

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Annual Action Plan 2016-2017



# **Executive Summary**

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

#### 1. Introduction

Incorporated in 1965, Pflugerville is located in Travis and Williamson Counties just north of the Texas State Capitol. Pflugerville is a fast-growing city, home to over 50,000 residents who enjoy safe streets, a beautiful trail system and share incredible community spirit. Pflugerville combines trails and community with business opportunities and is the place where quality meets life. Pflugerville has experienced a growth rate of 192% over the past 16 years, with a 2000 population of 19,484 growing to a population of 48,356 during the 2010 census and currently at a population of 56,893 (April 2016).

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program aims to serve the needs low to moderate income population of the community. As reflected in the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan there are approximately 3,532 households that are considered within the low to moderate income ranges, which constitutes approximately 20% of the community overall. While the percentage of low to moderate income households fluctuates in depending on the block group, the community overall has a significantly lower percentage of low to moderate income residents than the majority of entitled communities. In some communities, like Pflugerville, there are very few areas in which at least 50 percent of the residents or areas are of low to moderate income. For these grantees the CDBG law authorizes an exception criterion in order for such grantees to be able to undertake area benefit activities. For Pflugerville, the low-moderate income threshold for any area benefit activity is 41.4%.

In 2015-16, the initial Action Plan outlined projects for mobility infrastructure, parks and youth community services. Due to unforeseeable circumstances at the time the original PY2015 Action Plan was created several of the projects were no longer feasible and reconsideration of how the funds received for PY2015 would be allocated became necessary. An issue that arose included property that was to be pursued for parkland was purchased by another entity for the purposes of residential. Additionally, the Action Plan was limited in the creation of senior needs outside of transportation/infrastructure. With a growing senior population, persons ages 62 and over in Pflugerville, the City has begun looking more closely at the needs of this group and the programs that the City can provide. In 2015 the City Council appointed a Senior Advisory Task Force to look at the needs of the seniors within the Community and to specifically outline potential programs, projects and facilities that would address the needs of the current population as well as our future citizens. In the spring of 2016 City Council approved submittal of the updated 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan which incorporated the needs for seniors within Pflugerville by identifying more specifically their needs of additional programs, facilities and infrastructure.

The PY2016 Action Plan incorporates projects related to infrastructure and parks needs identified in the community. The proposed projects include:

#### 1. Senior Center Renovations

- 2. Senior Park Phase II (construction of parking and initial amenities for a park facility within Bohls Park)
- 3. Youth Scholarship Program

1A. Alternate Project - Windermere Pool Bathroom Renovation

2A. Alternate Project – Senior Park Additional Amenities

#### 2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Three national objectives serve as the overall framework for the use of CDBG funds. The goals are to provide decent housing, create a suitable living environment and expand economic opportunities, to principally benefit extremely low, low and moderate income individuals and families. Income categories are calculated on an annual basis by HUD. Extremely low income households have an income of 0-30% Area Median Income (AMI), low income households have an income of 30-50% AMI and moderate income is 50-80% AMI. All income levels being adjusted based on family size.

In addition, the program must meet one of the following outcomes: availability/accessibility, sustainability or affordability. In addition HUD has established a listing of Matrix Codes for projects funded with CDBG monies. These codes are prioritized at the local level based on the community needs assessment. Matrix Codes are categorized as either "high" or "low" priorities. High priorities include: Infrastructure, Public Facilities, and Community Service.

#### 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Program Year 2016 is the City's third year for implementation of the CDBG program. Projects selected for the previous program year focused heavily on sidewalk infrastructure and pedestrian mobility. Pflugerville has opted to focus more attention on projects within block groups that exceed that the minimum exception requirement of 41.4 percent in order to not place future projects at risk or projects that are focused on infrastructure improvements that benefit the community overall.

#### 4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City adopted and published a Citizens Participation Plan (CPP) in March 2014 outlining the efforts required for citizen participation within the City's CDBG program. In consultation with the CPP the City published notice in the Pflugerville Pflag newspaper, on the City's website as well as the City's media blasts to solicit input from residents and social service providers on the needs in Pflugerville. Opportunities for public input on the 2016 Action Plan were available during the 30 day public review

period from May 31, 2016 thru June 30, 2016. Public hearings were held on Tuesday June 14, 2016 and Tuesday, June 28, 2016. Comments received from the meetings will be included in Appendix A.

In preparation of the Amended Plan, seniors within the community were surveyed in order to obtain further perspective on the improvements/needs of our seniors that could be considered as a CDBG project. Results of that survey, held through the month of April 2016, can be found in Appendix A.

The City of Pflugerville continues to encourage citizen participation with emphasis towards participation by persons of very-low, low and moderate income who are eligible for services provided by the CDBG program as well as residents of targeted areas in which the CDBG funds can be expended. All documents related to the CDBG program are made available to the public for review at any time and are available in the Pflugerville Public Library located at 1008 W. Pfluger Street, as well as on the City's website at: pflugervilletx.gov/community development.

#### 5. Summary of public comments

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

All comments received during the public comment period for the amended Action Plan for 2015 were related to improved facilities for seniors. Specific comments are provided for in Appendix A of the Action Plan.

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

All comments received during the public input process will be placed within Appendix A. The City received numerous requests to provide a new bus for our senior center in order to facilitate senior programs like trips and other outings, in a more accessible and comfortable environment. After review of the request it was determined that the purchase of the bus would not meet the national objective requirements of the CDBG program and therefore was not proposed as a project to be funded with CDBG dollars. The majority of the other concerns and comments raised were incorporated into the Amended Action Plan for 2015 or proposed with the 2016 Action Plan that, due to the timing of the 2015 Amendment, were discussed and programmed concurrently.

#### 7. Summary

As the City continues to grow so do the needs of the population. The Consolidated Plan identified those needs specifically for the very low, low to low to moderate income population of Pflugerville. The projects proposed within the 2016 Action Plan address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan and provide focus in areas and on citizens with the very low to moderate income areas of the community.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	Pflugerville, TX	
CDBG Administrator	Pflugerville, TX	Planning Department

Table 1 - Responsible Agencies

#### **Narrative (optional)**

The City of Pflugerville is the Lead Agency for the CDBG Program. The Planning Department manages the CDBG program and oversees the development of the Consolidated Plan, the Annual Action Plan and all projects associated with CDBG, and for the reporting to HUD. Other departments within the City that will aid in facilitating the CDBG program are the Engineering Department, Parks and Recreation Department and the Finance Department.

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

#### 1. Introduction

The City of Pflugerville consulted with a variety of stakeholders in an effort to assess the housing and community development needs and priorities within the community. From these consultations and assessments the Action Plan was created and serves as the plan for projects annually that will be funded during the five year life of the Consolidated Plan 2014-2019.

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

In order to obtain input from public agencies and community organizations staff met with one of the primary service provider within the community, Travis County Health and Human Services and Veterans Affairs to discuss the needs they address and where the insufficiencies appear to be for the citizens they serve. These meetings were vital in developing an understanding of housing, employment, transportation and basic necessities within the community.

In the early spring of 2015 City Council appointed a Senior Advisory Task Force to aid the city in the evaluating the needs of senior citizens within the community. This task force provided information regarding infrastructure improvements necessary to provide for better access to public facilities, such as the Recreation/Senior Center and provided guidance on programs that seniors find beneficial including social services to recreation programming.

These conversations aided greatly in the understanding of needs within the community, from housing to community needs and help to guide the selection of projects and afforded staff on both sides the opportunity to forge a relationship that help to build the community beyond the realm of CDBG.

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.

City Staff will continue conversations with Ending Community Homelessness Coalition (ECHO), which serves as a Continuum of Care for the area, to obtain a better understanding of the services they provided the homeless population not only within Pflugerville but the region. Since entering the CDBG program the City has created contacts with ECHO and receives information monthly on the demographics of homeless in our region. Additionally, the City utilizes resources provided by Travis County for informational purposes as well as providing guidance to available services.

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

Not applicable

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

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1 Agency/Group/Organization	Travis County Health and Human Services & Veterans Affairs
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing
	Services-Children
	Services-Elderly Persons
	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	Services-homeless
	Services-Health
	Services-Employment
	Service-Fair Housing
	Health Agency
	Child Welfare Agency
	Other government - County
	Community Development Financial Institution
What section of the Plan was addressed by	Housing Need Assessment
Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Homelessness Needs - Veterans
	Market Analysis
	Anti-poverty Strategy
	transportation, recreation

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Staff met to obtain data and understanding of the services provided by the County and the needs of the populations within the City of Pflugerville.  Consultation with the Travis County HHS/VA continues to be a beneficial source of information and knowledge in the needs of the low to moderate income population in Pflugerville. The knowledge provided in needs from transportation improvements and senior needs to keeping youth healthy and active contributes greatly to the actions chosen for the 2015 Action Plan.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Action Network (CAN)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	socioeconomic indicators
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Staff reviewed and analyzed data provided by Community Advancement Network (CAN)(formerly Community Action Network) related to the socioeconomic indicators for Greater Austin and Travis County. The City of Pflugerville is a member of this diverse organization that is a partnership of governmental, non-profit, private and faith-based organizations which leverage mutual resources to collectively improve social, health, educational and economic opportunities in our community.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Pflugerville ISD
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Youth Programming
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Obtained data related to numbers of youth served by the ISD as it related to their free to reduced lunch program.

4	Agency/Group/Organization	Ending Community Homelessness Coalition (ECHO)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Monthly data and information is provided by ECHO that assists in analysis of the overall homeless community within the Central Texas area. While no programs to address homelessness are included within the Action Plan staff will continue conversations and collection of information from ECHO to aid in a greater understanding of the homeless population and Continuum of Care within our region.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Pflugerville Community Development Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment Community Development Financial Institution
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Market Analysis Economic Development
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Pflugerville Community Development Corporation (PCDC) serves as the economic development department for the City. Staff utilizes their knowledge and resources of economic development patterns and trends to gain information related to jobs, economic development and other related information.

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

In preparation of the 2016 Action Plan the City consulted with various public and private agencies to address the issues outlined in the plan regarding housing, health services, and social and fair housing services (including those focusing on services to children, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, homeless persons). To the City's knowledge there were no agency types not consulted during the development of this plan.

### 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	ECHO	To be determined

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

## **AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

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

The City adopted and published a Citizens Participation Plan (CPP) in March 2014 outlining the efforts required for citizen participation within the City's CDBG program. In consultation with the CPP the City published notice in the Pflugerville Pflag newspaper, on the City's website to solicit input from residents and social service providers on the needs in Pflugerville.

Opportunities for public input on the 2016 Action Plan are available during the 30 day public review period from May 31, 2016 thru June 30, 2016. Public hearings are held on Tuesday June 14, 2016 and Tuesday, June 28, 2016. Comments received from the meetings will be included in Appendix A at the time of final publication. The City of Pflugerville continues to encourage citizen participation with emphasis towards participation by persons of very-low, low and moderate income who are eligible for services provided by the CDBG program as well as residents of targeted areas in which the CDBG funds can be expended. All documents related to the CDBG program are made available to the public for review at any time and are available in the Pflugerville Public Library located at 1008 W. Pfluger Street, as well as on the City's website at: pflugervilletx.gov/communitydevelopment.

# **Citizen Participation Outreach**

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of	Summary of	Summary of comments	URL (If applicable)
			response/attendance	comments received	not accepted and reasons	
1	Public Hearing	Non- targeted/broad community	The City held two public hearings regarding the Amended 2015 Action Plan. 3 citizens provided comments.	Support of the projects benefiting seniors was resonated by Pflugerville residents. Senior residents requested a new bus, additional space for the Senior Center within the Recreation Center and showed support for additional senior amenities. Attendees of the public hearing, approximately 20 at each public hearing with 3 speaking at the 2nd public hearing, were notified via newspaper, online information, physical copies of the plans at multiple locations and word of mouth.	The general focus of the 2015 Amended was to provide additional facilities to serve our senior citizens. General feedback regarding a new bus was received however that was funded by City Council through the general fund as it did not meet the requirements of the CDBG program.	
2	Newspaper Ad	Non- targeted/broad community	None	None	No known comments were received as a result of the newspaper ad.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of	Summary of	Summary of comments	URL (If applicable)
					not accepted	
			response/attendance	comments received	and reasons	
3	Internet Outreach	Non- targeted/broad community	None	None	No known comments were received as a result of internet outreach. Methods used included inclusion in the City's citywide email service (PfKey to the City; social media; list servs)	
4	Physical copies of Action Plan provided at public locations	Non- targeted/broad community users of the Travis County Health and Human Services and Veterans Service Programs	None	None	No known comments were received as a result of providing copies of the proposed Action Plan at the City's Public Library as well as Travis County's Health and Human Services Center & Veterans Services facility within the community.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of	Summary of	Summary of comments	URL (If applicable)
			response/attendance	comments received	not accepted and reasons	
5	Survey of Seniors	Targeted community	38 Online Responses 68 Paper Responses	Support of the projects benefiting seniors was resonated by Pflugerville residents. Senior residents requested a new bus, additional space for the Senior Center within the Recreation Center and showed support for additional senior amenities.	The general focus of the 2015 Amended was to provide additional facilities to serve our senior citizens. General feedback regarding a new bus was received however that was funded by City Council through the general fund as it did not meet the requirements of the CDBG program.	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

# **Expected Resources**

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

#### Introduction

The City of Pflugerville is anticipating an entitlement grant in the amount of \$245,000 during the 2016 Program Year (October 1, 2016-September 30, 2017) to address obstacles to meet underserved needs. The result of these activities will be reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report to be published in December 2017.

#### **Priority Table**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amour	nt Available Ye	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of Funds		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	
			Allocation:	Income:	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Reminder	
							of	
							ConPlan	
							\$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						Remaining funds from PY2015 may be
	federal	Admin and						available once anticipated projects are
		Planning						completed. At the time of the 2016
		Economic						Action Plan the proposed projects
		Development	\$245,000	\$0	\$0	\$245,000	\$743,520	assumed no additional funding
		Housing						availability.
		Public						
		Improvements						
		Public Services						

Table 5 - Expected Resources - Priority Table

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

No leveraged funds are anticipated however, the City of Pflugerville does not anticipate utilizing the administrative allocation of the funding amount and will use the entire allocation towards projects.

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

The anticipated infrastructure and public facilities projects will all be located within City owned property, either a public park or within public right-of-way.

#### Discussion

The Strategic Plan focuses on projects funded through CDBG funds provided to the City by HUD on an annual basis. Based on the City's annual allocation of \$245,000 for Program Year 2016 (PY16) the projects proposed are within the limits of this allocation. No additional leveraged funds are proposed. Improvements, not including acquisition, will occur on public property owned and maintained by the City of Pflugerville.

# **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	Infrastructure	2016	2017	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Infrastructure	CDBG: \$0	Public Facility or Infrastructure
				Community	CDBG			Activities other than Low/Moderate
				Development				Income Housing Benefit: 3885
								Persons Assisted
2	Public	2016	2017	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Public Buildings	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Facilities			Community	CDBG	and Facilities	\$190,000	Activities other than Low/Moderate
				Development				Income Housing Benefit: 5961
								Persons Assisted
3	Community	2016	2017	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Community	CDBG:	Public service activities other than
	Service			Community	CDBG	Service	\$15,000	Low/Moderate Income Housing
				Development				Benefit: 75 Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

# **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Infrastructure
	<b>Goal Description</b>	n/a

2	Goal Name	Public Facilities	
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Senior Facilities Improvements	
3	Goal Name	Community Service	
	Goal Description	Youth Scholarship Program	

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

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

No projects are proposed regarding housing.

## **AP-35 Projects - 91.220(d)**

#### Introduction

The City of Pflugerville will address the community development needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. Funding has been allocated to projects within Pflugerville in the following high priority categories: infrastructure, public facilities, and community service. These activities were selected based on the needs identified during the consolidated planning process.

#	Project Name
1	Senior Center Interior Renovations
2	New Senior Park at Bohls Park-Phase II
3	Youth Recreation Scholarships
A1	New Public Bathrooms at Windermere Park (Alternate)

Table 8 – Project Information

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

Projects were selected on where the low to moderate income populations within our community would most benefit and meet the 41.44% threshold established by HUD. Obstacles to addressing underserved needs may arise should the 41.44% minimum increase as was the case for project anticipated in the 2014 Action Plan.

# **Projects**

# **AP-38 Projects Summary**

# **Project Summary Information**

Table 9 – Project Summary

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1	Project Name	Senior Center Interior Renovations
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Buildings and Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Renovation of the Senior center will create more space for senior activities by removing the room used as a daycare facility.
	Target Date	9/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This facility houses the City's senior center as well as the City's recreation center that is open to the public. The estimated senior population within the City is approximately 5,161 persons over the age of 62 (ACS 2014).
	Location Description	400 Immanuel Road
	Planned Activities	More open space to accommodate for the needs of senior and their activities such as meetings and events.
2	Project Name	New Senior Park at Bohls Park-Phase II
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	\$140,000
	Description	Construction of a park for seniors, and additional parking spaces to accommodate for our growing senior citizen population.
	Target Date	9/30/2017

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated senior population within the City is approximately 5,161 persons over the age of 62.
	Location Description	400 Immanuel Rd
	Planned Activities	The park will include amenities geared towards senior programming and activities within an outdoor space as well as parking which can service both the park as well as the Recreation Center which houses the Senior Center.
3	Project Name	Youth Recreation Scholarships
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Community Service
	Needs Addressed	Community Service
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,000
	Description	Provide financial assistance to qualifying Pflugerville families in order to facilitate participation in City sponsored youth activities and programs such as Pfun Camp, swim lessons, and various sports, arts and dance programs.
	Target Date	9/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	75 LMI children are anticipated to benefit
	Location Description	Various based on location of recreation program
	Planned Activities	Offer scholarships in the maximum amount of \$200 to LMI children within the City to participate in recreation programs, including summer camp, offered by the City's Parks and Recreation Department.
A1	Project Name	(Alternate) New Public Bathrooms at Windermere Park
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG:
	Description	Construction of a new bathroom facilities to service the park.

	Target Date	TBD
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	4,025 LMI
	Location Description	Windermere Park, 16800 Gower Street
	Planned Activities	
A2	Project Name	New Senior Park at Bohls Park-Phase II
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: TBD
	Description	Construction of a park for seniors, and additional parking spaces to accommodate for our growing senior citizen population.
	Target Date	9/30/2017
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The estimated senior population within the City is approximately 5,161 persons over the age of 62.
	<b>Location Description</b>	400 Immanuel Rd
	Planned Activities	The park will include amenities geared towards senior programming and activities within an outdoor space as well as parking which can service both the park as well as the Recreation Center which houses the Senior Center.

### AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

Projects were not selected based on a specific geographic area of the city however, some of the parks and infrastructure projects are located within areas that meet the low and moderate income areas where more than 41.4 percent of the households are living at or below 80 percent of the median income.

#### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of Pflugerville	100%

Table 10 - Geographic Distribution

#### Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

In order to meet the 41.4 percent criteria research found that the projects are generally limited to two block groups that can consistently meet the threshold for projects. The projects selected for consideration focused on needs for low to moderate income areas and greater benefit to the community overall by incorporating improved facilities for the senior population.

# **Affordable Housing**

# AP-55 Affordable Housing - 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

For the five year period covered by the Consolidated Plan, Pflugerville does not intend to target CDBG funds toward efforts to aid in housing needs.

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

Table 11 - 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	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	0

Table 12 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

#### Discussion

Recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important not only to the individual citizen but the community as a whole, staff continues to review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participate in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville. Additionally, the City utilizes services provided by Travis County for housing aid as well as public housing. The City will continue to work with Travis County as well as entities that proposal local developments offering housing vouchers or other types of financial aid for housing.

# **AP-60 Public Housing — 91.220(h)**

#### Introduction

For the five year period covered by the Consolidated Plan, Pflugerville does not intend to target CDBG funds toward efforts to aid in housing needs.

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

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any housing projects within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan.

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

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any housing projects within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan.

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

Not applicable

#### Discussion

Recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important not only to the individual citizen but the community as a whole, staff continues to review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participate in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville. Additionally, the City utilizes services provided by Travis County for housing aid as well as public housing. The City will continue to work with Travis County as well as entities that proposal local developments offering housing vouchers or other types of financial aid for housing.

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

For the five year period covered by the Consolidated Plan, Pflugerville does not intend to target CDBG funds toward efforts to aid in housing needs. However, recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important not only to the individual citizen but the community as a whole, staff will review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participate in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including:

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

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan. The City utilizes data and services offered by ECHO and Travis County HHS/VS to aid in our knowledge of homeless issues as well as the needs of addressing homeless population and to reach that specific population in our area which has seen a 22 percent drop since 2011. The City is also a member of CAN (Community Action Network) a partnership of governmental, non-profit, private and faith-based organizations which leverage mutual resources to collectively improve social, health, educational and economic opportunities in our community. This partnership aids in the knowledge of not only the homeless populations but a variety of issues effecting the community and provides for opportunities to reach various populations and find services for the varying needs.

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

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

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homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan.

#### Discussion

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan. The City will continue to work with Travis County on housing needs, with ECHO on the homeless population, and will continue participation in the Community Advancement Network (CAN).

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

#### Introduction

For the five year period covered by the Consolidated Plan, Pflugerville does not intend to target CDBG funds toward efforts to aid in housing needs. However, recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important not only to the individual citizen but the community as a whole, staff will review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participate in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The City recently updated the City's Unified Development Code, the set of ordinances regulating development within the City, and continues to be diligent in review of the land use ordinances affecting housing and housing types and the opportunities for growth throughout the community that provides for a mix of housing types in every area of the community.

### **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

#### Introduction

Pflugerville's Program Year 2016 (PY16) Action Plan lists the projects and activities the City will undertake beginning October 1, 2016 to meet the goals and objectives outlined in the 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan details how the City will use the CDBG funds and describes how the City will address housing and non-housing community development needs.

#### Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Potential obstacles to meeting underserved needs include: rapid population growth, need for transportation to existing services, access to affordable recreation facilities and programs, rising cost of housing. While population growth will occur, Pflugerville has worked through various planning processes to help manage that growth over time, addressing water, wastewater, parks, trails, land use, housing and a multitude of other issues that coincide with a rapidly growing city. The projects selected are to complement the long term plans for a growing city that aid in meeting underserved needs of the low to moderate population.

#### Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

For the five year period covered by the Consolidated Plan, Pflugerville does not intend to target CDBG funds toward efforts to aid in housing needs. However, recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important not only to the individual citizen but the community as a whole, staff will continue to review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participate in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville.

#### Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City utilizes community services provided by Travis County for the remediation of lead based paint in Pflugerville's housing supply. Approximately 226 homes within the City of Pflugerville were constructed during the time when lead based paint was accepted for use. The City will continue to utilize Travis County Health and Human Services and Veterans Services, which receives funds through State grants and the Travis County General Fund to provide limited lead based paint remediation on houses built before 1978 where small holes in the wall or similar acts could cause additional lead exposure.

#### Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Approximately 10.4% of Pflugerville residents live in poverty (ACS 2014 5 year estimate). Female headed households with children are particularly affected by poverty. The City's anti-poverty strategy is based on attracting a range of businesses and providing workforce development and a mix of uses throughout the

community that are supportive of each other reducing or eliminating the need to find housing, employment or services outside of the community.

#### Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Effective implementation of the Consolidated Plan involves a variety of agencies. Coordination and collaboration within the City of Pflugerville and between agencies helps to ensure that the needs in the community are addressed. The key departments and agencies that are involved in the implementation of the Plan are described below.

#### **Public sector**

City of Pflugerville, Planning Department

The Planning Department is responsible for the administration of the City's programs funded by CDBG money. This office has primary responsibility for managing and implementing the City's Consolidated Plan programs and related documents.

Other City departments are also involved in providing services, include the Engineering Department, Parks and Recreation Department and the Public Works Department.

City of Pflugerville, Finance Department

The City Finance Department manages the CDBG procurement processes for commodities, professional services and construction. Expertise in the area of federal standards has been created within the department. The department submits all financial reports, including the SF-425.

Travis County Health & Human Services and Veterans Services Department (TCHHS/VS)

TCHHS/VS offers a variety of services to Pflugerville and Travis County residents including:

- Utility, Rent and Mortgage Assistance
- Family Assistance
- Children's Services
- Senior Services
- Public Health Services
- Emergency Services

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

The City is committed to continuing its participation and coordination with federal, state, county and local

Annual Action Plan 2016 agencies as well as with the private and non-profit sector, to serve the needs of target income individuals and families in the community. The City will continue to work with the area service providers as well as the building industry to address housing and community needs.

# **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction

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

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

<ol> <li>The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next</li> </ol>	
program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	C
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to	)
address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	C
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	C
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has no	t
been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0
Other CDBG Requirements	
1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that	
benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive	
period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum	
overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and	
moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. 10	0.00%

#### **Discussio**n

#### A. Public Comments

#### Comments received from the public:

At the public hearing on June 28<sup>th</sup>, three residents spoke regarding the proposed projects. Comments received were in support of utilizing funds towards senior projects citing that senior programs improved the health and wellbeing of senior residents. The emphasis from the citizens that provided comments was on additional space dedicated to the Senior Center. Additional comments received were in support of the senior park. In 2015 the City Council put together a group of Pflugerville's senior citizens as a Senior Advisory Task Force. That group created a report that identified various needs of the Pflugerville seniors. Several projects that were identified by this effort are being implemented through the CDBG program with the Amended 2015 Action Plan as well as the proposed 2016 Action Plan including improved/additional accessibility to the senior center, additional space dedicated to the senior center and a new senior park featuring senior focused amenities and parking accessibility. The report created by the Senior Advisory Task Force is included as a supplement to the Action Plan.

Written and Email feedback for Senior Activities & Facilities Improvements Survey conducted in April of 2016 in preparation of the Amended 2015 Action Plan and the 2016 Action Plan.

#### Projects I would like to see implemented for seniors?

- "More senior activities and trips for various age groups. Also, swimming pool activities and others for more active seniors"
- "More trips on weekends. Festivals."
- "Trips. Cruises along the US coast-no passport required. Stonewall peach festival & rodeo."
- "Cell phone tutorial classes; age in place home improvements class, audit service, senior EMT/transport service. Senior shopper delivery with HEB app. Business to sponsor vouchers like drop-by-drop program."
- "A small area for seniors to work on balance with supportive bars/rail ups. A ramp at the back door for easier access."
- "Handicap access, some are more in need. Provide walker/canes if long distance is too much."
- "Parking lot and access for disable person thru rear entry."
- "Parking lot, ramp, and new bus."
- "The bus should have a lift for seniors who are mobility impaired."
- "We need more space for seniors to play dominoes, cards, etc."
- Provide line dancing classes with speakers, microphones, cd players, etc. Please check with line dancing instructors for other items needed. Consider making a park designed for seniors"
- "More handicap parking."
- "The bus must be a coach with largest capacity possible and must have lift."
- "Ample parking."
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- "More parking spaces."
- · "Party nights."

- "There are too many events going on at the same time. Events need to be scheduled."
- "Need a dedicated senior center. Put it on a bond for vote to public. Every town (large or small) has a senior center. Pflugerville is falling behind."
- "Plays at the Long Center. Indoor swimming pool."
- "More trips to WinStar."
- "This center needs more parking spaces."
- "I would like to have transportation that would that would cross the boundary lines like Pflugerville to Hutto, Hutto to Pflugerville, Round Rock to Hutto or Pflugerville, etc."
- "Your (online) survey form only allows for one selection. The seniors' current bus is a health hazard. It is in immediate need of mold remediation. We would be interested in the addition of exercise stations in Bohls Park modeled on the Stepping On safety program exercises."
- "More space in the recreation center dedicated to seniors is equally important. A new bus needs to be a coach bus with handicap and bathroom facilities."
- "I would like to see a concentrated effort to be sure that all seniors have working fire alarms in their homes. Seniors can't very well get up on ladders to install them or change the battery. I called the fire department to see if they have a program for this and they said no they don't do anything like that. So could this be a project under the grant. Also it would be nice to have more benches around the walking trails."
- "Permanent indoor pickle ball court!!! Also activities for seniors on weekends."
- "Some "gravel" surface to walk on trails—not all concrete."
- "Billiard room almost never in use."

