City of East Chicago
Department of Redevelopment

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FY 2017 Annual Action Plan



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Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

The City of East Chicago is an entitlement community, under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and a participating jurisdiction, under the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) program and receives funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As such, the City is required to prepare and submit an Annual Action Plan which outlines how the City plans to spend those funds. The Annual Action Plan is a guide to how the City will allocate its resources for specific activities that support the City of East Chicago's Five Year Consolidated Goals and Strategies. This is the City of East Chicago's fourth Annual Action Plan of the FY 2014-2018 Five Year Consolidated Plan. The Five Year Plan describes the housing and non-housing needs of City residents and presents a five year strategy to address those needs. The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan for the City of East Chicago includes the City's CDBG Program and outlines which activities the City will undertake during the program year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018. In addition, the Plan includes the HOME funds that the City will receive in FY 2017. The City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment is the lead entity and administrator for both the CDBG and HOME funds.

The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan outlines the actions to be undertaken in Fiscal Year 2017 with the Federal resources received by the City of East Chicago. The CDBG Program and activities outlined in this FY 2017Annual Action Plan will principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons and funding has been targeted to neighborhoods where there is the highest percentage of low- and moderate-income residents. The City's previous performance under the CDBG Program was discussed at the Public Hearings.

The Annual Action Plan relied upon efforts of individuals, organizations and citizens, in the development of a comprehensive strategy to revitalize the City.

Available Funds:

The following financial resources are included in the FY 2017Annual Action Plan which anticipates funding to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the City of East Chicago's FY 2014-2018 Consolidated Plan.

CDBG Funds	**$1,199,552**
CDBG Program Income	$80,000
HOME Funds	$214,811
HOME Program Income	$4,440
Totals:	$1,498,803

Table 1 - Entitlement Funds

FY 2017 CDBG and HOME Budget

Administration - $288,132.05

- General Administration (CDBG) $255,910.40
- HOME Administrative (HOME) $21,481.10
- CHDO Operating (HOME) $10,740.55 (5%)

Housing Programs - $978,049.30

- Housing Rehabilitation Program (CDBG) $523,241.60 (41%)
- Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery (CDBG) $300,000.00 (23%)
- Housing Rehabilitation Program (HOME) $154,807.70 (70%)

Public Services - $200,400

- Boys and Girls Club – Jr. Staff Career Program (CDBG): $15,000.00
- East Chicago Housing Authority - Latchkey Program (CDBG): $10,000.00
- Haven House - Women's Domestic Violence Shelter (CDBG): $15,000.00
- NWI Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops (CDBG) $12,000.00
- We Care from the Heart - Senior Health And Home Preservation Services (CDBG) $15,000.00
- Senior Programs (CDBG): $5,000.00
- Summer Youth Stars Camp (CDBG): $22,000.00
- Summer Youth Employment Program (CDBG): $62,000.00
- Sports Voucher Program - Northlake Pop Warner (CDBG): $4,500.00
- Arts Program (CDBG): $15,000.00
- Catholic Charities - Homelessness Prevention Program (CDBG): $5,400
- City of East Chicago Sports Voucher Program - E. Chicago Little League (CDBG): $2,500
- Indiana Legal Services (CDBG): $12,000
- Indiana Parenting Institute - Job Retention Skills Program (CDBG): $5,000

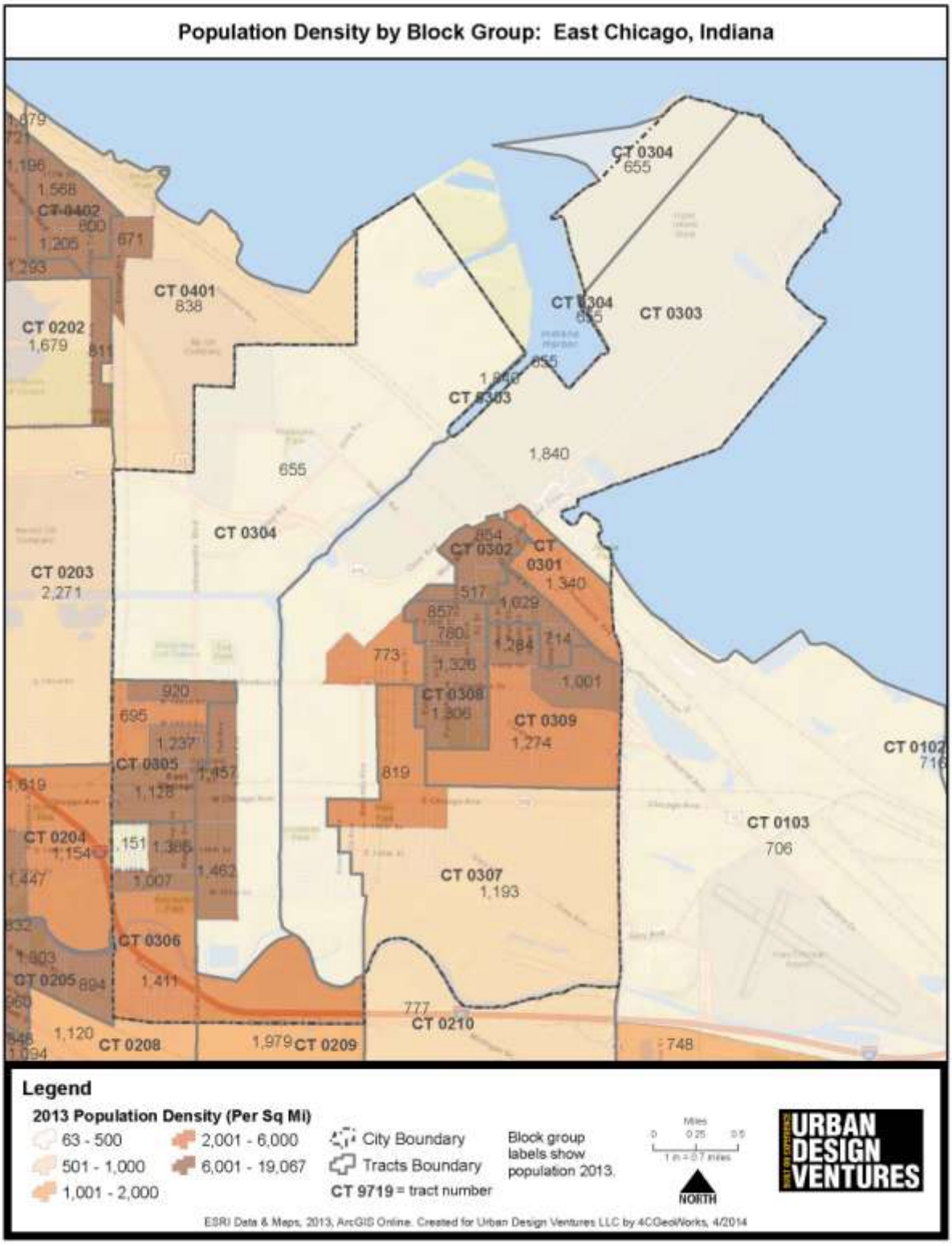
Affordable Housing Program - $32,221.65

- Affordable Housing Program (HOME-CHDO) $32,221.65 (15%)

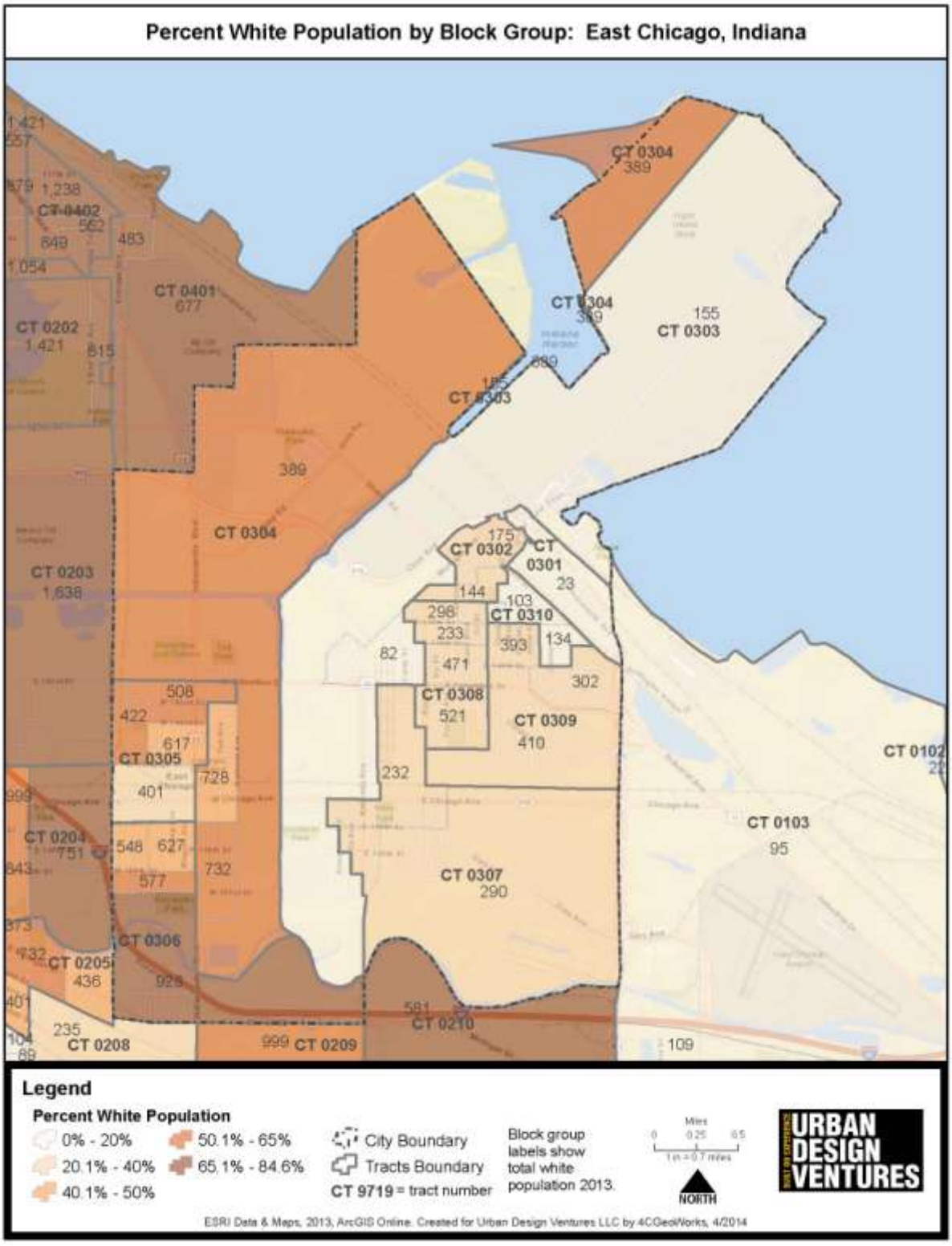
Total CDBG and HOME Budget: $1,498,803

Maps:

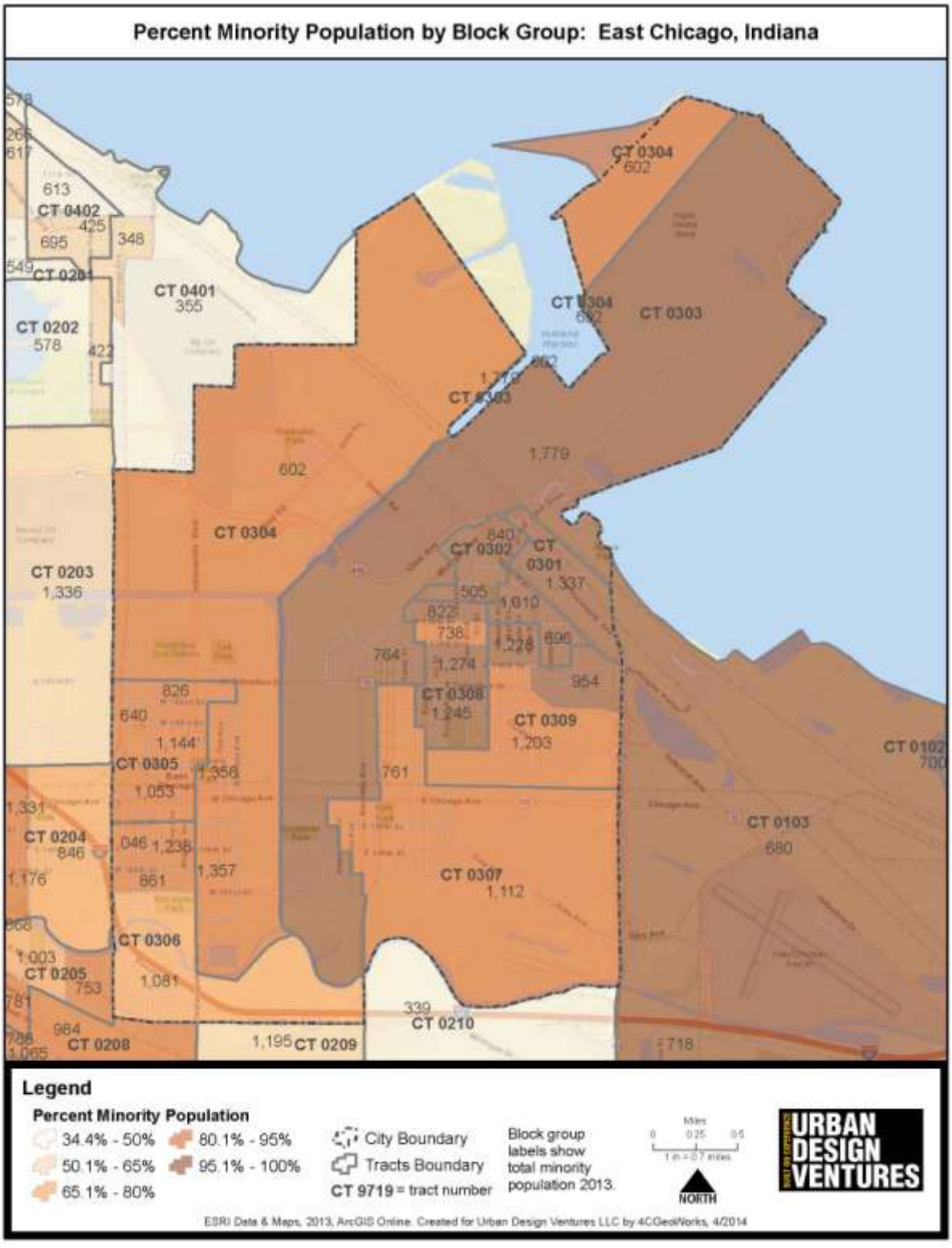
- The following maps which illustrate the demographic characteristics of the City of East Chicago are included in this plan:
- Total Population Density by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of White Population by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Minority Population by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Population Age 65 and Over by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Population Age 65 and Over by Quarter Mile Grid Map
- Total Housing Units by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Owner Occupied by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Renter Occupied by Census Tract Map
- Percentage of Vacant Housing by Census Tract Map
- Low/Moderate Income Percentage by Block Group Map
- Low/Moderate Income Percentage with Minority Overlay by Block Group Map
- NRSA Potential Development Initiatives Map



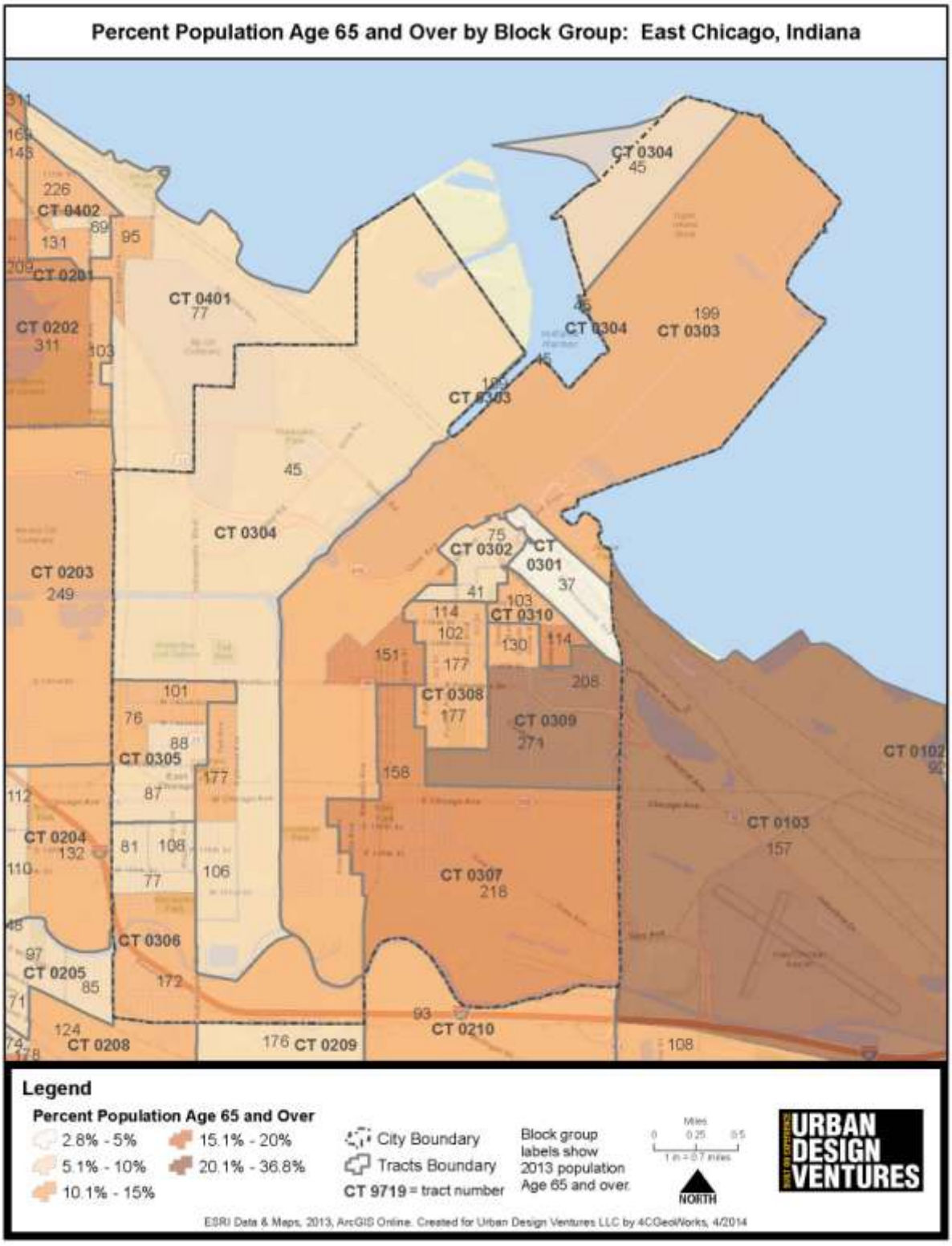
Total Population Density by Block Group



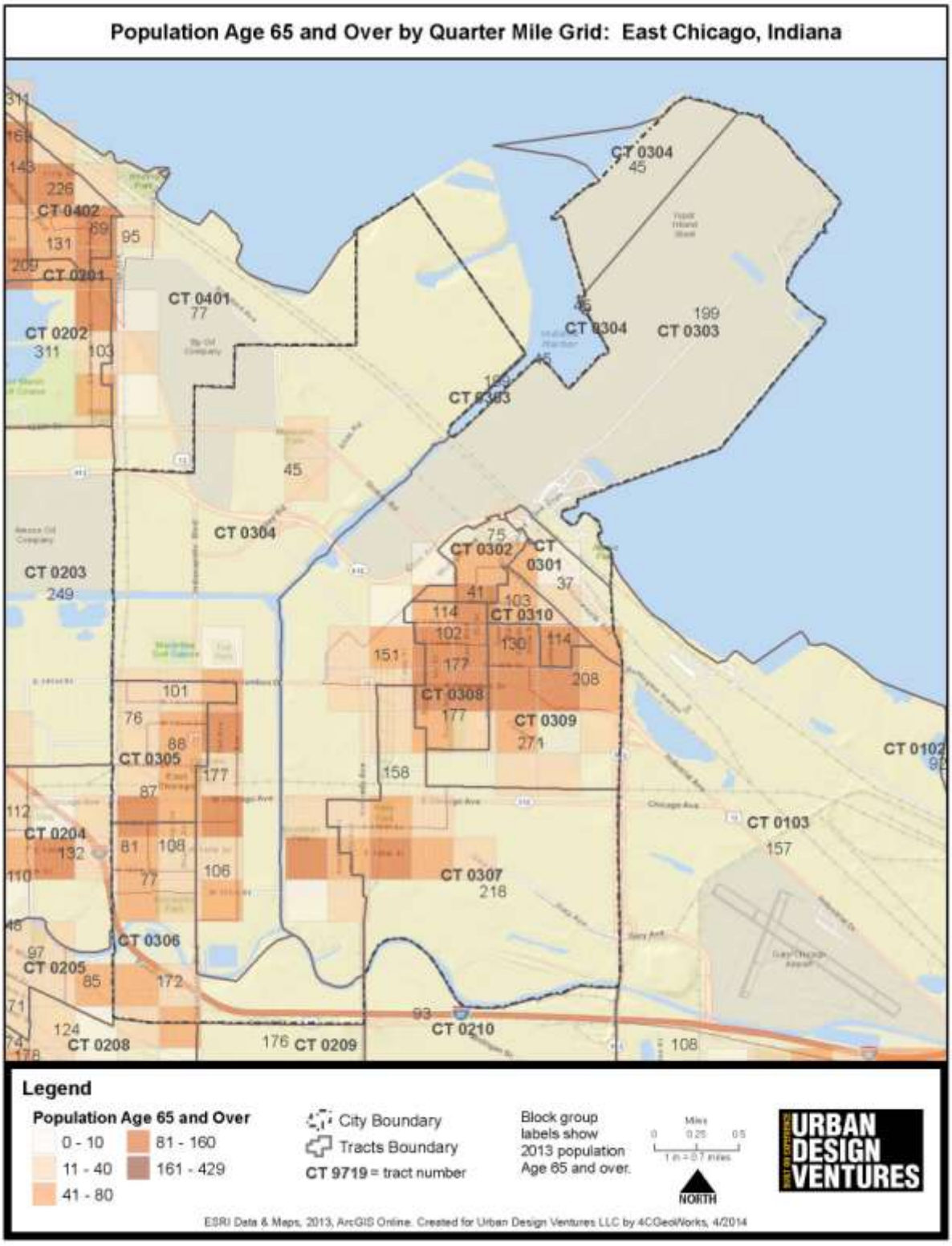
Percent White Population by Block Group



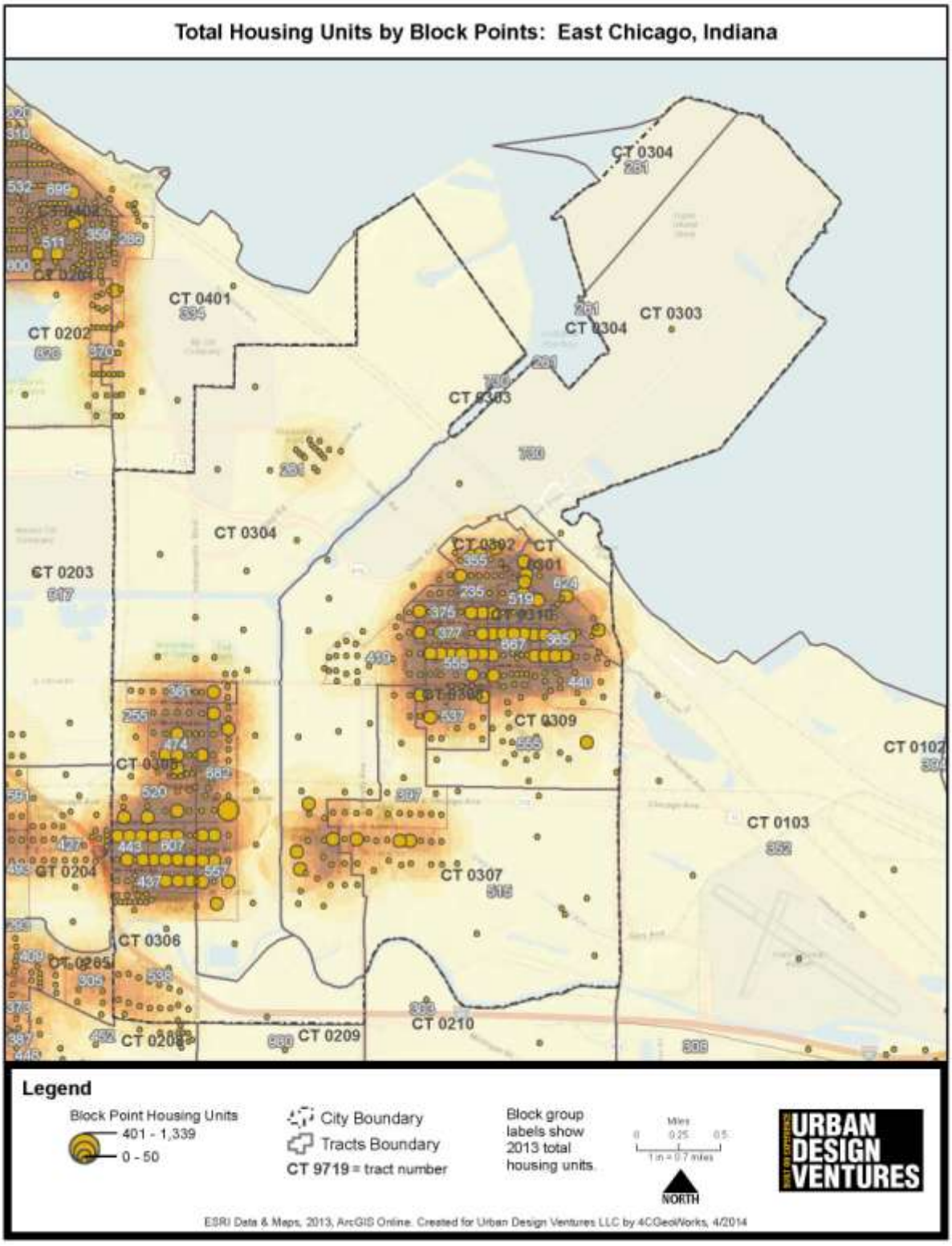
Percent Minority Population by Block Group



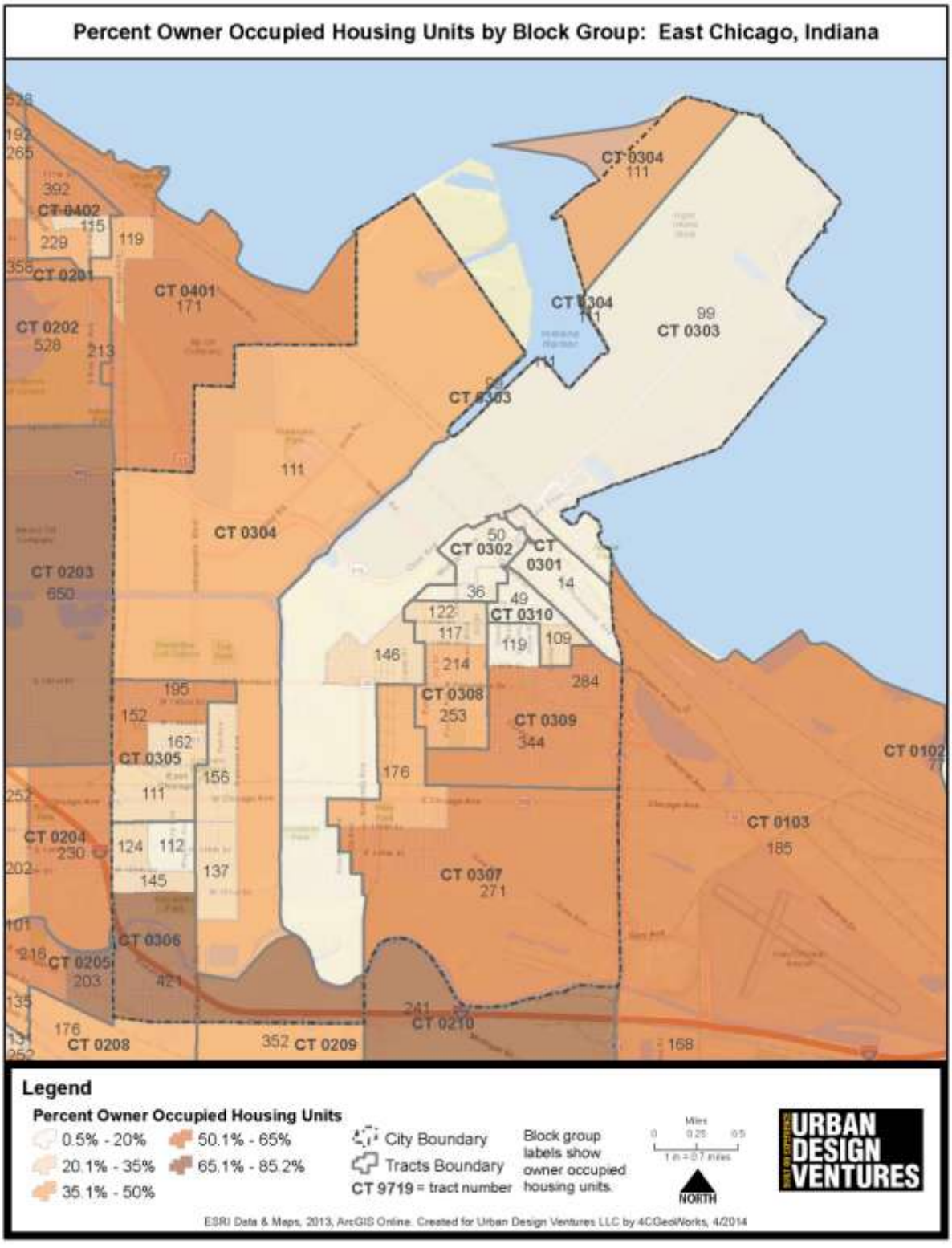
Percent Population Age 65 and Over by Block Group



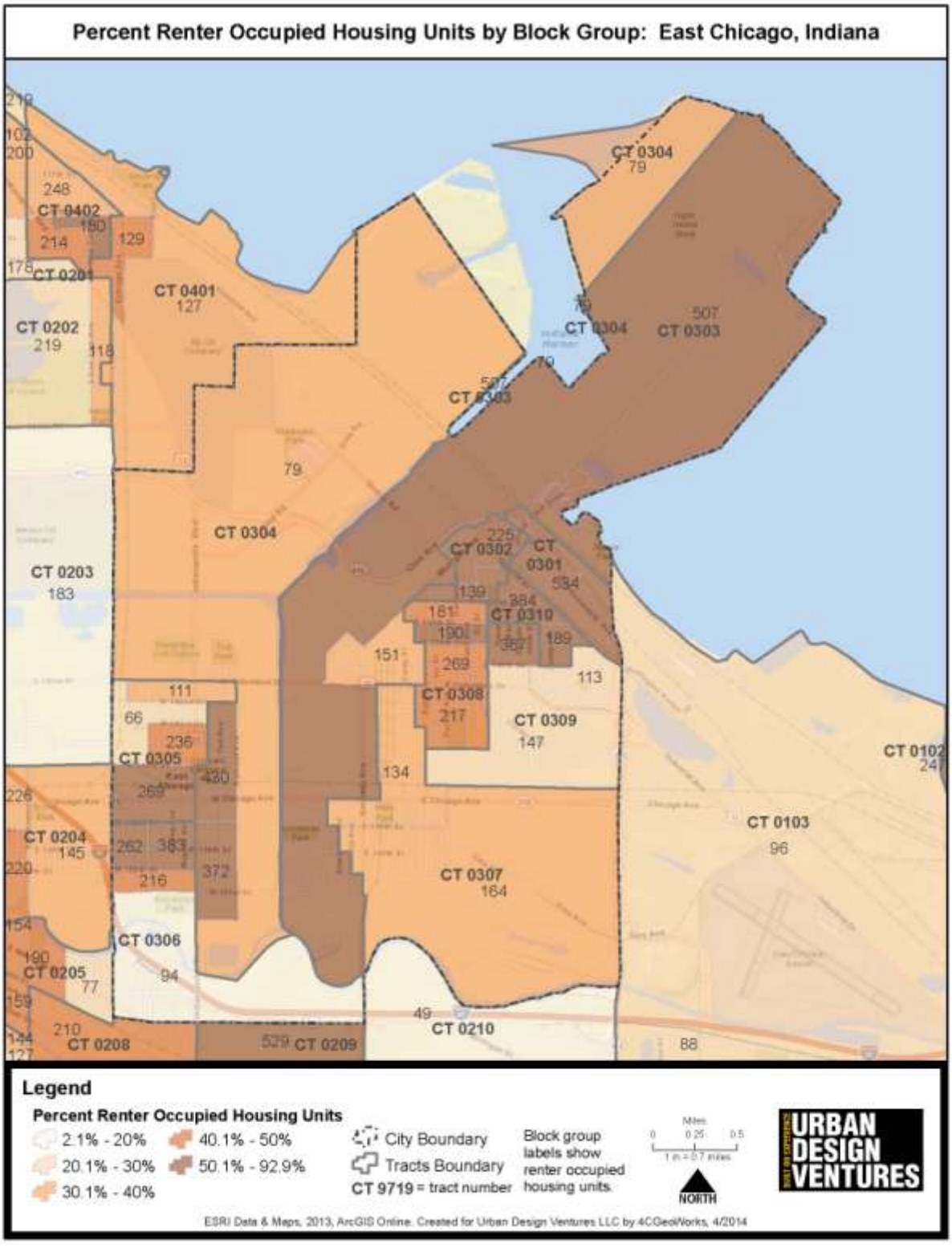
Percent Population Age 65 and Over by Quarter Mile Grid



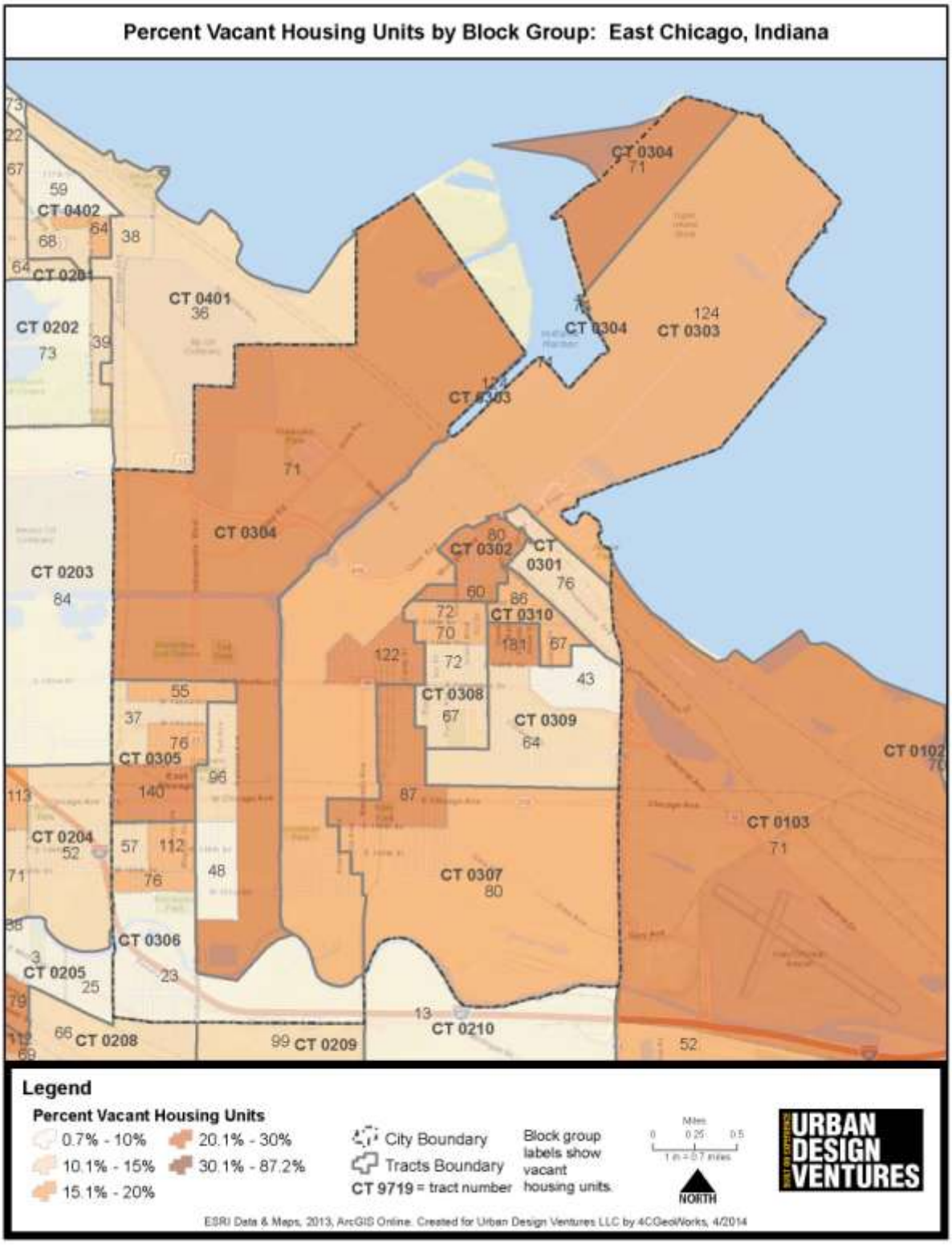
Total Housing Units by Block Points



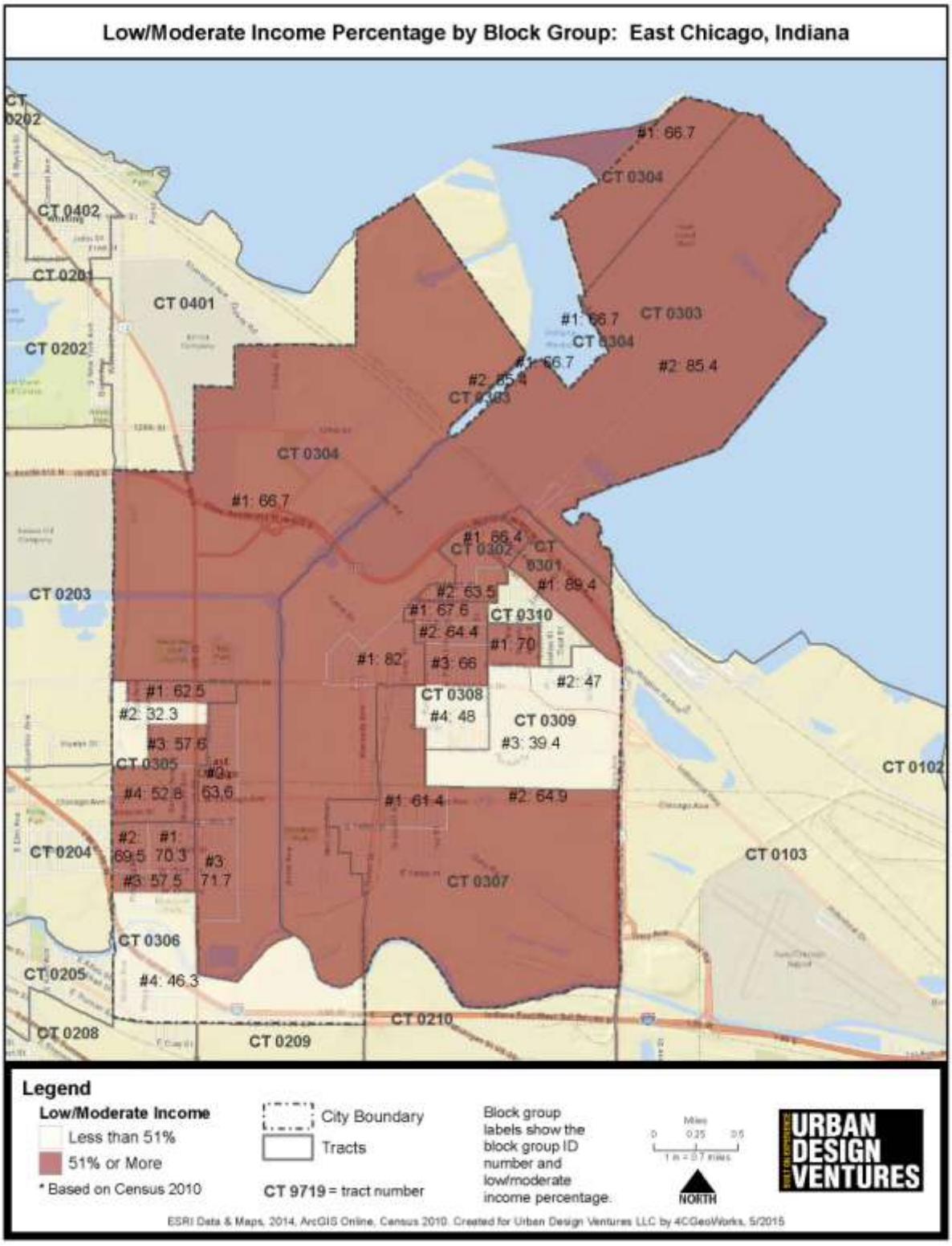
Percent Owner-Occupied Housing Units by Block Group



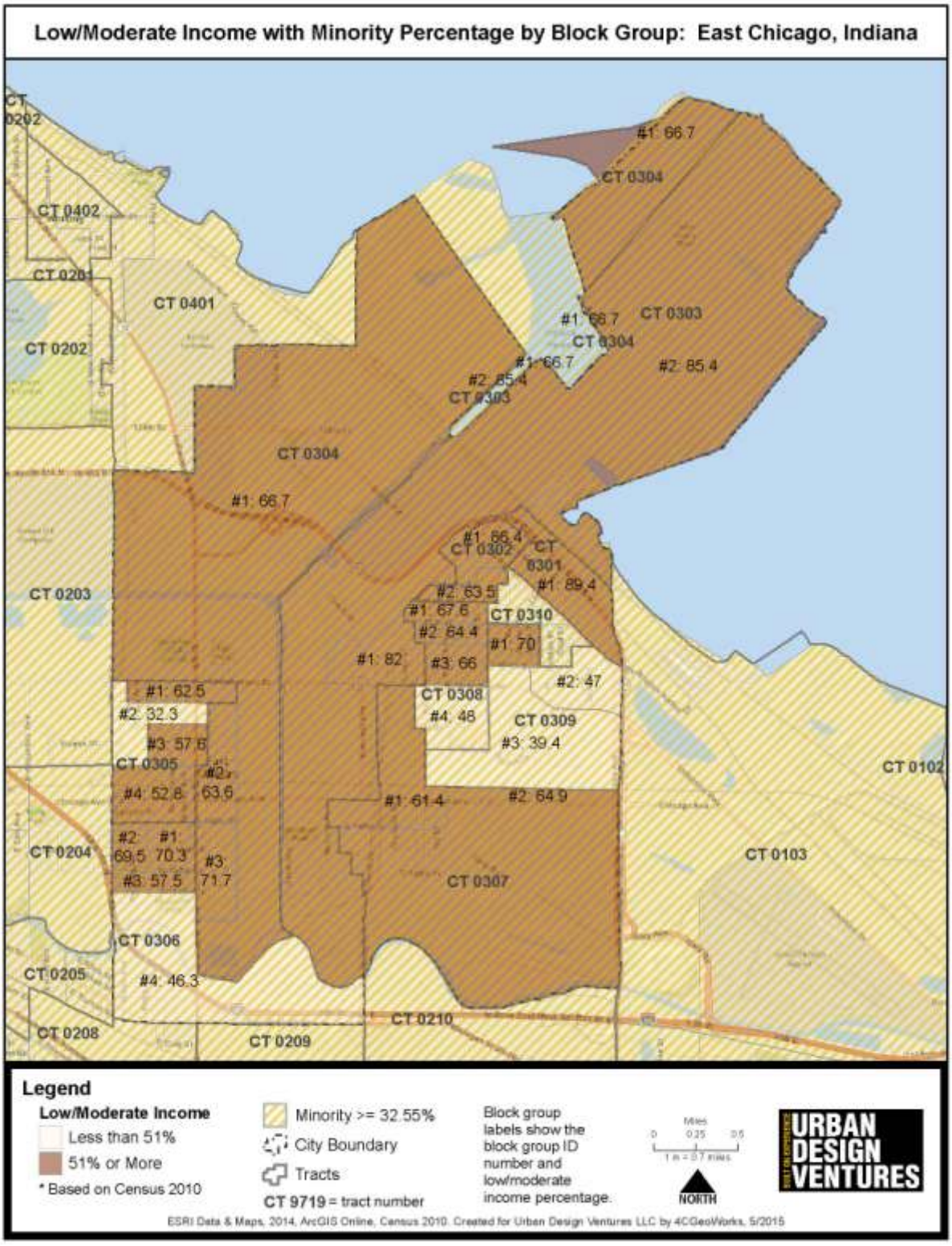
Percent Renter-Occupied Housing Units by Block Group



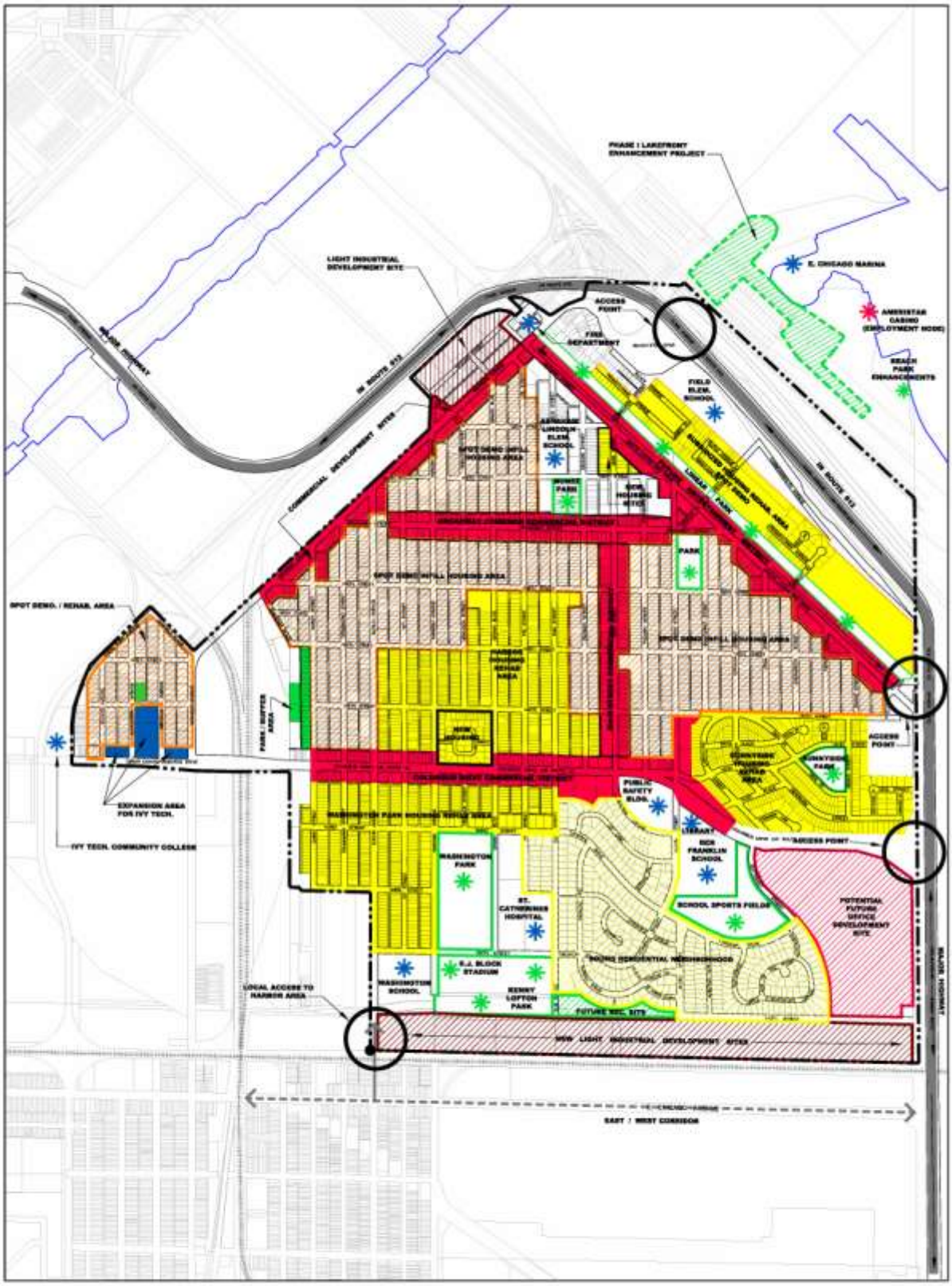
Percent Vacant Housing Units by Block Group



Low/Moderate Income Percentage by Block Group



Low/Moderate income with Minority Percentage by Block Group



URBAN DESIGN VENTURES Community Planning and Development Consultants 212 E. Seventh Avenue Homestead, PA 15120 N	**Map Legend** N.R.S.A. Boundary	**EAST CHICAGO HARBOR N.R.S.A.** **Potential Development Initiatives** Prepared For: CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT

NRSA Map

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.

The City of East Chicago during the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME Program Year proposes to address the following priority need categories that are outlined in the FY 2014-2018 Five Year Consolidated Plan:

HOUSING STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a need for additional affordable, decent, safe, and sanitary housing for homebuyers, homeowners, and renters.

Goals:

HS-1 – Conserve and rehabilitate the existing housing stock in the community, including emergency repairs and handicap accessibility.

- **Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery (CDBG):** Funds will be used for delivery costs directly related to carrying out the Housing Rehabilitation Programs.
- **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (CDBG):** Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes.
- **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (HOME):** Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes.

HS-3 – Assist low and moderate income homebuyers to purchase a home through housing counseling, down payment and closing cost assistance.

- **NWI Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops (CDBG):** CDBG funds will be used to run a homebuyer workshop. The workshop will cover the following topics: preparation for homeownership; budgeting and credit management; financing a home; selecting a home; maintaining a home; and how to avoid delinquency and foreclosure.

HS-4 – Improve the supply of affordable rental housing units and provide rental assistance.

- **Affordable Housing Program (CHDO):** The CHDO funds will be used to provide assistance for rehabilitation or new construction of rental and owner-occupied single family homes for low- and moderate-income families.

HOMELESS STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a need for housing opportunities for homeless persons and persons at-risk of becoming homeless.

Goal:

HO-2 – Assist providers in the operation of housing and support services for the homeless and persons at-risk of becoming homeless.

OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a need for housing opportunities, services, and facilities for persons with special needs.

Goal:

SN-3 – Support social services, programs, and facilities for the elderly, persons with disabilities, and persons with other special needs.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a need to improve the community facilities, infrastructure, public services, and the quality of life in the City of East Chicago.

Goals:

CD-3 – Improve and increase public safety, programs for youth, the elderly and the disabled including recreational programs, city services, and social/welfare programs throughout the City.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a need to increase employment, self-sufficiency, educational training, and empowerment for residents of the City of East Chicago.

Goal:

ED-1 – Support and encourage new job creation, job retention, and job training opportunities.

ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING, AND MANAGEMENT STRATEGY -

Priority Need: There is a continuing need for planning, administration, management, and oversight of federal, state, and local funded programs.

Goal:

AM-1 – Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of federal, state, and local funded programs.

- **CDBG Administration (CDBG):** Funds will be used for the overall program administration, coordination, monitoring/evaluation, fair housing, and planning activities associated with the preparation of the Annual Action Plan and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and Fair Housing activities.
- **HOME Administration (HOME):** Funds will be used for the overall program management, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, public information, fair housing activities and planning activities associated with the preparation of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).
- **CHDO Operating Funds (HOME):** Funds will be used to provide general operating assistance to the certified "Community Housing Development Organization" (CHDO).

3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Each year the City prepares a Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). This report is submitted to HUD within ninety (90) days after the start of the next program year. Copies of previous years' CAPERs are available for review at the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment's offices.

The FY 2015 CAPER, which was the second CAPER for the FY 2014-2018 Five Year Consolidated Plan, was submitted to HUD on September 29, 2016. In the FY 2015 CAPER, the City of East Chicago expended at least 70% of its CDBG funds to benefit low and moderate income persons. The City expended 10.23% of its funds during the FY 2015 CAPER period on public services, which is below the statutory maximum of 15%. The City expended 14.15% of its funds during this CAPER period on Planning and Administration, which is below the statutory maximum of 20%. The ratio is currently 1.4, which is below the 1.5 maximum drawdown ratio.

The City of East Chicago Redevelopment Commission approved two Substantial Amendments: one on 4/5/16 and one on 7/5/16.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The City of East Chicago's approved Citizen Participation Plan has been submitted to HUD and was utilized in the preparation and development of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan. Each proposed activity is designed to benefit the low- and moderate-income residents of the City of East Chicago.

During the development of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan, the City of East Chicago held two (2) public hearings to obtain citizen input and an application workshop for the nonprofit agencies that provide services to East Chicago residents. For the first public hearing and the application workshop, a public notice was published on Monday, November 28, 2016 and on Monday, December 5, 2016 in The Times newspaper, which is the local newspaper of general circulation in the area. The City also sent out the public hearing notice to local churches, nonprofit organizations, City Council members, and City Department Heads. In addition, the City e-mailed notifications of the application workshop to various social service and housing agencies/organizations.

The mandatory application workshop was held on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 3:00pm at the East Chicago Public Library located at 2401 E. Columbus Drive, East Chicago, Indiana. The workshop entailed the following: (1) purpose of the application/proposal process, (2) review of the application, and (3) answered any questions regarding the application and funding process. The applications/proposals were due by 12:00pm on Tuesday, January 31, 2017. The first public hearing was held on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm at the East Chicago Public Library located at 2401 E. Columbus Drive, East Chicago, Indiana. The public hearing allowed the residents the opportunity to learn about the CDBG and HOME Programs and to give their input and ideas on how the CDBG and HOME funds should be spent to benefit low- and moderate-income persons.

The notice for the second public hearing and the draft FY 2017 Annual Action Plan on display was published on Friday, August 11, 2017 in The Times newspaper. The second public hearing was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 5:00pm at the East Chicago Public Library located at 1008 W. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. During the second public hearing, the residents and agencies/organizations were given the opportunity to comment on the draft version of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan. The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan was on public display beginning on Friday, August 11, 2017 through Monday, August 28, 2017 via the following:

- The City's website: www.eastchicago.com
- City of East Chicago Mayor's Office, 4527 Indianapolis Blvd., East Chicago, IN
- City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment, 400 E. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, IN

The following schedule was used in the preparation of the FY 2017 Action Plan:

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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.

Newspaper notices, the sign-in sheets, and the summary of the minutes from the two (2) public hearings are included at the end of this document in the Exhibits Section.

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

Minutes are included at the end of this document in the Exhibits Section.

7. Summary

During the FY 2017 Program Year, the City of East Chicago anticipates the following Federal Financial resources, aS well as anticipated CDBG and HOME Program Income.

- CDBG Funds - $1,199,552.00
- CDBG Program Income - $80,000.00
- HOME Funds - $214,811.00
- HOME Program Income - $4,440.00
- **Total: $1,498,803**

During the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME Program Year, the City of East Chicago proposes to address the following priorities in its Five Year Consolidated Plan: Housing; Homeless; Other Special Needs; Community Development; and Administration, Planning, and Management.

A “draft” of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan was placed on display at the Mayor's office located at 4527 Indianapolis Boulevard and at the offices of the Department of Redevelopment located at 400 East Chicago Avenue. The display period started on Friday, August 11, 2017 through Monday, August 28, 2017 for a 14-day display period. In addition, the City put the draft Plan on its website (http://www.eastchicago.com/). A second public hearing was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 to discuss the proposed activities and solicit citizen comments. The City of East Chicago submitted the FY

2017 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Indianapolis Office on or about August 31, 2017.

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	EAST CHICAGO	
CDBG Administrator	EAST CHICAGO	Department of Redevelopment
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	EAST CHICAGO	Department of Redevelopment
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 2 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The City of East Chicago, Department of Redevelopment is the administrating agency for the CDBG and HOME programs. The Redevelopment Department has sufficient and knowledgeable full time staff members and a planning consulting firm to help assist with the oversight and compliance of the CDBG and HOME programs. The Department of Redevelopment prepares the Five Year Consolidated Plans, Annual Action Plans, Environmental Review Records (ERRs), the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPERs), prepares the vouchers and draw the funds from the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS), administers contracts, and oversees the programs on a day to day basis. Sub recipients are monitored through desk reviews and/or on site interviews, on an annual basis for compliance.

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

1. Introduction

The City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment held meetings with the nonprofit agencies, housing providers, social service agencies, community and economic development organizations, and other City departments. Input from meetings and public hearings was used to develop the Annual Action Plan.

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

- Executive leadership from the following agencies received an email on March 6, 2017 to participate in a webinar on March 14, 2017 inviting them to be part of the planning process for the City of East Chicago's Annual Action Plan. Invitees had the opportunity to complete an electronic survey to share their expertise and perspective on plans, projects, and priorities included in the City's application:East Chicago Housing Authority, Lake Area United Way, Northwest Indiana Community Action, East Chicago Police Department, City of East Chicago Building Department, Continuum of Care Network of NWI, Managed East Chicago Housing Association (MECHA), City of East Chicago Parks & Recreation Department, Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce, East Chicago Public Schools
- Each year, as a part of the CDBG application planning process, local agencies and organizations are invited to submit proposals for CDBG eligible activities. These groups participate in the consultation process by attending the application workshop, public hearings, and informational meetings. A complete list of these groups are included in the Exhibit Section of the Plan. **Social Services Agencies** - The City provides funds to improve services to low and moderate income persons. **Housing Providers** - The City provides funds to rehabilitate and develop affordable housing for low and moderate income families and individuals. **Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA)** – Indiana's Balance of State Continuum of Care - Oversees the Continuum of Care Network of Northwest Indiana. **Managed East Chicago Housing Association, Inc. (MECHA)** - A certified CHDO which owns and develops affordable housing in the City.

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

The City of East Chicago maintains its partnership with the Continuum of Care Network of Northwest Indiana Region 1a (CoC Network), which covers Lake County. The CoC Network-Region 1a, is one of 15 regions in the State of Indiana under the Balance of State Continuum of Care

The CoC Network-Region 1a is an IRS approved Section 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The CoC Network-Region 1a Board serves and acts as the oversight and planning body on preventing and ending homelessness for the Indiana Balance of State CoC General Membership Body. The Board comprises a diverse set of representative stakeholders throughout Lake County, IN. The Board has the knowledge and expertise to create policy, set priorities and make funding decisions in relation to the homeless.

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

The City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment contacted the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA), the local CoC, for information on the basic needs and latest statistics for the local homeless population. The CoC Board represents all homeless populations in the community, including: chronic homeless; seriously mentally ill; chronic substance abuse; families; domestic violence victims; youth; and veterans. The Indiana State ESG program presented its plan and programs to the CoC Board, and the Entitlement Cities throughout the State at its annual round table meeting. Since the City of East Chicago is not a direct recipient of ESG funds, it encourages the nonprofit homeless providers to apply through the CoC for these State funds.

The State CoC Board was established in September 2013. The Executive Committee, with the CoC approval, has been reviewing and updating the committee structure. The committees are: The Executive Committee; Resource and Funding; Strategic Planning; Performance and Outcomes; and Ad Hoc Committees, as needed.

- The Executive Committee will provide governance of process and the structure of the CoC IN 502 general membership and CoC Board. They oversee the MOAs with IHCDA and provide the overall communications to the CoC IN 502.
- The Resource and Funding Committee oversees local, state, and Federal funding for the CoC and seeks new opportunities for funding to end homelessness, such as Section 811 PRAD, McKinney Vento Competitive Applications and the Consolidated State Plan Application for the ESG funding. The Committee builds collaborations with the Interagency Council, Indiana Department of Corrections, Family of Social Service Administration, Division of Mental Health and Addictions, Veterans Administration, Department of Education, and the Department of Child Services. The Committee collaborates with local consolidated plans across other local cities within the Balance of State IN 502. The Committee also collaborates with the public housing authority. The objective is to ensure integration of CoC and ESG under the same performance standards, meeting all the needs and gaps in the CoC.
- The Strategic Planning Committee oversees the housing services to effectively address needs listed in the CoC's strategic plan to end homelessness. The Committee administers the Coordinated Access Grant, and discharge planning from institutions within the State.

- The Performance and Outcome Committee oversees the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) grant to provide oversight and help to develop, maintain, and update the state wide HMIS, known as the Hoosier Management Information System, including the development and implementation of data protocols, reporting, policies and problem solving measures, and meeting all HUD benchmarks.

As needed, the above Committees may initiate Ad Hoc Subcommittees during the year.

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 3 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	**Agency/Group/Organization**	EAST CHICAGO
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Health Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of East Chicago and its Departments were consulted on the needs for the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan and the availability of funding through CDBG and HOME funds.
2	**Agency/Group/Organization**	East Chicago Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The East Chicago Housing Authority was contacted to determine the housing needs of its very low-income clients. The Housing Authority was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated CDBG funds for the Housing Authority of East Chicago Latchkey Program in 2017.
3	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CITY OF EAST CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of East Chicago Human Resources Department was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated CDBG funds for the Summer Youth Employment Program in 2017.
4	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CITY OF EAST CHICAGO PARKS & RECREATION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of East Chicago Parks & Recreation Department was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated CDBG for the Summer Stars Camp and the Seniors Program in 2017.

5	**Agency/Group/Organization**	City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Lead-based Paint Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of East Chicago Redevelopment Department was consulted on the needs for the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan and how to allocate the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME funds.

6	**Agency/Group/Organization**	HAVEN HOUSE, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Haven House was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for Haven House, Inc. in 2017.
7	**Agency/Group/Organization**	INDIANA LEGAL SERVICES, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Indiana Legal Services, Inc. was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for Indiana Legal Services, Inc. in 2017.
8	**Agency/Group/Organization**	INDIANA PLAN
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Services-Employment Regional organization Business and Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Indiana Plan was contacted and did not submit a funding request.
9	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Boys and Girls Clubs of Northwest Indiana
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Boys and Girls Clubs of Northwest Indiana was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for the Boys and Girls Club in 2017.
10	**Agency/Group/Organization**	NORTHWEST INDIANA REINVESTMENT ALLIANCE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for the NWI Reinvestment Alliance in 2017.

11	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Reformers Unanimous First Baptist
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Education Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	First Baptist Church was contacted but did not submit a proposal.
12	**Agency/Group/Organization**	WE CARE FROM THE HEART SOCIAL SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	We Care from the Heart was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for We Care From the Heart in 2017.

13	**Agency/Group/Organization**	The Salvation Army Gary-Merrillville
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Salvation Army was contacted but did not submit a proposal.
14	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Zion Missionary Baptist Church
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Also known as JE Wade Ministries, Zion Baptist Church was contacted but did not submit a proposal.

15	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Indiana Parenting Institute
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Indiana Parenting Institute was contacted and submitted a funding request. The City has allocated funds for the Indiana Parenting Institute in 2017.
16	**Agency/Group/Organization**	NORTHLAKE POP WARNER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City has allocated funds for the Sports Voucher Program in 2017.

17	**Agency/Group/Organization**	CONTINUUM OF CARE OF NWI
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services - Victims Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Continuum of Care Network of NWI was contacted but did not submit a proposal.

18	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Grace Beyond Borders NWI, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Education Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Grace Beyond Borders was contacted and submitted a proposal. The City did not allocate funds to this agency in 2017 but has offered technical assistance to prepare for the next funding cycle.
19	**Agency/Group/Organization**	Leon Kendrick Youth Voices United
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy Community Development Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Leon Kendrick Youth Voices United was contacted but did not submit a proposal.

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

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

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

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA)	The IHCDA is the State CoC for homeless and at risk of being homeless population. The goals of the City and IHCDA are complementary.
Annual and Five Year Capital Plans	East Chicago Housing Authority	The East Chicago Housing Authority is the lead agency providing public housing assistance and Section 8 Vouchers in the area. The goals of the City and the PHA are complementary.
2014-2019 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing	City of East Chicago, IN	The City of East Chicago incorporated the goals and strategies of the 2014 City of East Chicago Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice into the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan.
2015 Surveillance Report	Indiana State Department of Health Lead and Healthy Homes Program	The 2015 Surveillance Report from the Indiana State Department of Health, Lead and Healthy Homes Program was consulted to ascertain the blood lead levels of children tested in Lake County.

Table 4 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The City of East Chicago has consulted and coordinated with various agencies and organizations, locally, and statewide. The culmination of these efforts has resulted in the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan was designed and planned to receive and encourage citizen participation in accordance with the Cityâ¿¿s Citizen Participation Plan. Required public hearings were used as a tool for engagement.Â A separate extensive outreach process through the application workshop was held in order to engage social services providers in the process using a combination of e-mail and direct mail and as a result, the meeting was very well attended.Â Â The City provided the following opportunities: requests for proposals for funding (RFPâ¿¿s) from agencies and organizations; meetings with agencies and organizations on how to complete the RFP process; and hold a public hearing to gather public comments on the draft plan which was on public display for 30 days. All comments that were received are included in the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan. Through the citizen participation process the City uses resident input to develop how the plan will serve low/moderate income persons in order to reach the goals set forth in the FY 2014-2018 Five Year Consolidated Plan.

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	Legal Ad in Local Newspaper	Non-targeted/broad community	There were two (2) individuals in attendance at the 1st public hearing and nine (9) attendees, plus two (2) staff at the 2nd public hearing.	See summary of comments in Appendix.	None.	Not applicable.

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)
2	Public Hearing Flyers	Minorities Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	There were two (2) attendees at the 1st public hearing and nine (9) attendees, plus two (2) staff at the 2nd public hearing.	See summary of comments in Appendix.	None.	Not applicable.
3	Application Workshop	Agencies/Organizations	30 attendees representing 20 agencies/organizations were in attendance.	See summary of comments in Appendix.	None.	Not Applicable.

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)
4	CDBG Funding Requests	Agencies/Organizations	The City received 12 requests for funding. The City has allocated funding for 11 of them.	Addressed the needs of the Five Year Consolidated Plan.	None.	Not applicable.
5	Public Hearing	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing Agencies/Organizations	There were two (2) attendees at the 1st public hearing and nine (9) attendees, plus two (2) staff at the 2nd public hearing. See summary and sign-in sheets in the Appendix.	See summary of comments in Appendix.	None.	Not applicable.
6	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	None.	None.	None.	http://www.eastchicago.com
7	Draft Display Period	Persons with disabilities	None.	None.	None.	Not applicable.

Table 5 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

Introduction

The City of East Chicago is applying for $1,199,552.00 in CDBG funds, anticipating $80,000 in CDBG Program Income, $214,811 in HOME funds, and anticipating $4,440 in HOME Program Income for the FY 2017 program year. The program year runs from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. These funds will be used to address the following priority needs: Housing; Homeless; Community Development; Other Special Needs; and Administration, Planning, and Management. The accomplishments of these projects/activities will be reported in the FY 2017 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan $	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: $	Program Income: $	Prior Year Resources: $	Total: $		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,199,552	80,000	0	1,279,552	1,199,552	3 projects/activities will be funded with the FY 2017 CDBG allocation.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan $	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: $	Program Income: $	Prior Year Resources: $	Total: $		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	214,811	4,440	0	219,251	214,811	2 projects/activity will be funded with the FY 2017 HOME allocation.CHDO Program (includes CHDO Operating)Housing Rehab Program

Table 6 - 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

The City of East Chicago is eligible to receive funds during this program year from the following Federal, State, County, and Private Organizations:

- **Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC)** – The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority administers this program. The program provides Federal tax credits to owners and developers of qualified low-income rental housing. These tax credits provide incentives for private investment in affordable housing. Costs eligible under the program include acquisition, construction and rehabilitation.
- **Moving Forward 3.0 - On June 1, 2017, Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority announced plans for a special set-aside of its LIHTC funds in order to support two new housing developments that will provide "safe, energy efficient affordable housing and**

transportation options" for approximately 80 Lake County families.

- **Federal Home Loan Bank** – Affordable Housing Program (FHLB AHP) – Loans are given for capital costs associated with affordable housing projects for low-income persons. A member lending institution is able to access funds as a sponsor for affordable housing development.
- **Regional Development Authority (RDA) Funds** – This regional agency provides funding for a variety of transportation, infrastructure and lakefront redevelopment projects. The City is currently receiving funds from the agency.
- **Indiana Department of Mental Health under Title XX** – The Title XX program provides funds for a variety of Social Service programs such as nutrition, and others including HIV/AIDS and related outreach services.
- **Indiana Family and Social Services Admin. Block Grant Program (Title XX)** – This program provides funding for childcare, recreational and educational services, victims of domestic violence, and homeless individuals. The program also provides childcare for school-age children and free lunch and snacks for youth.
- **Regional Development Authority** (RDA) – The RDA recently awarded the City of East Chicago more than $30 million for projects in the North Harbor Neighborhood, the community's NRSA.

The City of East Chicago residents are able to apply directly:

- **North Township Trustee** – This agency provides a variety of services for low-income families. These include utility payments, emergency housing, medical payments, hospitalization payments, and others to assist those who are financially distressed. The program is funded through Lake County.
- **Catholic Charities of Gary** - This agency provides rental and mortgage assistance, utility assistance & operates a food pantry. For more information, visit www.catholic-charities.org/services/emergency/services

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 City will use a combination of marketing, develop, and utilize outside developers to meet the goals of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan and the FY 2014-2018 Five Year Consolidated Plan. The City, through the Department of Redevelopment, has acquired numerous sites in the North Harbor Neighborhood of East Chicago. These sites will be utilized for new housing development and commercial development.

Discussion

The City is administrating a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) in the North Harbor Neighborhood. The City has targeted this area for its housing, community development, and economic development efforts to revitalize the neighborhood.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	HS-1	2014	2018	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Strategy	CDBG: $823,252 HOME: $187,029	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 21 Household Housing Unit
3	CD-3	2014	2018	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Community Development Strategy	CDBG: $81,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 449 Persons Assisted
4	ED-1	2014	2018	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Economic Development Strategy	CDBG: $67,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 125 Persons Assisted
5	HO-2	2014	2018	Homeless	Citywide	Homeless Strategy	CDBG: $20,400	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 10 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 9 Persons Assisted
6	SN-3	2014	2018	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Other Special Needs Strategy	CDBG: $20,000 HOME: $0	Other: 50 Other

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	AM-1	2014	2018	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Administration, Planning, and Management Strategy	CDBG: $255,910 HOME: $32,222	Other: 2 Other
8	HS-3	2014	2018	Affordable Housing	Citywide	Housing Strategy	CDBG: $12,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 240 Households Assisted

Table 7 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	**Goal Name**	HS-1
	Goal Description	Conserve and rehabilitate the existing housing stock in the community, including emergency repairs and handicap accessibility. and handicap accessibility. • **Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery (CDBG):** Funds will be used for delivery costs directly related to carrying out the Housing Rehabilitation Programs. • **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (CDBG):** Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes. • **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (HOME):** Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes. • **Affordable Housing Program (CHDO):** The CHDO funds will be used to provide assistance for rehabilitation or new construction owner-occupied single family homes for low- and moderate-income families

3	**Goal Name**	CD-3
	Goal Description	Improve and increase public safety, programs for youth, the elderly and the disabled including recreational programs, city services, and social/welfare programs throughout the City. In 2017, the following agencies were awarded funding: • Boys & Girls Clubs of Northwest Indiana • East Chicago Parks & Recreation's Summer Stars Camp • East Chicago Sports Voucher Programs - Northlake Pop Warner & East Chicago Little League • Housing Authority of East Chicago - Latchkey Program • Indiana Legal Services • Arts Program
4	**Goal Name**	ED-1
	Goal Description	Support and encourage new job creation, job retention, and job training opportunities. In 2017, East Chicago Summer Youth Employment Program and Indiana Parenting Institute's Job Retention Skills Program were awarded funding.
5	**Goal Name**	HO-2
	Goal Description	Assist providers in the operation of housing and support services for the homeless and persons at-risk of becoming homeless. In 2017, Catholic Charities Homelessness Prevention Program and Haven House Domestic Violence Shelter were awarded funding.
6	**Goal Name**	SN-3
	Goal Description	Support social services, programs, and facilities for the elderly, persons with disabilities, and persons with other special needs. In 2017, East Chicago Parks & Recreation's Senior Programs and We Care from the Heart Senior Supportive Services Program were awarded funding.

7	**Goal Name**	AM-1
	Goal Description	Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of federal, state, and local funded programs.
8	**Goal Name**	HS-3
	Goal Description	Assist low and moderate income homebuyers to purchase a home through housing counseling, down payment assistance and closing cost assistance. • NWI Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops (CDBG): CDBG funds will be used to conduct homebuyer workshops. The workshops, which are provided once a month, will cover the following topics: preparation for homeownership; budgeting and credit management; financing a home; selecting a home; maintaining a home; and how to avoid delinquency and foreclosure.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of East Chicago will fund the following projects using FY 2017 Funds.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Administration
2	Housing Program
3	Public Services
4	Affordable Housing Program

Table 8 - Project Information

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

- The public services activities are for social service organizations whose clientele are low income or in some cases, a limited type of clientele with a presumed low and moderate income status.
- The housing activities have an income eligibility criterion; therefore the income requirement targets the funds to low and moderate income households throughout the City.
- Economic development projects will either be located in a low and moderate income census tract/block group with a poverty rate greater than 20%, part of a redevelopment plan, or will make 51% of the jobs available to low and moderate income persons.

The proposed activities under the FY 2017 CDBG Program Year are located in areas with the highest percentages of low and moderate income persons and those block groups with a percentage of minority persons above the average for the City of East Chicago.

Despite efforts made by the City and social service providers, a number of significant obstacles to meeting underserved needs remain. With funding resources being scarce, funding becomes the greatest obstacle for the City of East Chicago to meet its underserved needs. Insufficient funding lessens the ability to fund many worthwhile public service programs, activities, and agencies. The City through its planning efforts will use its limited resources to address the City of East Chicagoâ¿¿s greatest needs and improve the quality of life for its residents. The following obstacles need to be overcome in order to meet underserved needs:

- Lack of decent, sound, affordable owner and renter occupied housing
- Zoning-related challenges
- High cost of rehabilitation vs. housing values
- High cost of rehabilitation due to lead-based paint
- Aging in place population who needs accessibility improvements
- Major rehabilitation of the City's older housing stock
- Increasing number of vacant and abandoned properties
- High unemployment rate and loss of household income
- Difficulty in obtaining bank mortgages

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	**Project Name**	Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	AM-1
	Needs Addressed	Administration, Planning, and Management Strategy
	Funding	CDBG: $255,910 HOME: $32,221
	Description	Funds will be used for administration of the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME Programs.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	N/A
	Planned Activities	• **CDBG Administration (CDBG-$255,910.40)** - Funds will be used for the overall program administration, coordination, monitoring/evaluation, fair housing, and planning activities associated with the preparation of the Annual Action Plan and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and Fair Housing activities. • **HOME Administration (HOME-$21,481.10)** - Funds will be used for the overall program management, coordination, monitoring, evaluation, public information, fair housing activities and planning activities associated with the preparation of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). • **CHDO Operating Funds (HOME-$10,740.55)** - Funds will be used to provide general operating assistance to the certified "Community Housing Development Organization" (CHDO) which is currently undertaking a CHDO homebuyer project.
2	**Project Name**	Housing Program
	Target Area	Citywide

	Goals Supported	HS-1 HS-3
	Needs Addressed	Housing Strategy
	Funding	CDBG: $823,242 HOME: $154,808
	Description	Funds will be used for housing rehabilitation programs.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	21 low- to moderate-income families
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	**Housing Rehabilitation Delivery (CDBG-$300,000.00)** - Funds will be used for delivery costs directly related to carrying out the Housing Rehabilitation Programs. **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (CDBG-$523,241.60)** - Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes. **Housing Rehabilitation Programs (HOME-$154,807.70)** - Funds will be used to assist 1 CHDO homebuyer rehabilitation project & to assist owners of existing single family owner occupied housing to repair their homes.
3	**Project Name**	Public Services
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HS-3 HO-2 SN-3 CD-3 ED-1
	Needs Addressed	Housing Strategy Homeless Strategy Other Special Needs Strategy Community Development Strategy Economic Development Strategy
	Funding	CDBG: $200,400

	Description	Funds will be used for public service activities to benefit low- and moderate-income populations in the city.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	874 low- to moderate-income families
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	**Boys and Girls Club – Jr. Staff Career Program (CDBG):** $15,000.00 **East Chicago Housing Authority - Latchkey Program (CDBG):** $10,000.00 **Haven House - Women's Domestic Violence Shelter (CDBG):** $15,000.00 **NWI Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops (CDBG):** $12,000.00 **We Care from the Heart - Senior Health And Home Preservation Services (CDBG):** $15,000.00 **Senior Programs (CDBG):** $5,000.00 **Summer Youth Stars Camp (CDBG):** $22,000.00 **Summer Youth Employment Program (CDBG):** $62,000.00 **Sports Voucher Program - Northlake Pop Warner (CDBG):** $4,500.00 **Arts Program (CDBG):** $15,000.00 **Catholic Charities - Homelessness Prevention Program (CDBG):** $5,400 **City of East Chicago Sports Voucher Program - E. Chicago Little League (CDBG):** $2,500 **Indiana Legal Services (CDBG):** $12,000 **Indiana Parenting Institute - Job Retention Skills Program (CDBG):** $5,000 Complete activity descriptions can be found in the "Grantee Unique Appendices" section of this plan.
4	**Project Name**	Affordable Housing Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	HS-1
	Needs Addressed	Housing Strategy
	Funding	HOME: $32,222

	Description	CHDO funds will be sued for affordable housing programs and activities.
	Target Date	6/30/2018
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	1 low- to moderate-income family
	Location Description	North Harbor NRSA
	Planned Activities	**Affordable Housing Program (HOME-$32,221.65)** - The CHDO funds will be used to provide assistance for rehabilitation of owner-occupied single family homes for low- and moderate-income families.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

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

The following information provides a profile of the population, age, and racial/ethnic composition of the City of East Chicago. This information was obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau American Factfinder website, http://factfinder.census.gov. The 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates were used to analyze the social, economic, housing, and general demographic characteristics of the City of East Chicago. The 5 year estimates are the most recent data available for the City. The 2010 U.S. Census data is included where possible.

Population:

Key points are:

- Between 1980 and 2010, the population decreased by approximately 25.4%, dropping from 39,786 to 29,698.
- Since 2000, the population has dropped 9.34%, which is expected to continue.
- The 2010 Census reports the City's population as 29,698.

Age:

Key points are:

- Median age in East Chicago is 29.8 years old.
- Youth under age 18 account for 31.0% of the population.
- Seniors age 62 and over are 13.4% of the City's population.
- Adults between the ages of 35 and 60 account for 29.02% of the population.

Race/Ethnicity:

Key points are:

- 39.8% are Black or African American
- 50.0% are Hispanic
- 27.5% are White
- 29.5% are Some Other Race

Income Profile:

The Median Income for a family of four (4) in the Gary, IN MSA is $64,000 for 2017. The following is a summary of income statistics for the City of East Chicago:

- At the time of the 2010-2014 American Community Survey, median household income in the City of East Chicago was $27,215 which was lower than Lake County ($60,293) and the State of Indiana ($48,737).
- 32.6% of households have earnings received from Social Security income.
- 5.8% of households have earnings received from public assistance.
- 18.4% of households have earnings, received retirement income.
- 65.6% of female headed households with children were living in poverty.
- 53.9% of all youth under 18 years of age were living in poverty.

Low/Mod Income Profile:

The low and moderate income profile for City of East Chicago is a measurement of the area's needs. The City of East Chicago has an overall low and moderate income percentage of 62.05%.

Economic Profile:

Key points are:

- 16.1% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as management, professional, or related.
- 23.2% of the employed civilian population had occupations classified as sales and office.
- 31.4% were in the service sector.
- The education, health, and social service industry represented 21.1% of those employed.
- 86.5% of workers were considered in private wage and salary workers class.
- 1.7% of workers were considered in the self-employed workers in their own not incorporated business.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	100

Table 9 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City of East Chicago will allocate its CDBG funds to those geographic areas whose population is over 51% low and moderate income. At least 70% of all the City's CDBG funds that are budgeted for those activities will principally benefit low and moderate income persons. The following guidelines for allocating CDBG and HOME funds are used by the City:

- The public services activities are for social service organizations whose clientele are low income or in some cases, a limited type of clientele with a presumed low and moderate income status.
- The public facilities activities are either located in a low and moderate income census tract/block group, have a low and moderate income service area benefit, or the clientele is over 51% low and moderate income.
- The acquisition and demolition of structures are either located in low and moderate income census tracts/block groups or these activities are eligible under the prevention or elimination of slum and blight on a spot basis or area wide basis.
- Acquisition and assemblage of sites for the construction and development of affordable housing will be for low and moderate income persons.
- The housing activities have income eligibility criteria, therefore the income requirement targets the funds to low and moderate income households throughout the City.
- Economic development projects will either be located in a low and moderate income census tract/block group with a poverty rate greater than 20%, part of a redevelopment plan, or will make 51% of the jobs available to low and moderate income persons.

The proposed activities under the FY 2017 CDBG Program Year are located in areas with the highest percentages of low and moderate income persons and those block groups with a percentage of minority persons above the average for the City of East Chicago.

Discussion

The geographic locations and the public benefit for the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME Activities/Projects are as follows:

- **General Administration** - Citywide
- **HOME Administration** - Citywide
- **CHDO Operating** - Citywide
- **Housing Rehabilitation Programs** - Citywide Low/Mod Housing (LMH)
- **Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery** - Citywide Low/Mod Housing (LMH)
- **CHDO Affordable Housing** - Low/Mod Housing (LMH)
- **Public Services -** Citywide Low/Mod Clientele (LMC) and Presumed Benefit
- **NRSA** - Housing Rehabilitation Program funds will be invested for exterior rehabilitation in the NRSA

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The City of East Chicago will utilize its CDBG and HOME funds to rehabilitate and to support the construction of new affordable housing units. The one year goals for affordable housing in the City of East Chicago for FY 2017 are as follows.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	21
Special-Needs	0
Total	21

Table 10 - 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	1
Rehab of Existing Units	20
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	21

Table 11 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

During this program year, the City does not have any rental assistance or acquisition of existing unit's projects. In addition, the City has no projects that are dedicated to homeless and special needs households. All the projects are open to the residents of the City of East Chicago.

- The City has one (1) project, the Affordable Housing Program (CHDO), funded by HOME funds to develop affordable housing.
- The City has two (2) projects, the Housing Rehabilitation Programs (CDBG and HOME), to rehabilitate 20 housing units.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

The Housing Authority of East Chicago (ECHA) is the local public housing authority that serves the City of East Chicago. ECHA aims to address the needs of extremely low income, very low income, and low income residents of the City of East Chicago. ECHA assists individuals and families through its Public Housing communities and Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers. The Housing Authority promotes homeownership in scattered site housing and through its Self-Sufficiency Program.

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

The East Chicago Housing Authority has budgeted the following funds under its 2017 Capital Funds Budget:

- **Operations:** $130,000.00
- **Management Improvements:** $50,500.00
- **Administration:** $125,000.00
- **Fees and Costs:** $0.00
- **Site Improvement:** $280,699.00
- **Dwelling structures:** $0.00
- **Dwelling Equipment – Nonexpendable:** $0.00
- **Demolition:** $683,838.00
- **Relocation Costs:** $0.00
- **Total: $1,270,037.00**

The ECHA owns and manages 799 units of traditional public housing. The Housing Authority has approximately 788 individuals, families, and elderly on the waiting list, although some of these are likely duplicated numbers since people may be on more than one list. The Housing Authority of East Chicago also has 697 Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers, with approximately 182 households on the waiting list according to the most recent Annual PHA Plan. The Section 8 Housing Choice waiting list was opened from March 1, 2016 to March 2, 2016 and the Housing Authority received 815 online applications and an additional 520 hard copy applications.

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

The ECHA offers its tenants more than just affordable housing; it provides a variety of social, educational, and recreational activities including operating a youth center. The activities it offers include: employment training, “Teen Scene,” “Voices Against Smokers,” GED Program, Boy’s and Girl’s Scouts program, “Friends of Amigo,” computer classes, referrals to Robertson Day Care Center, and financial services for student workers. ECHA’s Capital Fund Program is aimed to improve the overall

management while improving its housing stock. The Authority recognizes that its long term sustainability will depend on management and meeting the market demand.

In an effort to address the needs of public housing, the East Chicago Housing Authority (ECHA) offers its residents opportunities to become involved in the Resident Advisory Board (RAB), where they can participate in all aspects of management and the decision making process. The residents nominate the candidates or can self-nominate themselves for the Resident Advisory Board as long as they are in good standing with ECHA. ECHA also provides a variety of activities aimed at self-sufficiency and homeownership among its residents.

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

The East Chicago Housing Authority is not designated as a troubled housing authority.

Discussion

Not applicable.

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

Introduction

The main strategy to eliminate chronic homelessness is coordination with the Continuum of Care Network of Northwest Indiana and implementation of appropriate actions to eliminate homelessness in East Chicago and Lake County, Indiana. Most of the regional care providers are members of the Network. These providers offer significant resources, services, and housing opportunities for the City's sheltered and unsheltered chronic homeless people. In January 28, 2015 the Point-in-Time Survey was completed for Lake County. A total of 260 homeless persons were surveyed. The breakdown of the homeless population is 148 males, 112 females, and no transgender; 184 black, 68 white, 29 Hispanic, 1 American Indian or Alaskan Native, and 1 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; and 75 under age of 18, 22 age 18 to 24, and 163 over age 24. The January 2017 Point-in-Time survey results will not be released until later this year.

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

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

The primary goal of the City to end chronic homelessness is to ensure that chronic homeless people are moving out of homelessness and into safe, decent, and affordable housing with appropriate and adequate supportive services. The strategy to achieve this goal consists of offering flexible services and housing opportunities with interventions to address both structural and personal reasons for chronic homelessness. Activities sponsored by the City to end homelessness include:

- Involvement in the planning process through the Continuum of Care Network collaborative.
- Support development of 6 to 12 supportive housing units in the CoC.
- Support of on-going maintenance of the existing permanent supportive housing in the CoC.
- Support social service providers and agencies in assisting chronically homeless people by enrolling them in appropriate public benefit programs.
- Support for advocacy, legal representation, and outreach to secure resources for chronically homeless people to become independent.
- Implementing a county-wide HMIS to collect data about chronically homeless people and identify housing and services needed. The collected data will also provide direction to the City in allocating its local resources to better address the homeless needs.

In 2017, the City of East Chicago plans to spend CDBG funds in its homeless related activities by funding agencies such as:

- Catholic Charities Homelessness Prevention Program

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The Five Year Consolidated Plan's prevention goal is based on three (3) core strategies. These strategies consist of the following activities:

- Provide local support to prevent homelessness by expanding early intervention (i.e. foreclosures), outreach, economic opportunities and job training.
- Support and maintain local capacity of services and shelter providers.
- Collaborate regionally to address the needs on a broader scale.

Under the FY 2017 CDBG Program, the City will support agencies and programs which aim to prevent homelessness. A full listing of Public Services is included in the Appendices.

The Continuum of Care Network of Northwest Indiana - Region 1a provides programs for low income individuals and families to avoid becoming homeless, especially those individuals who are being discharged from publically funded institutions and systems of care. The City of East Chicago is a participant in the CoC Network NWI. As a part of the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan, there is a "Discharge and Coordination Policy."

The City of East Chicago supports the housing, social service, health care, employment, education, and youth services for its special needs population through funding for public services and through the Continuum of Care Network NWI.

The Regional Mental Health Center, which has a location in East Chicago, manages six (6) transitional housing units in the City of East Chicago. They offer services for adults and children that consists of the following: Feelings of panic or depression, problems with drugs or alcohol, anxiety and stress, marital and family conflict, unemployment or job dissatisfaction, loss of a loved one and provide counselors who specialize in people who are severely depressed, anxious or are in danger of harming themselves or others. All of the other emergency shelter and transitional housing units are located in the adjacent communities of Hammond and Gary, Indiana.

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The City is becoming a more active participant in the Continuum of Care organization. Since HUD is moving from emergency shelter housing to permanent housing, the City will rely on the current facilities in the region for permanent housing. Moving forward, the City will monitor and support this movement to permanent housing.

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

Approximately 35.5% of the City of East Chicago's residents live in poverty, while only 18.2% of Lake County residents live in poverty and 15.5% of the State of Indiana residents live in poverty. Female headed households with children are particularly affected by poverty at 65.6%. This information is from the U.S. Census "2010-2014 American Community Survey." The City's goal is to reduce the extent of poverty by 5%, based on actions the City can control and by working with outside agencies/organizations.

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The City's Anti-Poverty strategy is based on attracting a range of businesses and supporting workforce development including job training services for low income residents. The City's home buyer programs will enable wealth creation in the form of purchasing a home. In addition, the City's strategy is to provide supportive services for target income residents. The Anti-Poverty objectives for the City are as follows:

- Promote workforce development programs for City residents.
- Create job opportunities for unemployed and the underemployed.
- Promote job training programs.
- Provide assistance for food and shelter programs.

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.

The City of East Chicago continues to work to develop effective policies to prevent discharge from institutions and health care and foster care facilities that result in homelessness. To this end, the CoC is in the process of developing a local network of City, County, State, and community organizations to cooperate on a set of activities which ensure cross training, systems integration, and other efforts to improve the reentry of institutionalized individuals into the community. The primary goal of this effort will be reintegration of sex offenders and mental health released patients, and foster care individuals from the criminal justice and mental health systems back into the community. Another goal will be to prevent episodes of homelessness and repeated incarceration.

Potential partners at this point are the Department of Redevelopment, City of East Chicago Police Department, Regional Mental Health Center, Workforce Development, East Chicago Housing Authority, CoC NWI, Inc., and other service providers that can offer a full spectrum of services including case management, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, intensive employment and training support, health care and other needed services.

Discussion

The City is planning to assist persons with other special needs (i.e. elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities, which includesmental, physical, development, persons with alcohol or other drug additions), persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, and public housing residents by providing funding to various Public Service agencies/organizations.

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

Introduction:

The following potential impediments to fair housing choice and recommendations were outlined to assist the City of East Chicago to affirmatively further fair housing and were developed as part of the City's FY 2014-2018 Consolidated Plan.

- **Impediment 1:** Need for a Regional Approach to Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing.
- **Impediment 2:** Need to Analyze Private Lending and Insurance Practices.
- **Impediment 3:** There Is a Lack of Financial Resources.
- **Impediment 4:** Promote Fair Housing Education and Outreach.
- **Impediment 5:** Need to Address Public Policies and Regulations.
- **Impediment 6:** There Is a Continuing Need for Affordable Housing That is For Sale.
- **Impediment 7:** There Is a Continuing Need for Accessible Housing Units That Are For-Sale or Rent.
- **Impediment 8:** There Is a Need to Redevelop Vacant Sites and Buildings Throughout the City.
- **Impediment 9:** There is a Need to Improve the Economic Stability of Families and Reduce the Number of Families Living in Poverty.

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

In May 2014, the City of East Chicago prepared the following strategies to affirmatively further fair housing in the City. Impediment five (5) refers to the need to address public policies and regulations.

Impediment 5: Need to Address Public Policies and Regulations.

The City's Zoning Ordinance appears to be outdated and needs to be revised. The City should review and revise sections of its zoning ordinance to bring it into compliance with the Fair Housing Act. Other municipal policies and ordinances need to be reviewed and revised if necessary, in order to affirmatively further fair housing.

Goal: The City's Zoning Ordinance, Sub-division Ordinance, Housing Standards and other policies and ordinances will promote affordable housing and affirmatively further fair housing in order to meet the needs of all residents living in the City of East Chicago.

The strategies to meet this goal include:

- **5-A:** The City will review its Zoning Ordinance to become compliant with the Fair Housing Act by updating the definition of the word "Family" to permit six (6) or less disabled persons to live together and be considered as a single family unit. Other definitions should also be added to the Zoning Ordinance, such as: "Accessibility", "Americans with Disability Act (ADA)", "Community Living Arrangement", "Disability" (Disabled or Handicapped Person), "Fair Housing Act", "Group Home", "Handicap", "Section 504 Rehabilitation Act", and "Visitability".
- **5-B:** The City will review and consider expanding locations where group homes are permitted. Presently, group homes are only permitted in the "R-3" and "R-4" Multiple-Dwelling Districts. These are areas that appear to be impacted, with the highest percentage of minority concentration and over 60% low- and moderate-income households. If the definition of "family" was revised, disabled persons could live together in an "R-1" Single-family District. Group homes need to be located throughout Lake County and this need should be brought to the attention of the Lake County Planning Commission to address on a countywide basis.

The City Planning Department has not yet completed its review and revisions to the City's Zoning Ordinance.

Discussion:

The following are efforts that different agencies are proposing during this program year to affirmatively further fair housing in the City of East Chicago:

City of East Chicago:

- Provide funds to rehabilitate housing units in the City for low and moderate income households.
- Provide funds for construction of new single family homes for sale to low and moderate income households.
- Demolish vacant dilapidated structures in the City's low and moderate income neighborhoods.
- Assist low and moderate income individuals and families to purchase a home.
- Assist with down payment assistance to low and moderate income homebuyers.

Indiana Legal Services, Inc.:

- Indiana Legal Services, Inc. is planning to provide legal services to low and moderate income individuals and families. The program provides legal advice and representation in civil matters, foreclosure, community legal education, and support aimed to help low and moderate income individuals to understand their rights.

Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance (NWIRA):

- Assists and promotes active participation from area housing and lending providers, community

groups and social service agencies in providing financial and other services that would empower residents to build and strengthen the communities through home ownership, rehabilitation and credit building opportunities, particularly for low and moderate income and minority residents in Lake County.

- Provides Pre- and Post-Homeownership Counseling, Foreclosure Mitigation Modification Counseling, Financial Literacy Counseling & Training, and Small Business DevelopmentEntrepreneurial & Small Business Training & Development and Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Counseling.
- The Lake County Housing Task Force will conduct a review of the mortgage lending practice in Lake County. The Lake County Housing Taskforce, created through a cooperative agreement between the Lake County Community Economic Development Department and the Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance, continues to facilitate coordination of the efforts aimed at identification and assessment of housing and financial concerns facing residents of Lake County. The City of East Chicago participates in the meetings held by the Lake County Taskforce. Currently, the Task Force is focused on foreclosures in the area and completed a community benefit plan.
- Performing a study to determine any patterns of discrimination in mortgages and insurance underwriting in Lake County.
- The Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance's Banker Community Council consist of representatives from Northwest Indiana's top banks, plus representatives from community groups who work to explore ideas and projects where nonprofits, and governmental agencies and the financial sector can work together.
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AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

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

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Despite efforts made by the City and social service providers, a number of significant obstacles to meeting underserved needs remain. With funding resources being scarce, funding becomes the greatest obstacle for the City of East Chicago to meet its underserved needs. Insufficient funding lessens the ability to fund many worthwhile public service programs, activities, and agencies. The City through its planning efforts will use its limited resources to address the City of East Chicago's greatest needs and improve the quality of life for its residents. The following obstacles need to be overcome in order to meet underserved needs:

- Lack of decent, safe, sound, and affordable owner and renter housing
- High cost of rehabilitation work
- Aging in place population who need accessibility improvements
- Major rehabilitation of the City's older housing stock
- The increasing number of vacant and abandoned properties
- High unemployment rate and loss of household income
- Difficulty in obtaining bank loans and mortgages

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City of East Chicago, during FY 2017, proposes to foster and maintain affordable housing through the following Five Year goals and strategies:

HS-1 Conserve and rehabilitate the existing housing stock in the community, including emergency repairs and handicap accessibility.

- Housing Rehabilitation Program (CDBG)
- Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery (CDBG)
- Housing Rehabilitation Program (HOME)

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

For rehabilitation projects, the City of East Chicago will continue to ensure that:

- Applicants for rehabilitation funding receive the required lead-based paint information and understand their responsibilities.
- Staff properly determines whether proposed projects are exempt from some or all lead based paint safety requirements.
- The level of federal rehabilitation assistance is properly calculated and the applicable lead based paint requirements determined.
- Properly qualified contractor performs risk management, paint testing, lead hazard reduction, and clearance services when required.
- Required lead hazard reduction work and protective measures are incorporated into project rehabilitation specifications.
- Risk assessment, paint testing, lead hazard reduction, and clearance work are performed in accordance with the applicable standards established in 24 CFR Part 35.
- Required notices regarding lead based paint evaluation, presumption, and hazard reduction are provided to occupants and documented.
- Program documents establish the rental property owner's responsibility to perform and document ongoing lead based paint maintenance activities, when applicable.
- Program staff monitors owner compliance with ongoing lead based paint maintenance activities, when applicable.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Approximately 35.5% of the City of East Chicago's residents live in poverty, while only 18.2% of Lake County residents live in poverty and 15.5% of the State of Indiana residents live in poverty. Female headed households with children are particularly affected by poverty at 65.6%. This information is from the U.S. Census "2010-2014 American Community Survey." The City's goal is to reduce the extent of poverty by 5%, based on actions the City can control and through work with other agencies/organizations.

The City's anti-poverty strategy is based on attracting a range of businesses and supporting workforce development, including job training services for low income residents. The City's first time home buyer program and other homeownership programs will prevent poverty by enabling wealth creation in the form of acquiring a real estate asset. In addition, the City's strategy is to provide supportive services for targeted lower income residents. The Anti-Poverty objectives for the City are as follows:

- Promote workforce development programs for City residents.
- Create job opportunities for unemployed and the underemployed.
- Promote job training programs.
- Provide assistance for food and shelter programs.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment acts as the lead agency for the development and administration of the Annual Action Plan and its funded projects. This agency will coordinate activities among public and private organizations, in order to achieve the prioritized goals of the Annual Action Plan.

The Department of Redevelopment maintains its partnership with the Continuum of Care Network of Northwest Indiana – Region 1a (CoC Network). The CoC Network-Region 1a, is one of 15 regions in the State of Indiana under the Balance of State Continuum of Care. The Balance of State Continuum of Care promotes community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness, provide funding related to ending homelessness, promote access to services for those experiencing homelessness and to provide a framework for optimizing self-sufficiency among persons facing homelessness.

The City of East Chicago is committed to providing quality of life when faced with the housing and community development needs of the City. The City is diligent in creating public and private partnerships that target revitalization through economic revitalization, infrastructure improvements, new construction of single family homes, promoting homeownership, citywide Fiber Optic Networks and art initiatives. Some of the partnerships include the following:

- Housing Authority of East Chicago
- Lake County Housing Taskforce
- Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority (RDA)
- Northwest Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC)
- Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA)
- Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT)
- Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH)
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

The City of East Chicago consulted with business and civic leaders during its Consolidated Planning process. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- East Chicago Urban Enterprise Association

- Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce
- Foundations of East Chicago
- Local elected officials

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

The primary responsibility for the administration of the Annual Action Plan is assigned to the Department of Redevelopment in the City of East Chicago. This agency will coordinate activities among the public and private organizations, in their efforts to implement different elements and to realize the prioritized goals of the Annual Action Plan. The City is committed to continuing its participation and coordination with public, housing, and social service organizations. The City solicits applications for CDBG and works closely with its only CHDO to identify projects needing HOME funds. In addition, the City sends out applications to a list of agencies, organizations, and housing providers that have previously submitted an application or which have expressed an interest in submitting an application. The application is reviewed by the Department of Redevelopment staff along with representatives of the Redevelopment Commission and they discuss any questions with the applicant.

Discussion:

The Department of Redevelopment maintains the lead responsibility for monitoring the CDBG and HOME programs. The policies and procedures mandate compliance and timely implementation of the projects by all sub-recipients.

The monitoring procedures are primarily driven by two major activities, which include:

- Detailed evaluation of all proposals for compliance with strategies set forth in the Annual Action Plan.
- Execution of a grant agreement which clearly delineates program objectives, and activities to be carried out by the sub-recipient, time schedule for completion, expected performance goals and reporting requirements.

The monitoring standards and procedures that are used are the standards and procedures set forth in 2 CFR Part 200. The Department's monitoring activities range from screening applicants for income eligibility, accounting procedures of the sub-recipients, to on-site inspection of properties under rehabilitation. The City also monitors expenditures for different projects to assure eligibility, timely disbursement, and achievement of goals. Desk reviews are done every time an invoice is submitted to the Department of Redevelopment. In addition, agencies are monitored at least once during the course of the year. Based on a risk analysis the City will monitor more frequently as needed.

During this program year, the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment will perform an annual inspection of all the housing units it owns. In addition, if there is a request for a repair by a tenant, then the Redevelopment Department will inspect the unit as often as needed. Every time the tenant occupancy changes, the unit will be inspected.

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

The City of East Chicago receives an annual allocation of CDBG and HOME funds. Since the City receives these federal allocations the questions below have been completed, as they are applicable.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(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.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	80,000
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	**80,000**

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.	0.70%

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(2)

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

   The City of East Chicago does not anticipate the receipt of any additional program income funds

prior to July 1, 2017 that it has not yet programmed. It anticipates that it will receive $4,440.00 in HOME Program Income during the FY 2017 Program Year. The City of East Chicago has adopted HUD's Guidelines for Resale or Recapture found in 24 CFR 92.254 for its homebuyer program.

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

   The City of East Chicago guidelines for resale and recapture are:

- The City has adopted the HOME Program Resale/Recapture Policy for Homeownership Activities. The policy is based on the HOME Program rules found in 24 CFR Part 92.254.
- The issue of resale/recapture arises when a homeowner that received homebuyer assistance under the HOME Program decides to sell the property. If the property is sold after the period of affordability has expired, there are no restrictions in terms of resale or recapture of HOME funds that apply to such a transaction. However, if the sale occurs before the period of affordability has expired, certain regulatory limitations apply.

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

   See attached Resale or Recapture Guidelines for Homeownership Appendix.

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

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

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

HOME Match Requirements:

- The City of East Chicago is exempt from the HOME Match Requirement.

HOME Program Income:

- The City of East Chicago anticipates it will receive $4,440.00 in HOME Program Income from mortgage and rent receipts during this program year.

CHDO Organizations:

- The City of East Chicago has one (1) certified CHDO organization, which is Managed East Chicago Housing Association, Inc. (MECHA).

CDBG Program Income:

- The City of East Chicago anticipates it will receive $80,000.00 in CDBG Program Income from the repayment of residential repair program low interest loans during this program year.

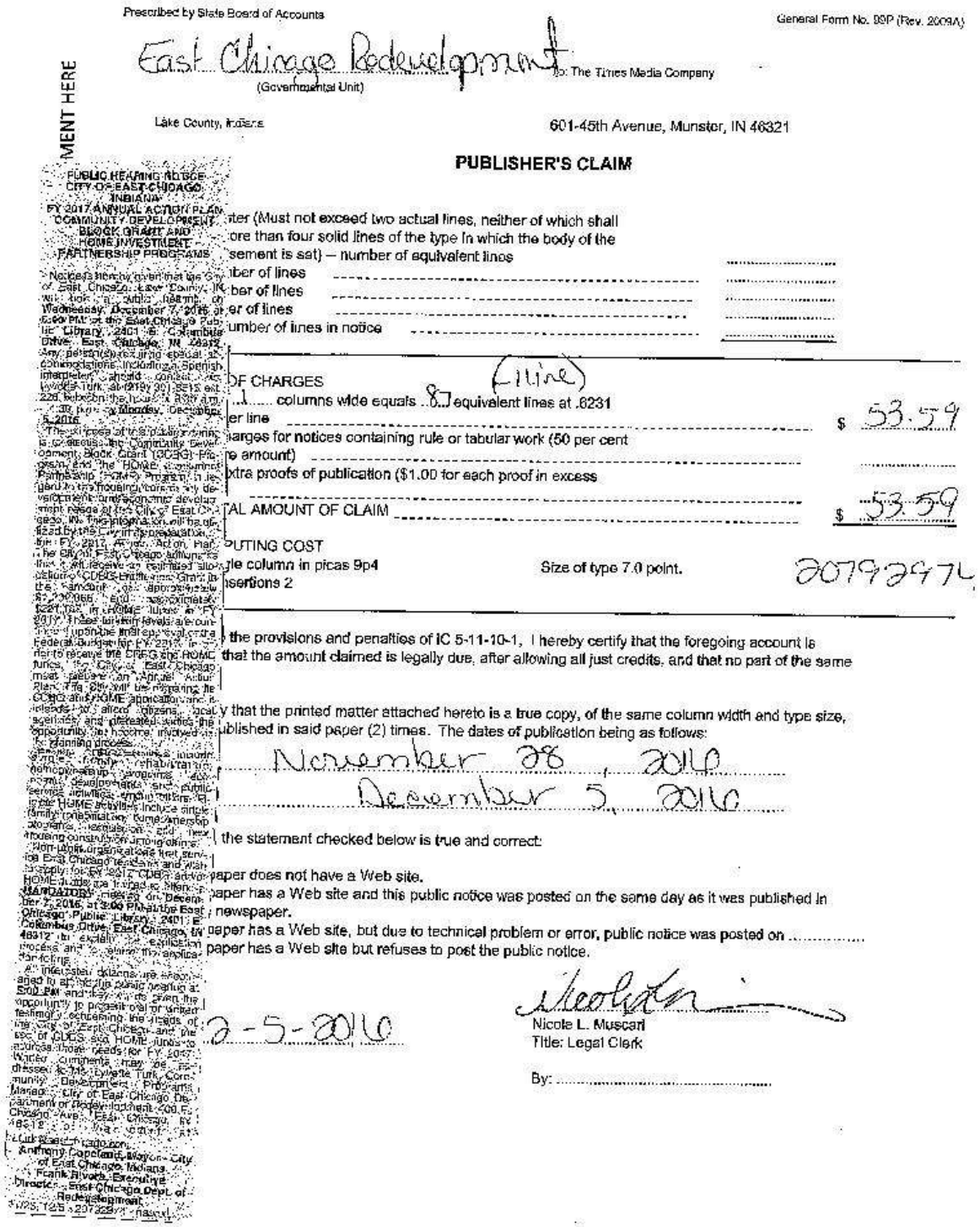
CDBG Percentages:

- Administrative Percentage - 20%
- Public Service Percentage - 15%
- Low and Moderate-Income Percentage - 100%
- No Slum and Blight Activities.

Overall Benefit Years: 2017, 2018 & 2019

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments



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CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
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PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

Notice is hereby given that the City of East Chicago, Lake County, IN will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 6:00 PM at the East Chicago Public Library, 2401 E. Columbia Drive, East Chicago, IN 46312. Any person(s) requiring special accommodations, including a Spanish interpreter, should contact Lynette Turk at (219) 391-8515 ext. 228 between the hours of 8:00 am. - 4:30 pm. on Monday, December 5, 2016.

The purpose of this public hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program in regard to the housing, community development and economic development needs of the City of East Chicago. The hearing will be conducted by the City of East Chicago Redevelopment Department.

For FY 2017, the Action Plan for the City of East Chicago anticipates that it will receive an estimated allocation of CDBG entitlement Grant in the amount of approximately $2,700,000 and approximately $700,000 in HOME funds in FY 2017. These funds are available pursuant to the final approval of the Federal Budget for FY 2017. In order to receive the CDBG and HOME funds, the City of East Chicago must prepare an Annual Action Plan. The City will be receiving its CDBG and HOME application and it intends to afford citizens, local agencies, and interested parties the opportunity to become involved in planning process.

CDBG activities include public improvements, housing rehabilitation, homeownership programs, economic development and public service activities, emergency shelter grants, etc. Some of the HOME activities include single family rehabilitation, homeownership programs, tenant-based rental assistance and new housing construction or infill housing.

Non-profit organizations that serve the East Chicago residents and wish to apply for FY 2017 CDBG and/or HOME funds may be invited to attend a meeting on December 7, 2016, at 6:00 PM at the East Chicago Public Library, 2401 E. Columbia Drive, East Chicago, IN 46312. In addition, representatives of the City's Boards and Commissions may be invited to attend the meeting.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the public meeting at 6:00 PM and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the needs of the City of East Chicago and the use of CDBG and HOME funds to address those needs for FY 2017. Written comments may be addressed to: Lynette Turk, Community Development Programs Manager, City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment, 200 E. Chicago Ave., East Chicago, IN 46312 or via e-mail to lturk@eastchicago.com.

Anthony Copeland, Mayor - City of East Chicago, Indiana
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2	Bradley, Tamara	Indiana Plan	Tamara P Bradley	3101 Broadway Gary, IN 46409	219 884 4503	TBradley@indianaplan.org
3	Cauley, Tia	East Chicago Housing Authority		4820 Larkspur Drive - P.O. Box 498 East Chicago, IN 46312	219-397-9974	Tcauley@echa-in.org
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8	Drummond, Orlando	Boys & Girls Club of NWI		8392 Mississippi St. Merrillville, IN 46410	219-881-1060	ODrummond@bgcnwi.org
9	Favela, Sandra	City of East Chicago Department of Human Resources	Sandra Favela	4525 Indianapolis Blvd. East Chicago, IN 46312	219-391-8479	Sfavela@eastchicago.com
10	Guyser, Teresa	Feed my Sheep Resource Center, Inc.				

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13	Hurt, Madalyn	Boys & Girls Club of NWI Kathrine House		2009 E 138th St. East Chicago, IN 46312	219-398-1344	MHurt@bgcnwi.org
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15	Martin, Marcus	Grace Beyond Borders NWI, Inc.		513 W. Chicago Ave. East Chicago, IN 46312	219-712-5192	Mmminc53@gmail.com
16	Matusik, George	South Shore Arts		Center for Visual and Performing Arts 1040 Ridge Road/Munster, IN 46321	219-836-1830	
17	Mora, Mark	Indiana Legal Services		7863 Broadway Merrillville, IN 46410	219-738-6040	Mark.mora@ilsi.net
18	Ragland, Phanisha	We Care From the Heart		5272 Hohman Avenue Hammond, IN 46320	219-933-7111	HammondWeCareFromTheHeart@yahoo.com
19	Signars, Ernest	East Chicago Housing Authority		4820 Larkspur Drive - P.O. Box 498 East Chicago, IN 46312	219-397-9974	Esignars@eastchicago.com
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22	Spann, K. Tyrone	Transformative Nonprofit Solutions	K Spann			TNPSconsult@gmail.com
23	Stalling, Pamela	Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance	Pamela Stalling	5918 Hohman Ave Hammond, IN 46320	219-931-9300	Ps:alling@hotmail.com
24	Torres, Elisa	Catholic Charities	Elisa Torres	3801 Fir Street East Chicago, IN 46312	219-397-5803	
25	Torres-Lupo, Gloria	Indiana Legal Services		7863 Broadway Merrillville, IN 46410	219-738-6040	Gloria.torres@ilsi.net
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27	Whiting, Chonn	Managed East Chicago Housing Association		4920 Larkspur Drive - P.O. Box 498 East Chicago, IN 46312	219-397-9674	CWhiting@echa-in.org
28	Williams, Theodora	Concerned Citizens of Calumet	Theodora Williams	Post Office Box 872 East Chicago, IN 46312	219-397-1837	Twilliams1955@gmail.com
29	Wynn, Laura	Indiana Parenting Institute		504 Broadway Gary, IN 46402	219-886-1111	Lswynn@indianaparentinginstitute.org
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32	Ochoa Joseph	E.C Little League	Joseph Ochoa		2197755666	joebaseball@hotmail.com
33	Vasquez, Carmen	Mama Tabing Chango	Carmen Vasquez	4320 Fir, Ste 214 E. Chgo, IN		CVASQUEZ@HEALTHYEC.ORG
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35	Smith Woodard, Marcia	Grace MB Church	Marcia Smith-Woodard	3602 Dewey St East Chicago 46312	317-509-6712	cia3174@gmail.com
36	Tom Dabkowski	City of EC				
37	Rosemary Salazar	The Salvation Army EC.	Rosemary Salazar	5130 Chicago E. C. IN 46312	398-2939	rosemary.salazar@usc.salvationarmy.org
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FY 2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN Public Meeting
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2016
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Staff/Consultants Present:

- Ms. Lyvette Turk – Community Development Programs Manager – Department of Redevelopment
- Ms. Loretta Parker – Rehabilitation Assistant – Department of Redevelopment
- Non-Profit Agencies - 30 persons in attendance representing 20 Agencies (*See attached Sign In Sheet*)

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Lyvette Turk, Community Development Programs Manager – Department of Redevelopment, who welcomed the Non-Profit Agencies behalf of Mayor Anthony Copeland and Frank Rivera, Executive Director-Dept. of Redevelopment. She then stated that she was elated that there are so many agencies in attendance for this workshop. The purpose of this workshop is for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application and the process for applying for the funds. She also reviewed the approximate timeline beginning with this meeting through to the submission to HUD.

Ms. Turk went on to highlight the FY 2017 CDBG Program: Our HUD program year is from July 1st to June 30th. The allocations have not been announced as of yet but the City of East Chicago anticipates that we will receive approximately $1.2 million in CDBG Funds, estimated program income is $84,000, about $192,000 will be available for Public Service programs. The applications are due on January 31, 2017 @ 12:00pm. She said to make sure that they do not wait until the last minute because you will not be able to access the application. She gave an example about submitting it at 11:59am but just as you hit "submit" the clock changed to 12:00pm – the system will say that you did not submit it successfully and you will be locked out. Up to January 31st, if the application is submitted and you realize that you need to go back in an update a section then you will need to contact our office to gain access. This will not be the case if it

is after the deadline date/time. She then asked for everyone to introduce themselves and to give a synopsis of what their agency is about.

The applications will be available online beginning Monday, December 12, 2016 and will be due back January 31, 2017 at 12noon. She went over the Selection Criteria and began reviewing portions of the application that have historically been a problem with applications. Gave different scenarios to reinforce some of the problem areas. Please note that the Federal Regulations for CDBG can be found at 24 CFR 570 and for administration of the grant at 2 CFR Part 200. Today we have handed out a hard copy of the application for the purpose of this workshop but all applications must be submitted electronically. There have been some major changes that the software company uploaded recently but please contact me if you have any issues. I want to re-iterate that if you have any questions while completing the application to please contact me at our office at 219-391-8513.

Ms. Turk informed the agencies that all electronic plans of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans that have been submitted by City of East Chicago are now located on HUD's website, which is listed at the top of the page. She also brought their attention to the middle of the page, which lists information regarding the FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2006, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 6202 OF PUBLIC LAW 110-252 found at https://www.fsrs.gov/. This is a requirement if any nonprofit agency receives a grant that is $25,000 and up. She then moved on to discuss the Priority Needs Table (Table I) and Goals Table (Table II). These tables are what is in our 5 year Consolidated Plan. If you are unsure as to which category your program/project falls into then please contact me. For those who have applied for funds electronically before you will still need to upload the attachments. Unfortunately, there isn't a way to get the information from previous submissions.

Please carefully review the narrative for thoroughness. All entities must be registered in SAM.gov (Systems for Award Management) and must be renewed on an annual basis. Please make sure that you don't let your registration lapse. In order to register in SAM.gov the entity will need to sign up for a DUNS number. There isn't a cost associated with applying for the SAM.gov registration or DUNS number. Also, please make sure that your organization is up to date with the Business Entity Report as required on a bi-annual basis with the Indiana Secretary of State. Make sure that all places that list dollar amounts matches/equals the budget that you submit. Make sure that you have an accountant/bookkeeper review your calculations. You must have a financial system in place and you must be utilizing the system. Make sure that you have "separation of duties". For example, make sure that the person who is invoicing and recording payments is not also reconciling the bank statements.

Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy (NRSA) – Based on the information you provided when you introduced yourself at the beginning of this workshop none of your programs qualify under this category. Most of your programs are citywide. For National Objectives, please contact me for this section if you are not sure. Most of the programs you listed today will fall under L/M Limited Clientele (LMC). Page 19 is one of the most important sections of the application. It tells us what service your organization provides and whether it fits in with our current 5 year Consolidated Plan. This is where your performance measures and goals should be applied and how you plan on evaluating your program throughout the grant/year.

Ms. Turk mentioned about this Workshop being Mandatory so if there is someone from your agency that was not able to attend I do have another one scheduled for December 15, 2016 at 10:30am at our office

located in the Water Department Building, 400 E. Chicago Avenue or you can call the office to schedule an appointment to review the Workshop material. If you are an organ

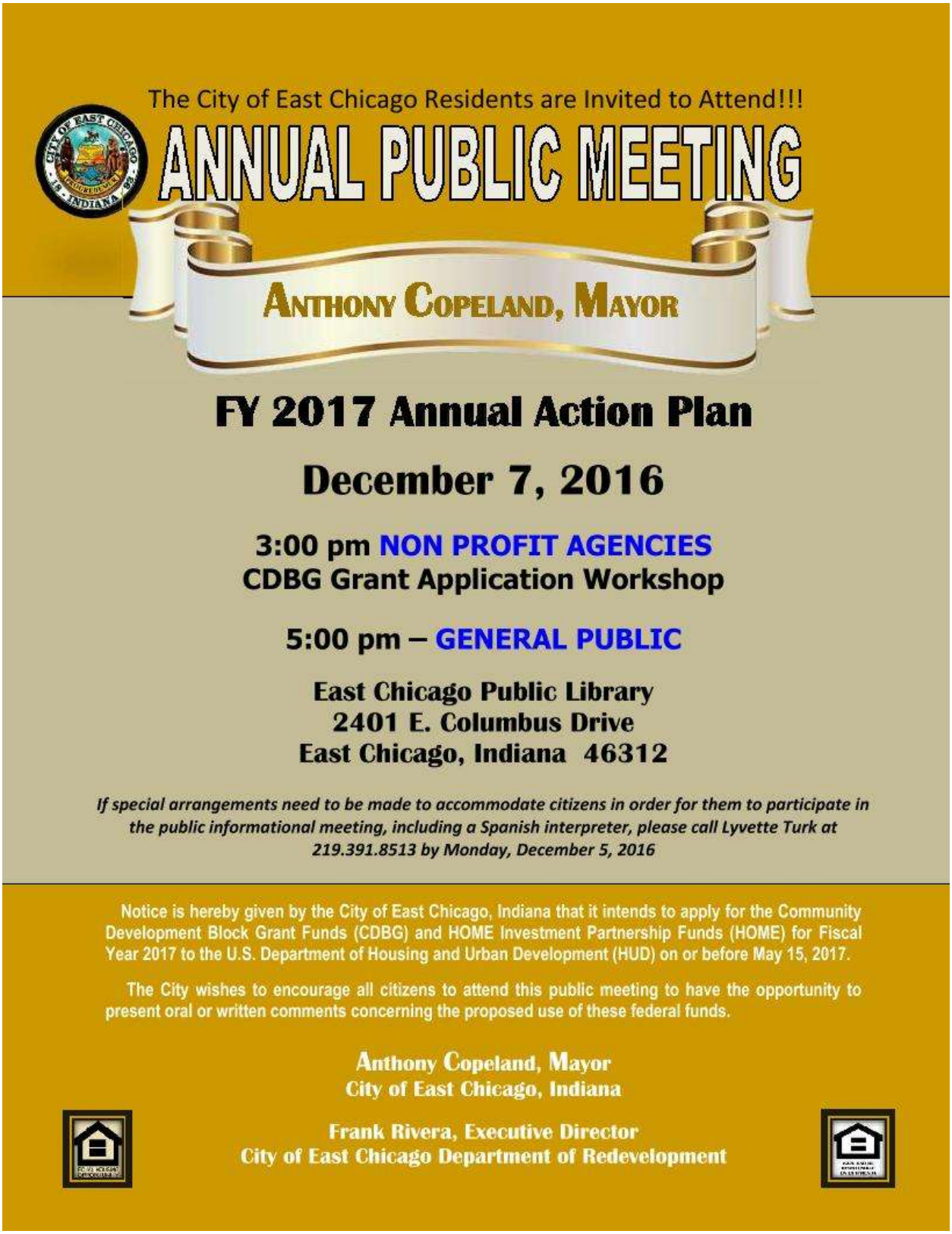
She concluded with re-iterating that the Applications are due on January 31, 2017 at 12 noon CST and if you have questions to please contact her at (219) 391-8513. The floor was open for questions.

Ms. Turk asked if anyone had any questions. With there being no questions, the Application Workshop is adjourned. End 4:02pm.

Gloria Torres-Lupo - Indiana Legal Services: When is the next workshop because some of the key persons from our Corporate Office was not able to make it to the workshop today.

Lyvette: Thursday, December 15, 2016 at 10:30am

Any further questions? With there being no questions, the Application Workshop is adjourned. The Workshop adjourned at 4:02pm.


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Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
FY 2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN Public Meeting
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2016
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: East Chicago Public Library
2401 E. Columbus Drive
East Chicago, IN 46312

Staff/Consultants Present:

- Ms. Lyvette Turk – Community Development Programs Manager – Department of Redevelopment
- General Public (*See attached Sign In Sheet*)

The Public Hearing was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Lyvette Turk, Community Development Programs Manager – Department of Redevelopment, who welcomed the residents on behalf of Mayor Anthony Copeland and Frank Rivera, Executive Director-Dept. of Redevelopment, for taking out time to attend this meeting.

She then went on to explain the purpose of the meeting today was to begin the process for the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan, which is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), for the City to receive the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME). Currently, HUD has not yet received its budget for 2017 and therefore, the City does not have its entitlement allocation amount. Even though we have not received our 2017 Allocation for the grants we must still go through the process using the allocation amounts from the 2016 grants as our guide. Our plan is due to be submitted to HUD by May 15th every year but if we do not have our allocation amount then we cannot submit the plan until we receive it from HUD. There will be a second public hearing tentatively scheduled for April, at which point we anticipate knowing what the allocation amounts will be.

Our program year for the grants begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th on an annual basis. We are currently in the FY 2016 grant cycle and the breakdown is as follows: for the CDBG grant a maximum of 20% can be used on Administration costs and a maximum of 15% can be used on Public Service activities with the remaining portion of the funds being allocated for the Housing Rehabilitation Programs. Earlier today an Application Workshop was held and 30 persons were in attendance.

Ms. Turk asked if the attendees had any questions or comments. With there being no questions or comments, the Public Hearing is adjourned. The Public Hearing adjourned at 5:25pm.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FY 2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
CITY OF EAST CHICAGO,
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Notice is hereby given that the City of East Chicago, Lake County, IN will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 5:00 PM at the:

East Chicago Public Library
1008 W. Chicago Avenue
East Chicago, Indiana 46312

East Chicago Public Library located at 1008 W. Chicago Avenue is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements need to be made to assist mobility residents in order for them to participate in the public hearing, including a Spanish interpreter, please call Ms. Lissette Turk, City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment at (219) 391-8513 ext. 226 to make those arrangements no later than Friday, August 18, 2017.

The purpose of the public hearing is to present the City of East Chicago's FY 2017 Annual Action Plan for the use of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. The City intends to submit its FY 2017 Annual Action Plan for $1,199,532 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and $245,911 for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. In addition, the City anticipates that it will receive $50,000 in Program Income for its CDBG Program and $5,040 in Program Income for its HOME Program. The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan will be submitted to HUD on or before August 31, 2017.

In order to obtain the view of residents, public agencies and other interested parties, the City of East Chicago will place its FY 2017 Annual Action Plan on display at the following locations from August 11, 2017 through August 28, 2017:

City of East Chicago
Mayor's Office
4527 Indianapolis Blvd

City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
400 E. Chicago Avenue

Website: www.eastchicago.com

All interested residents are encouraged to attend this public hearing and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the proposed use of Federal funds for the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan.

Written comments may be addressed to the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment, 400 E. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, IN 46312. The comments may also be sent via fax to (219) 391-7005, e-mail it directed to LTurk@eastchicago.com or by call: ing (219) 391-8513 ext. 226. Oral comments may be made at the public hearing on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

Anthony Copeland, Mayor
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East Chicago Dept. of Redevelopment
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PUBLIC MEETING

WHEN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2017

WHERE: EAST CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
1008 E. CHICAGO AVENUE
EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

TIME: 5:00PM

ANTHONY COPELAND, MAYOR

The purpose of the public meeting is to present the City of East Chicago's FY 2017 Annual Action Plan for the use of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Grant funds in the following amounts:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	**$1,199,552**
Program Income (CDBG)	**$ 80,000**
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	**$214,811**
Program Income (HOME)	**$ 4,440**

The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan will be on display from August 11 through August 28, 2017 at the following locations: **City of East Chicago - Mayor's Office** - 4527 Indianapolis Blvd and **City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment** 400 E. Chicago Avenue or via the website at http://www.eastchicago.com/page10/page41/index.html. The FY 2017 Annual Action Plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or before August 31, 2017.

Written comments may be addressed to the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment, 400 E. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, IN 46312, via fax to (219) 391-7005, or e-mailed to Lturk@eastchicago.com. Oral comments may be made at the public hearing on **August 22, 2017** or by calling (219) 391-8513 ext. 226.

If special arrangements need to be made to accommodate citizens in order for them to participate in the public informational meeting, including a Spanish interpreter, please call Lyvette Turk at 219.391.8513 by Friday, August 18, 2017

Anthony Copeland, Mayor
City of East Chicago, Indiana

Frank Rivera, Executive Director
City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment

Reunión Pública

CUANDO: MARTES 22 DE AGOSTO DE 2017

DONDE: LIBRERIA DE EAST CHICAGO
1008 W. CHICAGO AVENUE
EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

HORA: 5:00 P.M.

ANTHONY COPELAND, ALCALDE

El propósito de la reunión pública es presentar el Plan de Acción Anual del Año Fiscal 2017 de la Ciudad de East Chicago para el uso de los fondos del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano (HUD) de los Estados Unidos en las siguientes cantidades:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	**$1,199,552**
Ingresos del Programa (CDBG)	**$ 80,000**
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	**$214,811**
Ingresos del Programa (HOME)	**$ 4,440**

El Plan de Acción Anual del Año Fiscal 2017 estará expuesto del 11 de agosto al 28 de agosto de 2017 en los siguientes lugares: Ciudad de East Chicago - Oficina del Alcalde - 4527 Indianapolis Blvd. y Ciudad de East Chicago Departamento de Reurbanización 400 E. Chicago Avenue Oa través del sitio web en http://www.eastchicago.com/page10/page41/index.html. El Plan de Acción Anual para el año fiscal 2017 será presentado al Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD) el 31 de agosto de 2017 o antes.

Los comentarios por escrito pueden dirigirse al Departamento de Redevelopment de la Ciudad de East Chicago, 400 E. Chicago Avenue, East Chicago, IN 46312, por fax al (219) 391-7005, o por correo electrónico a Lturk@eastchicago.com. Los comentarios orales pueden hacerse en la audiencia pública del 22 de agosto de 2017 o llamando al (219) 391-8513 ext. 226.

Para areglos especiales necesarios para acomodar a los ciudadanos en orden que puedan participar en la reunión pública informacional, incluyendo un intérprete en español llame por favor a Lyvette Turk al 219-391-8513 antes del viernes, 18 de agosto de 2017

Anthony Copeland, Alcalde
Ciudad De East Chicago, Indiana

Frank Rivera, Director Ejecutivo
Departamento de Redevelopment de East Chicago

HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME)

HOME provides formula grants to States and localities that communities use—often in partnership with local nonprofit groups—to fund a wide range of activities that build, buy, and/or rehabilitate affordable housing for rent or homeownership or provide direct rental assistance to low-income people.

Purpose

HOME is the largest Federal block grant to State and local governments designed exclusively to create affordable housing for low-income households. Each year it allocates approximately $2 billion among the States and hundreds of localities nationwide. HOME funds are awarded annually as formula grants to participating jurisdictions. HUD establishes HOME Investment Trust Funds for each grantee, providing a line of credit that the jurisdiction may draw upon as needed. The program's flexibility allows States and local governments to use HOME funds for grants, direct loans, loan guarantees or other forms of credit enhancement, or rental assistance or security deposits.

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

- provide home purchase
- rehabilitation
- build or rehabilitate housing for rent or ownership
- demolition of dilapidated housing to make way for HOME-assisted development
- payment of relocation expenses
- provide tenant-based rental assistance contracts of up to 2 years

City of East Chicago

Department of Redevelopment

ANTHONY COPELAND, MAYOR

PUBLIC MEETING

2017 Annual Action Plan

For the

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

and

HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME)

August 22, 2017
5:00 p.m.

East Chicago Public Library
1008 W. Chicago Ave.
East Chicago, IN

CDBG HOME

ANTHONY COPELAND, MAYOR – CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

FRANK RIVERA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
CITY OF EAST CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT

AGENDA

Welcome
Frank Rivera, Executive Director
East Chicago Department of Redevelopment

Purpose of Meeting
Lyvette Turk, Community Development Programs Manager
East Chicago Department of Redevelopment

BUDGET
FY 2017 Program Year: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

CDBG Award Amount:	**$1,199,552**
Estimated Program Income:	**$ 80,000**
	$1,279,552
HOME Award Amount:	**$ 214,811**
Estimated Program Income:	**$ 4,440**
	$ 219,251

Comment Period
From August 11, 2017 to August 28, 2017

Questions

Final Comments

As part of the City's planning process, we need you opinions on how the Federal Funds should be spent. HUD and the City want to hear from you about what you believe the needs and strengths are in your neighborhoods, so that, together, we will develop plans that will best put these grant funds to use in your neighborhoods.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 219-391-8513

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

The program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. The program is authorized under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93-383, as amended; **42 U.S.C.-5301** et seq.

Purpose
HUD awards grants to entitlement community grantees to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services.
Entitlement communities develop their own programs and funding priorities. However, grantees must give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A grantee may also carry out activities which aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. Additionally, grantees may fund activities when the grantee certifies that the activities meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. CDBG funds may not be used for activities which do not meet these broad national objectives.

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

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

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP/TALLERES DE TRABAJO COMUNITARIOS

CDBG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

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Staff/Consultants Present:

- Frank Rivera – Executive Director – Department of Redevelopment
- Ms. Lyvette Turk – Community Development Programs Manager – Department of Redevelopment
- General Public (*See attached Sign In Sheet*)

The Public Hearing was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Frank Rivera, Executive Director – Department of Redevelopment. On behalf of Mayor Anthony Copeland and the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment welcome to our HUD Annual Plan for the City. It is a pleasure having you here we do need your feedback and opinions on the plan so that we can then look at the City's progression or any needs we may have. HUD does review the feedback and opinions that are included in the plan. Frank then turned the meeting over to Lyvette and stated that she will go through the entire process and give you more detail and information.

Lyvette made a correction to the written agenda letting the residents know that Heather Cowen, who is the consultant for HPG Networks and the consulting firm enlisted to assist the City with the FY 2017 Action Plan, was not able to make it here today for the meeting so she would be taking her place. Lyvette introduced herself as the Community Development Programs Manager for the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment. Today the purpose of the meeting is part of our process – the draft is currently on the City's website at www.eastchicago.com under the Department of Redevelopment and then you will see the FY 2017 Action Plan. It is much later than we normally do this but Congress did not appropriate the funds late and HUD did not announce the allocations until June 15, 2017. Our plan is historically due to HUD by May 15th. We went through a preliminary processes by inserting language into the draft plan and the Public Hearing that was held on April 26, 2017 but the language did not appear throughout the plan so we are now required to post another draft, have a Public Hearing and re-submit the plan. She explained that our Consolidated Plan is from 2014 – 2018 and that our fiscal year with HUD is from July 1st – June 30th.

Lyvette began going through the timeline for this plan which is as follows:

- On December 7, 2016 at 3pm, at the East Chicago Public Library, an Application Workshop was held for nonprofit agencies that wanted to apply for the Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG). This workshop reviewed the application and gave some incite to the Consolidated Plan and the priority needs from that plan. The attendance for this workshop was phenomenal. It was suggested at this workshop that if the agency was new to this process that they would need to set up a separate meeting with Lyvette for technical assistance
- Also on December 7, 2016 at 5:00pm, at the East Chicago Public Library, a general public hearing was held to notify the residents of the beginning of the process for the FY 2017 Action Plan
- The applications were due back on January 31, 2017 and a review committee, which consisted of 2 Redevelopment Commissioners and staff, reviewed all of the applications that were submitted
- Once the applications were evaluated then it was presented to the Redevelopment Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting held on May 2, 2017
- HUD announced the allocations on June 15, 2017
- The draft plan is on display from August 11 – August 28, 2017
- The plan is tentatively scheduled to be submitted to HUD on August 31st/September 1st

The purpose of this meeting this evening is to solicit comments/suggestions regarding the budget that you have before you. She stated that the allocation for the Community Development Block Grant is $1,199,552 plus estimated program income in the amount of $80,000, which is generated from the Housing Rehab Program Loans, for a total amount in CDBG of $1,279,552 and for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program $214,811 plus estimated program income in the amount of $4,440, which is generated from a mortgage for a total amount in HOME of $219,251. She then read the budget in its entirety. (***See Attachment 1 for the Budget***) Lyvette went on to explain what a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) and that this a requirement of the HOME Funds and can only be used on an organization that is certified as a CHDO.

Ms. Turk asked if the attendees had any questions. The questions were as follows:

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Question: Why didn't the plan go through the first time?

Lyvette: The language that had to appear in the plan – We were required to put in language that said that once the allocations were announced by HUD that we would make the adjustments up/down based on a percentage in each category. That language appeared in some parts of the plan but did not appear in all sections of the plan and the submission was rejected requiring us to go back through this process.

Frank: We were required to do a lot of things to try to keep things moving by using last year's allocations to draft the plan for this year while waiting for HUD to announce the actual allocations.

Question: Who is the CHDO?

Lyvette: Managed East Chicago Housing Association also known as MECHA

Question: So it is already approved for MECHA to receive these funds?

Lyvette: MECHA has not submitted an application for a project for these funds but as a requirement of the HOME Funds we have to set aside 15% of the allocation for a CHDO. Sometimes their project needs additional funding and that requires us to go back before the public through a Substantial Amendment process. Additional funding for the CHDO project would reduce the Housing Rehabilitation line item listed on the budget that you have been given this evening. MECHA's current/last project are the two homes in Washington Square on Senator Drive. One home is sold but 1743 Senator Drive is still available for sale.

Question: So it is only for individual home projects?

Lyvette: Sometimes it is individual or multiple homes. In Washington Square they built two new homes at the same time. We had some additional funding at the time of their project submission to allow them to put up two homes at the same time. They have to re-certify every time they have a project.

Frank: It's not just building a home a CHDO must be certified to the HOME Guidelines and we have to look at the entire project and certification in order to approve the project to go forward.

Question: Can they do, for example, some subsidized housing or some other developmental project? Would they be able to use this CHDO funding for that?

Lyvette: HOME funds for CHDO's can only be for specific projects – there are 5 types of projects using CHDO funds and there was a substantial update in 2013 to the HOME Final Rule for CHDO's.

Question: A lady asked him to check if she can individually apply for the Housing Rehab funding for her home to get it renovated?

Lyvette: Currently, the Rehab Department is not accepting applications at this time due to an extensive waiting list. They are only taking applications if the person lives in Sunnyside Neighborhood, Emergency Rehab and Accessibility Ramps.

Question: What about the people that reside in the Calumet Neighborhood, we are considered an emergency due to the lead issue?

Lyvette: When I say an "emergency" that means the roof is leaking, no heat, plumbing/pipes burst – if any of those issues are occurring then they can call our office and speak to the Rehab Department and they have to come out to determine if it is an emergency.

Question: That is for an emergency but to revitalize an area is that closed?

Lyvette: For Zones 1, 2 & 3 for those of you who don't know that is the Calumet Neighborhood – Zone 1 was the West Calumet Complex/Public Housing, Zone 2 is right outside of West Calumet Complex and Zone 3 is closer to the oil tanks on Chicago Avenue. There isn't a revitalization plan for the Calumet

Neighborhood until EPA has completed the cleanup and gives the City the "go ahead" to move with revitalizing the Calumet Neighborhood (East and West).

Frank: And each zone was identified for the SuperFund site.

Statement: We were at a meeting on this past Saturday and one of the things that I asked subsequent to our meeting with you on last week, which was helpful, requesting that EPA inform the Department of Redevelopment of the timeline for the cleanup so that we know the timeline of the cleanup – the organization that is represented today will request that the City and EPA release the information to Redevelopment so that plans can be made to revitalize the Calumet Neighborhood. Before we can even work on a plan long term we need to know what the timeline is for all of the demolition that EPA is doing. That information is needed so that the Calumet Neighborhood can be included in the CDBG/HOME Budget process. We are specifically looking at Zone 2 because of the amount of blight in that zone. We understand that there was a Calumet Neighborhood Plan that has now been on hold due to the EPA declaring the Calumet Neighborhood as a SuperFund site.

Frank: Just as EPA asked us to hold off on the Calumet Neighborhood project they will also give us guidance once the hold has been released.

Question: As I look at the budget that was passed out I notice that there is quite a bit of funding for the Housing Rehabilitation Program. Is all of this funding for the Sunnyside Neighborhood?

Lyvette: That funding is for the Residential Repair Program, which still has an extensive waiting list, Emergency Repair Program, Accessibility Ramp Program and the Exterior Façade Renovation Program, which is designated for the Sunnyside Neighborhood. With the funding restraints we are only able to get to so many homes on an annual basis. Because of the waiting list the program is currently not accepting any new applications for the Residential Repair Program.

Question: So is the funding listed here for the Arts Program in the Harbor

Lyvette: This funding will be available for Leon Kendrick Youth Voices United, who are located in the Performing Arts Academy on 3601 Grand Boulevard, and for South Shore Arts.

Question: I am reading the purpose on the agenda, that states the following: "*HUD awards grants to entitlement community grantees to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services*." What does that mean?

Lyvette: We are considered an Entitlement City, which means we get our funding directly from HUD. For CDBG we are considered an Entitlement but for HOME funds we are considered a "Participating Jurisdiction" (PJ).

Lyvette: Does anyone else have any questions? Did everyone sign the sign-in sheet?

Question: I made an observation when I was in a neighboring city on yesterday and noticed a list of donors on the wall of the building and they had received a total of $31 million and was not able to see where the funding was coming from but do you know where it might have come from and can East Chicago get this funding?

Lyvette: I'm not sure where their funding is coming from but the City of East Chicago is receiving large funding from the RDA but not from HUD.

Question: Does Redevelopment appropriate the funding for the RDA funds or is that through another department in the City?

Frank: That is something done by the Mayor. It comes directly from our financial departments to the Mayor's office. The RDA funding is based on taxes. The RDA sets the parameters in order to approve the project.

Lyvette: The next funding cycle and planning process will begin with the Application Workshop on December 5, 2017 for any nonprofit agency preferably with a 501(c)(3) designation. The nonprofit should also have at least one year of providing services to the residents of East Chicago. If the agency is new to this process it is beneficial for them to start now with technical assistance beginning the first week of October through November. The applications are usually due on January 31st unless it falls on a weekend then the date will be adjusted.

Question: When will you get these funds?

Lyvette: We do not have that information yet. This plan is tentative scheduled to be submitted to HUD by August 31, 2017 or September 1, 2017. Then HUD has to get a congressional release and the last conversation that I had with our HUD Field Office Representative as to when that would happen.

Lyvette: If there aren't any further questions then this meeting is adjourned. Thank you for attending.

The public hearing was adjourned at 5:43pm.

2017 ACTION PLAN BUDGET
JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

Funding Announced 6/15/2017

HOUSING PROGRAMS		CDBG
HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM DELIVERY		$ 300,000.00
HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS		$ 523,241.60
Subtotal	**64%**	**$ 823,241.60**
PUBLIC SERVICES		
Boys & Girls Club of NWI-Jr Staff Program		$ 15,000.00
Catholic Charities - Homelessness Prevention Program		$ 5,400.00
City of East Chicago - Summer Youth Employment Program		$ 62,000.00
City of East Chicago Parks & Recreation - Summer Stars Camp		$ 22,000.00
City of East Chicago Parks & Recreation - Senior Programs		$ 5,000.00
City of East Chicago Sports Voucher Prgm - Northlake Pop Warner		$ 4,500.00
City of East Chicago Sports Voucher Prgm - E. Chicago Little League		$ 2,500.00
East Chicago Housing Authority - Latchkey Program (North Harbor)		$ 10,000.00
Haven House - Domestic Violence Shelter		$ 15,000.00
Indiana Legal Services		$ 12,000.00
Indiana Parenting Institute - Job Retention Skills Program		$ 5,000.00
Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops		$ 12,000.00
We Care From the Heart - Senior Supportive Services Program		$ 15,000.00
Arts Program		$ 15,000.00
Subtotal	**16%**	**$ 200,400.00**
ADMINISTRATION		
CDBG ADMINISTRATION	20%	$ 255,910.40
Subtotal		**$ 255,910.40**
Total		$ 1,279,552.00
Total amount to fund		$ (1,279,552.00)
Remaining to be funded		$ -

2017 Allocation		*CDBG*		*HOME*
Grant	$	1,199,552.00	$	214,811.00
Estimated PI	$	80,000.00	$	4,440.00
Total	$	1,279,552.00	$	219,251.00

Public Services		
Grant	$	1,199,552.00
Times 15% Cap		*15%*
	$	179,932.80
2016 Actual PI	$	142,416.39
as of 6-30-2017		*15%*
Total	$	21,362.46
	$	179,932.80
	$	21,362.46
	$	201,295.26

General Administration		
Grant	$	1,199,552.00
Times 20% Cap		*20%*
	$	239,910.40
2017 Estimated PI	$	80,000.00
		20%
	$	16,000.00

Prepared By: Lynette E. Turk Date: 8/3/2017
Reviewed By: Frank Ruiz Date: 8/3/2017
Reviewed By: Date: 8-3-17

2017 ACTION PLAN BUDGET
JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

Housing Programs			HOME
Housing Rehabilitation Programs	70%	$	154,807.70
Affordable Housing Program (CHDO)	15%	$	32,221.65
Subtotal		$	187,029.35
Administration			
HOME Administration	10%	$	21,481.10
CHDO Operating Funds	5%	$	10,740.55
		$	32,221.65
Total HOME		$	219,251.00
Total amount to fund		$	(219,251.00)
Remaining to be funded		$	-

Prepared By: Lynette Eng-Tuck Date: 8/3/2017
Reviewed By: Frank Date: 8/3/2017
Reviewed By: Date: 8:3:17

Funding Announced 6/15/2017

HOME - CHDO		
Grant	$	214,811.00
Times 15% Cap		15%
Total	$	32,221.65

Admin		
Grant	$	214,811.00
Times 15% Cap		10%
Total	$	21,481.10

CHDO Operating		
Grant	$	214,811.00
Times 15% Cap		5%
Total	$	10,740.55

City of East Chicago, IN FY 2017 CDBG & HOME Budget				
Activity Name	**Project Name**	**Description**	**CDBG Budget**	**HOME Budget**
Administration	CDBG Administration	Funds will be used for the overall program administration, coordination, monitoring/evaluation, public information, fair housing and planning activities associated with the Annual Action Plan and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).	$ 255,910.00	
	HOME Administration	Funds will be used for the overall program administration, coordination, monitoring/evaluation, public information, fair housing and planning activities associated with the Annual Action Plan and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).		$ 21,481.10
	CHDO Operating Funds	Funds will be used to provide general operating assistance to certified Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO).		$ 10,740.55
Housing Programs	Housing Rehabilitation Program Delivery	Funds will be used in coordination, management and administration of the residential repair program for project delivery costs.	$ 300,000.00	
	Housing Rehabilitation Programs (CDBG)	Funds will be used to assist owners of existing single family owner-occupied housing to repair their homes. This program includes Residential Repair, Emergency Repairs, Accessible Ramps, and Exterior Renovation Programs. The assistance is determined by the level of need (income eligibility) and the amount of repairs. The funds will provide low interest rate loans and grants to residents with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income.	$ 523,241.60	
	Housing Rehabilitation Programs (HOME)	Funds will be used to assist existing single family owner occupied households in repairing their homes and lead interim controls and/or abatement activities. The funds are used to supplement the CDBG Residential Repair Program to correct code violations in existing homes. Funds will also be used to undertake one CHDO homebuyer project.		$ 154,807.70
		Boys and Girls Club - Junior Staff Career Program: CDBG funds will be used to provide teenagers with on-going employment training and career building services through the City of East Chicago's Katherine House Boys & Girls Club Junior Staff Development Program. The program's mission is to make an investment in the development of interpersonal skills and work ethic by providing exposure to new opportunities and sense of community responsibility.	$ 15,000.00	

Public Services	Public Services	**East Chicago Housing Authority - Latchkey Program:** CDBG funds will be used to provide an effective afterschool Latchkey Program. The program will provide children ages 5 to 16 with opportunities to plan events, coordinate recreational activities, and learn to solve conflicts non-violently. This program is targeted to youth from diverse cultures and celebrates traditions from different cultural backgrounds. Nutritional snacks, tutorial assistance, and cultural enrichment will be provided.	$	10,000.00	
		Summer Youth Stars Camp: CDBG funds will be used to offer the following programs to youth ages 5 through 12: softball, flag football, basketball, golf, fitness, dance, and art. Additionally, the summer program offers field trips to museums, zoos and other places of interest.	$	22,000.00	
		Sports Voucher Program: CDBG funds will be used to provide sports vouchers to low- and moderate-income eligible residents of East Chicago to participate in the Northlake Pop Warner and East Chicago Little League programs.	$	7,000.00	
		Arts Program: CDBG funds will be used to provide a variety of arts programs at the East Chicago Performing Arts Center. These programs include: vocal training, stage lighting, art instruction, costuming and more.	$	15,000.00	
		Indiana Legal Services: CDBG funds will be used to provide free legal assistance to low income persons who reside in East Chicago.	$	12,000.00	
		Summer Youth Employment Program: CDBG funds will be used to run a youth employment program that offers a variety of job opportunities to youth. The City of East Chicago will employ approximately 110 college students ages 18-21, who are residents of East Chicago. The summer employees will work 20-29 hours per week from June 19 through August 11.	$	62,000.00	
		Indiana Parenting Institute: CDBG funds will be used to provide workshops to address barriers that prevent working parents from getting and keeping jobs.	$	5,000.00	
		Haven House - Women's Domestic Violence Shelter: CDBG funds will be used to provide safe housing to women and children who are victims of domestic violence. Services provided include a 24-hour hot line and crisis intervention, information and referrals, room and board, counseling, case management, employment information, support groups, court advocacy, bilingual services, outreach and community education.	$	15,000.00	
		Catholic Charities - Homelessness Prevention Program: CDBG funds will be used to provide financial assistance to families in danger of eviction/foreclosure with direct payment to landlord and/or mortgage company.	$	5,400.00	

		NWI Reinvestment Alliance - Homebuyer Workshops: CDBG funds will be used to run a homebuyer workshop. The workshop will cover the following topics: preparation for homeownership; budgeting and credit management; financing a home; selecting a home; maintaining a home; and how to avoid delinquency and foreclosure.	$ 12,000.00	
		We Care from the Heart - Senior Health and Home Preservation Services: CDBG funds will be used to provide homecare/companion care services to assist seniors in keeping their living quarters clean, preventing them from getting evicted or losing their homes. This program p+C14rovides social interaction, conversation, emotional reassurance, and intellectually stimulating activities.	$ 15,000.00	
		Senior Programs: CDBG funds will be sued for programs that serve the City's senior citizen population through the East Chicago Marina Office of Special Events. These programs address the well being of seniors' mind, body and spirit.	$ 5,000.00	
Affordable Housing Program	Affordable Housing Program (CHDO)	CHDO funds will be used to provide assistance for rehabilitation or new construction of homebuyer units for low- to moderate-income families.		$ 32,221.65
Total:			**$ 1,279,551.60**	**$ 219,251.00**

Resale and Recapture Guidelines for Homeownership Programs

OVERVIEW

The HOME-assisted homebuyer requirements of the HOME rule can be found at 24 CFR Part 92.254, *Qualification as Affordable Housing: Homeownership*. It states that in order for homeownership housing to qualify as affordable housing it must:

- Be single-family, modest housing,
- Be acquired by a low-income family as its principal residence, and
- Meet affordability requirements for a specific period of time as determined by the amount of assistance provided.

In addition, to ensure affordability, the PJ must impose either resale or recapture requirements on the housing. These provisions will be imposed for the duration of the period of affordability on all HOME-assisted homebuyer projects.

HOMEBUYER RESALE PROVISIONS

When a homebuyer's property is constructed, redeveloped, rehabilitates, or acquired, in whole or in part, with HOME funds and the HOME funds are provided to the homebuyer property in the form of a development subsidy and there is no direct homebuyer subsidy, the resale provisions must be implemented. A direct homebuyer subsidy consists of any financial assistance that reduces the purchase price from fair market value to an affordable price, or otherwise directly subsidizes the purchase ("***direct homebuyer subsidy***"). The development subsidy consists of the difference between the cost of producing the unit and the market value of the property ("***development subsidy***").

What triggers the resale provisions during the Affordability Period?

- The homebuyer transfers or conveys the property by deed, land contract, or otherwise;
- Foreclosure proceedings are commenced against the property;
- The property is transferred by an instrument in lieu of foreclosure; or
- The title to the property is transferred from the homebuyer through any other involuntary means.

The resale provision requires that the property:

(1) Must be resold to another individual or family, whose income is at or below eighty percent (80%) of the area median income;
(2) Must be occupied by that individual or family as its primary residence for the remainder of the Affordability Period;
(3) Must be resold at a price that is affordable, therefore a family between fifty percent (50%) and eighty percent(80%) of the area median income (AMI) would not pay more than thirty percent(30%) of its gross income towards the principal, interest, taxes and insurance for the property on a monthly basis ("affordable price");
(4) Must be affordable for a reasonable range of low income families between fifty percent (50%) and eighty percent (80%) of the AMI for the geographic area published annually by HUD.

The homebuyer is entitled to a fair return on its investment (as described below) upon the sale of the property. The fair return will be based on the percentage change in the "Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers" (Bureau of Labor Statistics - https://www.bls.gov/cpi/) for Owners' Equivalent Rent of Primary Residence line item in Table I of the CPI Detailed Report ("CPI Index") under "Unadjusted Percent Change" during the last 12 months. Accordingly, the CPI Index during the month the residence was completed (the month during which the completion reports were received by and approved by the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment, administrator of the HOME funds for the City of East Chicago) will be compared to the CPI Index during the month the homebuyer sells the residence to determine the percentage of return. This percentage will be multiplied by the homebuyer's investment.

Here is an example of the calculation:
Original Sales Price: $110,000
Initial Homebuyer Investment: $1,000
Capital Investment/Improvements: $5,000

CPI Percentage at completion: 3.1%
CPI Percentage at sale of property: 3.9%
3.9% + 3.1% = 7% ÷ 2 = 3.5%

($1,000 + $5,000) x 3.5% = $210 (Fair return)
$1,000 + $5,000 + $210 = $6,210 (Total return to original homebuyer at sale)
$110,000 + $6,210 = **$116,210** (Maximum allowable subsequent sales price)

The homebuyer's investment will include any down payment (excludes the City's Forgivable Down Payment Assistance Program), plus any capital improvements. A capital improvement is any property enhancement that increases the overall value of the property, adapts it to new uses, or extends its life such as: adding windows, insulation, a new driveway, a new furnace, a garage, bedroom, new roof, remodeling kitchen, etc. Any capital improvements will be valued based on actual costs as documented by the homebuyer's receipts. Generally, replacing worn or dated components such as appliances or carpet would not be considered an improvement

that adds value or adapts it to new uses. In certain circumstances, such as a declining housing market where home values are depreciating, the homebuyer may not receive a return on his or her investment because the home sold for less or the same price as the original purchase price and a loss on investment may constitute a fair return.

The City of East Chicago will provide HOME assistance to the subsequent homebuyer to ensure that the original homebuyer receives a fair return and that the unit is affordable to the defined low-income population.

Imposing Resale Provisions

The Department of Redevelopment will be required to ensure that a lien and restrictive covenant agreement has been executed and recorded on any HOME-assisted property. In accordance with CPD Notice 12-003, the Department of Redevelopment must also execute a HOME written agreement with the homebuyer before or at the time of sale. The purpose of the agreement is to ensure that all parties are aware of the provisions related to the lien and restrictive covenant agreement and HOME requirements applicable to the HOME-assisted unit (i.e., period of affordability, principal residency requirement, etc.)

AFFORDABILITY PERIOD	
If the total HOME investment (resale) or direct subsidy (recapture) in the unit is:	**The period of affordability is:**
Under $15,000	5 years
$15,000 to $40,000	10 years
Over $40,000	15 years

Non-compliance

Failure to comply with the resale requirements means that:

(1) The original HOME-assisted homebuyer no longer occupies the unit as his or her principal residence (i.e., unit is rented or vacant), or
(2) The home was sold during the period of affordability and the applicable resale or recapture provisions were not enforced.

If this noncompliance occurs, the City of East Chicago through its Department of Redevelopment, as the entity responsible for the day-to-day operations of its HOME program, must repay its HOME Investment Trust Fund with non-Federal funds. The City must repay the HOME investment in accordance with §92.503(b)(3) whether or not it is able to recover any portion of the HOME investment from the noncompliant homebuyer.

HOMEBUYER RECAPTURE PROVISIONS

The Department of Redevelopment must implement recapture restrictions for any homebuyer property purchased, in whole or in part, by a homebuyer that receives a direct subsidy for the recipient from HOME funds Direct HOME subsidy is the amount of HOME assistance, including any program income, that enabled the homebuyer to buy the unit. The direct subsidy includes down payment, closing costs, interest subsidies, or other HOME assistance provided directly to the homebuyer. In addition, direct subsidy includes any assistance that reduced the purchase price from fair market value to an affordable price. If HOME funds are used for the cost of developing a property and the unit is sold below fair market value the difference between the fair market value and the purchase price is considered to be directly attributable to the HOME subsidy. ***Developers, other than CHDO's, are not allowed to provide down-payment or closing cost assistance, however a developer may provide a direct subsidy by reducing the purchase price from fair market value to an affordable price***.

What triggers the recapture provisions during the Affordability Period?

- The homebuyer transfers or conveys the property by deed, land contract, or otherwise;
- Foreclosure proceedings are commenced against the property;
- The property is transferred by an instrument in lieu of foreclosure; or
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The recapture approach requires that all or a portion of the direct subsidy provided to the homebuyer be recaptured from the net proceeds of the sale. Net proceeds are defined as the sales price minus superior loan repayment (other than HOME funds) and any closing costs.

Under recapture, there is no requirement that the original HOME-assisted homebuyer sell the unit to another low-income homebuyer. Instead, if the homebuyer transfers the property either voluntarily or involuntarily during the period of affordability, the Department of Redevelopment recovers, from available net proceeds, all or a portion of the HOME assistance to the homebuyers.

There are four (4) recapture options that are described in the HOME rule and are as follows:

(1) **Recaptures Entire Direct HOME Subsidy** - In this option, Redevelopment recaptures the entire amount of the direct HOME subsidy provided to the homebuyer before the homebuyer receives a return. Redevelopment's recapture amount is limited to the net proceeds available from the sale.

(2) **Reduction During Affordability Period** – In this option, Redevelopment may choose to reduce the amount of direct HOME subsidy on a pro-rata basis for the time the homebuyer has owned and occupied the housing, measured against the required affordability period. The resulting ratio would be used to determine how much of the direct HOME subsidy Redevelopment would recapture. The pro rata amount recaptured by Redevelopment cannot exceed what is available from net proceeds.

(3) **Owner Investment Returned First** - In this option, Redevelopment would permit the homebuyer to recover their entire investment (down payment and capital improvements made by the owner since purchase) before recapturing the HOME investment.

(4) **Shared Net Proceeds** - In this option, the HOME rule states that if the net proceeds are not sufficient to recapture the entire HOME investment or a reduced amount as described above, plus enable the homebuyer to recover the amount of the down payment and any investment in the form of capital improvements made by the homebuyer since purchase, Redevelopment may share the net proceeds. Shared net proceeds, in combination with the pro rata reduction over time, is the most commonly used approach.

The Department of Redevelopment has chosen "Shared Net Proceeds", in combination with the pro rata reduction over time.

To calculate the amount of net proceeds (or shared appreciation) to be returned to Redevelopment:

- Divide direct HOME subsidy by the sum of the direct HOME subsidy and the homebuyer's investment,
- Multiply by the net proceeds to calculate the amount of HOME investment to return to Redevelopment.

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

To calculate the amount of net proceeds (or shared appreciation) available to the homebuyer:

- Divide the homebuyer's investment by the sum of the direct HOME subsidy and the homebuyer's investment,
- Multiply by the net proceeds to calculate the amount of homebuyer investment to return to the homebuyer.

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

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Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

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5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	5b. Federal Award Identifier: B-17-MC-18-0004
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* a. Legal Name:	CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 35-6001011	* c. Organizational DUNS: 168059301C000

d. Address:

* Street1:	400 E. CHICAGO AVENUE
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e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT	Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: MR.	* First Name: FRANK
Middle Name:	
* Last Name: ESTEVEZ	
Suffix:	
Title: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
Organizational Affiliation: CITY OF EAST CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT	
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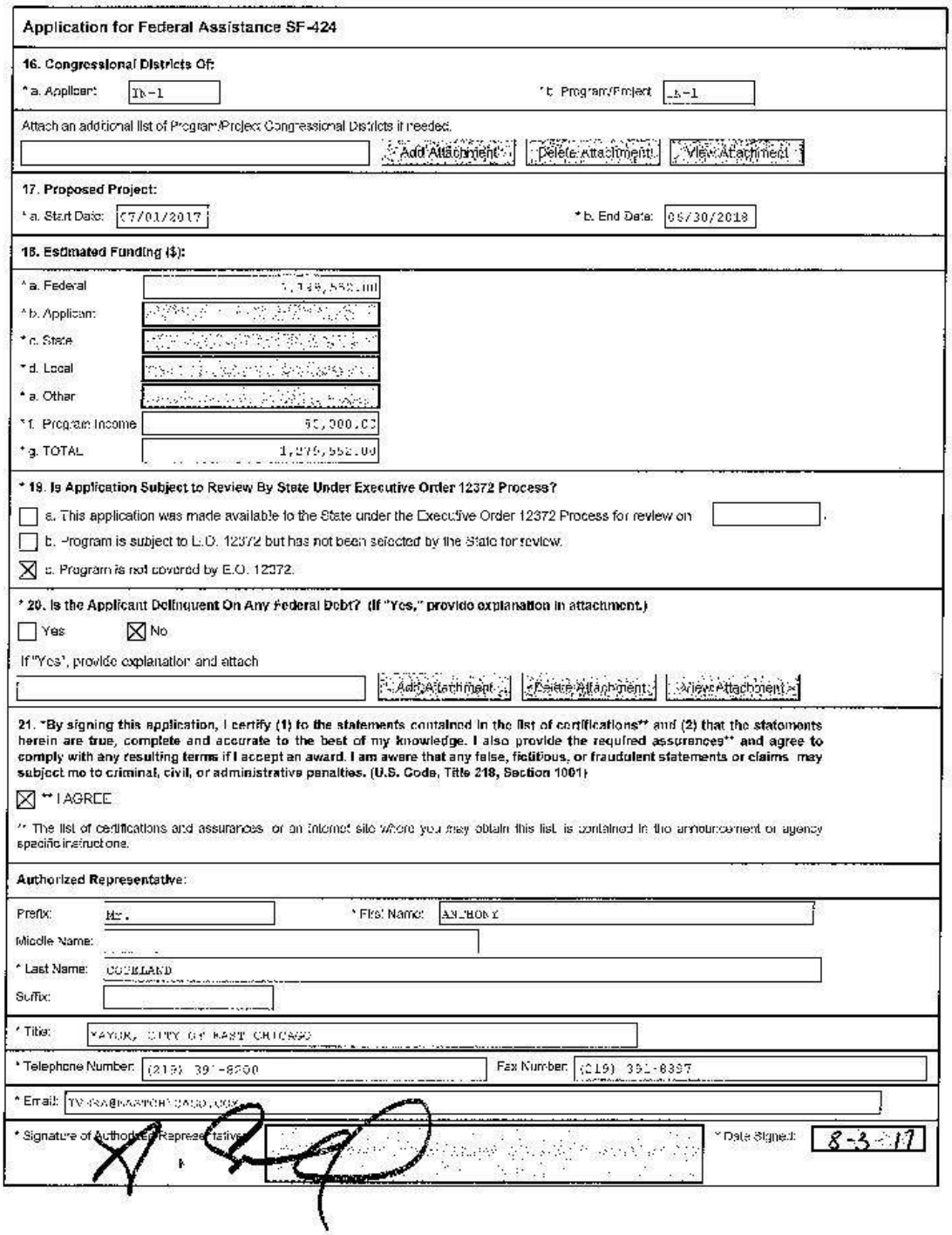
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Middle Name:

* Last Name: COFFLAND

Suffix:

* Title: MAYOR, CITY OF EAST CHICAGO

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* Email: TM-ESA@EASTCHICAGO.COM

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Fax Number:	(219) 391-8297
* Email:	TCOTELEND@EASTCHICAGO.COM
* Signature of Authorized Representative:	
* Date Signed:	8-3-17

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CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

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

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

Signature of Authorized Official — Date: 8-3-17

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Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2017 and 2018 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



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Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

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

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

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



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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

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

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO – REDEVELOPMENT COMMISION
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-RED-1715

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2017-RED-1712 APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2017 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS GRANT (HOME) AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE PLANS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

WHEREAS, under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, Public Law 93-383, as amended; 42 U.S.C.-5301 et seq., the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to extend financial assistance to communities to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) authorized under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, the Secretary of HUD is authorized to extend financial assistance to participating jurisdictions to expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Commission adopted Resolution No. 2017-RED-1712 at its May 2, 2017 regular meeting approving the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Home Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME), and authorizing the filing of the plans with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, that Action Plan was rejected by the HUD Indianapolis Field Office, requiring the Department of Redevelopment of the City of East Chicago to revise the Citizen Participation Process; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment has revised the Annual Action Plan, which proposes how the entitlement grants will be expended as attached in *Exhibit A*, to address the housing and community development needs identified in the 5 Year Consolidated Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and

WHEREAS, a draft of the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan appeared on public display from August 11, 2017 to August 28, 2017 and a public meeting on the aforementioned plan were held and the comments of various agencies, groups and citizens were taken into consideration in the preparation of the final documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT FOR THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant is hereby, in all respects, APPROVED and the Executive Director of the Department of Redevelopment is hereby directed to file a copy of said plans with the Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting of this Board of Commissioners; and

SECTION 2. That the City of East Chicago and its Department of Redevelopment are cognizant of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and carrying out of the Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant with Federal financial assistance, including those relating to (a) the relocation of site occupants, (b) the prohibition of discrimination because of race, color, age, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and other assurances as set forth under the required HUD Certifications.

SECTION 3. That the Department of Redevelopment is authorized to file, on behalf of the City of East Chicago, the FY 2017 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the proper officers are authorized to sign any and all documents in regard to these programs.

SECTION 4. That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of East Chicago is authorized to provide all assurances and/or certifications as required by HUD.

ADOPTED INTO A RESOLUTION THIS 29th DAY OF AUGUST 2017 BY THE BOARD OF COMMISIONERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA.

Ezell Foster, President

Maune Morgan, Vice President

Judy Nava, Secretary

Christine Russell, Commissioner

Andy Rodriguez, Commissioner

Frank Rivera, Executive Director