

Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The Urbana HOME Consortium and the City of Urbana Mini-Action Plan for FY 2018-2019 identifies activities that are planned to be implemented by the City of Urbana and the members of the Urbana HOME Consortium during the period beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 that are expected to be undertaken with pre-award funds. This Mini-Action Plan was developed according to 24 CFR 92.212 and budgets the use of one federal housing entitlement fund, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program. The Mini-Action Plan for FY 2018-2019 has been developed to further strategies identified in the City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2015-2019. The Annual Action Plan identifies activities that will be undertaken by the City of Urbana and the Urbana HOME Consortium during the fourth year of the five-year Consolidated Plan period. The HOME portion of the Annual Action Plan identifies uses of HOME funds by members of the Urbana HOME Consortium. The members of the Urbana HOME Consortium (a.k.a. the Champaign/Urbana/Champaign County HOME Consortium) are the City of Urbana, the City of Champaign, and Champaign County. The Mini-Action Plan was on file for public review and comment during the period beginning November 29, 2017 through December 29, 2017. On December 5, 2017, the City held a public hearing to obtain comments regarding the draft Annual Action Plan. The hearing was at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Urbana City Building, 400 South Vine Street, before the regular meeting of the Urbana Community Development Commission. All comments received at the hearing, as well as other written comments submitted during the public review period, are included in the Mini-Action Plan.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

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

A summary of the Consolidated Plan Objectives and Outcomes is provided below and contains Objectives (with associated Goals as listed in Appendix D of the FY 2015-2019 City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium Consolidated Plan) and the anticipated Outcomes from implementing the strategies associated with the Consolidated Plan goals. The attached Objectives and Outcomes summary serves as the framework for an outcome-based performance measurement system for the City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium to monitor its progress toward meeting goals of the FY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. Each project identified in this Mini-Action Plan provides the applicable Objectives and Outcomes. The anticipated results are provided as "Outcome Indicators." The HOME funding for the project identified in this mini-action plan must state is subject to the future availability of HOME funds.

OBJECTIVE 1: PROVIDE A SUITABLE LIVING ENVIRONMENT	
<p>GOAL 6: Provide Support for existing agencies delivering services to homeless individuals and families and encourage expansion of local services to meet community homeless needs.</p> <p>GOAL 7: Support efforts to reduce the exposure of young children to lead-based paint hazards in their homes</p> <p>GOAL 8: Support infrastructure improvements in Urbana's Community Development Target Area</p> <p>GOAL 9: Preserve and support Urbana's neighborhoods as vibrant places to live.</p>	
Outcome: Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments	
Strategies	Create a Suitable Living Environment by providing better access to health care in the community for low-income residents. (<i>Consolidated Social Service Funding Projects</i>)
	Create a Suitable Living Environment for owner-occupied households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median by improving infrastructure in the targeted neighborhood. (<i>Projects including Neighborhood Sidewalks & Streetlights, and Kerr Subdivision Project Infrastructure</i>)
	Create a Suitable Living Environment by improving the appearance of the targeted areas by reducing blight. (<i>Neighborhood Cleanup</i>)
Outcome: Sustainability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments	
Strategies	Create Suitable Living Environment by addressing conditions that are a threat to the health and safety of homeowners and/or provide lead safe housing and making housing accessible to persons with disabilities. (<i>Emergency Grant and Access Grant</i>)
	Create Suitable Living Environment by addressing conditions that are a threat to the health and safety of homeowners and/or provide lead safe housing and housing accessible to persons with disabilities. All recipients of assistance must have household incomes at or below 50% of the area median. (<i>Senior Repair Service</i>)
	Create Suitable Living Environment by providing assistance to property owners in the target area having household incomes at or below 80% Median Family Income (MFI) by removing dilapidated structures from owner-occupied property. (<i>Clearance of Slum & Blighted Conditions</i>)
Outcome: Sustainability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments	
Strategy	Create a Suitable Living Environment by providing better access to social services in the community for low-income residents. (<i>Consolidated Social Service Funding Projects</i>)
Outcome: Affordability for the purpose of creating suitable living environments	
Strategy	Create a Suitable Living Environment by providing support to the existing network of local homeless services. (<i>Urbana-Champaign Continuum of Care, Council of Service Providers to the Homeless, and the Emergency Relocation Task Force</i>)
OBJECTIVE 2: PROVIDE DECENT HOUSING	
<p>GOAL 1: Provide decent affordable housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income households.</p> <p>GOAL 2: Address barriers to obtaining affordable housing</p> <p>GOAL 3: Preserve and improve supply of affordable housing as a community resource.</p> <p>GOAL 4: Work with Housing Authority of Champaign County (HACC) to improve conditions for residents of public housing.</p>	
Outcome: Affordability for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing	
Strategies	Provide Decent Housing by increasing capacity of Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to identify and implement programs that will provide affordable housing opportunities to recipients at or below 60% of area median income for rental and at or below 80% of the area median for homeownership). (<i>CHDO Home ownership/Rental programs</i>)

outcomes and objectives pg 1

	Provide Decent Housing by creating or maintaining affordable housing opportunities for households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median. (<i>Property Acquisition</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by providing an opportunity for households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median to become homeowners. (<i>CHDO affordable housing projects</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by constructing new mixed-income housing tax credit development that would include at least thirty units for residents whose household incomes are at or below 60% Median Family Income (MFI). (<i>Redevelop of Urbana Townhomes & Aspen Court</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by providing tenant-based rental assistance to households with incomes at or below 60% of the area median, targeting those at or below 125% of the poverty line. (<i>Tenant Based Rental Assistance</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by developing new down payment assistance programs for low-income buyers. (<i>HOME Consortium – Acquisition Rehab; Urbana Dream Down Payment Assistance Program</i>)
Outcome: Accessibility for the purpose of providing decent affordable housing.	
Strategies	Provide Decent Housing by providing access to services and counseling for homeless families with children to assist with transition into more permanent housing. (<i>Urbana Transitional Housing Program for Homeless Families with Children; Supportive Housing Program for Homeless Families in Transition</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by identifying programs that will provide affordable housing opportunities to income qualified recipients (at or below 60% of area median for rental and at or below 80% of the area median for homeownership). (<i>City Redevelopment Programs</i>)
	Provide Decent Housing by addressing conditions that are a result of deferred maintenance through rehabilitation of homes of recipients from three income categories, at or below 30% MFI, 31-50% MFI and 51-80% MFI. Program is intended to improve the quality of the housing stock by bringing units into compliance with applicable code requirements, eliminating lead based paint hazards, and improving exterior appearance. (<i>Whole House Rehabilitation Program</i>)
OBJECTIVE 3: Expand Economic Opportunities	
GOAL 5: <i>Support community efforts to provide services and training for low- and moderate-income residents.</i>	
GOAL 6: <i>Provide Support for existing agencies delivering services to homeless individuals and families/encourage the expansion of local services to meet community homeless needs.</i>	
Outcome: Accessibility for the purpose of creating economic opportunities	
Strategies	Support expansion of job-training programs for low-income individuals by area social service agencies, and encourage them to conduct a review of all available programs to determine if they meet current need. (<i>Consolidated Social Service Funding Projects</i>)
	Encourage appropriate area social service agencies to expand recreational, educational, and cultural opportunities and alternatives for very low-income youth and young adults. (<i>Consolidated Social Service Funding Projects</i>)
	Support area providers such as the Senior Services Division of Champaign County Regional Planning Commission and Family Service of Champaign County in their efforts to provide supportive services to low-income elderly persons residing in Urbana. (<i>Consolidated Social Service Funding Projects</i>)

outcomes and objectives pg 2

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Based on input received during public hearings, Community Development Commission meetings and City Council meetings, funds should be set aside for future public facilities and infrastructure projects, as this will help to provide a more suitable and safe living environment. The set aside for infrastructure reconstruction and installation projects in this Annual Action Plan will also address suitable and safe living environment objectives. The demand for assistance through the Emergency, Access, and Senior Repair Programs fluctuates year-to-year. Increasing utility and maintenance costs as well as other rising housing costs place a burden on the lower income households. The City maintains a waiting list for Whole House Rehabilitation participants for which the demand remains high, due to limited funding availability. Owner-occupied housing rehabilitation programs have a positive impact for participants and help stabilize properties.

Programs addressing neighborhood conditions are continuing to becoming more successful at improving the overall appearance of the target neighborhoods. City of Urbana staff annually conducts a survey in targeted neighborhoods to identify blighted secondary structures and vacant, deteriorated buildings that need to be repaired or demolished. As part of this program, during FY 2016-2017, staff will continue to work with owners to encourage mitigation of the blighted conditions. Property owners are also informed of the availability of City of Urbana programs for income-qualified owner-occupants that will offset the cost of abatement. Residents are informed about services through public notices and information posted on the City website at www.urbanaininois.us, in the local newspaper, and on the public access television channel (UPTV).

The City's Emergency Grant and Senior Repair Service Programs provide much-needed funds that mitigate the immediate and deferred maintenance issues for those who otherwise would not be able to afford such repairs. The Access Grant Program is intended to help remove barriers to accessibility for persons with disabilities. It is available for renters or homeowners who earn less than 80% of Median Family Income to make necessary improvements. Both programs are essential elements needed to help stabilize targeted neighborhoods.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

This Mini-Action Plan was developed by the City of Urbana in accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan included as part of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan process. The Urbana Community Development Commission sponsored a public hearing to obtain input during plan preparation.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

Comments received in December 2017 regarding the Mini-Action Plan will be included in the final FY 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan. Meeting minutes and attendance sheets are also included and attached to this Action Plan. In order to broaden public participation in the Annual Action Plan process, the City provided notice of neighborhood meetings and public hearings as follows: (1) Provided public notice on the City Website www.urbanaininois.us and UPTV, (2) Emailed public notice to social service agencies, media, and concerned citizens, and (3) Posted 14-day public notice on each site where public hearing was to be held.

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

Not applicable

7. Summary

This Mini-Action Plan reflects the coordinated efforts of the Urbana HOME Consortium and its citizens, as well as the expansive network of housing and human service providers in Champaign County. Through strategies documented in this plan, the effectiveness and impact of federal funds will be maximized through thoughtful investment of resources, reduced duplication of services, and improved service delivery. The goals and objectives identified in this plan aim to improve the quality of life in Champaign County, particularly for low-income, homeless, elderly, and/or special needs individuals and families.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	URBANA	Community Development/Grants Management Division
HOME Administrator	URBANA	Community Development/Grants Management Division

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The City of Urbana, through the Grants Management Division of its Community Development Services Department, acts as the lead agency for the Urbana HOME Consortium. As such, Urbana staff took the lead role in developing the *City of Urbana and Urbana HOME Consortium Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2015-2019*, especially as it relates to policies, procedures, programs and activities, and other issues specifically involving the City. However, overall development of the Consolidated Plan was a cooperative effort involving the City of Urbana, the City of Champaign, and the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (representing the unincorporated areas of Champaign County). These regions are geographically contiguous and the areas of responsibility of the entities tend to overlap. These factors have contributed to an open and cooperative relationship among the municipalities which extends to both staff and elected officials. This cooperation is essential in assessing and attending to the needs of the greater community, and is the foundation for the Consortium's successes. The Grants Management Division also administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), on behalf of the City of Urbana.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Copies of proposed and approved Consolidated Plans/Annual Action Plans, Performance Reports, and substantial amendments to the plan are available for public review on the City of Urbana website at www.urbanaininois.us and at the following locations:

- City of Urbana, 400 South Vine Street, Urbana - Grants Management Division & City Clerk's Office
- Urbana Free Library, 210 West Green Street, Urbana
- Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, 1776 E. Washington Street, Urbana

The City of Champaign is responsible to make the Plans and Reports available at the following locations:

- Champaign Public Library, 200 West Green Street, Champaign
- City of Champaign, 102 N. Neil Street, Champaign, Neighborhood Services Department Information Desk

Questions or comments regarding the Community Development Program should be addressed to Kelly H. Mierkowski, Manager, Grants Management Division, 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, Illinois 61801 or khmierkowski@urbanaininois.us.

AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The Consortium regularly participates in a number of meetings of community organizations, cooperatives, etc. occurring on a monthly, quarterly, or other regular basis, in order to develop and maintain partnerships with other community organizations. These meetings provide continual feedback on the needs and trends in the community, as well as opportunities for the Consortium to disseminate information about the programs and services it provides. Staff members of the Consortium entities often serve on committees and sub-committees, taking a very active and visible role in the community. In addition to the municipalities, a number of public and private entities play key roles in the health of the community. The Consortium makes every effort to include these organizations in the planning and implementation of the Annual Action Plan. Input from the public was also sought through public hearings and neighborhood meetings throughout the City of Urbana in targeted neighborhoods.

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

The Housing Authority of Champaign County continues to inform local jurisdictions of major housing opportunities and is currently collaborating on major redevelopments in Champaign (Bristol Place) and Urbana (Aspen Court/Urbana Townhomes and Highland Green/Kerr Avenue). The Housing Authority also has several new developments being designed in the county. The consultation confirmed the need for additional rental housing opportunities for low income households. The Urbana HOME Consortium coordinates with the Mental Health Board and other local funders during the drafting FY 2016/17 Annual Action Plan. The staff in coordination with other funding groups will continue to discuss and monitor ongoing needs for persons with mental health and other needs, particularly low-income persons and youth. Staff from local government and the Mental Health Board currently serve together on the United Way of Champaign County's Community Impact Committee and are serving together on the local Continuum of Care's monitoring subcommittee.

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

The Urbana HOME Consortium members (Lisa Benson, Kelly Mierkowski, and Kerri Wiman) have all served as past chairs for the Continuum of Care and/or Council of Service Providers to the Homeless. All three participating jurisdictions/subrecipients to the HOME Consortium continue to serve on the Continuum of Care and Council of Service Providers to the Homeless. The City of Urbana through its Consolidated Social Service Funding process and the administration of the Emergency Solutions Grant, funds many agencies in the community that work with homeless populations, including Courage

Connections, Community Elements, Crisis Nursery, Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, and Champaign County Regional Planning Commission.

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

The Champaign County Continuum of Care receives funding allocation amounts from the State of Illinois that are then made available to agencies. The CoC reviews the past performance of agencies who have received the funding, in order to determine how to allocate ESG funds in the community. The CoC is currently developing performance standards and the evaluation of outcomes for members who receive funding. The HMIS system is administered by the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission under agreement with the CoC. HMIS staff assigns access and provides initial training for authorized users, maintains oversight and continuing training updates for quality of data entry, collects HMIS data for HUD HDX and other grant reports, and supports CoC planning efforts requiring data about clients served. At this time, most data is entered by a single user from hard copy documents collected at agency intake and data is shared among agencies only in aggregated formats to preserve confidentiality of households.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

6	Agency/Group/Organization	CHAMPAIGN
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Champaign, as an Urbana HOME Consortium member, has gathered substantial public input regarding the Bristol Park Redevelopment project.

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

Not applicable

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	CCRPC, GCAP	The CoC Strategic Plan overlaps with regarding to housing, i.e. by PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE CONTINUUM OF HOUSING SERVICES, Increase affordable housing

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

The schedule for the FY 1819 Mini-Action Plan Process was made available to the public on the City website. On December 5, 2017, the City of Urbana and the Urbana HOME Consortium hosted a public hearing at the Urbana City Council Chambers prior to a Community Development Commission meeting to obtain preliminary comments from the Commission and public while a draft was underway. A thirty-day comment period was held from November 29, 2017 to December 29, 2017.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Minorities low mod income households				na

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The Urbana HOME Consortium will receive an allocation of \$157,446.50 in HOME funds, which will be provided to the City of Urbana to directly undertake activities within the City of Champaign. However, all proposed activities budgets will be proportionally increased or decreased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts once released. HOME funding for the Bristol Park Redevelopment project is subject to the future availability of HOME funds.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	0	0	0	0	0	

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	157,447	0	0	157,447	2,539,668	Pre-award funds may be allocated by the City of Champaign to multifamily rental new construction in the Bristol Park redevelopment, and other funds may be allocated to new or existing programs, such as TBRA, the Acq-Rehab, FHIP, or Lot Acq programs, to promote revitalization efforts of targeted neighborhoods.

Table 2 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

These federal funds will assist to leverage a variety of private, state and local funds. The Bristol Park Redevelopment project is expected to use a total of \$23 million. It was selected to receive 9% Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) through the Illinois Housing Development Authority, and the Bristol Park Redevelopment project will also make use of project-based vouchers through the Housing Authority of Champaign County.

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

All properties within the Bristol Park Redevelopment project area are owned by either the City of Champaign or the Housing Authority of Champaign County. The City of Champaign intends to take ownership of the entire project area, then transfer it to the developer prior to project completion.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

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

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Provide decent affordable housing opportunities	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	CENSUS TRACT NUMBERS 53, 54, 55, AND 56 City of Urbana City of Champaign Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan Area	Affordable Housing	HOME: \$157,447	Rental units rehabilitated: 180 Household Housing Unit

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
2	Address Barriers to Affordable Housing	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	CENSUS TRACT NUMBERS 53, 54, 55, AND 56 Beardsley Park Neighborhood Improvement Plan Area Garden Hills United Neighborhood Association Action Plan City of Urbana City of Champaign Urbana Consortium-wide Area Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan Area	Community Development Needs		
3	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Supply	2015	2019	Affordable Housing	CENSUS TRACT NUMBERS 53, 54, 55, AND 56 City of Urbana	Affordable Housing		

Table 3 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Provide decent affordable housing opportunities
	Goal Description	Pre-award HOME funds will be used to develop new rental units through the Bristol Park Redevelopment project. Other HOME funds may be used to increase supply of affordable housing available to low and moderate income households, by providing Tenant Based Rental Assistance to households with incomes at or below 60% of the area median, targeting those at or below 125% of the poverty level, support new construction for homeownership sponsored by CHDOs and other nonprofits, support new construction of affordable rental units sponsored by CHDOs and other nonprofits, support and provide guidance for for-profit developers building new affordable renter and owner units, support construction of new affordable rental units through LIHTC, in compatible areas, encourage the development of non-profit housing development organizations eligible for CHDO status. Expand homeownership opportunities for low and moderate income households, by providing support and encourage homeownership education programs, support the Housing Authority of Champaign County's Section 8 Homeownership program, support the development of local Lease Purchase Programs, directly encourage homeownership through downpayment assistance programs such as programs funded with Private activity bond funds, develop new downpayment assistance programs for low-income buyers.
2	Goal Name	Address Barriers to Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Preserve Existing Affordable Housing Supply
	Goal Description	

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The following is a list of proposed programs listed in the PY 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, for the one-year FY 1819 Mini-Action Plan period. All of the proposed projects are in response to an identified need in the Consolidated Plan. Consideration has also been given to program delivery, and staffing requirements to successfully operate the grant activities, various objectives of leveraged funding available, as well as programmatic constraints of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. The projected target start date for the proposed programs is July 1, 2017 and projected commencement of proposed programs is June 30, 2019.

#	Project Name
1	HOME City of Champaign Neighborhood Revitalization

Table 4 – Project Information

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

The City of Urbana has utilized its allocation of CDGB and HOME funds to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs, foster and maintain decent housing, support public housing improvements and resident initiatives, address lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of persons below poverty level, and has provided assistance in coordinating housing and service agencies. These funded activities are noted within the previous listings and budget for FY 2017-2018 projects.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	HOME City of Champaign Neighborhood Revitalization
	Target Area	City of Champaign Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan Area
	Goals Supported	Provide decent affordable housing opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	:
	Description	All pre-award HOME funds will be directed to new construction activities and eligible common costs related to the Bristol Park Redevelopment Project. This project will involve the construction of 180 new affordable rental units in Champaign, IL. Any funds not directed to this project will be used to support the neighborhood revitalization activities undertaken by the City of Champaign, including full home improvement program (FHIP), acquisition rehabilitation program (Acq-Rehab) and lot acquisition/clearance for new construction (LAP). The FHIP and Acq-Rehab programs will be prioritized in the following areas of Champaign in order to provide maximum benefit in areas identified with the greatest housing needs and/or lowest incomes: Planning Areas 1,2,4,7,8,9,14, and 15. The LAP program will be limited to neighborhoods with plans underway or being developed at the time of this Consolidated Plan: Beardsley Park, Bristol Park, and Garden Hills.
	Target Date	6/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The City of Champaign's program will benefit approximately 180 low-income households through the Bristol Park Redevelopment Project.
	Location Description	Pre-award activities will take place within the Bristol Park neighborhood, while any other activities could take place anywhere within the City of Champaign limits.
Planned Activities	A total of \$157,446.50 in FY 18-19 HOME funds will be used to support new construction activities associated with the Bristol Park Redevelopment project, which is expected to result in up to 180 affordable rental units upon completion.	

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Assistance stemming from pre-award funding will be targeted in the City of Champaign's Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan Area.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
CENSUS TRACT NUMBERS 53, 54, 55, AND 56	
Beardsley Park Neighborhood Improvement Plan Area	
Garden Hills United Neighborhood Association Action Plan	
City of Urbana	
City of Champaign	
Urbana Consortium-wide Area	
Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan Area	100

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The redevelopment of the Bristol Park Neighborhood was selected to receive 9% LIHTC, and the developer has requested HOME funds from the Urbana HOME Consortium in excess of the uncommitted balance currently allocated to the City of Champaign based on its population.

Discussion

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.420, 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City of Champaign will use its HOME funds to support the Bristol Park Redevelopment project. The project will consist of at most 180 units distributed among single-family, duplex, and multifamily units within the Bristol Park Neighborhood.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	180
Special-Needs	0
Total	180

Table 6 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	180
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	180

Table 7 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion