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS**

**High Priority Projects:**

**Housing Strategy** – There is a need to increase the supply of affordable, decent, safe, and sanitary housing for homeowners and renters.

*Goal: Conserve and rehabilitate existing affordable housing units occupied by owners and renters in the community addressing code violations, energy efficiency improvements and accessibility for persons with disabilities.*

**(HS-2) Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation:** The City operates a city-wide homeowner rehabilitation loan program for low income households. During PY 2020 eight (8) units were completed with a total CDBG expenditure of \$363,595.24. *1109 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, 1519 18<sup>th</sup> Street, 875 30<sup>th</sup> Street, 320-22 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, 2907 Pine Avenue, 322 Beech Avenue, 2233 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 3217-31 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Affordability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>10 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>8 Housing Units</b>

**(HS-2) Rental Rehabilitation Program:** The City operates a rehab program which consists of a 50/50 financial match. Units will be made available to income eligible tenants and comply with HOME affordable period requirements. Structures located within the City's limits which contain substandard rental units are eligible. During PY2020 the City expended \$169,947.77 of HOME funds with six (6) housing units being rehabilitated. *407 Cherry Avenue, 419 Spruce Avenue, 801 Bell Avenue, 208 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, 5527-31 Montrose Avenue (2 units).*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Affordability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>8 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>6 Housing Units</b>

**(HS-2) Altoona Housing Authority Storm Door Replacement:** Replacement of front and rear storm doors and brick molding on 118 apartment units at the Pleasant Village Low/Mod Housing Development, Project complete with a PY2020 expenditure of \$50,500.00. *2700 Pleasant Valley Boulevard.*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>120 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>118 Housing Units</b>

**(HS-2) IDA-CDC Union Avenue Apartments:** Improvements to the Union Avenue Apartments structure that houses eleven (11) apartment units to low-income chronically ill persons. These improvements will allow continued safe, decent and affordable housing. During PY2020 \$0.00 expenditure. *1911 Union Avenue*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Affordability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>11 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 Housing Units</b>

**(HS-2) CILSCPA Home Accessibility Project:** Design and construction of accessibility ramps for individuals who require the use of wheelchairs to access their homes. Subrecipient was unable to proceed with this project. **Project cancelled 12/2/20 funds amended.** PY2020 expenditure \$0.00. *Low/Mod Clientele project*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environment</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Avail/Accessibility</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>12 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 Housing Units</b>

**(HS-3) Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance:** Rental assistance for evictions of low to moderate income households living in the City of Altoona. One-time emergency rental assistance to resolve valid evictions notices for 30-day or less. *Low/Mod Clientele project*  
During PY2020 \$0.00 expenditures.

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>20 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 People</b>

**Community Development Strategy – There is a need to upgrade and improve community facilities, infrastructure, public services.**

*Goal: Infrastructure – Improve the public infrastructure through rehabilitation, reconstruction, and new construction of streets; sidewalks; bridges, curbs; walkways; water; storm water management; sanitary sewers; lighting; handicap accessibility improvements and removal of architectural barriers; etc.*

**(CDS-2) PY2019 Street Reconstruction:** During the 2020 program year the 2019 Street Reconstruction project expended \$225,618.09 and project is now complete. These projects are limited to the low/mod primarily residential areas of the City.

*PY 2019: 21<sup>st</sup> Ave from 4<sup>th</sup> St to 5<sup>th</sup> St; 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 4<sup>th</sup> St to 5<sup>th</sup> St; 10<sup>th</sup> Street from 21<sup>st</sup> Ave to 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave; 10<sup>th</sup> Street from 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave to 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave; 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 10<sup>th</sup> St to 11<sup>th</sup> St; 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 10<sup>th</sup> St to 11<sup>th</sup> St; 12<sup>th</sup> St from 20<sup>th</sup> Ave to 21<sup>st</sup> Ave; 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 14<sup>th</sup> St to 15<sup>th</sup> St; 27<sup>th</sup> St from Broad Ave to Maple Ave; 25<sup>th</sup> St W. Chestnut Ave to Maple Ave; 5<sup>th</sup> Ave from 25<sup>th</sup> St to 22<sup>nd</sup> St; 5<sup>th</sup> Ave from 22<sup>nd</sup> St to 21<sup>st</sup> St; 15<sup>th</sup> St from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave; 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue from 7<sup>th</sup> St to 8<sup>th</sup> St; 6<sup>th</sup> St from Crawford Ave to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave; 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue from 1<sup>st</sup> St to 2<sup>nd</sup> St; 1<sup>st</sup> St from 6<sup>th</sup> Ave to 7<sup>th</sup> Ave; 1<sup>st</sup> St from Crawford Ave to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>12,000 people</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>12,000 people</b>

**(CDS-2) PY2020 Street Reconstruction:** During the 2020 program year reconstruction of the roadway in the low/moderate income areas of the City. Project expended \$193,592.89. Project is complete.

*PY 2020: 1<sup>st</sup> St from Walnut Av to Cherry Av; 22<sup>nd</sup> Av from 9<sup>th</sup> St to 10<sup>th</sup> St; 9<sup>th</sup> St from 20<sup>th</sup> Av to 23<sup>rd</sup> Av; 17<sup>th</sup> Av from 11<sup>th</sup> St to 12<sup>th</sup> St; 17<sup>th</sup> Av from 12<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St; W. Chestnut Av from 25<sup>th</sup> St to 26<sup>th</sup> St; W. Chestnut Av from 28<sup>th</sup> St to 29<sup>th</sup> St; S. 16<sup>th</sup> St from Crawford Av to 1<sup>st</sup> Av; 1<sup>st</sup> Av from 12<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St; 12<sup>th</sup> St from 1<sup>st</sup> Av to 2<sup>nd</sup> Av; 2<sup>nd</sup> Av from 10<sup>th</sup> St to 13<sup>th</sup> St; 9<sup>th</sup> St from 5<sup>th</sup> Av to 6<sup>th</sup> Av; 1<sup>st</sup> Av from 1<sup>st</sup> St to 2<sup>nd</sup> St.*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>8,405 people</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>8,405 people</b>

**(CD-1) Altoona Housing Authority Fairview Hills Blacktop Revitalization:** Reconstruction of roadways within the Fairview Hills Low/Mod housing development. This will create a more suitable living environment for all the residents of the development and eliminate driving and walking hazards. This will also allow for the Altoona Housing Authority to create new parking spots for handicap accessibility where needed. Project serving 420 people living in the low/mod housing development. This project is also struggling to attract contractors and has advertised twice for bids. Second round produced one bidder during PY 2018. During PY 2019 project was started and construction is now completed. Awaiting final paperwork for labor compliance and invoicing from the contractor. PY2020 expenditure of \$25,000.00. **1614 1<sup>st</sup> Street**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>420 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>401 People</b>

**(CD-1) Altoona Housing Authority Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stair Replacement:** Replacement of sidewalks and stairs leading into the housing units at Fairview Hills Low/Mod Development. Project under construction and then was suspended due to COVID-19. June 22, 2020 contractor has resumed work and is 100% complete. PY2020 expenditure \$63,556.18 **1614 1<sup>st</sup> Street.**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>420 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>401 People</b>

**(CDS-1) Altoona Housing Authority Fairview Hills Playground Revitalization:** Removal of existing unsafe and outdated playground equipment and installing new equipment making the amenities at the playgrounds become enjoyable and more accessible to persons with disabilities. Project is 99% complete, awaiting invoicing. PY2020 expenditure \$0.00. **1614 1<sup>st</sup> Street.**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>400 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 People</b>

**(CD-1) 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Playground Installation:** Phase I - Development of several parcels of property on the corner of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue consisting of perimeter fencing, off alley parking, sidewalks throughout the park and the installation of children's playground. Project will serve low/moderate income area of the City. Total PY 2020 expenditures \$161,843.42. Project is currently 90% complete. Awaiting equipment to be delivered. Due to COVID-19 construction materials are backordered. **2300 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>10,435 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 People</b>

**(CD-1) Park Facilities Improvements – Veterans Memorial Field:** Removal and replacement of the perimeter fencing and gates, lighting upgrades around the facility, paving along walkways and ADA parking areas within the complex. Project serving 7,925 people, 4370 being low/mod. PY2020 expenditure \$5,388.90. Project is 100% complete. **2300 Maple Avenue**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>7925 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>7925 People</b>

**(CD-1) Park Facilities Improvements – Jefferson Park:** Paving and lining of the Jefferson Park basketball court. Project will serve an area that is 54.63% low/mod. Project has struggled to attract contractors during the bidding process of PY2018. The City re-bid in Fall 2019 with the no bids received. The City reached out to contractors and received a quote of \$9,450.00 and was awarded on July 08, 2020. Contractor began work during PY2020. PY 2020 expenditure is \$10,008.60.

118 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>9655 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>9665 People</b>

**(CD-1) Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Installation:** Installation of a stormwater system located along Washington Avenue from 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This project will address seasonal stormwater and icing concerns which have been a problem for this area. Project is complete. PY2020 expenditure \$188,788.09. *Washington Avenue between 20<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>38 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>38 People</b>

*Goal: Improve the living conditions and support services available for homeless persons, families and those who are at risk of becoming homeless*

**(HO-1) Family Services, Inc., Shelter Acquisition:** Acquisition of a building at 2300 North Branch Avenue for a Family Shelter. The specific goal of the shelter is to shelter homeless individuals and families while assisting them in securing employment and permanent housing, along with comprehensive case management, information and referrals. PY2020 expenditure \$135,000.00. Once shelter has been rehabbed and operational, the City will report on persons assisted. *2300 North Branch Avenue*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>300 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 People</b>

*Goal: Improve the community facilities, infrastructure, public services, public safety, and transportation, along with the elimination of blighting influences in the City of Altoona.*

**(CD-3) Youth Empowerment Program – “Taking Control”**

This program teaches youth empowerment with communication skills, computer-based skills, applying for jobs, recovery from addiction, suicide prevention, peer support for mental health first aid, bullying, sexual relationships, recovery from substance abuse and health care. Program aims to provide students with strategies to make good healthy choices that contribute to a meaningful life and promote mental well-being and competence as they face the realities of life. Program struggled to get income eligible clientele and had asked for a second extension to their contract. During PY 2020 due to COVID-19 this project could not proceed and funds were amended. Project is complete. Outcome was reported in 2019 CAPER. PY2020 expenditure \$0.00. *2121 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>25 people</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 people</b>

**(CD-3) Get Out Alive Program:** This program is designed to provide and install fire prevention and protection equipment to homeowners in the City of Altoona. Resident's homes are surveyed for possible hazards and evaluated for proper possession of fire extinguishers, smoke alarms, and carbon monoxide alarms. During PY2020 \$9,913.46 was expended for additional fire prevention equipment. Program is designed to assist low/moderate income homeowners and disabled renters.

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>120 people</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>44 people</b>

**(CD-3) Nehemiah Afterschool Program:** Project cancelled 12/2/2020 \$0.00 expenditures

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>20 people</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>0 people</b>

**(CD-3) UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program:** Housing and rental assistance for the homeless and case management services to individuals and families with mental illness. PY2020 expenditure \$6,282.12. **500 E. Chestnut Avenue**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Decent Housing</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>10 People</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>4 People</b>

*Goal: Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions throughout the City through demolition of vacant, abandoned, and dilapidated structures.*

**(CDS-4) Blighted Property Program:** The City has demolished twelve (12) vacant substandard structures not suitable for rehabilitation. The project expended \$289,553.17 during 2020 Program Year. **517 Bell Avenue, 1920 Pine Avenue, 306 Maple Avenue, 202-04 Willow Avenue-Garage, 2024 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue-Garage, 1812 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 1329 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue-Garage, 1747 Margaret Avenue, 1530 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 107 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, 1801 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 521-23 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

<b>Objective:</b>	<b>Suitable Living Environ.</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>Sustainability</b>
<b>Proposed:</b>	<b>10 Housing Units</b>	<b>Outcome:</b>	<b>12 Housing Units</b>

**Administration, Planning, and Management Priority – The continuing need for planning, administration, management, and oversight of federal, state, and local funded programs**

*Goal: Overall coordination and Special Studies/Management*

**(AM-1) Housing & Community Development Program Administration:** This includes the operational budget for the Community Development Department for general management, monitoring, coordination, oversight and evaluation of projects. The PY 2020 expenditure was \$212,579.94. **1301 12<sup>th</sup> Street**

**(AM-1) Fair Housing Administration:** The City of Altoona has contracted with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services as the City's Fair Housing Administrator (FHA) to promote fair housing choice for all persons through community education and outreach. The FHA works with all organizations who deal with housing such as Realtors, Landlords, Emergency Shelters, Contractors, Lenders, and Housing Managers. Total expended during PY 2020 \$23,522.73 **1301 12<sup>th</sup> Street**

**(AM-1) HOME Program Administration:** Administration costs to provide for staffing to oversee HOME funded projects. Total expended during PY 2020 \$27,766.35. 1301 12<sup>th</sup> Street

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM JULY 2020 THRU JUNE 2024 CDBG Expenditures by Category

	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		5-YEAR TOTALS	
	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP
<b>HOUSING</b>												
Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	\$ 363,595.24	8 Units									\$ 363,595.24	8 Units
AHA Storm Door Replacement	\$ 50,500.00	118 Units									\$ 50,500.00	118 Units
CLISCPA Home Accessibility Project	\$ -	0 Canceled									\$ -	0 Units
<b>PUBLIC FAC IMPROVE/INFRASTRUCTURE</b>												
2019 Street Reconstruction	\$ 225,618.09	12000 People									\$ 225,618.09	12000 People
2020 Street Reconstruction	\$ 193,592.89	8405 People									\$ 193,592.89	8405 People
AHA Fairview Hills Roadway Revitalization	\$ 25,000.00	401 People									\$ 25,000.00	401 People
AHA Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stair Replace	\$ 63,556.18	401 People									\$ 63,556.18	401 People
AHA Fairview Hills Playground Revitalization	\$ -	0 People									\$ -	0 People
Park Fac Imp - Tens Field	\$ 5,388.90	7925 People									\$ 5,388.90	7925 People
Park Fac Imp - Jefferson Park	\$ 10,008.60	9665 People									\$ 10,008.60	9665 People
6th Avenue Playground Installation	\$ 161,843.42	0 People									\$ 161,843.42	0 People
Family Services Shelter Acquisition	\$ 135,000.00	0 People									\$ 135,000.00	0 People
Family Services Shelter Rehabilitation	\$ -	0 People									\$ -	0 People
Washington Avenue Storm Drainage	\$ 188,788.09	38 People									\$ 188,788.09	38 People
<b>CLEARANCE &amp; DEMOLITION</b>												
Demolitions	\$ 289,553.17	12 Units									\$ 289,553.17	12 Units
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>												
Get Out Alive Program	\$ 9,913.46	44 People									\$ 9,913.46	44 People
LIPMC Housing & Rental Assistance	\$ 6,282.12	4 People									\$ 6,282.12	4 People
Catholic Charities Emergency Finance Assistance	\$ -	0 People									\$ -	0 People
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>												
HCD Admin	\$ 212,579.94	N/A									\$ 212,579.94	N/A
Fair Housing	\$ 23,522.73	N/A									\$ 23,522.73	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 1,964,742.83		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ 1,964,742.83	38873 People

**HOUSING**

- Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation
- AHA Storm Door Replacement
- CLISCPA Home Accessibility Project

**PUBLIC FAC IMPROVE/INFRASTRUCTURE**

- 2019 Street Reconstruction
- 2020 Street Reconstruction
- AHA Fairview Hills Roadway Revitalization
- AHA Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stair Replace
- AHA Fairview Hills Playground Revitalization
- Park Fac Imp - Tens Field
- Park Fac Imp - Jefferson Park
- 6th Avenue Playground Installation
- Family Services Shelter Acquisition
- Family Services Shelter Rehabilitation
- Washington Avenue Storm Drainage

**CLEARANCE & DEMOLITION**

- Demolitions

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

- Get Out Alive Program
- LIPMC Housing & Rental Assistance
- Catholic Charities Emergency Finance Assistance

**ADMINISTRATION**

- HCD Admin
- Fair Housing

**TOTAL**

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM JULY 2020 THRU JUNE 2024 Expenditures by Category

	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		5-YEAR TOTALS	
	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP
<b>HOUSING</b>												
HOME Program Administration	\$ 27,766.35	N/A									\$ 27,766.35	N/A
Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$ 169,947.77	6 Units									\$ 169,947.77	6 Units
IDA-CDC Union Avenue Apartments	\$ -	0 Units									\$ -	0 Units
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 197,714.12	6 Units	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 197,714.12	6 Units

**HOUSING**

- HOME Program Administration
- Rental Rehabilitation Program
- IDA-CDC Union Avenue Apartments

**TOTAL**

CDBG COVID-19 PROGRAM JULY 2020 THRU JUNE 2024 Expenditures by Category

	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024		5-YEAR TOTALS	
	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP	EXPEND	ACCOMP
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>												
CD Covid-19 Administration	\$ 17,955.57	N/A									\$ 17,955.57	N/A
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>												
Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance	\$ 3,156.14	28 People									\$ 3,156.14	28 People
Substance Abuse Pandemic Economic Assistance	\$ 8,318.09	60 People									\$ 8,318.09	60 People
BCAP Rental Assistance	\$ 111.74	0 People									\$ 111.74	0 People
Nehemiah Meal Preparation	\$ 51,269.00	2255 People									\$ 51,269.00	12404 People
<b>OPERATING COSTS OF HOMELESS</b>												
BCAP Community Support Program	\$ 84,964.07	76 People										76 People
BCAP Food Delivery Service	\$ 4,250.29	6 People										6 People
<b>DIRECT FINANCIAL ASSIST-FOR-PROFIT</b>												
ABCD Economic Grant Recovery Program	\$ 79,239.31	27 Jobs										27 Jobs
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 246,264.21		\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ -	0	\$ 246,264.21	12574 People

**ADMINISTRATION**

- CD Covid-19 Administration

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

- Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance
- Substance Abuse Pandemic Economic Assistance
- BCAP Rental Assistance
- Nehemiah Meal Preparation

**OPERATING COSTS OF HOMELESS**

- BCAP Community Support Program
- BCAP Food Delivery Service

**DIRECT FINANCIAL ASSIST-FOR-PROFIT**

- ABCD Economic Grant Recovery Program

**TOTAL**





**PART I: SUMMARY OF CDBG RESOURCES**

01 UNEXPENDED CDBG FUNDS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	1,456,966.84
02 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	1,643,051.00
03 SURPLUS URBAN RENEWAL	0.00
04 SECTION 108 GUARANTEED LOAN FUNDS	0.00
05 CURRENT YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	278,864.47
05a CURRENT YEAR SECTION 108 PROGRAM INCOME (FOR SI TYPE)	0.00
06 FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LINE-OF-CREDIT	0.00
06a FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LOCAL CDBG ACCOUNT	0.00
07 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL AVAILABLE	0.00
08 TOTAL AVAILABLE (SUM, LINES 01-07)	3,378,882.31

**PART II: SUMMARY OF CDBG EXPENDITURES**

09 DISBURSEMENTS OTHER THAN SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS AND PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	1,728,640.16
10 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL AMOUNT SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT	0.00
11 AMOUNT SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT (LINE 09 + LINE 10)	1,728,640.16
12 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	236,102.67
13 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS	0.00
14 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL EXPENDITURES	0.00
15 TOTAL EXPENDITURES (SUM, LINES 11-14)	1,964,742.83
16 UNEXPENDED BALANCE (LINE 08 - LINE 15)	1,414,139.48

**PART III: LOWMOD BENEFIT THIS REPORTING PERIOD**

17 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD HOUSING IN SPECIAL AREAS	0.00
18 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD MULTI-UNIT HOUSING	0.00
19 DISBURSED FOR OTHER LOW/MOD ACTIVITIES	1,388,586.99
20 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL LOW/MOD CREDIT	0.00
21 TOTAL LOW/MOD CREDIT (SUM, LINES 17-20)	1,388,586.99
22 PERCENT LOW/MOD CREDIT (LINE 21/LINE 11)	80.33%

**LOW/MOD BENEFIT FOR MULTI-YEAR CERTIFICATIONS**

23 PROGRAM YEARS(PY) COVERED IN CERTIFICATION	PY: 2020 PY: PY:
24 CUMULATIVE NET EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT CALCULATION	0.00
25 CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES BENEFITING LOW/MOD PERSONS	0.00
26 PERCENT BENEFIT TO LOW/MOD PERSONS (LINE 25/LINE 24)	0.00%

**PART IV: PUBLIC SERVICE (PS) CAP CALCULATIONS**

27 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES	16,195.58
28 PS UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF CURRENT PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
29 PS UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
30 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL PS OBLIGATIONS	0.00
31 TOTAL PS OBLIGATIONS (LINE 27 + LINE 28 - LINE 29 + LINE 30)	16,195.58
32 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	1,643,051.00
33 PRIOR YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	156,773.24
34 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL SUBJECT TO PS CAP	0.00
35 TOTAL SUBJECT TO PS CAP (SUM, LINES 32-34)	1,799,824.24
36 PERCENT FUNDS OBLIGATED FOR PS ACTIVITIES (LINE 31/LINE 35)	0.90%

**PART V: PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (PA) CAP**

37 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	236,102.67
38 PA UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF CURRENT PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
39 PA UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
40 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL PA OBLIGATIONS	0.00
41 TOTAL PA OBLIGATIONS (LINE 37 + LINE 38 - LINE 39 +LINE 40)	236,102.67
42 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	1,643,051.00
43 CURRENT YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	278,864.47
44 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL SUBJECT TO PA CAP	0.00
45 TOTAL SUBJECT TO PA CAP (SUM, LINES 42-44)	1,921,915.47
46 PERCENT FUNDS OBLIGATED FOR PA ACTIVITIES (LINE 41/LINE 45)	12.28%



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**LINE 17 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES TO CONSIDER IN DETERMINING THE AMOUNT TO ENTER ON LINE 17**

Report returned no data.

**LINE 18 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES TO CONSIDER IN DETERMINING THE AMOUNT TO ENTER ON LINE 18**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2019	3	1119	AHA Storm Door Replacement	14C	LMH	\$50,500.00
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$50,500.00</b>

**LINE 19 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 19**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2019	13	1128	6459946	Family Services Shelter Acquisition	03C	LMC	\$135,000.00
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$135,000.00</b>	
2017	10	1096	6392144	Veterans Memorial Field	03F	LMA	\$5,388.90
2017	10	1097	6427979	Jefferson Park	03F	LMA	\$9,450.00
2017	10	1097	6438273	Jefferson Park	03F	LMA	\$558.60
2019	7	1123	6399260	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$270.48
2019	7	1123	6405144	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$890.45
2019	7	1123	6412864	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$101.43
2019	7	1123	6422206	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$49,999.15
2019	7	1123	6434337	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$10,348.21
2019	7	1123	6436874	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$128.09
2019	7	1123	6438273	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$49,959.56
2019	7	1123	6450481	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$6,060.60
2019	7	1123	6469733	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$423.47
2019	7	1123	6470083	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$25,415.26
2019	7	1123	6481162	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$7,180.50
2019	7	1123	6504411	6th Avenue Playground Installation	03F	LMA	\$11,066.22
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$177,240.92</b>	
2018	17	1134	6450481	Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Project	03J	LMC	\$934.61
2018	17	1134	6489053	Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Project	03J	LMC	\$85,656.61
2018	17	1134	6490959	Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Project	03J	LMC	\$137.44
2018	17	1134	6498120	Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Project	03J	LMC	\$101,681.47
2018	17	1134	6507831	Washington Avenue Storm Drainage Project	03J	LMC	\$377.96
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$188,788.09</b>	
2018	7	1103	6412846	Fairview Hills Roadway Revitalization	03K	LMC	\$25,000.00
2019	6	1122	6413027	Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$60.47
2019	6	1122	6416942	Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$225,557.62
2020	7	1154	6459103	2020 Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$1,047.81
2020	7	1154	6465355	2020 Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$68.72
2020	7	1154	6504411	2020 Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$192,132.76
2020	7	1154	6507831	2020 Street Reconstruction	03K	LMA	\$343.60
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$444,210.98</b>	
2019	8	1124	6412846	Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stair Replacement	03L	LMC	\$63,520.00
2019	8	1124	6507831	Fairview Hills Sidewalk/Stair Replacement	03L	LMC	\$36.18
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$63,556.18</b>	
2019	12	1127	6396006	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$73.52
2019	12	1127	6434337	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$2,177.54
2019	12	1127	6436874	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$3,968.04
2019	12	1127	6448103	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$63.02
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$6,282.12</b>	
2018	13	1108	6428724	Get Out Alive Program	05Z	LMC	\$615.12
2018	13	1108	6455102	Get Out Alive Program	05Z	LMC	\$934.61
2018	13	1108	6487588	Get Out Alive Program	05Z	LMC	\$8,363.73
<b>Total</b>						<b>\$9,913.46</b>	
2019	2	1118	6392144	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$6,433.14
2019	2	1118	6393403	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,507.65
2019	2	1118	6396000	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$6,621.00
2019	2	1118	6396006	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$6,501.84
2019	2	1118	6399251	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$23,066.57
2019	2	1118	6403107	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$385.37
2019	2	1118	6405144	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$6,881.47
2019	2	1118	6409912	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$23,392.50
2019	2	1118	6413043	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$20,831.36
2019	2	1118	6416928	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$474.17
2019	2	1118	6417437	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,850.00
2019	2	1118	6418947	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$466.65



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Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2019	2	1118	6419535	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$5,133.10
2019	2	1118	6422206	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$9,781.32
2019	2	1118	6428724	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$12,422.74
2019	2	1118	6431504	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$10,292.50
2019	2	1118	6434337	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$18,052.23
2019	2	1118	6436874	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$34,473.78
2019	2	1118	6438273	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$16,670.21
2019	2	1118	6443618	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$466.87
2019	2	1118	6447222	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$11,416.00
2019	2	1118	6448103	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,664.72
2019	2	1118	6450481	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$161.99
2019	2	1118	6451616	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$85.25
2019	2	1118	6453853	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$595.00
2019	2	1118	6455102	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$939.78
2019	2	1118	6459946	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$86.57
2019	2	1118	6463018	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$10,943.54
2019	2	1118	6466662	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,325.00
2019	2	1118	6469733	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$57.47
2019	2	1118	6515941	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$334.32
2020	1	1151	6439329	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$2,709.21
2020	1	1151	6456478	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$120.00
2020	1	1151	6459103	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$21.20
2020	1	1151	6465355	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$11,111.59
2020	1	1151	6473928	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,669.36
2020	1	1151	6479099	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$21,652.00
2020	1	1151	6480908	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$8,254.71
2020	1	1151	6483818	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$8,307.02
2020	1	1151	6487606	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$7,392.00
2020	1	1151	6489053	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$12,330.00
2020	1	1151	6490959	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$17,674.11
2020	1	1151	6492426	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$8,280.46
2020	1	1151	6493202	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$3,996.45
2020	1	1151	6495822	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,479.25
2020	1	1151	6496666	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$127.02
2020	1	1151	6502395	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$2,020.00
2020	1	1151	6507831	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$10,441.01
2020	1	1151	6509913	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$1,065.00
2020	1	1151	6512536	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$7,524.51
2020	1	1151	6512567	Single Family Homeowner Rehabilitation	14A	LMH	\$4,106.23
					<b>14A</b>	<b>Matrix Code</b>	<b>\$363,595.24</b>
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$1,388,586.99</b>

**LINE 27 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 27**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus	Activity Name	Grant Number	Fund Type	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount	
2019	12	1127	6396006	No	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	B19MC420100	EN	05Q	LMC	\$73.52	
2019	12	1127	6434337	No	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	B19MC420100	EN	05Q	LMC	\$2,177.54	
2019	12	1127	6436874	No	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	B19MC420100	EN	05Q	LMC	\$3,968.04	
2019	12	1127	6448103	No	UPMC Housing & Rental Assistance Program	B19MC420100	EN	05Q	LMC	\$63.02	
									<b>05Q</b>	<b>Matrix Code</b>	<b>\$6,282.12</b>
2018	13	1108	6428724	No	Get Out Alive Program	B18MC420100	EN	05Z	LMC	\$615.12	
2018	13	1108	6455102	No	Get Out Alive Program	B18MC420100	EN	05Z	LMC	\$934.61	
2018	13	1108	6487588	No	Get Out Alive Program	B18MC420100	EN	05Z	LMC	\$6,922.58	
2018	13	1108	6487588	No	Get Out Alive Program	B20MC420100	PI	05Z	LMC	\$1,441.15	
									<b>05Z</b>	<b>Matrix Code</b>	<b>\$9,913.46</b>
<b>No Activity to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Coronavirus</b>										<b>\$16,195.58</b>	
<b>Total</b>											<b>\$16,195.58</b>

**LINE 37 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 37**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2018	1	1098	6392144	Community Development Administration	21A		\$302.80
2018	1	1098	6393408	Community Development Administration	21A		\$165.34
2018	1	1098	6396000	Community Development Administration	21A		\$5,996.40
2018	1	1098	6399251	Community Development Administration	21A		\$8,957.40

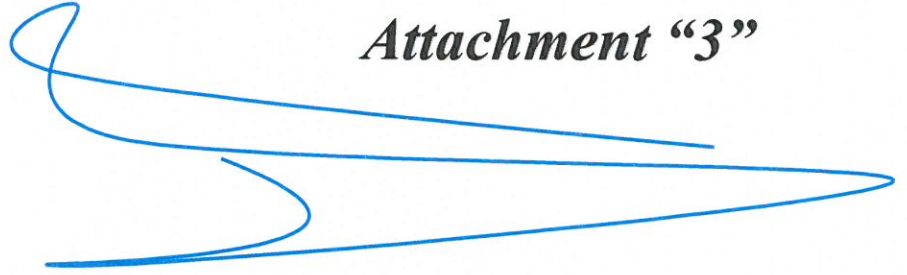


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Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2018	1	1098	6419535	Community Development Administration	21A		\$10,558.88
2019	1	1117	6399254	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$25,540.47
2019	1	1117	6399265	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$33.81
2019	1	1117	6403107	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$201.56
2019	1	1117	6405144	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$1,399.49
2019	1	1117	6412846	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$39,338.27
2019	1	1117	6416928	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$22.90
2019	1	1117	6418947	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$394.88
2019	1	1117	6422206	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$406.08
2019	1	1117	6428724	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$280.90
2019	1	1117	6434337	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$16,301.65
2019	1	1117	6436874	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$11,667.57
2019	1	1117	6438273	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$9,494.62
2019	1	1117	6439321	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$81.85
2019	1	1117	6443618	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$1,861.20
2019	1	1117	6447222	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$9,411.82
2019	1	1117	6448103	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$316.52
2019	1	1117	6450481	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$161.63
2019	1	1117	6453853	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$11.40
2019	1	1117	6459103	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$1,443.45
2019	1	1117	6459946	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$122.82
2019	1	1117	6463018	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$11,667.07
2019	1	1117	6465355	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$13,686.46
2019	1	1117	6466601	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$73.08
2019	1	1117	6470583	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$162.75
2019	1	1117	6473967	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$126.99
2019	1	1117	6479050	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$14,406.83
2019	1	1117	6480908	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$163.62
2019	1	1117	6483818	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$162.75
2019	1	1117	6490959	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$19,519.77
2019	1	1117	6492426	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$6,520.16
2019	1	1117	6493202	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$1,484.47
2019	1	1117	6502395	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$6.00
2019	1	1117	6504411	Planning & HCD Administration	21A		\$46.28
2020	10	1149	6528959	Community Development Administration	21A		\$80.00
					<b>21A</b>	<b>Matrix Code</b>	<b>\$212,579.94</b>
2018	1	1115	6396000	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$535.10
2018	1	1115	6419535	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$6,621.00
2018	1	1115	6448103	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$3,132.28
2020	11	1150	6473928	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$2,977.49
2020	11	1150	6490959	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$3,253.80
2020	11	1150	6507831	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$2,014.96
2020	11	1150	6516193	Fair Housing Administration	21D		\$4,988.10
					<b>21D</b>	<b>Matrix Code</b>	<b>\$23,522.73</b>
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$236,102.67</b>

*Attachment “3”*



*Update to the 2020-2024 Analysis  
Of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice*

*Section 3 Summary Reports for  
CDBG & HOME Programs*



# CITY OF ALTOONA

## Annual AI Update

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Aid | Fair Housing Law Center  
06.30.2021



Update to the 2020 AI

# Identified Impediments to Fair Housing Choice



Fair Housing Education and Outreach



Continuing Need for Affordable Housing



Continuing Need for Accessible Housing Units



Economic Issues Affecting Housing Choice

The City identified a goal for each impediment above as well as strategies to be undertaken to achieve the identified goal.

In June 2015, the City of Altoona contracted with Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services, Inc. ("SPLS") and their fair housing program, the Fair Housing Law Center, to provide fair housing services for the city and its residents. This was the sixth year in which the City contracted with SPLS and the Fair Housing Law Center for these services. The services contracted fall into one of three general categories: Education and Outreach; Referrals and Enforcement; and Administration/Technical Assistance/Consultation. The agreement between the City and SPLS commenced July 1, 2015 and has been renewed each year.

The activities to be performed under the contract are intended to address the City's identified impediment regarding "Fair Housing Education and Outreach." The AI states that "there is a continuing need to educate residents of the community concerning their rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act and to raise awareness that all residents of the City of Altoona have a right under federal law to fair housing choice." To address this impediment, the City identified the following goal:

**"Improve the public's knowledge and awareness of the federal Fair Housing Act, and related laws, regulations, and requirements to affirmatively further fair housing in the region."**

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To achieve this goal, the City identified the following three strategies:

1

## Promote Awareness

CONTINUE TO PROMOTE FAIR HOUSING AWARENESS THROUGH MEDIA, SEMINARS AND TRAINING TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL PERSONS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.

2

## Distribute Literature

CONTINUE TO MAKE AVAILABLE AND DISTRIBUTE LITERATURE AND INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS CONCERNING FAIR HOUSING ISSUES, AN INDIVIDUAL'S HOUSING RIGHTS AND A LANDLORD'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING AND TO MAKE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS.

3

## Contract for Services

CONTINUE TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING AND CONTINUE WORKING WITH SOUTHWESTERN PA LEGAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE FAIR HOUSING SERVICES.

4

Several of the activities performed by the Fair Housing Law Center addressed multiple strategies identified by the City. The following is a summary of the activities performed by the Fair Housing Law Center from July 2020 through June 2021.



## Education + Outreach

### Training +Outreach Events

Traditional in-person training was not conducted this year because of restrictions implemented by state and local governments in response to COVID-19. The Fair Housing Law Center staff, utilizing their knowledge and experience, conducted 30 virtual Q&A sessions targeted to tenants, landlords, advocates for protected class members, and those involved in the criminal justice system. SPLA created a flyer for non-profit agencies serving the City to share with protected class members and advocates. The events were promoted on social media as well.

- 10 events were held for tenants
- 2 events were held for housing providers
- 5 events were held for advocates
- 13 events reentry events were held

### General Education and Outreach

In order to further develop and cultivate the collaborative partnerships established, during the previous fiscal years, with agencies operating in the City of Altoona, a Fair Housing Law Center staff member attended the Local Housing Options Team (“LHOT”) meetings, Criminal Justice Advisory Board (“CJAB”) meetings and Operation Our Town (“OOT”) meetings on behalf of the City of Altoona to share and disseminate fair housing information and materials. The following is a list of the meetings attended:

- 07.15.2020 Blair Co LHOT
- 08.20.2020 Blair Co LINK
- 08.27.2020 Operation Our Town
- 09.16.2020 Blair Co LHOT
- 10.22.2020 Operation Our Town
- 11.18.2020 Blair Co LHOT
- 01.28.2021 Operation Our Town
- 02.18.2021 Blair Co CJAB
- 02.25.2021 Operation Our Town
- 03.18.2021 Blair Co CJAB
- 04.15.2021 Blair Co CJAB
- 04.22.2021 Operation Our Town
- 05.20.2021 Blair Co CJAB
- 06.17.2021 Operation Our Town

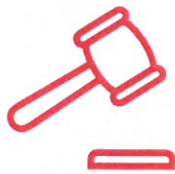
The Fair Housing Law Center’s attendance and participation at these meetings on behalf of the City of Altoona addressed strategies 1, 2, and 3 as identified by the City.

### Fair Housing Month

The Fair Housing Law Center sponsored a poster contest for Altoona School District students in grades 9-12. No entries were received likely due to the district moving to a remote learning environment because of COVID-19.

### Fair Housing Materials

As an additional means of addressing strategies 1, 2, and 3; the Fair Housing Law Center produced and distributed fair housing materials throughout the City.



## Referrals + Enforcement

The activities performed by the Fair Housing Law Center under the category of “Referrals and Enforcement,” are directly related to strategy 3. Under this category of services the Fair Housing Law Center monitored and responded to inquiries made to the City’s Fair Housing Hotline.

### Fair Housing Hotline

As part of the “Referrals and Enforcement” component, the Fair Housing Law Center monitored the City’s Fair Housing Hotline and responded to any inquiries made. Any potential fair housing violations and complaints were referred to a Fair Housing Law Center attorney for follow-up and the filing of housing discrimination complaint, if necessary. The following is a summary of the phone calls received from July 1, 2020, through June 20, 2021.

- 30 total calls were received on the hotline
- 27 additional calls were received outside of the dedicated City hotline
- 9 fair housing issues were identified
- 13 calls related to general landlord tenant issues
- 1 calls related to housing needs
- 2 calls were about other legal issues
- 5 callers were unreachable or called the wrong number



## Technical Assistance/Admin/Consultation

The activities performed by the Fair Housing Law Center under this component addresses strategy 3. Under this component the Fair Housing Law Center staff was available to the City of Altoona to provide technical assistance on fair housing matters as needed or requested by the City. Additionally, the Fair Housing Law Center staff would be available to attend and participate in any relevant meetings as requested by the City. Finally, the Fair Housing Law Center staff would be available to the City to consult on any fair housing matter that may arise, including advocacy in support of needed legislation to achieve equal housing opportunities throughout the City. The Fair Housing Law Center would also produce this report, which is to serve as the annual update to the City of Altoona's 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

### Annual AI Update

The production of this report, as well as the agreement between the City, SPLS, and the Fair Housing Law Center addresses strategy 3. This report is intended to highlight the activities performed by the Fair Housing Law Center on behalf of the City and the results of those activities as they relate to the three identified strategies to address the "Fair Housing Education and Outreach" impediment to fair housing choice as identified in the City's AI.

### Other Services

The City did not request any technical assistance, nor did they request attendance and participation in any other meetings.



## Materials Created Under This Project



### Fair Housing Q&A Series

Presented by the City of Altoona and the Fair Housing Law Center

#### For Tenants:

February 25	April 8
March 4	April 15
March 11	April 22
March 25	April 29
April 1	May 6

#### For Landlords:

April 12  
April 21


#### For Advocates:

February 24  
March 8  
April 19  
May 17  
June 21

### Fair Housing & Criminal History

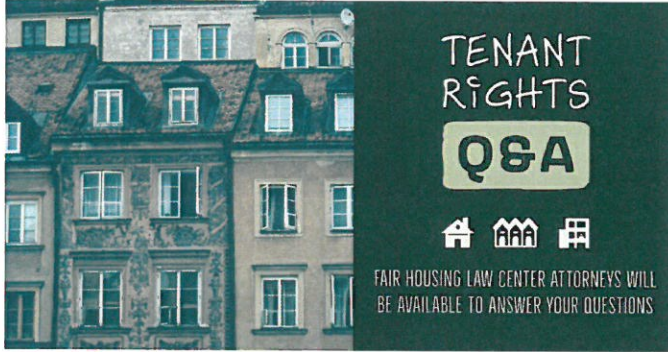
March 1	April 28
March 3	May 5
March 5	May 12
March 10	May 19
March 24	June 2
April 7	June 16
April 14	

For more details, including times and Zoom links, visit the Fair Housing Law Center Facebook page:

 @fairhousinglawcenter




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TENANTS RIGHTS  
Q&A

FAIR HOUSING LAW CENTER ATTORNEYS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS



HOUSING RIGHTS | LANDLORD Q&A

APRIL 12  
10 AM - 12 PM



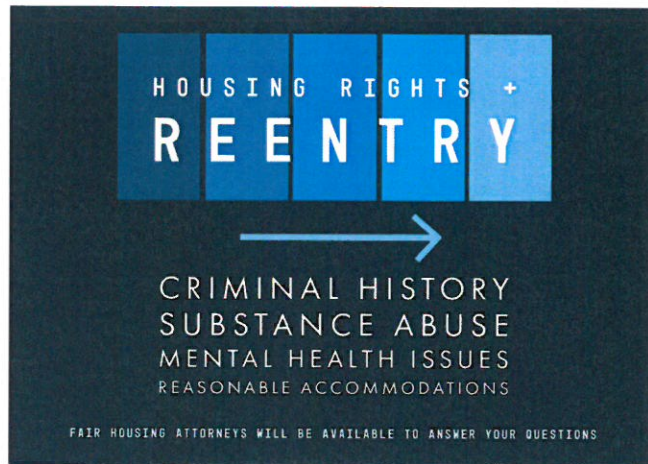
Housing Rights Q&A  
FOR ADVOCATES

CITY OF ALTOONA  
fair housing LAW CENTER



HOUSING RIGHTS | LANDLORD Q&A

APRIL 21  
4 PM - 6 PM



HOUSING RIGHTS +  
REENTRY

→


CRIMINAL HISTORY  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES  
REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS

FAIR HOUSING ATTORNEYS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS





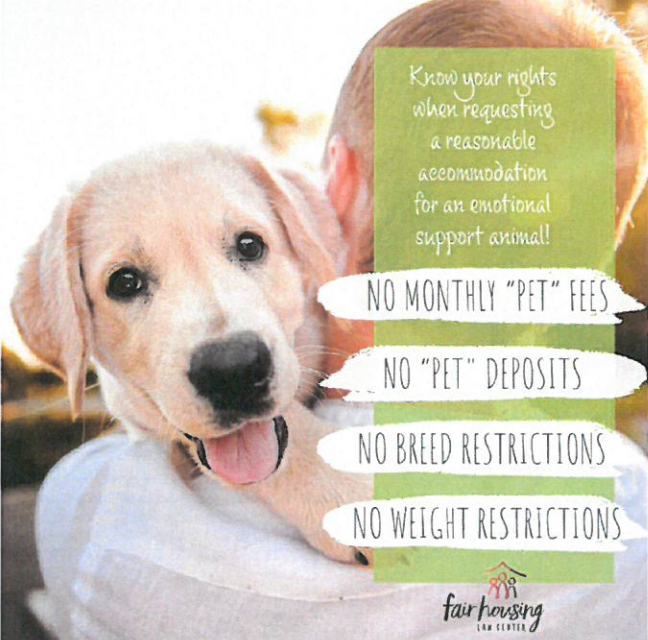
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**YOUR LEASE DOES NOT REQUIRE YOU TO PROVIDE SEXUAL FAVORS**

*Report Sexual Harassment*


877-725-4472 | [thlaw.org/report-housing-discrimination](http://thlaw.org/report-housing-discrimination)



Know your rights when requesting a reasonable accommodation for an emotional support animal!

- NO MONTHLY "PET" FEES
- NO "PET" DEPOSITS
- NO BREED RESTRICTIONS
- NO WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

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**DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN IS ILLEGAL**


WITH LIMITED EXEMPTIONS FOR SENIOR HOUSING

*april is fair housing month*

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS ELIMINATE BARRIERS THAT PREVENT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FROM FULLY PARTICIPATING IN HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES, INCLUDING PRIVATE HOUSING AND IN FEDERALLY-ASSISTED PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES

CONTACT THE FAIR HOUSING LAW CENTER FOR FREE ASSISTANCE IN REQUESTING A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION  
814-949-2537 OR  
[FHLAW.ORG/REPORT-HOUSING-DISCRIMINATION](http://FHLAW.ORG/REPORT-HOUSING-DISCRIMINATION)

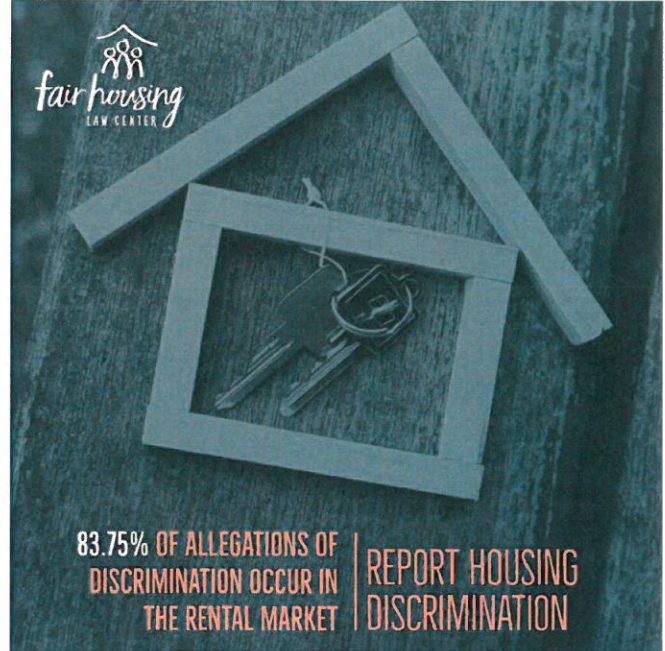
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## PATTERNS LEADING TO SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Grooming victims by testing boundaries

Showing up unannounced for unrequested maintenance

Enforcing rules forbidding male visitors

Perpetrator letting himself in the unit whenever he wants often while victim is asleep or in the shower

Threatening eviction when privacy rights are addressed





## Materials Created Under This Project



### AGAINST HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

RACE | COLOR | NATIONAL ORIGIN | RELIGION  
SEX | FAMILIAL STATUS | DISABILITY

If you experience or suspect housing  
discrimination, contact the City of Altoona Fair  
Housing Program at:

**814-949-2537**

[fhlaw.org/report-housing-discrimination](http://fhlaw.org/report-housing-discrimination)



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## Materials Created Under This Project

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

### WHAT IS A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION?

A CHANGE, EXCEPTION OR ADJUSTMENT IN A RULE, POLICY, PRACTICE OR SERVICE

A reasonable accommodation may be necessary for a person with a disability to have an equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling, including public and common use spaces.

### WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

REQUESTS MUST BE REASONABLE & NECESSARY

Your request must be based on a disability-related need. The accommodation cannot cause the housing provider an undue financial or administrative burden and cannot fundamentally alter the nature of its operation.

### HOW DO I MAKE A REQUEST?

IT IS BENEFICIAL TO MAKE THE REQUEST IN WRITING

Prepare any documentation that may be required to verify your disability and the need for the requested accommodation.

### WHAT ARE SOME COMMON REQUESTS?

ASSISTANCE ANIMALS  
RESERVED PARKING SPACE

ADJUSTING RENT DUE DATE  
RELEASE FROM LEASE TERM

PROVIDING ALL NOTICES TO AN ADVOCATE

CONTACT THE CITY OF ALTOONA FAIR HOUSING PROGRAM FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REPORT HOUSING DISCRIMINATION  
814-949-2537 | [FHLAW.ORG/REPORT-HOUSING-DISCRIMINATION](http://FHLAW.ORG/REPORT-HOUSING-DISCRIMINATION)





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## Our mission

The Fair Housing Law Center offers education and legal representation to ensure everyone has access to housing free from discrimination.



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Altoona, PA 16601

814-949-2537

fhlaw.org/contact

@fairhousinglawcenter



## Fair Housing is Your Right

City of Altoona  
Fair Housing Program  
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fhlaw.org/report-housing-discrimination



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## What is prohibited?

- Making Housing Unavailable
- Providing Different Terms + Conditions
- False Denial of Availability
- Steering
- Redlining
- Reverse Redlining
- Coercion, Intimidation, Threats, Interference
- Retaliation
- Discriminatory Statements + Advertising
- Refusing to Grant a Reasonable Accommodation
- Refusing to Grant a Reasonable Modification
- Harassment
- Sexual Harassment

### What housing providers and housing transactions are covered?

- Landlords
- Realtors
- Lenders
- Insurance Companies
- Condos and Cooperatives
- Homeowner Associations
- Public Housing
- Shelters in certain situations
- Rentals
- Sales
- Home Mortgages
- Appraisals
- Home Owner's Insurance
- Renter's Insurance

## Who is protected?



### Race & Color

Includes different treatment because of actual or perceived race or association with people of a particular race.



### National Origin

Discrimination can be based either upon the country of an individual's birth or ancestry or their ancestors' origin.



### Religion

Covers instances of discrimination against members of a particular religion.



### Sex

Includes discrimination based on gender, sexual harassment, and protects victims of domestic violence.



### Familial Status

Protects families with children under the age of 18.



### Disability

Covers discrimination against people with physical or mental impairments that substantially limit a major life activity.

## What does discrimination look like?

- A housing provider refuses to sell, rent or show available housing to you or charges you a higher security deposit because of your protected class.
- You are threatened with eviction for exercising your fair housing rights.
- Advertisements expressing preferences for certain tenants deter or limit you from renting the housing you want.
- Your requests for reasonable accommodations or modifications are denied.
- You are steered to certain areas of town or places in the property because of your protected class.



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THE FAIR HOUSING LAW CENTER PROVIDES EDUCATION AND OUTREACH AND ENFORCES THE RIGHTS OF PROTECTED CLASS MEMBERS. TO SCHEDULE A TRAINING, REQUEST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR REPORT HOUSING DISCRIMINATION CALL 814-949-2537 OR VISIT [FHLAW.ORG](http://FHLAW.ORG)

  
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 Altoona, PA 16601  
  
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## YOUR FAIR HOUSING RIGHTS

### DISABILITY



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### REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

A change, exception or adjustment to a rule, policy, practice or service that may be necessary for a person with a disability to use and enjoy a dwelling, including public and common space.

-  Requesting a change in the rent due date based on disability-related income.
-  Requesting an assistance animal in a no-pets building or waiving fees for assistance animals.
-  Requesting a reserved or accessible parking space when parking is first come first serve.

### REASONABLE MODIFICATION

A structural change made to existing premises occupied or to be occupied by a person with a disability so that he or she can fully use and enjoy the dwelling.

### SIGNS OF DISCRIMINATION

**You are treated differently because you have a case worker or representative payee**

Landlord charges an additional deposit or rent for your assistance animal

**Landlord will only rent to applicants with employment income**

You are not permitted to rent an upper level unit because of your disability

**Landlord will not allow you to have a live-in aid**

You are denied housing because you are in recovery from substance abuse

### ACCESSIBLE DESIGN

In order to be in compliance with the Fair Housing Act, there are seven basic design and construction requirements that must be met. Requirements apply to "covered multifamily dwellings" designed and constructed "for first occupancy" after March 13, 1991.

**YOU ARE CONSIDERED A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY IF YOU HAVE A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENT THAT SUBSTANTIALLY LIMITS A MAJOR LIFE ACTIVITY, YOU HAVE A RECORD OF SUCH A DISABILITY OR YOU ARE BEING PERCEIVED AS HAVING A DISABILITY**

### REASONABLE + NECESSARY

Requests for accommodations and modifications cannot cause a housing provider an undue financial and administrative burden or fundamentally alter the nature of the housing provider's business and there must be a disability-related reason for the request

-  Documentation may be required if the disability and the disability-related reason for the accommodation or modification are not obvious





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Fair Housing Program  
1301 12th Street  
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**FAIR HOUSING IS YOUR RIGHT**  
RACE DISCRIMINATION

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REPORT HOUSING DISCRIMINATION  
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**fair housing LAW CENTER**

Residential segregation is the **BEDROCK OF ALL INEQUALITY IN THE UNITED STATES**. It is why seemingly neutral policies result in discriminatory outcomes.

**EVEN THOUGH WHITES AND BLACKS USE ILLICIT DRUGS AT ROUGHLY THE SAME RATE, BLACKS ARE 3-4 TIMES MORE LIKELY THAN WHITES TO BE ARRESTED AND 6 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE INCARCERATED FOR DRUG CHARGES**

The Act recognized that "where a family lives, where it is allowed to live, is inextricably bound up with better education, better jobs, economic motivation and good living conditions"

U.S. Supreme Court, *Laffayette v. Metropolitan Life Insurance*

**NFHA Trends Report**

**1 disparate treatment**

- Denying housing to a black applicant based on race
- Falsely denying availability to a black applicant when the property remains available to white applicants
- Steering black applicants to communities of color
- Using less favorable rental criteria for black applicants, including credit and criminal history policies
- Denying permits or zoning changes for housing developments, or steering development to predominantly minority neighborhoods, because prospective residents were expected to be predominantly black

**2 disparate impact**

- Applying a neutral policy that has a disproportionate adverse impact on a protected class when there is no legitimate non-discriminatory business need for the policy
- Examples include: applying blanket bans on criminal histories and using tenant screening reports that include eviction records

**DISCRIMINATION IN THE HOME BUYING PROCESS**

**marketing**  
A property in a minority neighborhood may get a lower appraisal value than the same property would in a white neighborhood

**using a realtor**  
A Realtor may be less likely to work with black families  
A Realtor may steer black home buyers toward neighborhoods comprised of people of color while steering white home buyers away from the same neighborhoods

**lending**  
Lenders may require a higher credit score and income of black applicants than white applicants  
Lenders may offer less favorable mortgage terms to black applicants

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**IDENTIFYING RACE DISCRIMINATION IN RENTAL TRANSACTIONS**



# Materials Created Under This Project

The Fair Housing Law Center, a project of Southwestern PA Legal Services, provides education and outreach and enforces the rights of protected class members. To schedule a training, request technical assistance or report housing discrimination, contact us.

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## YOUR FAIR HOUSING RIGHTS SEXUAL HARASSMENT



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## SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN HOUSING IS ILLEGAL

### QUID PRO QUO

When a housing provider or their employee conditions housing or housing-related transactions on sexual conduct.

"My landlord made a lot of comments about me having sex with him. When I fell behind on rent, he said there was another way I could pay."

"My landlord threatened to report me to my parole officer and Section 8 if I didn't perform sexual acts."

"The maintenance man won't fix anything unless I have sex with him. My family needs heat so I agreed."

"My landlord said he could lower the rent and waive the deposit if I have sex with him."



### HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT

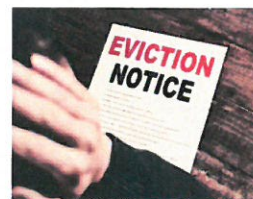
When a housing provider or their employee, or in some circumstances another tenant, engages in sexual behavior of such severity and pervasiveness that it alters the terms and conditions of tenancy and results in an environment that is intimidating, hostile, offensive or otherwise significantly less desirable.

"THE MAINTENANCE WORKER IN MY BUILDING HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT MY BODY AND SENDING ME NAKED PICTURES. I ASKED HIM TO STOP AND FOUND HIM NAKED IN MY BED."  
"THE OWNER OF THE HOME I RENT MAKES COMMENTS ABOUT MY BODY, CLOTHES AND SEXUAL ACTS HE WANTS ME TO PERFORM ON HIM."

### RETALIATION

often includes:

1. Eviction—Landlords cannot evict tenants for complaining about sexual harassment or any fair housing violation.
2. Rent increases—Landlords cannot increase rent because a tenant complains about a fair housing issue.
3. Refusing repairs—Landlords cannot refuse to make repairs to maintain a unit because a tenant made a fair housing complaint.
4. Restrict use of facilities or services—Landlords cannot restrict people from using facilities or services associated with their housing unit, or assign a less desirable unit because of a fair housing complaint.
5. Threats and intimidation—Landlords are prohibited from threatening or intimidating someone in response to a fair housing complaint.





## Section 3 Summary Report

Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

OMB Approval No. 2529-0043

(exp. 11/30/2018)

<b>Disbursement Agency</b>
City of Altoona
1301 12th Street, Suite 400, Altoona, PA 16601
23-6001899

<b>Reporting Entity</b>
City of Altoona
1301 12th Street, Suite 400, Altoona, PA 16601

<b>Dollar Amount</b>	\$706,330.58
<b>Contact Person</b>	Mary Johnson
<b>Date Report Submitted</b>	08/26/2021

Reporting Period		Program Area Code	Program Area Name
From	To		
7/1/20	6/30/21	CDB1	Community Devel Block Grants



## Part I: Employment and Training

Job Category	Number of New Hires	Number of New Hires that Are Sec. 3 Residents	Aggregate Number of Staff Hours Worked	Total Staff Hours for Section 3 Employees	Number of Section 3 Trainees
The expenditure of these funds did not result in any new hires.					

<b>Total New Hires</b>	0
<b>Section 3 New Hires</b>	0
<b>Percent Section 3 New Hires</b>	N/A
Total Section 3 Trainees	0
The minimum numerical goal for Section 3 new hires is 30%.	

## Part II: Contracts Awarded

<b>Construction Contracts</b>	
Total dollar amount of construction contracts awarded	\$1,128,518.26
Total dollar amount of contracts awarded to Section 3 businesses	\$0.00
Percentage of the total dollar amount that was awarded to Section 3 businesses	0%
Total number of Section 3 businesses receiving construction contracts	0
The minimum numerical goal for Section 3 construction opportunities is 10%.	

<b>Non-Construction Contracts</b>	
Total dollar amount of all non-construction contracts awarded	\$30,000.00
Total dollar amount of non-construction contracts awarded to Section 3 businesses	\$0.00
Percentage of the total dollar amount that was awarded to Section 3 businesses	0%
Total number of Section 3 businesses receiving non-construction contracts	0
The minimum numerical goal for Section 3 non-construction opportunities is 3%.	

### Part III: Summary

Indicate the efforts made to direct the employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD financial assistance for housing and community development programs, to the greatest extent feasible, toward low- and very low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing.

No	Attempted to recruit low-income residents through: local advertising media, signs prominently displayed at the project site, contacts with community organizations and public or private agencies operating within the metropolitan area (or nonmetropolitan county) in which the Section 3 covered program or project is located, or similar methods.
No	Participated in a HUD program or other program which promotes the training or employment of Section 3 residents.
No	Participated in a HUD program or other program which promotes the award of contracts to business concerns which meet the definition of Section 3 business concerns.
No	Coordinated with Youthbuild Programs administered in the metropolitan area in which the Section 3 covered project is located.
No	Other; describe below.

The City includes a statement in all construction and non-construction advertisements in our local newspaper for a Notice to Bid" or "Request for Proposals" that informs bidders about the need for Section 3 compliance. This statement is also included in all construction and non-construction notices for CDBG and HOME subrecipients who bid for services and construction. The City of Altoona's advertisement is also directly emailed to the current list of Section 3, WBE and MBE listings in the Blair County Area. Section 3 Compliance is discussed at all pre-bid meetings and pre-construction meetings. The City of Altoona's website has information to register as a Section 3 business and also continually runs the information on the City of Altoona local access television channel. The City of Altoona also contracts with "PennBid" (PA's Electronic Document and Bid Management Program) to reach as many bidders as possible.



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<b>Dollar Amount</b>	\$50,770.36
<b>Contact Person</b>	James A Trexler
<b>Date Report Submitted</b>	08/25/2021

Reporting Period		Program Area Code	Program Area Name
From	To		
7/1/20	6/30/21	HOME	HOME Program

**Part I: Employment and Training**

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Total dollar amount of construction contracts awarded	\$317,816.10
Total dollar amount of contracts awarded to Section 3 businesses	\$0.00
Percentage of the total dollar amount that was awarded to Section 3 businesses	0%
Total number of Section 3 businesses receiving construction contracts	0
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**CITY OF ALTOONA**  
**Program Year 2020**  
**Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER)**  
**Public Hearing Minutes**

**City Hall Temporary Conference Room**  
**1301 12<sup>th</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2021**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The purpose of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Public Hearing is to inform the public on how the City of Altoona applied its federal dollars and how they met the priorities and five-year objectives set forth in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan during the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. The hearing is to also accept comments from the public on the report. The Draft CAPER was available for public inspection and comment at Altoona City Hall City Clerk's Office, Altoona Area Public Library, the Altoona Housing Authority, the Community Development Department, the Local Public Access Channel and on the City of Altoona's WebSite. The announcement for the public hearing was advertised in the Altoona Mirror Newspaper on August 25, 2021 and readvertised due to an error on September 2, 2021. It was also displayed on the Public Access Channel and the City's website. The 15-day public comment period is September 8, 2021 through September 22, 2021.

The Altoona City Community Development Department Deputy Director, Mary Johnson, Housing Manager, James Trexler, and Administrative Assistant, Bette Fischer were present for the public hearing.

Bill Kibler, from the Altoona Mirror (local newspaper), was present for the hearing. Mrs. Johnson explained some of the high priority projects and provided Mr. Kibler with multiple handouts showing all project accomplishment and expenditures. Mr. Trexler reviewed the projects and their accomplishments reported for the Housing Rehabilitation Program and Rental Rehabilitation Program.

As there were no further questions or comments from Mr. Kibler, the hearing was adjourned.



**PY 2020 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION  
REPORT (CAPER)  
Public Hearing Agenda  
City Hall Conference Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
September 8, 2021  
5:00 PM**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Purpose of the Public Hearing**

Each year the City of Altoona must submit a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

This report describes how the City of Altoona used its Federal Dollars in Program Year 2020 (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021) to meet the priorities and five-year objectives set forth in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

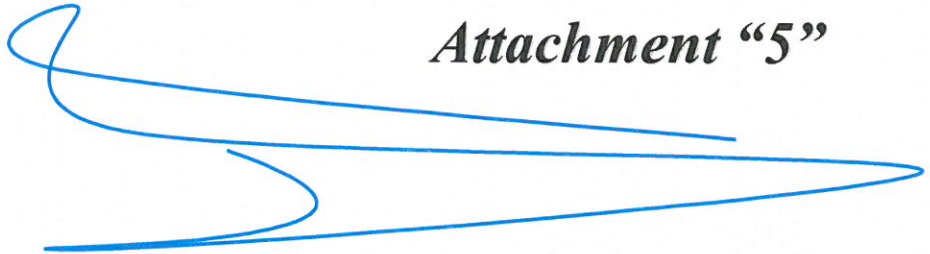
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**III. Review of projects and accomplishments for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**

**IV. Public Comment**

**V. Adjournment**

*Attachment “5”*



***COVID-19 PROJECT  
ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
&  
PR26 – CDBG-CV  
FINANCIAL SUMMARY***

## COVID-19 PROJECTS

*1<sup>st</sup> Round \$966,699.00*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Round \$305,145.00*

**Project #19-17 Covid-19 Administration** (ADM)– Operational budget for the Community Development Department for general management, monitoring, coordination, oversight and evaluation of projects within the Community Development Block Grant Program – COVID-CV.

**PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$17,955.57**

**Project #19-18 Margaret Avenue Emergency Distribution Center** (URG)– This project is to quickly convert a vacant, existing structure into a centralized storage and distribution center for personal protection equipment (PPE), sanitizers, medications, and other emergency management supplies and equipment used to fight the COVID-19 pandemic. No such facility currently exists in the City and no other funding sources are immediately available. Some of these materials have to be kept dry and at room temperature. The project will require the purchase of some equipment for the center that will be used for communication and traffic control during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**PROJECT CANCELED** on December 02, 2020. Funding amended to Family Services Homeless Shelter in the amount of \$237,840.00.

**PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$0.00**

**Project #19-19 Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance** (LMC)– Emergency rental assistance to resolve valid eviction notices and utility arrearages assistance for up to 3 months for low/moderate income eligible individuals/families impacted by the Coronavirus 6 households assisted serving 28 people. Subrecipient requested cancellation of the project. Project canceled as of 6/30/2021.

**Racial Data:** White-17; Black/African American-6; Black/African American & White-5

**PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$3,156.14**

**Project #19-20 Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance** (LMC) – Providing income eligible residents of the City of Altoona who have been impacted by the Coronavirus- Covid-19 with rental/mortgage and utility assistance to prevent homelessness. 20 households assisted with utility/mortgage assistance with a total of 60 people served.

**Racial Data:** White: 38; Black/African American: 14; Black/African American & White: 8

**PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$8,318.09.**

**Project #19-21 Blair County Community Action Support Program** (LMC) – Preventing the spread of COVID-19 by providing non-congregate shelter for a minimum of thirty days to individuals/families experiencing homelessness. Focus will be on the immediate need of individuals who are currently seeking emergency shelter by providing housing. This project has assisted 76 people.

**Racial Data:** White: 63 – 1 Hispanic Origin; Black/African American: 9; Black/African American & White: 3; Other Multi-Racial: 2 – 2 Hispanic Origin

PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$84,964.07

**Project #19-22 Blair County Community Action Rental Assist Program** (LMC) – Program will provide individuals/families experiencing homelessness with rental assistance for a maximum of 3 months. Funds will also be used for one full-time employee for 6 months. This project has not started due to the moratorium. One invoice received for case management services during PY 2020.

PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$111.74

**Project #19-23 Blair Co. Community Action Food Delivery Service** (LMC) - Providing three meals per day for 30 days to persons experiencing homelessness currently in non-congregate shelters, hotels and other temporary housing. Funds will also be used for one full-time employee for 30 days.

6 persons served.

**Racial Data:** White: 3; Black/African American & White: 3

PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$4,250.29

**Project #19-24 Altoona Blair County Development Corporation Economic Recovery Program** (LMJ) –

Program will provide direct financial assistance to Altoona's small (fewer than 50 individuals) for-profit businesses to expedite the hiring of employees impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. One time grants up to \$3,000 per employee being recalled or hired to cover salary/fringe and working capital. Maximum grant amount of \$9,000 for any one business. 51% of all jobs retained/created must be low/moderate income. Project has created 27 Jobs.

Racial Data: White: 26; Black/African American: 1

PY2020 EXPENDITURE \$79,239.31

**Project #19-25 The Nehemiah Inc – Meal Preparation** (LMA) – Providing take-out meals to families located in the Lower Fairview Area of the City. Funds will be used for the purchase of food and take-out supplies, such as food containers, napkins, plasticware and paperbags. Purchase of cleaning products and gloves will also be needed to keep the facility clean. Project Service Area is C.T. 1019 BG 1; C.T. 1007 BG 1, BG 3 - Total persons 2,255 with 1,855 being low/mod or 82%. Project is complete.

**Racial Data:** White: 2122; Black/African American: 156; Other: 12; 2 or More: 84

PY2020 EXPENDITURE: \$51,269.00

**Project #19-26 Family Services Inc. Homeless Shelter Rehab (LMC)** – Rehabilitation of 2300 North Branch Avenue to create a 35-bed family shelter to serve persons with special needs, the homeless and battered spouses. Construction contracts have been awarded. Project is underway.

**Racial Data: No data until construction is complete.**

PY2020 EXPENDITURE: \$0.00

PY2020 Total Program Year Expenditures: \$249,264.21



<b>PART I: SUMMARY OF CDBG-CV RESOURCES</b>	
01 CDBG-CV GRANT	1,271,844.00
02 FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LINE-OF-CREDIT	0.00
03 FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LOCAL CDBG ACCOUNT	0.00
04 TOTAL AVAILABLE (SUM, LINES 01-03)	1,271,844.00
<b>PART II: SUMMARY OF CDBG-CV EXPENDITURES</b>	
05 DISBURSEMENTS OTHER THAN SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS AND PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	244,258.86
06 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	20,818.29
07 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS	0.00
08 TOTAL EXPENDITURES (SUM, LINES 05 - 07)	265,077.15
09 UNEXPENDED BALANCE (LINE 04 - LINE8 )	1,006,766.85
<b>PART III: LOW/MOD BENEFIT FOR THE CDBG-CV GRANT</b>	
10 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD HOUSING IN SPECIAL AREAS	0.00
11 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD MULTI-UNIT HOUSING	0.00
12 DISBURSED FOR OTHER LOW/MOD ACTIVITIES	244,258.86
13 TOTAL LOW/MOD CREDIT (SUM, LINES 10 - 12)	244,258.86
14 AMOUNT SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT (LINE 05)	244,258.86
15 PERCENT LOW/MOD CREDIT (LINE 13/LINE 14)	100.00%
<b>PART IV: PUBLIC SERVICE (PS) CALCULATIONS</b>	
16 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES	155,805.35
17 CDBG-CV GRANT	1,271,844.00
18 PERCENT OF FUNDS DISBURSED FOR PS ACTIVITIES (LINE 16/LINE 17)	12.25%
<b>PART V: PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (PA) CAP</b>	
19 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	20,818.29
20 CDBG-CV GRANT	1,271,844.00
21 PERCENT OF FUNDS DISBURSED FOR PA ACTIVITIES (LINE 19/LINE 20)	1.64%





Office of Community Planning and Development  
 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
 Integrated Disbursement and Information System  
 PR26 - CDBG-CV Financial Summary Report  
 ALTOONA , PA

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Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2019	19	1142	6453853	Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance Program - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$2,049.38
			6483818	Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance Program - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$1,106.76
	20	1143	6403110	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$198.63
			6412864	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$500.00
			6416928	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$1,240.05
			6417409	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$498.31
			6431504	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$400.44
			6455102	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$815.46
			6459103	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$265.08
			6465355	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$447.96
			6466601	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$362.25
			6475784	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$430.87
			6480908	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$609.81
			6487588	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$787.23
			6490959	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$800.00
			6502395	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$162.00
			6509913	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$800.00
			6512484	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$473.50
			6521534	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$3,262.52
	21	1144	6490959	BCAP Community Support Program	03T	LMC	\$35,256.09
			6514776	BCAP Community Support Program	03T	LMC	\$49,707.98
	22	1145	6516193	BCAP Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$111.74
	23	1146	6514776	BCAP Food Delivery Service	03T	LMC	\$4,250.29
	25	1148	6405148	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$2,997.00
			6412864	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$2,948.59
			6422208	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$4,348.70
			6434340	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$4,756.12
			6447222	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$5,368.71
			6450481	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$6,402.12
			6466601	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$5,723.30
			6469733	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,957.45
			6480908	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,615.53
			6504411	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$4,200.30
			6507831	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,512.35
			6519695	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,438.83
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$155,805.35</b>

**LINE 19 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 19**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount
2019	17	1140	6399260	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,617.48
			6405148	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,759.68
			6412864	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$882.26
			6434340	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$2,123.62
			6436874	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$2,123.62
			6438273	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,552.22
			6447222	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$776.37
			6463018	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$354.00
			6465355	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,540.26
			6479050	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,388.94
			6490959	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$2,120.55
			6507831	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$1,716.57
			6512484	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$2,198.97
			6527526	Community Development Administration - COVID-19	21A		\$663.75
<b>Total</b>							<b>\$20,818.29</b>



**LINE 10 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES TO CONSIDER IN DETERMINING THE AMOUNT TO ENTER ON LINE 10**

Report returned no data.

**LINE 11 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES TO CONSIDER IN DETERMINING THE AMOUNT TO ENTER ON LINE 11**

Report returned no data.

**LINE 12 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 12**

Plan Year	IDIS Project	IDIS Activity	Voucher Number	Activity Name	Matrix Code	National Objective	Drawn Amount		
2019	19	1142	6453853	Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance Program - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$2,049.38		
			6483818	Catholic Charities Emergency Financial Assistance Program - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$1,106.76		
	20	1143	6403110	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$198.63		
			6412864	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$500.00		
			6416928	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$1,240.05		
			6417409	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$498.31		
			6431504	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$400.44		
			6455102	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$815.46		
			6459103	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$265.08		
			6465355	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$447.96		
			6466601	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$362.25		
			6475784	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$430.87		
			6480908	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$609.81		
			6487588	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$787.23		
			6490959	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$800.00		
			6502395	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$162.00		
			6509913	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$800.00		
			6512484	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$473.50		
			6521534	Salvation Army Pandemic Economic Assistance - COVID-19	05Q	LMC	\$3,262.52		
			21	1144	6490959	BCAP Community Support Program	03T	LMC	\$35,256.09
	6514776	BCAP Community Support Program			03T	LMC	\$49,707.98		
	22	1145	6516193	BCAP Rental Assistance Program	05Q	LMC	\$111.74		
	23	1146	6514776	BCAP Food Delivery Service	03T	LMC	\$4,250.29		
	24	1160	6418966	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$13,111.56		
			6428724	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$1,093.48		
			6434182	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$9,000.00		
			6459103	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$25,391.67		
			6479050	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$6,085.68		
			6490959	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$3,085.68		
			6496666	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$9,128.52		
			6504411	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$9,171.36		
			6507831	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$3,171.36		
			6527526	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$3,128.52		
			6528503	ABCD Corp. Economic Recovery Program - COVID19	18A	LMJ	\$6,085.68		
			25	1148	6405148	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$2,997.00
					6412864	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$2,948.59
					6422208	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$4,348.70
					6434340	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$4,756.12
	6447222	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$5,368.71		
	6450481	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$6,402.12		
	6466601	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$5,723.30		
	6469733	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$3,957.45		
	6480908	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$3,615.53		
	6504411	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation			05W	LMA	\$4,200.30		
	6507831	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,512.35				
	6519695	Nehemiah - Meal Preparation	05W	LMA	\$3,438.83				
	<b>Total</b>							<b>\$244,258.86</b>	

**LINE 16 DETAIL: ACTIVITIES INCLUDED IN THE COMPUTATION OF LINE 16**