

2015–2020 Consolidated Plan

Contra Costa County Consortium



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City of Antioch, City of Concord, City of Pittsburg, City of Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County



Executive Summary

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

1. Introduction

Through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City of Pittsburg (City) receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods and developing viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income households.

For jurisdictions to receive annual CDBG fund allocations, they must prepare and submit to HUD a comprehensive Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI), a five-year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans that are subsidiary documents to the Consolidated Plan, and Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) that details all of the accomplishments in relation to the Annual Action Plan.

The Consolidated Plan is a detailed planning document that provides a needs assessment, describes the jurisdiction's non-housing community development needs, its housing needs and market conditions, sets out a five-year strategy identifying priorities and available resources and establishes the Annual Action Plan which outlines intended uses of the resources. The Consolidated Plan incorporates the requirements of HUD's CDBG Program. HUD must approve both the Consolidated Plan and the City's Annual Action Plan. This Consolidated Plan is for the period of July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2020.

The cities of Antioch, Concord, Pittsburg, and Walnut Creek and the County of Contra Costa (County) have formed the Contra Costa Consortium (Consortium) to cooperatively plan for the housing and community development needs of Contra Costa County residents. The County of Contra Costa administers the HOME funds on behalf of the Consortium and all the unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County. The cities of Antioch, Concord, Pittsburg, and Walnut Creek receive and administer their own allocation of CDBG funds, while the County receives and administers allocations of CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds. This 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was created by the Consortium to assess the needs of all Consortium member communities and to guide the use of funds within each individual jurisdiction.

The 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was prepared in accordance with HUD's Office of Community and Planning Development (CPD) eCon Planning Suite (launched in May 2012), including the Consolidated Plan template in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS). Most of the data tables in the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan are populated with default data from the U.S. Census Bureau, mainly 2006-2010 Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) and American Community Survey (ACS) data. Other sources are noted throughout the Plan, including the addition of more recent data where practical. The research process involved the analysis of the following key components: demographic, economic, and housing data; affordable housing market; special needs populations

(homeless and non-homeless); and consultation with public and private agencies, as well as citizen participation.

The 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan process also included the development of the first-year Annual Action Plan which is the annual plan the City prepares pursuant to the goals outlined in the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plan details the activities that Pittsburg will undertake to address the housing and community development needs and local objectives using CDBG funds received during program year 2015-2016.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

Pittsburg's priority needs are Affordable Housing, Homeless Housing & Prevention, and Non-Housing Community Development, with the following Objectives and Outcomes:

Affordable Housing

AH-1: Maintain and Preserve Affordable Housing. Maintain and preserve the existing affordable housing stock, including single family residences owned and occupied by lower-income households, multi-family units at risk of loss to the market, and housing in deteriorating or deteriorated lower income neighborhoods.

AH-2: Increase Affordable Rental Housing Supply. Expand housing opportunities for extremely low-income, very low-income, and low-income households by increasing the supply of decent, safe, and affordable rental housing.

AH-3: Increase Affordable Supportive Housing Supply. Expand housing opportunities for persons with special needs, including seniors, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS, veterans, and the homeless, by increasing appropriate and supportive housing.

AH-4: Increase homeownership opportunities for Low-to-Moderate Income households. Increase homeownership opportunities via the construction, acquisition, and/or rehabilitation of housing units for homeownership; and or direct financial assistance provided to low- to moderate-income homebuyers.

Homeless

H-1: Permanent Housing for Homeless. Assist the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless by providing emergency, transitional, and permanent affordable housing with appropriate supportive services.

H-2: Prevention of Homelessness. Expand existing prevention services including emergency rental assistance, case management, housing search assistance, legal assistance, landlord mediation, money management and credit counseling.

Non-Housing Community Development

CD-1: General Public Services. Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for lower-income persons, and ensure access to programs that promote prevention and early intervention related to a variety of social concerns.

CD-2: Non-Homeless Special Needs. Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for persons with special needs, such as elderly and frail elderly, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons with mental, physical and developmental disabilities, abused children, illiterate adults and migrant farm workers.

CD-3: Youth. Increase opportunities for children/youth to be healthy, succeed in school, and prepare for productive adulthood.

CD-4: Fair Housing. Continue to promote fair housing activities and affirmatively further fair housing to eliminate discrimination in housing choice in Pittsburgh.

CD-5: Tenant/Landlord Counseling. Support the investigation and resolution of disagreements between tenants and landlords and to educate both as their rights and responsibilities, so as to help prevent people from becoming homeless and to ensure fair housing opportunity.

CD-6: Economic Development. Reduce the number of persons with incomes below the poverty level, expand economic opportunities for very low- and low- income residents, and increase the viability of neighborhood commercial areas.

CD-7: Infrastructure and Accessibility. Maintain adequate infrastructure in lower income areas, and ensure access for the mobility-impaired by addressing physical access barriers to goods, services, and public facilities in such areas.

CD-8: Administration. Support development of viable urban communities through extending and administer federal grant programs in a fiscally prudent manner.

3. Evaluation of past performance

The City is committed to working collaboratively to implement goals and policies identified in the 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan. The Consortium members have continued to increase inter-jurisdictional activities by holding quarterly meetings and joint subrecipient monitoring. CDBG funded various programs and projects under each of the eligible categories and served over 18,000 residents and households. The Consortium is currently completing the last year of the 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan and will continue to focus on ensuring that services delivered meet required performance measurements.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The Consortium held five public meetings in the Spring of 2014 to solicit input for the 2015-2020 Plan. Those attending were asked to comment on the level of housing and community development needs in Contra Costa County and the relative priority of those needs. All public meetings were advertised in the Contra Costa Times.

- April 30, 2014 (evening) – San Pablo, San Pablo Economic Development Corporation
- May 15, 2014 (evening) - Antioch, City Council Chambers
- May 29, 2014 (evening) – Walnut Creek, Assembly Hall
- June 5, 2014 (evening) – Brentwood, Brentwood Community Center
- June 12, 2014 - The Consortium also held a meeting with Contra Costa County’s housing and social services providers at its annual CDBG and HOME subrecipient meeting.

City staff held a meeting on October 20, 2014 to discuss Pittsburg’s community needs and priorities, as well as draft objectives and outcomes with the CDBG subcommittee which consists of two council members and two members from the Community Advisory Commission.

Community Survey

Recognizing that not all can attend public meetings and that the scope of a one-hour meeting is limited, the Consortium also provided an online survey in both English and Spanish. The survey was mentioned in all meeting advertisements and provided at all public meetings, and over 600 people submitted responses to this survey, in both languages. For those without internet access, the survey was distributed in both languages to nonprofit agencies serving lower income populations. The Consortium received a number of written surveys from these sources.

Pittsburg has a Neighborhood Improvement Team that is comprised of City staff representing various departments who are dedicated to improving Pittsburg’s neighborhoods. It is a partnership between the City and its residents that is based on the belief that, they can do a better job solving problems together. The Neighborhood Improvement Team holds neighborhood meetings throughout the City to listen, document, and help resolve citizens’ issues and concerns.

The survey was shared and hard copies in English and Spanish were distributed during the Neighborhood Improvement Team meetings to get community input.

- May 3, 2014 - Railroad Book Depot
- May 6, 2014 - Pittsburg Senior Center

Consultations

The Consortium consulted with a wide range of service providers and stakeholders in both the public sector and private non-profit sector. These personal contacts asked those who help meet the housing and social services needs of the residents within the Consortium jurisdictions to describe the level of needs in the community, the relative priority of needs and what they believe can be done to better meet the needs of the residents.

Public Review

A draft of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan was made available for public review and comment from March 19 to April 19, 2015.

5. Summary of public comments

Please see the summary of comments from the four Countywide meetings and the on-line survey responses in the appropriate County's Consolidated Plan Appendix A.

The City did not receive any comments during the public review and comment period.

There were no comments during the April 20, 2015 public hearing to adopt the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

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

There were no comments or views that were not considered and accepted, with the exception of a few unrelated comments in the Community Survey. All comments from the survey are contained in the County's Consolidated Plan Appendix A.

7. Summary

The development of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was the most inclusive in the past 20 years and reached more people by utilizing such technology as the online survey, posting and sharing on social media, information on a dedicated website, and of course, email. As technology continues to change, the Consortium is looking for new ways to better connect Contra Costa County residents to important issues and resources.

The Process

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator		City of Pittsburg

Table 1– Responsible Agencies

Narrative

It is the City of Pittsburg's mission to provide responsive and high quality public services in partnership with our citizens celebrating our community's rich history, cultural diversity and pride in its prosperous future.

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PR-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(I)

1. Introduction

The consolidated planning process requires jurisdictions to reach out to and consult with other public and private. The 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan itself must include a summary of the consultation process, including identification of the agencies that participated in the process. Jurisdictions are also required to summarize their efforts to enhance coordination between public and private agencies.

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Individuals and representatives of various public agencies, community organizations, and service providers throughout Contra Costa County were invited to attend these meetings. The Consortium notified over 600 individuals representing a variety of public and private agencies, including non-profit agencies, to provide input on the needs of the neighborhoods and/or residents their agencies represent or provide services to. Some agencies were consulted on an individual basis due to their role in providing services to specific populations including, but not limited to: the homeless population, non-homeless special needs population (i.e. elderly/frail elderly, victims of domestic violence, etc.), and public housing residents.

City staff held a meeting on October 20, 2014 to discuss Pittsburg's community needs and priorities, as well as draft objectives and outcomes with the CDBG subcommittee which consists of two council members and two members from the Community Advisory Commission.

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

The City provides information to the Pittsburg Housing Authority regarding programs that can enhance the living situation of its clients by providing resources to assist with becoming a homeowner. In addition, the City through its senior center services have established partnerships with agencies that provide assistance to the senior population.

The Consortium conducted a Community Needs Survey to solicit input from residents and workers in Contra Costa County. Respondents were informed that the Consortium was updating the Consolidated Plan for federal funds that primarily serve low and moderate (LMI) income residents and special needs populations. The questionnaire polled respondents about the level of need in their respective neighborhoods for various types of improvements that can potentially be addressed by the use of entitlement funds.

The Consortium's outreach and consultation strategies included the formation of community outreach partnerships with affordable housing, social service, and mental health providers; workforce developers; community advocates; and others. Subrecipients alerted their clients and program beneficiaries that an important planning process was being undertaken and encouraged active participation by beneficiaries. The Citizen Participation process is described in greater detail in PR-15 Citizen Participation.

Community Forums

Five Consolidated Plan Community Forums were conducted throughout Contra Costa County to provide an introduction to the Consortium's Five Year Consolidated Plan Process and to solicit input from residents and workers throughout Contra Costa County on the level of need for various types of improvements that can potentially be addressed by the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

Outreach

Over a thousand entities, organizations, and persons were directly contacted via outreach efforts and requested to share materials with their beneficiaries, partners, and contacts; encourage attendance at the forums; and to respond to the Community Needs Survey. The Consortium solicited participation via their Consortium-wide mailing list.

City staff presented information on the Consolidated Plan process and timeline to the City Council on May 5, 2014. The presentation included the dates and locations of the community meetings, as well as the link to the survey. The survey was available in both English and Spanish.

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 Contra Costa Interagency Council on Homelessness 2004 plan, *Ending Homelessness in Ten Years*: A county-wide plan for the communities of Contra Costa County has served well in uniting jurisdictions in the county as Continuum of Care (CoC) to develop a county-wide response to homelessness. In that time, the Consortium has seen the Housing First approach take hold in CoC's across the nation and is promoted by the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness, HUD, and the National Alliance to End Homelessness, among others.

In 2014, a strategic plan update was created, **Forging Ahead Towards Preventing and Ending Homelessness (Forging Ahead)**. This plan update reaffirms Contra Costa County's commitment to the Housing First Approach by establishing a guiding principle; the key theme emerging from the update process:

Homelessness is first a housing issue, and necessary supports and services are critical to help people remain housed. Our system must be nimble and flexible enough to respond through the shared responsibility, accountability, and transparency of the community.

Using the 2004 plan as a foundation, Forging Ahead identifies and describes two goals and three strategies for the implementation of the above guiding principle:

Goals:

1. Permanent Housing - Decrease the length of time people experience homeless by increasing housing stock.
2. Prevention - Decrease the percentage of people who become homeless by expanding existing prevention services, improving early identification and intervention efforts, and enhancing discharge planning efforts.

Strategies:

1. Coordinate Assessment - Implement a coordinated assessment system to streamline access to housing and services while addressing barriers; getting the right resources to the right people at the right time.
2. Performance Standards - Integrate evaluation and performance measures with the implementation of evidence-based programs and practices.
3. Communication - Develop the most effective platforms, such as websites, email, videos, and social media, support advocacy for the homeless; and provide access to and connect the community with available resources.

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

The Contra Costa CoC will complete an annual action plan each year to determine the objectives and benchmarks related to each of the goals and strategies of Forging Ahead. This annual action plan will guide the work of the CoC and inform the decisions of the Contra Costa Interagency Council for Homelessness executive committee and the Coc, providing an annual framework for the implementation of the concepts contained in Forging Ahead.

The expansive participation in HMIS by service providers throughout the CoC has given us more knowledge about the population being served. Here are some examples:

- There are many youth in the system
- More transitional age youth (TAY) are being served over time
- Families are increasingly unable to support TAY
- Mental health and substance use affects a significant portion of the population
- The number of newly homeless and families is decreasing over time
- Reflects efforts in prevention and rapid rehousing with stimulus funds
- Signs of economic recovery
- Migration of encampments from west to east Contra Costa County
- There still is a shortage of shelter beds and permanent housing
- Housing remains unaffordable for low and extremely low income households

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

Table 2– Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Pittsburg Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs Home buyer resources
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Pittsburg Housing Authority has clients that are interested in becoming homeowners and this has become attainable through HUD's Homeownership Voucher Program. The City was able to assist with down payment assistance when funds were available through the Redevelopment Agency. But since funding is no longer available directly through City resources, staff attends various seminars to obtain up to date information available through other agencies such as Cal HFA and through the different financial institutions. Staff is then able to at least indicate that resources are still available through other avenues. Homebuyers are not discouraged because they are made aware that there are still programs to assist them.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Contra Costa County Department of Conservation & Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Service-Fair Housing Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Department of Conservation and Development was the lead agency in the development of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

3	Agency/Group/Organization	Contra Costa Health Services Homeless Program
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Contra Costa County's Health and Homeless Services staff participated in the community meeting/public hearing process and provided information on special needs populations, including homeless populations. It is anticipated that this consultation will result in improved coordination of services to the City's at risk and homeless populations.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Contra Costa Continuum of Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless Other government - County Other government - Local Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The CoC was consulted to provide information on homelessness and the City's overall homeless population. It is anticipated that this coordination will result in improved coordination of services to the City's population who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

5	Agency/Group/Organization	STAND! For Families Free of Violence
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims Service Provider
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	STAND! was consulted to provide information regarding victims of domestic violence in the City and the services provided to this population. It is anticipated that this coordination will result in improved coordination of services to the City's victims of domestic violence.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Opportunity Junction
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Opportunity Junction is a Contra Costa CBDO that works closely with the low-income community to provide job training and placement services, and is well-connected with economic development agencies and partners in Contra Costa County.

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

No types were intentionally excluded.

Organizations were consulted on an individual and group basis, as well as part of public meetings. The Consortium distributed a survey through workshops, public service agencies, the County website, and the Neighborhood Improvement Team meetings. An effort was made to reach as many individuals and organizations as possible.

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	Coalition of Homeless Services Providers	Through the outreach process, homelessness and homelessness prevention services was identified as a priority for the CDBG program. These services will complement the CoC Strategy.
Contra Costa Consortium	Contra Costa County Dept. of Conservation & Development	The cities of Antioch, Concord, Pittsburg and Walnut Creek and the County of Contra Costa have formed the Contra Costa HOME Consortium to cooperatively plan for the housing and community development needs of Contra Costa County.
Housing Element 2015-23	City of Pittsburg	The new 2015-2023 Pittsburg Housing Element adopted on May 4, 2015 by City Council Resolution 15-13033., approved by the State Department of Housing and Community Development, was heavily consulted for all housing goals and objectives to assure unity and conformity.

Table 3– Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(I))

In addition to the organizations listed in this section significant aspects of the development process included consultations with the CoC and its membership which is comprised of both public and private non-profit and for-profit entities, as well as private citizens. The strategic plan section of this 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan, specifically SP-40, includes a complete listing of the entities through which the City will carry out its objectives.

Narrative

Consultation over the past 18 months with a number of diverse groups and populations enhances staff's understanding of critical issues facing low and moderate income residents of Pittsburg. This knowledge, coupled with community feedback, makes this 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan a well-informed document to guide funding decisions for the next five years.

PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

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

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

Five public workshops were conducted by the Consortium in preparation of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan. Public meetings requested those attending to comment on the level of housing and community development needs in Contra Costa County and the relative priority of those needs. All public meetings were advertised in the Contra Costa Times. The Consortium held five public meetings:

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All meetings were open to the public.

Sign-in sheets for the meetings are in the County's Consolidated Plan Appendix A.

An online survey was also conducted to determine priority needs. Over 600 surveys were returned and tallied. The surveys and community meeting helped in the identification of high priorities and goals for the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan. A copy of the survey is in the County's Consolidated Plan Appendix A.

Staff has been able to compile and analyze the survey data to come to the following conclusions:

1. Services to low-income individuals and families are high in demand, with support to “Special Needs Populations” (i.e. Victims of Domestic Violence, Persons with Disabilities, Seniors/Elderly) ranking the highest.
2. Services to the Homeless population or to those at Imminent Risk of Homelessness also ranked high for continued support.

3. Affordable Housing activities are viewed as very much in need. Of the four different eligible activities of affordable housing (preservation, special needs housing, rental, and homeownership), code enforcement in lower income areas, housing for “Special Needs Populations” (especially seniors/elderly), preservation of existing affordable housing, rehabilitation assistance to existing housing, and housing counseling rank the highest.
4. Job Training/placement and support to small businesses ranked the highest in regards to Economic Development services.
5. General Infrastructure and Public Facilities Improvements are high in demand, with improvements and/or construction of streets and sidewalks, senior centers, youth/neighborhood centers, park and recreational centers, and childcare centers ranking the highest.

A public review draft of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was made available to the public from March 19, 2015, to April 19, 2015. A notice announcing the public review draft and the proposed City Council meeting for approval of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was posted in the Contra Costa Times and on the City’s website on March 19, 2015. No public comment was received.

The 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan were approved by the Pittsburg City Council on April 20, 2015.

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	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	The Consortium posted a joint newspaper notice announcing five public workshops.	No comments were received.	No comments were received.	

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2	Internet Outreach	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	The Consortium released a "Community Needs" survey to a variety of public and private agencies, non-profit agencies, and private citizens who are on the Consortium's Interested Parties list. There are over 600 individuals on the Consortium's Interested Parties list.	The Consortium received over 600 surveys ranking various community needs throughout the County.	There were many comments received that were not applicable to 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.	
3	Public Services Agencies	Non-targeted/broad community	Hard copies of the Community Needs survey was distributed at offices of various public service agencies throughout the Contra Costa County to be distributed to the residents they serve.	Completed surveys from this outreach were included in the 600 count as stated in outreach #2 above.	N/A	

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	Public Meeting	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	Attendance for the public meetings held were very low.	Completed surveys from this outreach were included in the 600 count as stated in outreach #2 above.	N/A	
5	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Public notice of Draft 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was posted in the East Contra Costa Times on March 18, 2015.	See County's Consolidated Plan.	See County's Consolidated Plan.	
6	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	City Council public hearing to adopt the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan was on April 20, 2015.	No comments received.	No comments received.	

Table 4– Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

NA-05 Overview

Needs Assessment Overview

The "Needs Assessment" section provides a community profile that describes the housing and population characteristics of Pittsburg and this section serves as the basis for determining its community development needs. Refer to the County's Consolidated Plan Appendix B for demographic data.

Population – Pittsburg has grown significantly over the last few decades, from approximately 33,000 residents in 1980 to 63,264 residents in 2010, or an average rate of 2.4 percent per year. According to the California Department of Finance, the City's population was estimated at 66,368 in 2014. While a small portion of the growth in the 1980s was the result of annexations of unincorporated areas in the southern hills, this overall increase reflects high levels of relocation to Pittsburg. According to projections provided by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), Pittsburg is estimated to grow to approximately 91,600 residents and 27,510 households by 2040. Pittsburg's rate of population growth is projected to remain steady at an average 1.3 percent per year from 2010 to 2040. Despite a slowing rate of population growth, ABAG projects that Pittsburg's population and households will grow at a faster rate than Contra Costa County in general. Table 1 compares population and household growth over time for Pittsburg and Contra Costa County as a whole.

Race & Ethnicity – Pittsburg is more ethnically diverse than Contra Costa County according to 2010 US Census data. Approximately 20 percent of Pittsburg's population was White, 17 percent Black, 16 percent Asian, and 42 percent Hispanic. In contrast, Contra Costa County's population is approximately 47 percent White, 14 percent Asian, 24 percent Hispanic, and only 9 percent Black.

Table 2 compares race and ethnicity data for Pittsburg and Contra Costa County. Table 3 compares the ethnic distribution between 2000 and 2010 for these two jurisdictions. In both jurisdictions, between 2000 and 2010, there was a decrease in the percentage of residents who self-identified as White and a corresponding increase in the percentage of residents who self-identified as Hispanic. There was a slight increase in those who identify themselves as Asian or Pacific Islander for both Pittsburg and Contra Costa County. For the same time period, the distribution of those who identify as Black decreased by about 1 percent in both jurisdictions while other ethnicities remained constant.

Special needs groups such as elderly/frail elderly, persons with disabilities, persons who suffer from alcohol and other drug addictions, persons who are victims of domestic violence, persons living with HIV/AIDS and homeless persons live in Pittsburg. Due to their special needs and/or circumstances, they may have difficulty accessing affordable housing and various services. Many are presumed to be low-income, as it becomes difficult to obtain employment due to their special needs or circumstances. The lack of income tends to create obstacles in finding affordable housing, transportation, and many medical

and social services that can affect their quality of life. Given that these special needs populations have various obstacles to accessing housing and various services, Pittsburg will continue to provide CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation and code enforcement activities, public facility improvement and infrastructure projects, economic development activities, and public service programs that improve the quality of life for special needs groups.

Criteria	1990	2000	2010	2020*	2030*	2040*
City of Pittsburg						
Population	47564	56769	63264	72000	81300	91600
Average Annual Population Growth	-	1.9%	1.1%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%
Households	15643	17741	19527	22180	24840	27510
Average Annual Household Growth	-	1.3%	1.0%	1.4%	1.2%	1.1%
Person per Household	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3
Contra Costa County						
Population	803732	948816	1049025	1123500	1211300	1338400
Average Annual Population Growth	-	1.8%	1.1%	0.7%	0.8%	1.0%
Households	301087	344129	375364	400800	432430	464150
Average Annual Household Growth	-	1.4%	0.9%	0.7%	0.8%	0.7%
Person per Household	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.9
*Projected						

Table 5 - Table 1: Population Growth 1990-2040. (ABAG Data 2013, US Census 1990, 2000, 2010, City of Pittsburg)

	City of Pittsburg		Contra Costa County	
Group	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
White	12,684	20%	500,923	48%
Black	10,756	17%	93,604	9%
American Indian, Eskimo or Aleut	202	<1%	2,984	<1%
Asian or Pacific Islander	10,268	16%	153,263	15%
Other	2,513	4%	42,691	4%
Hispanic	26,841	42%	255,560	24%
Total	64,600	100%	1,049,025	100%

Table 6 - Table 2: Race & Ethnicity 2000-2010. (ABAG Data 2013, US Census 2010, City of Pittsburg 2014)

	City of Pittsburg		Contra Costa County	
Racial Group	2000	2010	2000	2010
White	31%	20%	58%	48%

Black	18%	17%	9%	9%
American Indian, Eskimo or Aleut	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
Asian or Pacific Islander	13%	16%	11%	15%
Other	5%	4%	4%	4%
Hispanic	32%	42%	18%	24%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 7 - Table 3: Ethnicity Trends 2000-2010. (2007-14 Pittsburg/Housing Element, ABAG 2013, Census 2010)

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NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs - 91.415, 91.215 (f)

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities:

Public facility needs represent both physical improvements and structures that meet the needs of the identified populations, as well as programming and services available at those facilities. Youth Centers, community centers, and park and recreational facilities ranked as the top three. Although it may be a lower priority, the public facilities improvements included in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) are building and park projects. These projects are not currently funded with CDBG funds.

How were these needs determined?

A needs assessment was conducted by holding focus groups and service provider meetings. The Consortium also solicited input from community organizations, public agencies, and the general public through a survey. Information gathered from these meetings and the survey showed the areas of highest need.

In addition to the assessment indicated above, the City has a 5-year CIP that serves as a planning instrument for construction of new facilities and infrastructure, expansion, rehabilitation, or replacement of existing City owned assets. The 5-year CIP is developed by City staff and is adopted by the City Council as a guide for prioritization of various projects to accomplish community goals. Each of the proposed projects meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Elimination of potentially hazardous or unsafe conditions and potential liability
- Replacement of high-maintenance, inefficient or ineffective infrastructure
- Improvement to and/or creation of new services to the public
- Compliance with regulatory requirements and mandates
- Stimulation of the local economy and elimination of blighted conditions
- Compliance with the City of Pittsburg General Plan
- Preservation of existing assets

The schedule and prioritization of CIP projects are based on available funding, public benefit, and funding restrictions. Staff has solicited comments from department management and other city staff to evaluate projects proposed for inclusion in the CIP. Projects on the CIP list have been evaluated and ranked.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Improvements:

The City's CIP includes the following categories: street; storm drain; signal; building; water; park; sewer; and general projects. Because each category require a significant commitment of public resources, planning for these improvements are based on available funding, public benefit, and funding restrictions.

Public improvements to infrastructure which enhance accessibility (including construction of streets and sidewalks) are a high priority need. One of the primary functions of any city is to provide safe and inviting pedestrian paths of travel. Pedestrian traffic encourages interaction between citizens, strengthens neighborhoods and contributes to the vitality of the community at large. In this time of rising energy costs and the associated environmental impact of motorized vehicle use, safe and accessible pedestrian paths of travel become even more important. Likewise, people with disabilities depend on a safe and accessible pedestrian system to conduct their daily lives. In 2008, the City conducted a study to inventory ADA ramps citywide. This study serves as a guide in identifying locations that have physical obstacles limiting access to programs, services, and activities for persons with disabilities. It is Pittsburg's goal to make these locations ADA accessible.

How were these needs determined?

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Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:

The City's special needs populations, as well as low and moderate income households have a variety of public service needs. Through the Plan's planning process, the City has determined that its public services priorities for CDBG dollars should be focused on the following:

- Employment training
- Food Provision
- Homeless and homeless prevention services
- Services for battered/abused spouses
- Senior services, including case management and advocacy
- Childcare services and after-school enrichment programs for low-income families
- Youth Services

By focusing on these areas, CDBG dollars can most effectively leverage the existing social service support structures that are currently available in the community.

How were these needs determined?

A needs assessment was conducted by holding focus groups and service provider meetings. The Consortium also solicited input from community organizations, public agencies, and the general public through a survey. Information gathered from these meetings and the survey showed the areas of highest need.

The survey revealed the above services were in most demand. Based on this information, the City will continue to make public services for at-risk populations a high priority and allocate entitlement grant funding to public service activities in these areas.

Based on the needs analysis above, describe the State's needs in Colonias

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Housing Market Analysis

MA-05 Overview

Housing Market Analysis Overview:

Population Trends - The type and amount of housing needed in Contra Costa County is in part determined by the characteristics of the population such as age, lifestyle preference, and employment and population growth trends. These characteristics also influence residents' ability to afford housing in the area. This section outlines population characteristics and their impact on housing needs. Pittsburg has grown significantly over the last few decades, from approximately 33,000 residents in 1980 to 63,264 residents in 2010, or an average rate of 2.4 percent per year. According to the California Department of Finance, the City's population was estimated at 66,368 in 2014. While a small portion of the growth in the 1980s was the result of annexations of unincorporated areas in the southern hills, this overall increase reflects high levels of relocation to the city. According to projections provided by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), Pittsburg is estimated to grow to approximately 91,600 residents and 27,510 households by 2040. The City's rate of population growth is projected to remain steady at an average 1.3 percent per year from 2010 to 2040. Despite a slowing rate of population growth, ABAG projects that the City's population and households will grow at a faster rate than the county in general.

Age Characteristics

Housing needs are impacted by the population's age characteristics since needs and preferences adjust as people age. Accordingly, different age groups have varying housing needs depending on lifestyle, family type and size, income-earning ability, and housing preference. Understanding these characteristics is essential in determining Pittsburg's appropriate housing needs.

Table 2-1 compares age distribution for the population of Pittsburg and Contra Costa County in 2010.

The City has a higher proportion of young people than the county with 31 percent of the City's population under 18 years compared to 27 percent for the same age group in the county overall. Also, Pittsburg has fewer persons 55 and older, accounting for 19 percent of the city's population versus 24 percent of the county's population. Table 2-3 shows an increase in population 55 and older in Pittsburg and Contra Costa County, mirroring a national trend as the baby boomer generation, persons born between 1946 and 1964, continues to age. In the City, the 55- to 64-year-old age group increased by approximately 70 percent from 2000 to 2010, while the number of persons 65 years and older increased by almost 17 percent during the same period. Nevertheless, Pittsburg's population remains comparatively young with 54 percent of its population under the age of 35, compared to 45 percent for

the county overall. Pittsburg's age trends are not unusual. Contra Costa County's proportion of 55 to 64 year olds also increased significantly from 2000 to 2010, while the age group comprising children aged 19 and younger shows much slower growth at approximately 4 percent for the City and 7 percent for Contra Costa County. After the baby boomer generation, the 20- to 34-year-old age group experienced the largest growth in both Pittsburg and Contra Costa County at approximately 30 percent and 21 percent, respectively.

Education

Education is often positively correlated with the type of employment and level of income earned, and the type of housing that residents are able to afford. In general, educational attainment in Pittsburg is lower than that of the county. Table 2-2 compares educational attainment for the City and for Contra Costa County based on American Community Survey (ACS) data (2008–2012). Approximately 22 percent of Pittsburg residents age 25 and older has less than a high school degree, in comparison to 11 percent of county residents. Educational attainment generally drives household incomes; lower education levels lead to lower incomes and a higher incidence of unemployment. Approximately half of all Pittsburg residents have a high school degree or less, limiting the type of employment opportunities available to a large share of its residents. Furthermore, approximately 17 percent of residents hold a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to approximately 39 percent of Contra Costa County residents.

Housing Problems

A continuing priority of communities is enhancing or maintaining the quality of life. A key measure of quality of life in a community is the extent of "housing problems." HUD defines households with "housing problems" as those who are earning a low income, living in overcrowded conditions, or paying high costs for housing. Housing problems are defined as:

- **Lower Income:** refers to a household earning less than 80 percent of the AMI for Pittsburg, as adjusted by household size
- **Overcrowding:** refers to a housing unit occupied by more than one person per room, excluding kitchens, bathrooms, hallways, and porches
- **Cost Burden:** refers to a household paying more than 30 percent of the gross income for housing (either mortgage or rent), including costs for utilities, property insurance, and real estate taxes

The prevalence of overcrowding and cost burden is usually higher among lower-income households. Table 2-3 provides a summary of households with one or more problems according to income and tenure. Approximately half of Pittsburg households experience one or more housing problems as described in more detail below.

Overcrowding

Overcrowding occurs when housing costs are high relative to income, necessitating that families reside in smaller homes than are appropriate based on their household size. Overcrowding also tends to result in increased neighborhood traffic, deterioration of homes, and a shortage of on-site parking. Therefore, maintaining a reasonable level of occupancy and alleviating overcrowding is an important contributor to quality of life.

Overcrowding affects about 16 percent of households in Pittsburg and about ten percent of households in Contra Costa County as shown in Table 2-4. Overcrowding rates also vary significantly by income and type and by household tenure. Generally, lower-income households that rent experience a disproportionate share of overcrowding. In Pittsburg, ten percent of renter households live in overcrowded conditions, a higher rate than among owner households, which is about five percent.

Cost Burden

Housing cost burden occurs when households pay more than 30 percent of their monthly income for housing expenses (rent or mortgage, utilities, homeowner or renter insurance, and property taxes for homeowners only). In many parts of California, particularly urban areas, it is not uncommon for households to experience a housing cost burden. However, to the extent that cost burden is often disproportionately concentrated among the most vulnerable members of a community, maintaining a reasonable level of housing cost burden is an important goal.

Housing cost burden is a significant problem throughout the Bay Area. In Contra Costa County, 35 percent of all households pay more than 30 percent of their income on housing. In Pittsburg, approximately 50 percent of households are cost burdened with a much higher proportion of very low and low-income households—35 percent combined—experiencing the problem. Table 2-5 provides a profile of cost burden in Pittsburg by income and tenure.

Housing Costs and Affordability

The cost of housing relative to the income of residents serves as an indicator of the extent of housing problems in a given community. For example, if housing costs are high relative to median household income, there tends to be a higher prevalence of excessive cost burden and overcrowding. Home sales prices have shifted dramatically over the last year and have increased affordability among low- and moderate-income households. Despite the availability of affordable for-sale housing, creditors are much more hesitant to provide financing to low- and moderate-income households without a substantial down payment and good credit history. Thus, while home prices have dropped, many homes will remain unattainable to low- and moderate-income households.

	City of Pittsburg		Contra Costa County		Source: ABAG 2013, US Census 2010, City of Pittsburg 2014
Age Group	Estimate	Percentage	Estimate	Percentage	
Under 5 Years	4,990	8%	67,018	6%	
5 to 19 Years	14,400	23%	220,495	21%	
20 to 24 Years	4,818	8%	59,943	6%	
25 to 34 Years	9,664	15%	129,643	12%	
35 to 44 Years	8,655	14%	148,650	14%	
45 to 54 Years	8,675	14%	164,080	16%	
55 to 64 Years	6,623	10%	128,758	12%	
65 or More Years	5,439	9%	130,438	12%	
Total	63,264	100%	1,049,025	100%	

Table 8 - Table 2-1 Age Distribution, 2010

	City of Pittsburg		Contra Costa County		Source: ABAG 2013, 2008-2012 ACS, 5 Year Estimates
Level	Estimate	Percentage	Estimate	Percentage	
Less Than High School	8,655	22%	79,582	11%	
High School Graduate	10,700	27%	135,220	19%	
Some College/Associate's Degree	13,257	34%	216,915	31%	
Bachelor's Degree	4,878	12%	173,250	25%	
Graduate Degree	1,849	5%	99,302	14%	
Total	39,339	100%	704,269	100%	

Table 9 - Table 2-2 Educational Attainment for Population 25 Years and Older

	Owner Household with One or More Problems	Renter Household with One or More Problems	Total Households with One or More Problems	Percentage of All Households		Source: ABAG 2013, US Census 2007-2011, ACS 5 Year Estimates, City of Pittsburgh 2014
Income Level						
Extremely Low (30% or less)	720	1,585	2,305	11%		
Very Low (30%-50%)	850	1,290	2,140	10%		
Low (50%-80%)	1,275	1,065	2,140	11%		
Moderate (80%-120%)	805	125	930	4%		
Above Moderate (120% or more)	2,180	200	2,380	11%		
Total	5,830	4,265	10,095	49%		

Table 10 - Table 2-3 Housing Problems by Income Category

	Pittsburg		Contra Costa County		Source: ABAG 2013, US Census 2007-2011, ACS 5 Year Estimates, City of Pittsburgh 2014
Overcrowding by Tenure	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
Owner-Occupied	11,030	59%	243,573	67%	
1.1 to 1.5 occupants per room	480	4%	4,258	2%	
More than 1.5 occupants per room	145	1%	1,032	<1%	
Renter Occupied	7,665	41%	120,512	33%	
1.1 to 1.5 occupants per room	590	8%	6,789	6%	
More than 1.5 percent per occupants per room	140	2%	1,665	1%	

Total	18,695		364,085		
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Table 11 - Table 2-4 Overcrowding by Tenure

Income Level	Owner Cost Burden	Renter Cost Burden	Total Cost-Burdened Households	Percentage of All Households	Source: ABAG 2013, CHAS 2006-2010, ACS 5 Year Estimates, City of Pittsburg 2014
Extremely Low (30% or less)	1,499	2,795	4,294	23%	
Vey Low (30%-50%)	1,219	950	2,169	12%	
Low (50%-80%)	1,480	145	1,625	9%	
Moderage (80%-120%)	1,345	0	1,345	7%	
Total	5,543	3,890	9,433	50%	

Table 12 - Table 2-5 Housing Cost Burden by Income and Tenure

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MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets - 91.410, 91.210(f)

Introduction

Pittsburg has been a city in progress for nearly a century and a half. Located at the point where the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers meet, Pittsburg is a city of both progress and promise. A pleasant community of landscaped parks, recreational facilities, shopping centers, and planned business and commercial development.

Economic Development Market Analysis

Business Activity

Business by Sector	Number of Workers	Number of Jobs	Share of Workers %	Share of Jobs %	Jobs less workers %
Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction	375	1	2	0	-2
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	2,570	1,271	13	12	-1
Construction	1,260	941	6	9	3
Education and Health Care Services	3,869	1,195	20	11	-9
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,505	398	8	4	-4
Information	532	211	3	2	-1
Manufacturing	1,668	1,792	8	17	9
Other Services	1,591	1,016	8	10	2
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	1,958	835	10	8	-2
Public Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	3,039	2,343	15	22	7
Transportation and Warehousing	651	82	3	1	-2
Wholesale Trade	814	448	4	4	0
Total	19,832	10,533	--	--	--

Table 13 - Business Activity

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS (Workers), 2011 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

Labor Force

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	31,094
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over	27,650
Unemployment Rate	11.08
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	22.13
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	7.66

Table 14 - Labor Force

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Occupations by Sector		Number of People
Management, business and financial	4,573	
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	1,672	
Service	3,786	
Sales and office	7,116	
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair	3,755	
Production, transportation and material moving	1,703	

Table 15 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Travel Time

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	11,987	46%
30-59 Minutes	9,255	35%

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
60 or More Minutes	4,904	19%
Total	26,146	100%

Table 16 - Travel Time

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Education:

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Less than high school graduate	3,865	499	2,185
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	6,038	829	2,539
Some college or Associate's degree	8,444	802	2,236
Bachelor's degree or higher	4,519	406	733

Table 17 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18-24 yrs	25-34 yrs	35-44 yrs	45-65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	271	892	979	1,450	1,226
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,435	1,107	1,003	1,118	564
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	2,098	2,583	2,584	4,239	1,453
Some college, no degree	2,745	2,601	1,862	4,116	1,066
Associate's degree	346	1,062	669	1,172	370
Bachelor's degree	347	1,020	1,123	2,058	390
Graduate or professional degree	0	394	432	631	211

Table 18 - Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	22,412
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	28,908
Some college or Associate's degree	40,577
Bachelor's degree	52,666
Graduate or professional degree	65,801

Table 19 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2007-2011 ACS

Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

The largest employment sectors in Pittsburg are focused in the following order:

1. Education and Health Care services
2. Retail Trade
3. Arts, Entertainment & Accommodations

Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:

Pittsburg maintains a diverse economic base, comprised of businesses and industries of all types and sizes. The demand for an educated and skilled labor force is a necessity.

Pittsburg has an existing underground infrastructure that in many cases are considered old but the City has done its fair share in renovating infrastructure in certain areas of the City such as the downtown area. The City offers convenient access to freeways as well as an array of public transportation routes. The City continues to invest in projects that advance infrastructure improvement while providing alternative transportation/commuting routes like pedestrian and bike trails and the future E-bart station.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

The City received a grant of \$308,000 from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to fund a Station Area Plan and a Specific Plan for the area surrounding a planned BART (eBART) station at the intersection of Railroad Avenue and State Route 4. The plans are intended to facilitate transit-oriented development through an increase in the intensity and density of development in the subject area, to improve the pedestrian, bus, bicycle and other linkages between the potential BART station and the surrounding communities, and to develop design and development standards that will facilitate a vibrant pedestrian friendly mixed-use neighborhood.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

Education attainment and supply/demand for certain jobs are often the center issue in dealing with the workforce.

The Pittsburg community is committed to instilling a love of lifelong learning in its students, young and old. Education at all levels and for all abilities is readily available in Pittsburg and its closely surrounding communities. About half of the employed citizens of Pittsburg work in the areas of manufacturing, construction and retail, which typically require less formal education.

Approximately 26 percent of Pittsburg's total employment is in the manufacturing, wholesale, and transportation industrial, agriculture and construction sectors and about 54 percent is in financial, professional, health education and recreation.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

Pittsburg CDBG currently funds St. Vincent DePaul Workforce Development Program. This program provides training and work experience for those who are new to or have been out of the workforce due to incarceration, addiction, homelessness or chronic unemployment. The program consists of 24-weeks, part-time paid jobs at St. Vincent de Paul, and weekly classes including job search and life skills training necessary for finding and maintaining successful employment. Participants are matched with mentors who assist participants with individual issues that have been challenges to successful employment. On-the-Job Training gives participants experience in word processing, cashier and store operations, warehouse operations, truck driving, and navigation (if participating in the truck driving program).

The Pittsburg Power Company, a California municipal Joint Powers Authority (JPA) established in 1997 between the City of Pittsburg and the Redevelopment Agency provides administration and fiscal management services to the Future Build Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program, a 16 week program offered in the spring and summer for low income East Contra Costa County residents ages 18 and older in Solar, Energy, and Construction Trades. Future Build provides a life changing experience for the trainees that leads to re-engagement in the workforce, family, community and post-secondary educational opportunities.

These types of programs will enable our residents to become qualified when competing for employment in these industries. Landing higher paying jobs will not only have positive financial impacts on the households but it will also contribute towards a better economy.

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?

No

If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

Not applicable.

Discussion

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MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

Households with incomes at 30 percent and 50 percent AMI experience a greater degree of housing problems than other income groups. Seventy percent of households with incomes below 100 percent AMI experience a housing problem. Most census tracts in Pittsburg have more than 51 percent low income concentrations (See County's Consolidated Plan Appendix G).

The extremely low-income households likely face housing problems such as overpaying, overcrowding, and/or accessibility issues as a result of their limited incomes. Income is a critical characteristic in determining residents' housing opportunities and housing affordability. Income affects a household's decision when it comes to tenure, type, and location of housing. According to the 2007-2011 American Community Survey, there are a total of 3,125 extremely low-income households in Pittsburg. Of those 2,155 (69 percent) are renters and 970 (31 percent) are owners.

Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

As can be seen in County's Consolidated Plan Appendix C, Map of Racial and Ethnic Minority Concentrations by Census Tract – most of Pittsburg's census tracts have a majority of racial minorities greater than 78.3 percent.

What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

Many of the housing in these areas are older single family homes with the original homeowners still residing in them; or the homes have been bequest to the next generation with very little or no renovation completed; or the homes have become rental properties with absentee landlords. Six census tracts corresponds to areas of Section 8 housing voucher concentration of 5-10 percent while one census tract has more than 10%, as shown in the County's Consolidated Plan Appendix F.

Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

Community assets typically are facilities such as schools, libraries, community centers, parks, and access/proximity to commercial centers or establishments that include grocery stores, general merchandise stores, and pharmacy retailers. The communities in these census tracts have a combination of community assets that include parks, churches, schools and some have retail accessibility.

Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

The Housing Rehabilitation Program has been revived to provide owner-occupied residential rehabilitation financial assistance in the form of low-interest deferred loans. Many of these homes are occupied by low income families including senior citizens. These families own their home, are on a fixed income, and do not have the financial means to keep up with the maintenance of the home. Therefore, maintenance and repairs to their homes are almost impossible.

The program is available to low income households. All eligible households may apply. This program meets their needs as most of them qualify for the low-interest deferred loan requiring no monthly payment until the home is sold or transferred. This program also assists the first-time homeowners who have purchased a fixer upper, but are financially unable to finance the repairs needed.

Pittsburg strives to create additional opportunities for its low income residents by providing access to resources. It has been approached by GRID Alternatives a nonprofit organization that brings the benefits of solar technology to communities that would not otherwise have access. They lead teams of volunteers and job trainees to install solar electric systems for low-income homeowners, providing needed savings for families struggling to make ends meet, preparing workers for jobs in the fast-growing solar industry, and helping clean the environment. Information on this program will be available to the community via our website and through the Neighborhood Improvement Team meetings.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

Strategic Plan Overview

The Strategic Plan establishes the priority of needs, objectives and strategies. The objectives are intended to meet the identified priority needs. The strategies are programs or policies intended to implement the objectives. Each strategy is identified with one or more objectives that it advances.

A priority need is one that has a demonstrated level of need and will have a preference for funding. A higher level of priority can be established as the result of a high absolute level of need or a high level of need in relation to resources available to meet that need.

SP-10 Geographic Priorities - 91.415, 91.215(a)(1)

Geographic Area

Table 20 - Geographic Priority Areas

1	Area Name:	City of Pittsburg
	Area Type:	City
	Other Target Area Description:	City
	HUD Approval Date:	
	% of Low/ Mod:	
	Revital Type:	
	Other Revital Description:	
	Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.	
	Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.	
	How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?	
	Identify the needs in this target area.	
	What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?	
	Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?	

General Allocation Priorities

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state

Receiving CDBG funds from HUD allows Pittsburg to be able to use resources to fund support services and programs citywide that benefit the low to moderate income population. However, it is also concentrating some funding for Code Enforcement and Infrastructure and Accessibility in the low income census tracts.

SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.415, 91.215(a)(2)

Priority Needs

Table 21 – Priority Needs Summary

1	Priority Need Name	Affordable Housing
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate
	Geographic Areas Affected	City
	Associated Goals	AH 1 - Housing Rehabilitation AH 2 - Code Enforcement AH-3 Increase Affordable Supportive Housing Supply AH-4 Increase Homeownership Opportunities
	Description	The high cost of housing relative to household income continues to indicate a high priority need for affordable housing. The City continues to seek partnerships with developers to create affordable housing opportunities.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Affordable housing is a high priority for the City. This program will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - maintain the housing stock in the city and provide suitable and affordable living environment for persons of low and moderate income - eliminate blight and prevent blighting influences caused by the deterioration of property and neighborhoods - eliminate conditions which are detrimental to health, safety and public welfare, by rehabilitation, demolition or removal - provide improvements needed for disabled accessibility - stabilize and enhance older neighborhoods in order to encourage future investment from the private sector and other public funds and programs
2	Priority Need Name	Homeless Prevention
	Priority Level	High

	Population	Extremely Low Low Large Families Families with Children Elderly Individuals Families with Children veterans Victims of Domestic Violence
	Geographic Areas Affected	City
	Associated Goals	H 1 - Shelter for Homeless Population H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)
	Description	Homelessness is a result from a combination of factors related to the socioeconomic systems and personal and family issues. In response to the urgent need for services to help homeless individuals and families and to prevent further incidents of homelessness, the City is committed to working with the County Continuum of Care to reduce homelessness by supporting homeless prevention services.
	Basis for Relative Priority	Housing and services for the homeless population is a high priority for the City of Pittsburg.
3	Priority Need Name	Non-Housing Community Development
	Priority Level	High

	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	City
	Associated Goals	CD-1 General Public Services CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population CD-3 Youth CD-6 Economic Development CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities CD - 4 Fair Housing CD - 5 Tenant/Landlord Counseling
	Description	Non-housing community development needs are those public service, infrastructure, economic development, and other development needs in the community that have an important impact on the living conditions of Pittsburg residents.
	Basis for Relative Priority	The purpose of addressing a community's non-housing needs, in addition to its housing needs, is to help create more livable, better functioning, and more attractive communities by integrating economic, physical, environmental, community, and human development programs in a comprehensive and coordinated fashion so that families and communities can thrive while working together.
4	Priority Need Name	Program Administration
	Priority Level	High

Population	Other
Geographic Areas Affected	City
Associated Goals	CD-8 Administration
Description	
Basis for Relative Priority	Having an administration budget to assist with administering the CDBG program is essential to the City.

Narrative (Optional)

With the “Needs Assessment” information and the survey information, the Consortium has identified four main priorities for the next five-year period. The use of federal funds for the next five-year period will be for the following priorities:

- 1) Affordable Housing** (New unit Development and Rehabilitation of existing units)
- 2) Homelessness** (Providing Housing and Services)
- 3) Non-Housing Community Development** (Public Services, Infrastructure/Public Facilities, Economic Development)
- 4) Administration** (Program administration)

SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.420(b), 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

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Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
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Table 22 - Anticipated Resources

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Discussion

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SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.415, 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
City of Pittsburg	Government	Economic Development Non-homeless special needs Ownership Planning neighborhood improvements public facilities public services	Jurisdiction
Pittsburg Housing Authority		Rental	Jurisdiction
Contra Costa Health Services Homeless Program	Government	Homelessness	Region

Table 23 - Institutional Delivery Structure

Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

Contra Costa County, Department of Conservation and Development is the lead agency for the Contra Costa HOME Consortium. It is responsible for the administration duties of the HOME, ESG, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs as well as its own CDBG program. Although Contra Costa County is the lead agency of the Contra Costa County Consortium, all the Consortium jurisdictions take a highly collaborative approach in administering and implementing goals and objectives in their respective programs, and coordinate consolidated planning efforts.

The Consortium developed a streamlined process for applying for program funds that allows applicants to complete one application for multiple jurisdictions and, once funded, complete one periodic performance report for all funding jurisdictions. This joint effort has eased the administrative burden for subrecipients and allows jurisdictions to easily share information.

The Consortium also developed a joint monitoring process, eliminating duplicative and repetitive monitoring efforts for many CDBG/HOME funded programs within Contra Costa County. Furthermore, the Consortium established a 2-year funding cycle for the first two years of the five-year Plan period, and a 3-year funding cycle to complete the last three years of the five-year Plan period. Multiple-year funding cycles have greatly reduced the time spent on completing and reviewing applications for both subrecipient and CDBG/HOME program staff.

Pittsburg is responsible for administering the CDBG program and completes its own annual planning and allocation process; including preparation of the Annual Action Plan and CAPER. The Annual Action Plan and CAPER are subsidiary documents to the Consolidated Plan. However, all of these processes have a high degree of collaboration with the Consortium members, and the County as lead agency.

The Contra Costa Interjurisdictional Council on Homelessness (CCICH) is the local CoC and implements the County's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness, and County Consortium staff are members of this body. Pittsburg does not have the organizational structure to target, monitor, nor run programs for homelessness nor persons with HIV. Pittsburg relies on its association with the County and the CoC to direct those in need of services that are unable to be provided services in or by Pittsburg. The majority of the Consortium's goals and objectives within the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans are met through activities that are carried out by subrecipients that are primarily public agencies and private non-profit agencies within Contra Costa County. There is ongoing concern about the long-term capacity of the nonprofit community providing services in Contra Costa County, particularly during these severe budgetary times, and their ability to comply with often complex federal regulations and requirements in implementing federally-funded programs. Contributing factors include the relatively low pay scale associated with nonprofits leading to high staff turnover and a severe lack of resources for ongoing training and professional development.

Services listed below are readily available and accessible to residents in the entire City.

Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Homelessness Prevention Services			
Counseling/Advocacy	X		
Legal Assistance	X	X	
Mortgage Assistance			
Rental Assistance	X	X	
Utilities Assistance			
Street Outreach Services			
Law Enforcement	X		
Mobile Clinics	X		
Other Street Outreach Services			
Supportive Services			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse			
Child Care	X		
Education	X		
Employment and Employment Training	X		

Supportive Services			
Healthcare	X		
HIV/AIDS			
Life Skills	X		
Mental Health Counseling	X		
Transportation	X		
Other			

Table 24 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)

Contra Costa County’s Countywide Health Care for the Homeless program utilizes its mobile healthcare van to provide direct medical care, testing and immunization services, as well as outreach. There is a bilingual Healthcare for the Homeless team that assess client needs, provide social support, and connects clients to programs and services, including mental health and substance abuse programs, Medi-Cal, the Contra Costa County’s Basic Adult Care program, and the Covered California Healthcare program. The County provides four Dental Clinics in various areas of Contra Costa County that provide free or low-cost dental services to eligible families and will soon be adding a Homeless Dental Van to provide much-needed and difficult-to-access services for homeless persons.

In cooperation with the local Veterans Affairs office, Contra Costa's CoC has worked to increase its capacity to house and serve homeless veterans, including the distribution of HUD’s Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers and rental assistance for permanent housing units provided to homeless veterans and their families under the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program. The Pittsburg Housing Authority has 142 VASH vouchers which may be used towards rental assistance for veterans.

The County also operates an award-winning Homeless Medical Respite Center, which is a joint effort between the Homeless Program and Health Care for the Homeless. The Philip Dorn Respite Center, located in Central Contra Costa County, is a respite care program for homeless adults who are discharged from local hospitals and require medical stabilization services. Respite care refers to recuperative services for those homeless persons who may not meet medical criteria for hospitalization but who are too sick or medically vulnerable to reside in an emergency shelter and cannot be returned to the streets. The primary goal of this program and all emergency housing programs is to get homeless persons off of the street and help them achieve their highest level of self-sufficiency.

When foster youth age out of the foster care system, they are linked to the Independent Living Skills Program (ILSP). ILSP includes workshops that prepare youth for emancipation (money management, education, computer skills, home management, and social skills), employment assistance, non-McKinney-Vento housing and retention services, and an individualized transition plan out of foster care.

In addition, foster youth can elect to remain in foster care or return to care after emancipation (but before turning 21) to receive a two-year housing subsidy, which can be used in a market-rate unit, student housing, or congregate living. This is a State program that all foster youth and former foster youth are able to access.

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above

Many of the services provided to special needs populations are provided by various highly committed nonprofit agencies that provide services to all of Contra Costa County to specific special needs populations, including those experiencing homelessness. Many of these agencies provide "in-home" services to better serve their clients, especially those who have physical disabilities. In addition to the nonprofit service providers, the County provides various services to special needs populations as well. In addition to providing shelter and shelter related service to the homeless, Contra Costa County's Health Services Department provides treatment and counseling services to those who are suffering with alcohol/other drug addictions and those who are HIV positive or who are living with AIDS.

The service delivery system for special needs populations and persons experiencing homelessness in Contra Costa County continues to be challenging. The recession left many nonprofit and public agencies with far fewer staff to provide services needed by the special needs population. Therefore, there are ongoing concerns about agency capacity, especially administrative capacity to administer complex federal grant programs. There are also fewer agencies in Pittsburg to serve the population. The lack of service providers in the community require people to travel to Central Contra Costa County (Concord or Martinez) for services. There is public transportation available from Pittsburg to Central Contra Costa County; however, since there are two different transit company transfers are required, which extends the commute.

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs

Pittsburg will prioritize the use of its CDBG funding to meet the priority needs of the community as noted in section SP-25, including the homeless and special needs population. Given that these populations have various obstacles to accessing housing and various services, Pittsburg will continue to provide CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation activities, public facility/infrastructure improvements, and public service activities that improve the quality of life for special needs group.

SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	AH 1 - Housing Rehabilitation	2015	2020	Affordable Housing	City of Pittsburg	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$500,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit
2	AH 2 - Code Enforcement	2015	2020	Affordable Housing	City of Pittsburg	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$735,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 5000 Household Housing Unit
3	H 1 - Shelter for Homeless Population	2015	2020	Homeless	City of Pittsburg	Homeless Prevention	CDBG: \$86,190	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 165 Persons Assisted
4	H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)	2015	2020	Homeless	City of Pittsburg	Homeless Prevention	CDBG: \$86,190	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 650 Households Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 500 Persons Assisted
5	CD-1 General Public Services	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$86,190	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 13305 Persons Assisted
6	CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population	2015	2020	Non-Homeless Special Needs	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$54,500	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6813 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
7	CD-3 Youth	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$86,190	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1900 Persons Assisted
8	CD-6 Economic Development	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$450,000	Businesses assisted: 200 Businesses Assisted Other: 150 Other
9	CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities	2015	2020	Infrastructure/Public Facilities	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$660,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 120 Persons Assisted
10	CD-8 Administration	2015	2020	Administration	City of Pittsburg	Program Administration	CDBG: \$574,600	Other: 0 Other
11	AH-3 Increase Affordable Supportive Housing Supply	2015	2020	Affordable Housing	City of Pittsburg	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0	
12	AH-4 Increase Homeownership Opportunities	2015	2020	Affordable Housing	City of Pittsburg	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$0	
13	CD - 4 Fair Housing	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$0	
14	CD - 5 Tenant/Landlord Counseling	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$0	

Table 25 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	AH 1 - Housing Rehabilitation
	Goal Description	<p>Housing Rehabilitation Program - provide owner-occupied residential rehabilitation financial assistance in the form of low-interest deferred loans for low income households.</p> <p>This program will provide, operate, and administer 1) a home rehabilitation loan program for owner occupied residences; 2) continue compliance with HUD regulations by removing and/or rehabilitating homes with lead base paint. All proposed programs qualifying criteria will be HUD's income guidelines.</p>
2	Goal Name	AH 2 - Code Enforcement
	Goal Description	<p>The Code Enforcement Division of the Police Department enforces the City's municipal codes, laws, and regulations for the abatement of substandard housing conditions and zoning violations, and the abatement of abandoned, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles and blight issues as defined as the physical and economic conditions within an area that cause a reduction of, or lack of, proper utilization of that area. The Code Enforcement activity covers low income census tracts.</p>
3	Goal Name	H 1 - Shelter for Homeless Population
	Goal Description	<p>Homelessness is a result from a combination of factors related to the socioeconomic systems and personal and family issues. The City would like to assist the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless by providing funding to agencies that have emergency, transitional, and permanent affordable housing.</p>

4	Goal Name	H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)
	Goal Description	Homelessness is a result from a combination of factors related to the socioeconomic systems and personal and family issues. The City will like to assist the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless by funding agencies that provide supportive services such as emergency rental assistance, case management, housing search assistance, legal assistance, landlord mediation, money management and credit counseling.
5	Goal Name	CD-1 General Public Services
	Goal Description	Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for lower income persons, and ensure access to programs that promote prevention and early intervention related to a variety of social concerns.
6	Goal Name	CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population
	Goal Description	Non-Homeless Special Needs Population - Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for persons with special needs, such as frail elderly, disabled persons, battered spouses, abused children, persons with HIV/AIDS, illiterate adults and migrant farm workers.
7	Goal Name	CD-3 Youth
	Goal Description	Youth Services - Increase opportunities for children/youth from low/moderate income households to be healthy, succeed in school and prepare for productive adult lives.
8	Goal Name	CD-6 Economic Development
	Goal Description	Economic Development - Reduce the number of person with incomes below the poverty level, expand economic opportunities for very-low and low-income residents, and increase the viability of neighborhood commercial areas.
9	Goal Name	CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities
	Goal Description	Infrastructure/Public Facilities - Maintain quality public facilities and adequate infrastructure and ensure access for the mobility impaired by addressing physical access barriers to public facilities in low/moderate income census tracts.

10	Goal Name	CD-8 Administration
	Goal Description	Administration - Support development of viable urban communities through extending and strengthening partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, and administer federal grant programs in a fiscally prudent manner.
11	Goal Name	AH-3 Increase Affordable Supportive Housing Supply
	Goal Description	Expand housing opportunities for persons with special needs, including seniors, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS, veterans, and the homeless, by increasing appropriate and supportive housing.
12	Goal Name	AH-4 Increase Homeownership Opportunities
	Goal Description	Increase homeownership opportunities via the construction, acquisition, and/or rehabilitation of housing units for homeownership; and/or direct financial assistance provided to low to moderate income homebuyers.
13	Goal Name	CD - 4 Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Continue to promote fair housing activities and affirmatively further fair housing to eliminate discrimination in housing choice in Pittsburg.
14	Goal Name	CD - 5 Tenant/Landlord Counseling
	Goal Description	Support the investigation and resolution of disagreements between tenants and landlords and to educate both as their rights and responsibilities, so as to help prevent people from becoming homeless and to ensure fair housing opportunity.

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2)

Pittsburg is part of the HOME consortium with the County. Based on the current HOME grant and the expected HOME grant over the five-year planning period, the Contra Costa Consortium anticipates providing 80 units of affordable housing. Unless additional subsidies are identified, the housing will be affordable to very-low and low income households. Providing permanent supportive housing for the homeless and other extremely-low income households is a priority but may not be achievable with the current funding sources.

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SP-65 Lead-based Paint Hazards - 91.415, 91.215(i)

Actions to address LBP hazards and increase access to housing without LBP hazards

The Pittsburg Housing Authority requires landlords to disclose a lead warning statement if the property being rented out is pre-1978. Landlord must comply with all of these requirements:

- The landlord must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling before the tenant signs the lease or rental agreement. The landlord also must give the tenant a copy of the federal government’s pamphlet, “Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home” (available by calling 1-800-424-LEAD, or at www.epa.gov/lead), before the tenant signs the lease or rental agreement.
- The lease or rental agreement must contain a Lead Warning Statement in legally-required language.
- The landlord also must give potential tenants and tenants a written Disclosure of Information on Lead-Based Paint and/or LeadBased Paint Hazards.

How are the actions listed above integrated into housing policies and procedures?

Pittsburg will continue to ensure that:

Rehabilitation Programs

- Applicants for rehabilitation funding receive the required lead-based paint information and understand their responsibilities.
- Staff properly determines whether proposed activities are exempt from some or all lead based paint requirements.

Pittsburg Housing Authority

- Require landlords to disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling.

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SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy - 91.415, 91.215(j)

Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families

One of the most significant efforts taken by Pittsburg to reduce persons living below the poverty level is funding economic development programs and several agencies that provide services for persons within the community who are extremely- or very low- income. In particular, Pittsburg believes by funding economic development programs that provide microenterprise assistance for those who want to maintain or start stable small businesses as licensed home-based family child care providers; funding agencies that provide small business development training and consulting to assist qualifying clients in starting or expanding microbusiness and plays a role in reducing the number of persons below the poverty line; and funding organizations that provide job training and placement.

How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan

Housing cost burden occurs when households pay more than 30 percent of their monthly income for housing expenses (rent or mortgage, utilities, homeowner or renter insurance, and property taxes for homeowners only). In many parts of California, particularly urban areas, it is not uncommon for households to experience a housing cost burden. However, to the extent that cost burden is often disproportionately concentrated among the most vulnerable members of a community, maintaining a reasonable level of housing cost burden is an important goal.

Housing cost burden is a significant problem throughout the Bay Area. In Pittsburg, approximately 50 percent of households are cost burdened with a much higher proportion of very low- and low- income households—35 percent combined—experiencing the problem.

Pittsburg promotes the expansion of our affordable housing stock by:

- Providing incentives to developers who assist the City in meeting affordable housing needs, including units to accommodate special needs households: female-headed households, seniors, disabled, developmentally disabled, large families, emancipated youth, seasonal and temporary workers, and the homeless
- Utilizing public funds to increase the supply of housing affordable to extremely low-, very low-, low-, and moderate-income large family households
- Prioritizing public funds for the development of housing affordable to extremely low income households for identified special needs groups
- Providing fee waivers and allow fee deferrals until issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for developers constructing affordable housing developments and/or developers providing housing and programming serving identified special needs populations

- Assisting non-profit developers in seeking utility fee credits when redeveloping sites for affordable housing and/or housing developments serving an identified special needs population
- Giving priority in processing to project applications with an affordable housing component and/or serving an identified special needs population

SP-80 Monitoring - 91.230

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

Prior to funding consideration, all applications are reviewed for consistency with federal regulation, Consolidated Plan, and local policy. Following funding approval, new subrecipients are required to attend a mandatory meeting to become familiar with program standards, City requirements, and federal regulations. Project sponsors are also required to enter into agreements that specify objectives, scope of work, applicable timelines and performance targets, budget, federal, state, and local regulatory requirements, and monitoring and reporting requirements.

During project implementation, project sponsors are required to submit periodic progress reports detailing project progress toward objectives, problems and/or resolution to meeting goals, and quantitative participation data by ethnicity, income, and household status. In addition, project sponsors are also required to provide updated sources and uses budgets subsequent to the completion of the second quarter. Projects are also subject to an on-site performance and financial audit review on a selective basis. Priority is given to high-risk programs for on-site performance and/or audit review.

Periodic reports and payment requests are reviewed for compliance with the project agreement, budget consistency, and documentation of expenditures. Project sponsors are advised of any procedural errors and/or ineligible activities, and provided with technical assistance as needed.

Upon project completion, project sponsors are required to submit completion reports identifying program/project accomplishments, quantitative data, including number of persons or households served, ethnicity, and income level, and a final sources and uses budget.

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Expected Resources

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

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Table 26 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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Discussion

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Annual Goals and Objectives

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

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	AH 2 - Code Enforcement	2015	2020	Affordable Housing	City of Pittsburg	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$125,000	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care: 1000 Household Housing Unit
2	H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)	2015	2020	Homeless	City of Pittsburg	Homeless Prevention	CDBG: \$21,799	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 130 Households Assisted Other: 60 Other
3	CD-1 General Public Services	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$43,599	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1300 Persons Assisted
4	CD-3 Youth	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$21,799	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 270 Persons Assisted
5	CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population	2015	2020	Non-Homeless Special Needs	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$10,900	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
6	CD-6 Economic Development	2015	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$79,280	Businesses assisted: 55 Businesses Assisted Other: 30 Other
7	CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities	2015	2020	Infrastructure/Public Facilities	City of Pittsburg	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$235,210	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 7251 Persons Assisted
8	CD-8 Administration	2015	2020	Administration	City of Pittsburg	Program Administration	CDBG: \$116,396	Other: 0 Other

Table 27 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	AH 2 - Code Enforcement
	Goal Description	<u>Code Enforcement</u> - The Code Enforcement Division of the Police Department enforces the City's municipal codes, laws and regulations for the abatement of substandard housing conditions and zoning violations, and the abatement of abandoned, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles and blight issues as defined as the physical and economic conditions within an area that cause a reduction of, or lack of, proper utilization of that area.
2	Goal Name	H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)
	Goal Description	<u>Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)</u> - Reduce the incidence of homelessness and assist in alleviating the needs of the homeless.

3	Goal Name	CD-1 General Public Services
	Goal Description	<u>General Public Services:</u> Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for lower-income persons, and ensure access to programs that promote prevention and early intervention related to a variety of social concerns.
4	Goal Name	CD-3 Youth
	Goal Description	<u>Youth:</u> Increase opportunities for children/youth to be healthy, succeed in school, and prepare for a productive adulthood.
5	Goal Name	CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population
	Goal Description	<u>Non-Homeless Special Needs:</u> Ensure that opportunities and services are provided to improve the quality of life and independence for persons with special needs, such as frail elderly, disabled persons, battered spouses, abused children, persons with HIV/AIDS, illiterate adults and migrant farm workers.
6	Goal Name	CD-6 Economic Development
	Goal Description	<u>Economic Development:</u> Reduce the number of person with incomes below the poverty level, expand economic opportunities for very-low and low-income residents, and increase the viability of neighborhood commercial areas.
7	Goal Name	CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities
	Goal Description	<u>Infrastructure/Public Facilities:</u> Maintain quality public facilities and adequate infrastructure and ensure access for the mobility impaired by addressing physical access barriers to public facilities.
8	Goal Name	CD-8 Administration
	Goal Description	<u>Administration/Planning:</u> Support development of viable urban communities through extending and strengthening partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, and administer federal grant programs in a fiscally prudent manner.

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Introduction

For 2015-2016, the City anticipates to receive an entitlement grant amount of \$581,983 from HUD. The City received \$71,989 of program income in FY 2014-15. The 2015-2016 program income can be used in FY 2015-2016 allocation. The estimated total amount of CDBG funds for allocation is \$653,983. The total amount of CDBG funds obligated for Public Services (“PS”) activities must not exceed 15 percent of the sum of the entitlement grant provided for that program year *plus* program income received during the prior year. The allocation of staff-time costs and overhead charges to general program Administration must not exceed 20 percent of the sum of the entitlement grant provided for that program year *plus* the estimated revenue from program income to be received by the City during that same program year. Payments received for the CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program is defined as program income. The remaining 65 percent of the funds available for allocation can be obligated towards Economic Development (ED), Code Enforcement (CE), Infrastructure/Public Facilities (I/PF) and Housing activities, (collectively known as “Other”). Pursuant to City guidelines, the minimum amount that can be awarded to a subrecipient is \$10,000.

#	Project Name
1	St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County - RotaCare Program
2	Success Through Self (STS) Academy - Pittsburg Summer Youth Corp (PSYC)
3	SHELTER, INC. - Homeless Prevention & Rapid Rehousing
4	Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa (LFCC)
5	STAND! For Families Free of Violence - Emergency Shelter
6	Contra Costa Senior Legal Services
7	Pittsburg Arts and Community Foundation (PACF)
8	Pacheco/Mtz Homeless Outreach, Inc. (PMHO)
9	Opportunity Junction - Technology Center
10	Open Opportunities, Inc. - Future Build Pre-Apprenticeship Training
11	St. Vincent de Paul Workforce Development Program
12	Contra Costa Child Care Council - Road to Success
13	Opportunity Junction - Job Training and Placement Program
14	Workforce Development Board - Small Business Development Center
15	City of Pittsburg - ADA Handicap Ramps
16	City of Pittsburg - Police Dept. Code Enforcement
17	CDBG Program Administration

Table 28 – Project Information

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

In accordance with the federal requirements, all approved funded activities meet the overarching goals of the Consolidated Plan and are appropriated within the FY 2015-2016 program budget. 80 percent of

the CDBG funds in the FY 2015-2016 program budget will be used for activities that benefit persons of low- and moderate income.

In order to achieve local objectives, the City proposes to utilize its 2015-2016 CDBG funds towards activities that comply with at least one of HUD's National Objectives as listed below:

1. Benefiting low and moderate income persons
2. Address slums or blight
3. Meet a particular urgent community development needs

The City is at a disadvantage in removing or eliminating obstacles to meeting underserved needs due to the consistently shrinking amount of CDBG funds available in recent years. To continue addressing the needs of the underserved population, the City will continue to support applications by service providers to expand affordable housing opportunities, homeless assistance, and supportive services consistent with the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

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Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County - RotaCare Program
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-1 General Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,900
	Description	St. Vincent de Paul's RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic offers medical care to uninsured, poor, and low-income residents of Pittsburg for the relief of pain and suffering. The Clinic is open weekly on Wednesdays from 4-8 p.m., and the second and fourth Saturdays, 9-12 pm. Volunteer doctors, nurses, pharmacists, social workers, translators, and administrators offer services at no charge. All treatment, lab services, x-rays, ultra-sound and other diagnostic tests, along with all pharmaceuticals are provided free of charge.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>This program is estimated to help 600 Pittsburg residents. The specific populations served are the uninsured, low-income, minority population of East County in need of medical care. Over 90 percent of the patients served are minority, and over 98 percent of the patients served have incomes below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05 Public Services</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
<p>Location Description</p>	<p>The St. Vincent de Paul Free Medical Clinic Program is located at the St. Vincent de Paul Family Resource Center: 2210 Gladstone Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565, (925) 439-5060.</p> <p>Additionally, St. Vincent de Paul has 27 neighborhood-based locations that provide emergency food, clothing, utility assistance, rental assistance and other emergency assistance.</p>

	Planned Activities	<p>The mission of the RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic at St. Vincent de Paul is to improve availability and access to health services for low income and underserved residents of East County, in particular for residents of Pittsburg where significant health disparities exist.</p> <p>Despite the reforms made by the Affordable Care Act, the services provided by free and charitable clinics are more important than ever. Over the last two years, Free and Charitable Clinics have seen a 40 percent increase in patient demand, but a decrease in donations. The clinic at SVdP is also encountering a similar increase in patient demand.</p> <p>The RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic at St. Vincent de Paul was developed to provide healthcare services to the uninsured and those unable to pay for healthcare services. Based on the socio-economic status of our patients, the RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic serves those particularly impacted by health disparities. Initially conceived as an urgent/primary care clinic, the RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic at St. Vincent de Paul has evolved to provide chronic care patient education and monitoring, as 50% of clinic visits involve chronic disease treatment or management. The health outcomes of the underserved and low-income residents utilizing the services of our clinic are impacted heavily by the ability to affect their response to chronic diseases.</p> <p>All services are provided FREE OF CHARGE to patients. A licensed Pharmacist dispenses all medications. Any lab services or radiology services are provided free of charge to patients. Referrals are made to Quest Diagnostics and Antioch Imaging for these additional services. St. Vincent de Paul covers all costs of referring patients for lab tests, (to Quest Diagnostics-Pittsburg), and x-rays/MRI/ultrasound imaging (at Antioch Medical Imaging). Follow up required for lab/radiology results are provided by Medical Director Dr.Hamid Khonsari.</p>
2	Project Name	Success Through Self (STS) Academy - Pittsburg Summer Youth Corp (PSYC)
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-3 Youth
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development

Funding	CDBG: \$10,900
Description	Pittsburg Summer Youth Corp. (PSYC) Program provides structured activities, work experience, development of job ethics, community pride, commitment and volunteerism for low/moderate income Pittsburg youth ages 12-15 during the summer months.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>This program is estimated to serve approximately 120 low and moderate income Pittsburg youth. Students 12-15 years of age are a particularly unique demographic. During the summer, students are not in school, parents are working, and budget cuts have left them with few options. The District website states, 'Due to state budget constraints, regular education summer school will not be offered for students in Kindergarten through 8th grade.' Educational summer services have become limited and restrictive which has led to the academic needs of some students not being met during the long summer months. The risks for the age group of 12-15 are particularly high. Their lack of connection to the community, low test scores, low grades and lack of structured activities for this age group by community agencies add to this problem. PSYC provides structured activities for youth through academics, enrichment, recreation, community service projects and weekly educational field trips.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05D Youth Services</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	Hillview Middle School - 333 Yosemite Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565

	Planned Activities	<p>PSYC is a youth and community partnership that has been serving the Pittsburg community for 16 years. The program's design results in constructive use of summer hours, provides staff for park clean up, special events, food service assistance in summer food programs, and neighborhood preservation efforts by this age group. For example, in previous years students painted sound walls within the city limits and participated in park cleanups at Buchanan Park, City Park and Central Park. In addition to community service projects, PSYC participants are engaged in daily academic exercises with credentialed PUSD teachers and college tutors. With District teachers developing and implementing the PSYC curriculum, students benefit from academic programs aligned with the regular school year curriculum. At the beginning of the program, participants are assessed in Math and Language Arts and follow-up exams are given to measure their progress. Participants are also given a free healthy breakfast and lunch every day. Once a week they are exposed to new learning experiences and cultural awareness by taking free field trips to a number of enrichment venues. In past programs students have visited the USS Hornet, Mocha Children's Museum, Chabot Space and Science Center, The Exploratorium, and The Butterfly Exhibit in Pittsburg. Each year, STS tries to implement something new for students to look forward to. This past summer the program was held for the first time at Hillview Junior High school. This allowed us to provide a separate location for the middle school students complete with indoor basketball courts and all the facilities the school has to offer. In past years middle school students and elementary school students shared the 60 Civic location, while being isolated from one another on site. A Drug and Alcohol Prevention program is planned for the coming year. This program provides a qualified representative to teach a weekly interactive course on the benefits of being alcohol and drug free. Exhibitions are put on by the students to demonstrate the negative impacts of drugs and alcohol. In the near future STS will address the growing concern of bullying and give students the necessary tools to report it, avoid being a bully and help other victims.</p>
3	Project Name	SHELTER, INC. - Homeless Prevention & Rapid Rehousing
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Prevention
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,900

Description	The Homeless Prevention Program prevents homelessness for at-risk homelessness or rapidly re-houses households who are homeless. This is accomplished by providing low-income households with one-time financial assistance typically for move-in costs or past due rent. A Case Manager screens potential recipients, provides counseling and recommends eligible households for financial assistance.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 130 low income Pittsburg residents. The target population is low-income households facing a housing crisis through no fault of their own. They are either at-risk of becoming homeless through pending eviction or mortgage foreclosure of their homes, or they are currently homeless and ready to move into housing.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Affordability</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05Q Subsistence Payments</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	<p>1815 Arnold Drive, Martinez, CA 94553</p> <p>4553 Delta Fair Boulevard, Antioch, CA 94509</p> <p>84 West Sixth Street, Pittsburg, CA 94565</p> <p>1210 Hilltop Mall RD Suite 110D, Richmond, CA 94806</p>

	Planned Activities	<p>This program seeks to prevent or end homelessness by providing recipients with short-term (typically one month) financial assistance for move-in costs or past due rent. The program consists of the following:</p> <p>(1) Rental/Mortgage Assistance: SHELTER, Inc. receives direct funds from federal, state and private sources totaling about \$350,000 to disburse to Contra Costa residents to help with back rent to prevent eviction or to assist with move-in costs for a new residence. A very small number (1%) of clients receive help with mortgage in arrears, to help prevent mortgage foreclosures. A Case Manager determines the ability of each household to maintain the proposed housing expense so that the household does not find itself in a perpetual crisis or recurring homelessness. Clients may also be referred for case management and a rent supplement payment.</p> <p>(2) Prevention Intensive Case Management: Case Managers provide support and guidance to households that need help beyond one month's rent, often due to a temporary illness or disability. The services may include small rent supplement payments from Project Hearth or a fund set up by a local family (both private resources from the community) and extensive resources through an information and referral network.</p> <p>(3) Linkages to Housing Services: SHELTER, Inc. offers linkages to in-house housing services such as housing counseling and landlord mediation.</p> <p>(4) Linkages to Supportive Services: SHELTER, Inc. offers linkages to supportive services such mental health counseling, alcohol and substance abuse treatment and support, health services, money management, housing related legal services, immigration services, childcare and food.</p>
4	Project Name	Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa (LFCC)
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-1 General Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,900

Description	Loaves and Fishes provide a hot nutritious meal to anyone who is hungry by serving a hot, noon time, buffet style meal Monday-Friday. By partnering with other agencies that come to their dining rooms they also offer their clients other safety net services such as medical, shelter, and registration for Cal Fresh. Their clients are individuals and families who are homeless or very low to low income residents living in Antioch, Pittsburg, and Martinez.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to serve 500 Pittsburg residents. Ninety eight percent of clients served are low to very low income individuals recently out of work, homeless, unemployed, underemployed, or disabled. Loaves and Fishes provides meals and groceries to people who cannot afford to feed themselves or their family a nutritious meal. They serve anyone who is hungry adults, children, families and elderly.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05 Public Services</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMA</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	<p>Antioch Dining Room-403 West 6th Street Antioch</p> <p>Pittsburg Dining Room-1415 Simpson Court Pittsburg</p> <p>Martinez Dining Room-1802 Alhambra Ave Martinez (will be moving to 835 Ferry Street Martinez in early 2015)</p>

	Planned Activities	Loaves and Fishes has served the hungry of Contra Costa County. Their meals are free to anyone who is hungry. The need is nutritious food and the issue is there are people who cannot afford to purchase it. By providing a free meal they are fulfilling both areas of need and issue. Loaves and Fishes prides itself by providing a well-balanced meal, low in salt with an daily emphasis on a fresh green salad, a seasonal fresh fruit salad and entrée. In the last year Loaves and Fishes has worked very hard to expand our mission with the goal to do more for its clients. Providing food is very important, but Loaves and Fishes wanted to do more and has changed its mission to "The mission of Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa is to provide community based food programs and partner services that focus on basic needs." Loaves and Fishes nourish lives by partnering with other nonprofits in the community to provide basic safety net services at its dining rooms in a cost effective manner.
5	Project Name	STAND! For Families Free of Violence - Emergency Shelter
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-2 Non-Homeless Special Needs Population
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,900
	Description	STAND!'s Emergency Shelter can accommodate up to 10 women and their children fleeing life-threatening violent relationships at no cost for up to 3 months. As part of a continuum of care at STAND!, the Shelter provides clients with access to comprehensive supportive services, including food, clothing, social and legal advocacy, vocational assistance, child care, housing referrals, and evidence-based counseling transitioning clients toward independence.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>Estimated to help 10 low income Pittsburg residents. STAND!'s Emergency Shelter helps women and their children fleeing life-threatening violent relationships at no cost for up to 3 months.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05G Battered and Abused Spouses</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
<p>Location Description</p>	<p>STAND!'s Rollie Mullen Center (RMC), the site of our Emergency Shelter, is located in a confidential location in Contra Costa County, CA.</p> <p>STAND! operates a domestic violence shelter that protects victims from persistent and dangerous abusers. STAND! must keep its shelter's location strictly confidential in accordance with state law (California Health and Safety Code section 124250) and federal law (Violence Against Women Act section 3.22) in the interest of the safety of our clients and staff.</p>

	Planned Activities	<p>STAND!'s Emergency Shelter and supportive services are critical components of the community's safety net for its most vulnerable members. Located at the Rollie Mullen Center (RMC), STAND!'s Emergency Shelter provides 24 emergency beds to women and their children fleeing violent relationships. As the only comprehensive family violence agency in Contra Costa County, STAND!'s Emergency Shelter is the only specialized sanctuary available to victims of domestic violence and their children in the community.</p> <p>All services available at RMC are provided at no cost to clients. Women and children receive up to 3 months of shelter, daily meals, child care, clothing, case management, and peer and professional counseling. Each woman also receives benefits assistance, housing referrals, 24-hour access to phone and voice mail, transportation, legal advocacy, and domestic violence support groups. Children receive therapeutic interventions and age-appropriate support. By co-locating all of these interrelated services at one confidential and secure location, STAND! is able to meet clients' fundamental needs seamlessly and effectively.</p> <p>The shelter is part of an integrated system of care at STAND! that follows clients from the first Crisis Line call through Transitional Housing to independence. The Shelter represents a critical step in this continuum, enabling women and children to process their immediate trauma and move beyond the 'crisis mode' state that results from escaping domestic violence. It is incredibly courageous for victims to break free and seek our assistance by calling the Crisis Line and entering the Shelter. They are there for the next steps and beyond, helping clients heal deep wounds and preparing abused women and children to transition to lives of independence and strength.</p>
6	Project Name	Contra Costa Senior Legal Services
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-1 General Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,900

Description	Contra Costa Senior Legal Services (CCSLs) provides free legal counseling, advice, representation, and litigation services to low and moderate income seniors in connection with their housing, income maintenance, consumer and individual rights, and other elder law issues.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help 100 low and moderate seniors residing in Pittsburg. Targeted to help seniors 62 and over living in each of the jurisdictions within Contra Costa County (i.e. Antioch, Concord, Pittsburg, etc.)</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05C Legal Services</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	Pittsburg Senior Center: 300 Presidio Lane, Pittsburg, CA 94565

	Planned Activities	<p>CCSLS has been providing free legal services and education to Contra Costa seniors for more than thirty years. It is the only non-profit agency that provides legal services exclusively to those 60 and over. They assist in the areas of consumer law, housing, public benefits, income maintenance, and elder abuse. The extent of legal services provided ranges from advice over the telephone to representation in court. Because of their experience working with seniors, they are uniquely adapted to address and respond to their legal needs.</p> <p>They staff and supervise a 'Consult an Attorney' clinic twice a month at the Pittsburg Senior Center where they provide clients advice and information about their legal matters. In addition, they work with residents of senior housing, including Stoneman Village, and provide seminars and outreach. They also meet with numerous Pittsburg residents in its Concord office, both in person and by telephone to provide more in depth services. For example, it has represented tenants, provided assistance with restraining orders, and counseled Pittsburg residents about debtor's rights. Finally, Pittsburg residents may also access assistance at court by virtue of our Senior Self-Help Clinic, established and supervised by CCSLS.</p>
7	Project Name	Pittsburg Arts and Community Foundation (PACF)
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-3 Youth
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,899
	Description	Provide summer programs that assist and support the City's efforts to increase, support and encourage art, literacy, education, and other community resources to benefit low and moderate income youth in Pittsburg.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>Estimated to help approximately 150 low and moderate income youth residing in Pittsburg. This program benefits pre-school through high school age children.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code - 05D - Youth Services HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
	<p>Location Description</p>	<p>Art Shack, 31 Marina Blvd. Railroad Book Depot, 650 Railroad Avenue California Theatre, 351 Railroad Avenue Pittsburg Performing Arts Academy, 329 Railroad Avenue Old Town Plaza, 500 Railroad Avenue</p>
	<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>Summer programs that assist and support the City efforts to increase, support and encourage art, literacy, and education.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Project Name</p>	<p>Pacheco/Mtz Homeless Outreach, Inc. (PMHO)</p>
	<p>Target Area</p>	<p>City of Pittsburg</p>
	<p>Goals Supported</p>	<p>H2 - Services for Homeless (Non-Shelter Related)</p>
	<p>Needs Addressed</p>	<p>Non-Housing Community Development</p>
	<p>Funding</p>	<p>CDBG: \$10,899</p>

Description	Reach out to homeless individuals in the cities of Antioch, Pittsburg, Concord, Walnut Creek, Richmond and in the unincorporated areas of Contra Costa County, no matter where they might be; encampments, behind commercial buildings, under bridges/overpasses, along creeks and waterways, in parked cars, city parks, and more. PMHO will offer the homeless services available to them, provide transportation to shelter or other place as needed, provide basic necessities such as blankets, socks, clothing, water, food, toiletries, etc. to help them survive. PMHO will make an immediate assessment of their physical and mental condition and offer/provide assistance so that each individual will receive appropriate medical care and begin to get them services they need to ultimately assimilate back into the community.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 60 extremely low Pittsburg residents. This program helps meet the survival needs of the homeless throughout Contra Costa County.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code - 05 Public Services HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	There is no physical address for the areas covered. The sites are 'fluid in that they change all the time. Homeless encampments and other places the homeless live or 'hang out' are subject to law enforcement intervention causing the population to relocate to other areas of a city. We find the homeless living along waterways and in flood control plains, under overpasses and bridges, in vacant buildings, behind commercial centers, in city parks and more. In Pittsburg, they have found people on the Railroad Avenue corridor from Hwy 4 through downtown; along California Street next to Hwy 4; East Leland corridor between Railroad Ave and Loveridge Rd; in the marina area; and in the waterways.

	Planned Activities	<p>PMHO homeless workers go directly to the people in need, wherever they may be, and most frequently in the dead of night when the homeless are most vulnerable. Because PMHO understand that the vast majority of homeless individuals are skeptical and leery about people offering help, PMHO visit them consistently and often over time, gradually building a trust level, which a homeless individual has not had in many cases for years.</p> <p>This begins with PMHO workers meeting an individual and explaining who they are and what they do. While going through the meeting process and gathering as much information as possible without causing alarm to the individual, PMHO workers make general assessments as to the physical and mental well-being of the individual. At the same time, PMHO workers offer them basic necessities such as blankets, socks, water, food, over-the-counter meds, toiletries and more to help them cope with their situation. In addition, PMHO workers offer to get them help in the form of shelter (if a bed is available), medical attention, counseling, transportation, and to the multi-service center where they can start the process of taking advantage of the many programs offered to the homeless. Some or a portion thereof will take advantage of the services offered; some will not. This is okay because PMHO workers have started the process of gaining the homeless' trust and sometime in the future, even years from now, they will eventually accept the offer of help and receive services.</p> <p>Not having some of the restrictions put on by law enforcement, PMHO workers are able to convince the homeless to leave Downtown events, business properties, and parks so that the general public can enjoy these areas without the discomfort of panhandling or general nuisances. PMHO workers also respond to calls from the police departments dealing with one or more homeless individuals. Once on scene, and providing that no major laws have been broken or that the person is not a physical threat, PMHO will take over the responsibility for the individual; thus, allowing the officer to go back to his/her normal duties.</p>
9	Project Name	Opportunity Junction - Technology Center
	Target Area	City of Pittsburgh
	Goals Supported	CD-1 General Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development

Funding	CDBG: \$10,899
Description	Opportunity Junction's evening Technology Center provides low-income workers, job-seekers, and seniors with accessible training in computer applications, English as a Second Language, typing, and Spanish. The Technology Center, which operates Monday through Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm, also offers free access to computers and the Internet.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 100 low income Pittsburg residents. Opportunity Junction serve low-income East and East Central County adults, with a particular emphasis on those with Limited English Proficiency. Fully 61% self-certify as Extremely Low Income, which usually means that they are living below the poverty line.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating a Suitable Living Environment</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05 Public Services</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	3102 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch, CA 94509

	Planned Activities	<p>The Opportunity Junction Technology Center is a unique hub of learning and tutoring that helps low-income community members overcome deficits in language, computer skills, and Internet access. For many community members, their goals in overcoming those deficits are explicitly employment-related; to get a job, keep a job, or earn a raise or promotion. For them, the Technology Center provides hope and a way forward.</p> <p>Since Opportunity Junction Technology Center launched the program in 2003, it has offered classes to address the language and digital divides found in the communities of East Contra Costa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi-level drop-in classes in English as a Second Language (ESL) taught by a credentialed Adult Education Teacher (6 hours a week), with materials provided at no cost to students • A rotating and repeating schedule of Computer Basics classes, taught by volunteer instructors, with materials provided at no cost to students, including: Windows, Email, Internet, Word, PowerPoint, and Excel. <p>Opportunity Junction Technology Center expanded the roster of evening classes to respond to the needs expressed by Technology Center participants by adding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More advanced computer instruction in Windows, Email, Internet, and Word • Spanish-language computer basics classes (Computacion Basica) • Classes in Spanish (for English speakers) • Citizenship Classes (in partnership with the International Institute) • A drop-in Typing class with an instructor <p>In addition to offering classes and opportunities for tutoring, the Technology Center addresses the digital divide by providing open access to the Internet and the vital information resources found there, including job postings and applications, survival information, and communications. This year, Opportunity Junction Technology Center added a dedicated “Public Access Assistant” who helps with anything from print jobs to resume edits.</p>
10	Project Name	Open Opportunities, Inc. - Future Build Pre-Apprenticeship Training
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-6 Economic Development

Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
Funding	CDBG: \$19,280
Description	Future Build is a 16 week Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program offered in the spring and summer for 44 low income East Contra Costa County residents ages 18 and older in solar, energy, and construction Trades. Future Build provides a life changing experience for the trainees that leads to re-engagement in the workforce, family, community, and post-secondary educational opportunities.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help 16 low income Pittsburg residents. Future Build serves low income East Contra Costa County residents ages 18 and older, who are unemployed, underemployed, or displaced workers.</p> <p>Performance Measures:</p> <p>Objective - Creating Economic Opportunities</p> <p>Outcome - Availability/Accessibility</p> <p>HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service</p> <p>HUD Matrix Code - 05H Employment Training</p> <p>HUD National Objective - LMC</p> <p>HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	Future Build hands on training lab is located at 2555 Harbor Street and the Academic Classrooms are located at the Pittsburg Adult Education Center, 1151 Stoneman Avenue, Pittsburg, CA. In addition to the prime locations for the hands on and academic training, our trainees also perform community service benefit projects throughout East Contra Costa County in City and County parks and facilities.

	Planned Activities	<p>Future Build is a 16+ week pre-apprenticeship training course for a minimum of twenty (20) participants per cohort in the building trades and solar theory, construction, and installation. The core curriculum Pre Apprenticeship Certificate Training (PACT) developed by the Home Builder’s Institute (HBI) and the Multi Craft Core Curriculum developed by the Building Trades Council, both are recognized by the US Department of Labor lead to a pre-apprenticeship certificate.</p> <p>PACT integrates work-based learning with vocational and academic skills training. Related academics (contextual learning) industry-focused job readiness, employability skills, career development, life skills, and on the job training are all part of PACT. An entry level curriculum, PACT relies on the training program or its instructor to provide a project (rehab, new construction, or community benefit project, etc.) to teach intensive hand-on, jobsite experience, where students can apply the skills introduced in the classroom.</p> <p>50% of Future Build participants are between the ages of 18-33 and they have found that the hands on approach is particularly engaging as it gives them the opportunity to gain knowledge in a manner that address their learning style. Thus, PACT training increases the likelihood they will complete their instruction, gain the construction skills needed to build a career and learn what it takes to obtain and retain a job. In addition, the hands on approach has a positive impact on self-esteem and responds to the need for immediate gratification. This translates into more students completing training, achieving higher skills retention, pursuing further education or training and remaining gainfully employed.</p> <p>The classroom component is designed to reinforce construction math, safe and proper use of hand and power tools, blue print reading, vocabulary and terminology as well as employability skills. The hands on training component exposes them to trade skills experience, tool use, jobsite safety, productive work habits and application of mathematical concepts.</p> <p>Students are not only introduced to building, they are also exposed to its theory and practice while they are exposed to several industry trades. Efforts are made to introduce students to all aspects of the industry and its variety of careers.</p>
11	Project Name	St. Vincent de Paul Workforce Development Program
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg

Goals Supported	CD-6 Economic Development
Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
Description	Provide job training and placement for 6 very low and low income Pittsburg residents. The Workforce Development program at St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County provides training and work experience for those who are new to or have been out of the workforce due to incarceration, addiction, homelessness, or chronic unemployment. The program consists of 24-week, part-time paid jobs at St. Vincent de Paul, and weekly classes including job search and life skills training necessary for finding and maintaining successful employment. Participants are matched with mentors who assist participants with individual issues that have been challenges to successful employment. On-the-Job Training gives participants experience in word processing, cashier and store operations, warehouse operations, truck driving, and navigation (if participating in the truck driving program).
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help 6 Pittsburg residents. The specific population for the St. Vincent de Paul Workforce Development Program are adult individuals with barriers to employment; the formerly incarcerated, addicted, homeless, and chronically unemployed.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective - Creating Economic Opportunities Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code - 05H Employment Training HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>

	<p>Location Description</p>	<p>The St. Vincent de Paul Workforce Development Program is administered from the SVdP Family Resource Center, 2210 Gladstone Drive, Pittsburg, CA Workforce Development Trainees (WFD), receive on-the-job training and part-time, paid work experience in either the trucking/transportation field, or in retail/warehouse operations. Job training will take place at the SVdP location in Pittsburg (2210 Gladstone Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565), at our Thrift Store in Pleasant Hill (2851 Contra Costa Blvd., Pleasant Hill, CA), and throughout Contra Costa County as the truck drivers deliver and pick up donations throughout the county.</p>
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<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>St. Vincent de Paul's Workforce Development Program addresses the need of jobs for the difficult-to-employ by providing transitional employment and training for these individuals. Over 50% of our trainees from Cycles 1, 2, 3, and 4 have backgrounds including incarceration, and were either on parole or probation at the time of entry into the SVdP WFD program. Almost 100% of the SVdP WFD trainees have experienced additional barriers to employment including addiction and homelessness. St. Vincent de Paul solves the need for employment by such individuals by providing the Workforce Development Program.</p> <p>St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County has been providing opportunities for difficult-to-employ individuals for many years. Its 50-year history of providing assistance to the poor and underserved of the County has always included safety-net services and "first chance employment" to our neighbors in need. Our programs are designed to strengthen the capacity of unemployed, vulnerable, formerly addicted, homeless, and post-incarcerated individuals to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Re-enter the workforce - Acquire relevant work skills and customer service/interpersonal skills - Develop a strong resume and job search skills - Secure employment at St. Vincent de Paul or with another employer <p>The difficulty that individuals who have had 'barriers to employment' experience when they want to turn their lives around, is an employer who will give them that second chance. Due to backgrounds that may include incarceration, addiction, or homelessness, employers are taking a risk by employing these individuals. St. Vincent de Paul choses to actively seek out individuals with such backgrounds and help them establish a stable work-record and positive employer recommendation. We assist difficult-to-employ individuals gain new job skills and new life skills, including financial literacy, conflict management, and job search skills. Additionally, the mentors we provide in the St. Vincent de Paul Workforce Development Program give emotional and logistical support regarding individual issues that WFD trainees may be facing. Currently, the WFD trainees have experienced homelessness, addiction, incarceration, or have been participants in a disability rehabilitation program. All were unemployed before entering the SVdP Program.</p>
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12	Project Name	Contra Costa Child Care Council - Road to Success
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-6 Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	The program benefits 40 very low, low, and moderate-income residents in Pittsburg through microenterprise assistance for those who want to maintain or start stable small businesses as licensed home-based family child care providers.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 40 Pittsburg businesses. The program benefits very low, low, and moderate-income adults living in Pittsburg who choose to start or maintain licensed family child care microenterprises. The program also benefits children ages 0-12 with early care and education and their families who need child care services in these communities.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective - Creating Economic Opportunities Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code - 18C Micro-Enterprise Assistance HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
	Location Description	Various Pittsburg home sites will receive services provided by staff located at 1035 Detroit Avenue, Suite 200, Concord, CA 94518.

	Planned Activities	<p>The project goal is to assist very low, low, and moderate-income Pittsburg residents to maintain or start family child care businesses and to provide business development training, technical assistance, and support to help them be viable and successful microenterprises. The objective of Road to Success is to train and provide ongoing support and technical assistance to very, low, and moderate-income Pittsburg residents who want to become family child care providers or want to sustain successful family child care home (FCCH) microenterprises. There are many currently licensed FCCH businesses in Pittsburg that need assistance to stay in business and thrive.</p> <p>In Pittsburg, Road to Success will continue microenterprise development efforts and serve a total of 40 clients during the year. Some providers have succeeded and even expanded (with parents on wait lists) to meet the cities' child care needs, including the need for quality care and early education. The project will be cost-effective and deliver achievable objectives for this priority need to help microenterprises stay in business and generate revenue. This financially stable agency has the experience and capacity to complete the project in a timely manner. The project will create and maintain jobs through small business development, meet the community's need for child care so families can work or find work, and give children, including low-income children, quality care and early education so that they can succeed.</p> <p>Retention, sustainability and recruitment are also included in the project goal. Road to Success will improve the chances for success for home-based family child care microenterprises, thus building economic self-sufficiency, sustaining employment, improving the quality of care and early education for children, stimulating local economies, and fostering small business profitability for target populations in all jurisdictions.</p>
13	Project Name	Opportunity Junction - Job Training and Placement Program
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-6 Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000

Description	Provide training and job placement assistance to 8 low income Pittsburg residents. The Job Training and Placement Program (JTPP) is designed to address all of the barriers faced by hard-to-serve low-income adults seeking to enter the job market at sustainable wages. The program integrates computer training with life skills, paid experience, case management and psychological counseling, career counseling and job placement, and long-term ongoing support. Participants enter administrative careers that enable them to become self-sufficient.
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 8 low income Pittsburg residents. They serve East and Central County adults who are low- income and confront one or more barriers to employment, such as a history of domestic violence, recovery from substance abuse, a criminal record, past job instability or limited out-of-home work experience. The Job Training and Placement Program participants are primarily women (93%) and reflect the diversity of those living in poverty in Contra Costa County, with 7% Asian or Pacific Islander, 23% African American, 29% Latino, 27% White, and 14% Multiracial. The average participant is responsible for two school-age dependents.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective – Creating Economic Opportunities Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code – 05H Employment Training HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	3102 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch, CA 94509

<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>The Opportunity Junction Job Training & Placement Program prepares participants for real, high-quality jobs that pay family-sustaining wages. Specifically, the program consists of the following:</p> <p>Twelve Weeks of Full-Time Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Life Skills, an interactive curriculum including many teambuilding exercises and covering goal-setting, overcoming obstacles, managing change, self-care, financial literacy, business etiquette, and communications. * Computer Skills covering Windows, Internet research, and the Microsoft Office Suite (with onsite testing for the Microsoft Office Specialist certifications). * Academic Skills including Business English, Business Math, and Test-Taking Skills. <p>Up to Four Months Paid, On-the-Job Experience:</p> <p>Opportunity Junction hires participants as interns as part of our Staffing Services social enterprise to provide contracted services for local businesses and administrative support for the staff. This experience gives interns confidence in applying their new skills to real world projects and challenges. Unlike many social enterprises, the emphasis in Staffing Services is on the benefit to the participant, so we hire every graduate of the training phase. We view the internship as an important complement to classroom training (as well as being an important resume-builder).</p> <p>Support Services: Case managers closely support participants throughout their stay and for 18 months following job placement, ensuring that each participant is linked to childcare, health care, transportation, and other needed services. Our licensed therapist also assesses every participant and provides referrals and counseling to those who are open to receiving these services.</p> <p>Personalized Job Placement: In order to facilitate a good fit between participants and employers, interns engage in comprehensive career-building activities such as skill and interest assessment, job search, resume and cover letter preparation, and interview practice. The Manager of Employer Engagement arranges direct placements with our network of Hiring Partners and guides interns toward openings appropriate to their skills and interests.</p>
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14	Project Name	Workforce Development Board - Small Business Development Center
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-6 Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000
	Description	Provide business management training and consulting services to 15 new or existing businesses as a way to create or retain jobs. The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) delivers group training and individualized advising to support low and moderate income individuals achieve self-sufficiency by starting and/or growing micro-enterprises. The project, utilizing matching SBA funds, also supports the creation of additional employment opportunities in key sectors by delivering services focused on accessing capital, securing certifications/procurement contracts, exporting, and increasing sales.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help 15 low and moderate Pittsburg residents. This program will benefit low/moderate income individuals from Pittsburg that are currently self-employed or less than a year from achieving that goal.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective – Creating Economic Opportunities Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code – 18C Micro-Enterprise Assistance HUD National Objective - LMC HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
	Location Description	985 Railroad Ave, Pittsburg, California 94565 310 Central Ave., Pittsburg California 94565

	Planned Activities	The SBDC takes great pride in 'leveling the playing field' for current and aspiring small business owners. They target and serve LMI populations because self-employment is a viable solution for economic self-sufficiency regardless of education level or family circumstance. Unfortunately, in the County of Contra Costa, there are few business technical assistance providers in the private, nonprofit and public sectors. The Small Business Development Center of Contra Costa and its host, the Workforce Development Board of Contra Costa, however, are well-positioned to meet the training and management advising needs of businesses of all sizes.
15	Project Name	City of Pittsburg - ADA Handicap Ramps
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-7 Infrastructure/Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$235,210
	Description	The goals of the project include improving access to public transportation, schools, businesses, and other community facilities for pedestrians, the mobility impaired, and physically challenged persons, through replacing sidewalks and installing curb ramps at targeted intersections. City staff will perform design, construction management, and inspection.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	<p>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</p>	<p>Estimated to construct approximately 25 ramps and various sidewalks in low and moderate income census tracts. The City serves approximately 70,000 residents. The Handicapped and Pedestrian Improvements Program is aimed to serve all residents by improving sidewalks and constructing ADA compliant curb ramps at all intersections in the City. This Program will provide improved pedestrian access for all residents and will advance the City’s goal of meeting federal and state mandated standards.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective – Creating a Suitable Living Environment Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code – 03L - Sidewalks HUD National Objective - LMA HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
	<p>Location Description</p>	<p>Along Buchanan Road and Santa Anna Drive - census tract 3131 (and other eligible census tracts as funding allows).</p>
	<p>Planned Activities</p>	<p>The purpose of the project is to improve pedestrian transportation for mobility impaired or physically challenged persons by improving sidewalks and installing ADA compliant curb ramps at on Buchanan Road and Santa Anna Drive (and other locations as funding allows). There are over 3,450-4,450 ramps that need to be upgraded or installed throughout the city.</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>Project Name</p>	<p>City of Pittsburg - Police Dept. Code Enforcement</p>
	<p>Target Area</p>	<p>City of Pittsburg</p>
	<p>Goals Supported</p>	<p>AH 2 - Code Enforcement</p>
	<p>Needs Addressed</p>	<p>Affordable Housing</p>
	<p>Funding</p>	<p>CDBG: \$125,000</p>

Description	Comprehensive inspection and enforcement of all state and municipal statutes and regulations related to the reduction and removal of substandard and dangerous housing as well as property conditions, which contribute to slum and blight, disruptive criminal behavior, and activity within the targeted low income neighborhood(s).
Target Date	6/30/2016
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>Estimated to help approximately 1000 Pittsburg residents living in low and moderate income census tracts. Comprehensive inspection and enforcement of state and municipal statutes that impact substandard housing and neighborhood conditions in various low income areas throughout the City.</p> <p>Performance Measures: Objective – Creating a Suitable Living Environment Outcome - Availability/Accessibility HUD Performance Measure Type - Provide New or Continuing Access to a Service HUD Matrix Code – 15 Code Enforcement HUD National Objective - LMA HUD Accomplishment Type - Persons (General)</p>
Location Description	A concentrated effort will be placed on the following Census Tract and Block Group Numbers: Census Tracts: 3090, 3100, 3110, 3120, 3131, 3141, 3132 & 3132.

	Planned Activities	<p>Project goal is to improve housing and property conditions and reduce slum and blight. Maintaining the existing level of personnel offers the opportunity to enhance the existing enforcement efforts and the level of services needed to abate hazardous/substandard living conditions (dwellings and properties). Establish acceptable standards for long term benefit and resident involvement; to initiate partnerships with the property owners and residents that establish goals to improve the quality of life and personal and neighborhood pride.</p> <p>Code Enforcement: active field patrol, initiation of complaints and investigations of properties and residential dwellings that have conditions contributing to slum and blight and substandard dangerous housing. Provide neighborhoods with the coordinated resources and education to improve their quality of life integrated with a methodology for enhanced long-term neighborhood maintenance.</p>
17	Project Name	CDBG Program Administration
	Target Area	City of Pittsburg
	Goals Supported	CD-8 Administration
	Needs Addressed	Program Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$116,396
	Description	Administration - Support development of viable urban communities through extending and strengthening partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, and administer federal grant programs in a fiscally prudent manner.
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable.
	Location Description	65 Civic Avenue Pittsburg, CA 94565

	Planned Activities	Administration - Support development of viable urban communities through extending and strengthening partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, and administer federal grant programs in a fiscally prudent manner.
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AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

Citywide.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of Pittsburgh	100

Table 29 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Funding will be allocated citywide.

Discussion

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AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

Priority is assigned based on the level of need that is demonstrated by the data that has been collected during the preparation of the Plan, the information gathered during the consultation and citizen participation process and the availability of resources to address these needs. Based on all of these components, affordable housing, homelessness, non-housing community development needs and grant administration are all considered “high” priorities.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Special needs groups such as elderly/frail elderly, persons with disabilities, persons who are victims of domestic live throughout the City. Given that these special needs populations have various obstacles to accessing housing and various services, the City of Pittsburg will continue to provide CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation activities, public facility/infrastructure improvements, and public service activities that improve the quality of life for special needs groups.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The Housing Rehabilitation Program has been revived to provide owner-occupied residential rehabilitation financial assistance in the form of low-interest deferred loans. Many of these homes are occupied by low income families including senior citizens. These families own their home, are on a fixed income, and do not have the financial means to keep up with the maintenance of the home. Therefore, maintenance and repairs to their homes are almost impossible. The program is available to low income households. All eligible households may apply. This program meets their needs as most of them qualify for the low-interest deferred loan requiring no monthly payment until the home is sold or transferred. This program also assists the first-time homeowners who have purchased a fixer upper, but are financially unable to finance the repairs needed.

Pittsburg strives to create additional opportunities for its low income residents by providing access to resources. It has been approached by GRID Alternatives a nonprofit organization that brings the benefits of solar technology to communities that would not otherwise have access. They lead teams of volunteers and job trainees to install solar electric systems for low-income homeowners, providing needed savings for families struggling to make ends meet, preparing workers for jobs in the fast-growing solar industry, and helping clean the environment. Information on this program will be available to the community via our website and through the Neighborhood Improvement Team meetings.

Pittsburg also has an Inclusionary Housing Ordinance that helps foster and maintain affordable housing. The Inclusionary Housing Ordinance contains affordability restrictions/requirements to ensure that the affordable units provided remain as such. These restrictions are implemented through an Affordable Housing Agreement that identifies the specific units designated as affordable, the affordable sales/lease

price of the units, and the provisions and stipulations of the ordinance.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

As identified in the Consolidated Plan, the State Health Department states that children in California are at risk for lead poisoning. Children are especially vulnerable to this toxin found in old (pre – 1978) paint, which can cause brain damage, retardation, neurological problems, kidney damage, and a host of other serious consequences. Lead Hazard is especially a concern for the City, given that lead hazard is estimated to be 90 percent in pre-1940 housing units. The City will continue to protect residents from lead-based paint hazards in housing funded with CDBG funds by conforming to HUD regulations 24 CFR Part 35. This regulation addresses the need to reduce or eliminate lead-based paint hazards in federally owned housing and housing receiving federal funds. We require our subrecipients to agree to include requirements for compliance with this regulation. The City requires that recipients of homeowner rehabilitation funds sign HUD’s Notification for Lead Based Paint and that any abatement required be included in the home’s repairs.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

Pittsburg will employ a variety of strategies to help alleviate poverty in the City, including efforts to stimulate economic growth and job opportunities, and to provide residents with the skills and abilities required to take advantage of those opportunities. The City uses a portion of its CDBG funding to provide grants to non-profit agencies to operate the Public Services programs that serve the homeless in the community, which directly impact poverty-level individuals. The City, through its various departments, provides services and supports programs that promote personal responsibility, independence and self-sufficiency.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Contra Costa County Consortium was formed by the County of Contra Costa and the cities of Antioch, Concord, Pittsburg and Walnut Creek to develop a collaborative approach to administering and implementing the goals and objectives of their respective CDBG programs. The Consortium members coordinate Consolidated Planning efforts and have developed a streamlined process for applying for CDBG/HOME/ESG funds that allows applicants to complete one application for multiple jurisdictions and, once funded, complete one periodic performance report for all funding jurisdictions. This joint effort has eased the administrative burden for Subrecipients and allows jurisdictions to easily share information. Furthermore, the Consortium established a multiple-year funding cycle that has greatly reduced the time spent on completing and reviewing applications for both Subrecipients and CDBG/HOME staff respectively.

Each entitlement jurisdiction in the Consortium completes its own annual planning and allocation process, including preparation and completion of its Annual Action Plan and CAPER. These planning efforts have a high degree of coordination with Consortium members working together to closely align

CDBG allocations, helping to maximize funding and to ensure collaboration between agencies.

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

Consortium jurisdictions work on strategies and actions designed to overcome identified impediments and eliminate problems of housing discrimination. The Contra Costa Interagency Council on Homelessness (CCICH) works with local jurisdictions, public and private agencies, the interfaith community, homeless advocacy groups, and other community organizations to implement the Continuum of Care Plan to alleviate homelessness. The majority of the City's goals and objectives within the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are met through activities that are carried out by Subrecipients that are primarily public and private agencies within the County, including non-profit organizations. There is ongoing concern about the long-term capacity of the non-profit community during these severe budgetary times and their ability to comply with often complex federal regulations and requirements in implementing federally funded programs. Pittsburg will continue to support these agencies by providing technical assistance, helping to establish collaboration between agencies and with funding, when possible.

Discussion

Pittsburg works closely with public and private affordable housing providers as well as with Contra Costa County's Public Health, Behavioral Health and Homeless Services departments, and various agencies to coordinate the allocation of funds to best meet the needs of the City's low to moderate income residents and the special needs population. This coordination leverages CDBG funds to maximize their impact.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

Program Income: The City does not anticipate receiving program income for FY 2015-2016.

Other: The City does not have any float-funded activities, Section 108 loan guarantees, or surplus urban renewal settlement funds. The County does not have any Urgent Need activities.

Benefit to low- and moderate-income persons: All of the City's FY 2015-2016 CDBG funds that is not going towards Program Administration is allocated to activities that will benefit persons of low- and moderate income. The City anticipates utilizing 20 percent towards of all CDBG Program funds towards CDBG Program Administration.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

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

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	71,989
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:	71,989

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
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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.

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Attachments

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Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

NON-STATE GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATIONS

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

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing – The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means that it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

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, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug-Free Workplace – It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about-
 - (a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will –
 - (a) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted –
 - (a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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 (n) of this 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 CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

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



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SPECIFIC CDBG CERTIFICATIONS

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation Plan – 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 housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan – It is following a current consolidated plan that has been submitted to HUD for approval.

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

1. **Maximum Feasibility Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities that benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities, which the grantee certifies are designed to 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, and other financial resources are not available;
2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds including Section 108 guaranteed loans during Program Year 2015 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 such fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of such 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.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG

funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, as assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, as 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 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint – Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R of title 24;

Compliance with Laws – It will comply with applicable laws.



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LOBBYING AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS:

A. 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.

B. Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the sites for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

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7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

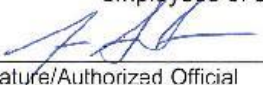
"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C.812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

"Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

"Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

"Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (a) All "direct charge" employees; (b) all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and (c) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are not on the grantee's payroll.

This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).



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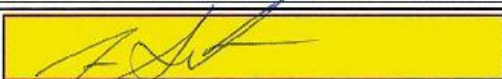
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Freapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s) _____ * Other (Specify): _____
* 3. Date Received: _____	4. Applicant Identifier: City of Pittsburg	
5a. Federal Entry Identifier: _____	5b. Federal Award Identifier: _____	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: _____	7. State Application Identifier: _____	
6. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: City of Pittsburg		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 94-6006395	* c. Organizational DUNS: 1792751280000	
d. Address:		
^ Street1: 65 Civic Avenue	Street2: _____	
* City: Pittsburg	County/Parish: _____	
* State: CA: California	Province: _____	
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES	* Zip / Postal Code: 94565-3814	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Community Access	Division Name: EDEG	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: Mrs.	^ First Name: Melaine	
Middle Name: _____	* Last Name: Veneciano	
Suffix: _____	Title: Administrative Analyst II	
Organizational Affiliation: City of Pittsburg		
* Telephone Number: 925-250-4155	* Fax Number: 925-250-4851	
* Email: mveneciano@ci.pittsburg.ca.us		

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text" value="C: City or Township Government"/> Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/> Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type: <input type="text"/> * Other (specify): <input type="text"/>	
* 10. Name of Federal Agency: <input type="text" value="U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development"/>	
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: <input type="text" value="14-218"/> CFDA Title: <input type="text" value="Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)"/>	
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number: <input type="text" value="CFDA 14-218"/> * Title: <input type="text" value="Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)"/>	
13. Competition Identification Number: <input type="text"/> Title: <input type="text"/>	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>	
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: <input type="text" value="Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)"/>	
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions <input type="button" value="Add Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachments"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachments"/>	

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16. Congressional Districts Of:	
* a Applicant: <input type="text" value="7th"/>	* b Program/Project: <input type="text" value="CDAC"/>
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>
17. Proposed Project:	
* a Start Date: <input type="text" value="07/01/2015"/>	* b End Date: <input type="text" value="06/30/2015"/>
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
* a Federal	<input type="text" value="581,983.00"/>
* b Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f Program Income	<input type="text" value="12,000.00"/>
* g TOTAL	<input type="text" value="653,983.00"/>
* 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?	
<input type="checkbox"/> a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on <input type="text"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.	
* 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
If "Yes", provide explanation and attach	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Add Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="Delete Attachment"/> <input type="button" value="View Attachment"/>
21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ** I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Mr."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Joe"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Spranti"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
* Title: <input type="text" value="City Manager"/>	
* Telephone Number: <input type="text" value="925-252-4855"/>	Fax Number: <input type="text" value="925-252-4855"/>
* Email: <input type="text" value="jspranti@ci.pittsburg.ca.us"/>	
* Signature of Authorized Representative: 	* Date Signed: <input type="text" value="4-14-15"/>