# **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 60,000 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 214% over the past 17 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 60,000 (July 2017).

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 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 41.44%.

The PY2018 Action Plan incorporates projects related to infrastructure and parks needs identified in the community. The proposed projects include:

- Youth Scholarship Program
- El Malino Design and Construction Roadway Improvements
- Bellemeade Design Roadway Improvements
- Alternate Projects Bellemeade Construction Roadway Improvements

#### 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.

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 for the City of Pflugerville 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 2018 is the City's fifth year for implementation of the CDBG program. Projects selected for the previous program years focused heavily on mobility improvements, senior related projects and youth recreation. Pflugerville has opted to focus more attention on projects within block groups that greatly exceed the minimum exception requirement of <u>41.44 percent</u> in order to not place future projects at risk or projects that are focused on infrastructure improvements that benefit the community overall, or are focused on a facility or program that benefits presumed low income clientele, like seniors.

#### 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 in both English and Spanish, 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 2018 Action Plan will be available during the 30 day public review period from June 8, 2018 to July 10, 2018. Public hearings will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 and Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Additionally, the City consults with the Planning and Zoning Commission who serves as the community's CDBG Advisory Board. This meeting will be held on July 2, 2018.

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/cdbg.

#### 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.

No comments were received during the public hearings nor the public comment period. Approval by both the City of Pflugerville's CDBG Advisory Board and City Council was received and copies of those actions can be found in the appendix.

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

Not applicable.

#### 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 too low to moderate income population of Pflugerville. The projects proposed within the 2018 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
CDBG Administrator	PFLUGERVILLE	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 any related amendments as well as 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, Finance Department and Public Works Department.

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

#### 1. Introduction

The City of Pflugerville consulted with stakeholders in an effort to assess the housing and community development needs and priorities within the community. The primary source of information received is from the Travis County Health and Human Services/Veteran Affairs local department, Ending Community Homelessness Coalition (ECHO) and local leaders including City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, Pflugerville Community Development Corporation (PCDC), Pflugerville ISD and city staff. From these consultations and assessments the 2018 Action Plan was created and serves as the plan for projects that are anticipated to be funded during the 2018 Program Year.

# 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 are vital in developing an understanding of housing, employment, transportation and basic necessities within the community.

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. In development of the 2018 Action Plan comments were received from Travis County Health and Human Services regarding the mobility needs of our community and the improvements needed specifically in the block groups with the higher percentage of low to moderate income residents.

# 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 works 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 maintained contact with ECHO and receives information monthly on the demographics of homeless in our region as well as opportunities on how to participate with their program, such as the annual homelessness survey. The City utilizes resources provided by Travis County and ECHO for informational *purposes as well as providing guidance to available services.* The City is working on providing education information to the community regarding housing and regional services that will be made available to the public through information provided at the public library as well as an online resource.

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

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
What section of the Plan was addressed by	Public Housing Needs
Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless
	Homeless Needs - Families with children
	Homelessness Needs - Veterans
	transportation; recreation
Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organizatio	<b>n</b> Staff met to obtain data and understanding of the services provided by the
was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of	
the consultation or areas for improved coordination	
•	of information and knowledge in the needs of the low to moderate income
	population in Pflugerville. Needs identified ranged from transportation
	improvements and senior needs to keeping youth healthy and active contributes
	greatly to the actions chosen for the 2018 Action Plan. While housing is not a
	high priority within the Pflugerville Consolidated Plan housing needs are
	discussed.

#### Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

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2	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Action Network (CAN)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Socio-economic indicators
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City participates as a board member of this organization. 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 children 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 2018 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 that were 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	Ending Community Homelessness Coalition	Awareness of issues regarding homelessness

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

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

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

The 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, City's website and social service providers on the needs in Pflugerville.

Opportunities for public input on the 2018 Amended Action Plan were available during the 30 day public review period from June 8, 2018 thru July 10, 2018 (A 30 day public input period was permitted by HUD per waiver granted to 24CFR 91.105(b)(4) and 24 CFR 91.115(b)(4) for CPD Program Funds). Public hearings will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, and Tuesday, July 10, 2018. All documents related to the CDBG program are made available to the public for review in the Pflugerville Public Library located at 1008 W. Pfluger Street, as well as on the City's website at: pflugervilletx.gov/cdbg.

#### **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	Non- targeted/broad community		To be deter	mined	

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)
		Non-English				
		Speaking - Specify				
		other language:		To be deter	mined	
2	Newspaper Ad	spanish				
		Non-				
		targeted/broad				
		community				
		Non-				
3	Internet Outreach	targeted/broad				
		community				
		Non-				
4	Internet Outreach	targeted/broad				
		community				
		Non-				
5	Public Meeting	targeted/broad				
		community				
		Non-				
6	Internet Outreach	targeted/broad				
		community				

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 \$265,024 during the 2018 Program Year (October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019) to meet underserved needs. The result of these activities will be reported in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

#### **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source of	Uses of Funds	Exp	ected Amount	Available Year	· 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	Funds		Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						
	federal	Admin and Planning						
		Economic						
		Development						
		Housing						
		Public Improvements						
		Public Services	265,024	0	0	265,024	0	

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 for any of the proposed projects. Staff resources not covered by the administrative costs of the program are not included within the evaluation for leveraged funds.

# 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 projects will all be located within City owned property, either a public park or within public right-of-way.

#### Discussion

# Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### **Goals Summary Information**

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Infrastructure	2018	2019	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Public	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
				Community	CDBG	Facilities/Infrastructure	\$240,024	Activities other than
				Development				Low/Moderate Income Housing
								Benefit: 995 Persons Assisted
2	Community	2018	2019	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Community Service	CDBG:	Public service activities other
	Service			Community	CDBG		\$20,000	than Low/Moderate Income
				Development				Housing Benefit: 100 Persons
								Assisted
3	Admin	2018	2019	Non-Housing	Pflugerville	Community Service	CDBG:	
				Community	CDBG		\$5,000	
				Development				

Table 6 – Goals Summary

**Goal Descriptions** 

1	Goal Name	Infrastructure
	<b>Goal Description</b>	
2	Goal Name	Community Service
	<b>Goal Description</b>	

# Projects

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

#### Introduction

The projects selected reflect the highest priorities as identified within the Pflugerville Consolidated Plan.

#### Projects

#	Project Name
1	Youth Recreation Scholarship
2	El Malino Design and Construction Roadway Improvements
3	Bellemeade Design Roadway Improvements
4	Alternate Project: Bellemeade Construction Roadway Improvements
5	Administrative Costs - PY2018

Table 7 - Project Information

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

Infrastructure (reconstruction and finalize design of El Malino, design for Bellemeade roadway improvements, and our alternate project includes the reconstruction of Bellemeade) and community service (youth scholarships) are projects that will serve specific areas of the community as well as meet the identified needs of our youth population making the most of the CDBG resources made available to Pflugerville. Administrative costs have been underutilized in previous program years and it is anticipated that will be consistent for 2018.

AP-38 Project Summary

**Project Summary Information** 

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3	Project Name	Administrative Costs - PY2018
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure Community Service
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities/Infrastructure Community Service
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000
	Description	Oversight administration provided by contract with Grantworks. Additionally, Pflugerville is partnering with the City of Austin, City of Round Rock, Travis County, Williamson County and various public housing authorities in the metropolitan area to complete a regional analysis of Fair Housing to meet the requirements outlined by HUD. The CDBG Administrative allowance within the grant will be used to cover the cost of the study (maximum \$25,000).
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	There is no direct beneficiary of administrative dollars related to the CDBG program.
	Location Description	not applicable - administrative costs
	Planned Activities	Oversight administration provided by contract with Grantworks.
4	Project Name	Bellemeade Design Roadway Improvements
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities/Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,000
	Description	Design of approximately 660 feet of roadway known as Bellemeade Boulevard
	Target Date	9/30/2019

	Estimate the number	995 Low to moderate income citizens (LMI) are anticipated to benefit
	and type of families that will benefit from the proposed	from this improvement. 1,280 residents live within the identified project block group (Tract 18.60, Block Group 1) with an estimated 77.73 percent LMI.
	activities Location Description	Bellemeade Boulevard
	Planned Activities	Design of approximately 660 feet of roadway known as Bellemeade Boulevard
1A	Project Name	Bellemeade Construction Roadway Improvements
	Target Area	Pflugerville CDBG
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities/Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$110,000
	Description	Reconstruction of approximately 660 feet of roadway known as Bellemeade Boulevard.
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	995 Low to moderate income citizens (LMI) are anticipated to benefit from this improvement. 1,280 residents live within the identified project block group (Tract 18.60, Block Group 1) with an estimated 77.73 percent LMI.
	Location Description	Bellemeade Boulevard
	Planned Activities	Reconstruction of approximately 660 feet of roadway known as Bellemeade Boulevard

### 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 solely 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 otherwise the project serves presumed low income citizens while other projects serve a city wide program for low to moderate income youth or seniors.

#### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds	
Pflugerville CDBG	100	

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

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

In order to meet the 41.44 percent criteria research found that the projects are generally limited to three block groups that can consistently meet the threshold for projects. The projects selected for consideration focused on infrastructure needs for low to moderate income areas and greater benefit to the community overall by incorporating youth programs.

#### Discussion

Roadway projects for this Action Plan year and future Action Plans are anticipated to come from an area within the community known as Yellow Sage. This area is wholly contained within a block group that meets the LMI requirements of the CDBG program. The Yellow Sage projects are located within Census Tract 18.60 Block Group 1, which have been identified by HUD as qualifying for CDBG investments. Within the block group HUD has identified a total of 1,280 individuals with 995 being considered low to moderate income or 77.73% LMI. The projects consist of six street improvements phased over six year period and will include in order of priority Mill Creek Dr, Green Meadows Dr, Bellemeade Blvd, El Malino Dr, portions of Yellow Sage and Frost Cr. The first five streets are located Hillside Spring area, which was were constructed over an eleven year period starting in 1970 within Travis County and later annexed by the City in 2009. The last street, Frost Cr, is within the Watson Park subdivision which was platted in 1959 within Travis County and annexed by the City in 2009 as well. However, Frost Cr was never completely constructed even though several residential houses were built.

# Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

Recognizing that a diversity of housing types and affordability is important to the community as a whole, as such staff continues to review housing types available in the community to ensure workforce housing is accommodated within the community and participates in planning efforts that aid in the development of affordable projects within Pflugerville.

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

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

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

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

#### Discussion

## 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. The City of Pflugerville does not have a Public Housing Authority and residents seek assistance from Travis County for housing vouchers and other types of housing assistance.

#### 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. In February of 2017 the City Council passed two resolutions in support of tax credit housing that would aid in the construction of projects serving residents with 60% of the area median income (AMI). It is anticipated that Pflugerville will continue to see these requests to provide support for projects that meet the needs of the community.

# 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. As previously stated, the City of Pflugerville does not have a Public Housing Authority and residents seek assistance from Travis County for housing vouchers and other types of housing assistance. Pflugerville is working in a regional partnership with two other cities, two counties and five Public Housing Authorities on Fair Housing and working to gain a better understanding of the needs for housing, including public, within our region.

# 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 of the homeless. 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.

As provided within the recent Census release the known homeless within the community is 0; providing for challenges in identifying homeless needs within the community. We will work to identify homeless within our community by taking additional steps through our scholarship program by identifying those who are homeless or those that might be close to becoming homeless and then assist with identifying available resources available to them through Travis County. We will also use our best efforts to provide a source of information for these services available online as well as within our public facilities (i.e. Recreation Center and Library).

#### 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. However, as stated previously, we will

work to identify homeless within our community by taking additional steps through our scholarship program by identifying those who are homeless or those that might be close to becoming homeless and then assist with identifying available resources available to them through Travis County. We will also use our best efforts to provide a source of information for these services available online as well as within our public facilities (i.e. Recreation Center and Library).

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

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects utilizing CDBG funds regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan. However, as stated previously, we will work to identify homeless within our community by taking additional steps through our scholarship program by identifying those who are homeless or those that might be close to becoming homeless and then assist with identifying available resources available to them through Travis County. We will also use our best efforts to provide a source of information for these services available online as well as within our public facilities (i.e. Recreation Center and Library).

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 utilizing CDBG funds regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan. However, as stated previously, we will work to identify homeless within our community by taking additional steps through our scholarship program by identifying those who are homeless or those that might be close to becoming homeless and then assist with identifying available resources available to them through Travis County. We will also use our best efforts to provide a source of information for these services available online as well as within our public facilities (i.e. Recreation Center and Library).

#### Discussion

Due to limited resources Pflugerville does not anticipate undertaking any projects utilizing CDBG funds

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regarding homelessness within the time frame of the Consolidated Plan. However, as stated previously, we will work to identify homeless within our community by taking additional steps through our scholarship program by identifying those who are homeless or those that might be close to becoming homeless and then assist with identifying available resources available to them through Travis County. We will also use our best efforts to provide a source of information for these services available online as well as within our public facilities (i.e. Recreation Center and Library).

# 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.

The City has partnered with the cities of Austin and Round Rock as well as Williamson and Travis counties and 5 public housing authorities to collaborate on a regional four housing study. The results of this study is anticipated to be completed in early 2019.

#### **Discussion:**

In addition to allowing for a mix of housing types the City recently (February 2017) passed two resolutions in support of tax credit housing providing more dwelling units available to residents at 60% of the area median income or below.

### AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

#### Introduction:

*Pflugerville's Program Year 2018 (PY18) Action Plan lists the projects and activities the City intend to undertake beginning October 1, 2018 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, roadways, 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.* 

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

Approximately 8.0% of Pflugerville residents live in poverty (ACS 2015 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. The economic development division of the City, the Pflugerville Community Development Corporations, works daily to attract businesses and employment opportunities to the city.

#### 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.

#### 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

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local 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.

#### Discussion:

The City of Pflugerville works year round to provide services to address the needs of the residents and utilize CDBG funds where the anticipated funding is sufficient to complete a project that can meet the goals as provided for within the Consolidated Plan while working in other areas to address identified needs not otherwise prioritized by CDBG.

# **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction:

The benefit provided by CDBG for Program Year is estimated at 98% with the balance of 2% being allocated towards administrative costs. Any costs not utilized related to administration will be reallocated to be utilized towards projects and programs.