

## **2015/2016 PROPOSED PROJECTS**

<b>Projects</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Amount Granted</b>
Public Services – Anacortes Family Center	15% of Grant - \$13,432	\$
Anacortes Housing Authority Stove/Range Purchase (50)	\$40,750	\$
City Hall Restroom Door Retrofit – removal of architectural barriers	\$30,000 + tax	\$
Removal of Architectural Barriers – Sidewalk Ramp Retrofit	\$95,000	\$
Administration	20% of Grant - \$15,224	\$
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$194,406</b>	<b>\$</b>

The projects listed above are proposed and may not be eligible for funding. Further review of specific regulations must be completed before determination on funding can be made. The restroom door project may not fit within the regulations for architectural barrier removal but that will be determined shortly.

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2016/2017 CDBG ACTION PLAN

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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

This chapter outlines the City's one-year Action Plan for 2016-2017, which will further the goals and strategies of the Strategic Plan and is the spending plan for the City's 2016-2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The activities in this plan will be accomplished with funds received during this program year under the CDBG program for meeting housing and community development objectives. The allocation for this year's funding is \$89,552. Those activities detailed in this section must meet the CDBG National Objectives as outlined in the introduction to the Strategic Plan. The Mayor of Anacortes has designated the Planning, Community & Economic Development Department responsible for the planning, development, and implementation of its CDBG Program.

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

The goals of this plan include maintaining the existing supply of affordable rental housing and funding supportive services to help individuals and families from becoming homeless and supporting efforts to reduce poverty. See goals in the below table:

- Homelessness/assist special needs populations - Create suitable living environs - Public Service - \$13,432
- Admin/Planning - \$15,224
- \$60,896 to fund capital projects

### 3. Evaluation of past performance

In reviewing activities accomplished with its federal funding for the plan year, the City of Anacortes advanced its goals of improving conditions, creating better housing resources and opportunities, and assisting human service organizations in providing effective support services to priority low-income and homeless populations. The projects were selected based on consultation with local agencies and in response to the area's countywide Continuum of Care Plan. The public services portion, provided to the Anacortes Family Center, ~~(Report will be provided shortly)~~ reported an 86% success rate in helping single women and families find more safe and productive lives. The Center received a total of 356 applications for services; a 31% increase from the prior year. This program was able to serve 61 households consisting of 182 individuals, 99 of which were children. The asbestos abatement project will provide safer living environments with the removal and replacement of the flooring in the Harbor House apartment complex. Asbestos floor tiles in the 50 unit housing complex are severely deteriorated and will be replaced with new environmentally safe flooring. Exposure to asbestos and broken, cracked tiles create accessibility issues especially for mobility impaired individuals. The Home Trust has a qualified home buyer and is in search of a home to purchase.

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

In deciding the 2016 program year funding allocations, the City of Anacortes conducted two public hearings (March 7, 2016 and April 18, 2016) and encouraged public comment in conjunction with the CDBG program. The notices for the public hearings were advertised in the Anacortes American and posted in officially designated public places (Municipal Building and City Library). The notice for the 30 day comment period and meetings was published on February 17, 2016 and March 30, 2016. The public comment period began on March 7, 2016 and ended on April 5, 2016.

In addition to the hearings, the City also consulted with local housing and human service providers to obtain input on the Action Plan.

#### **5. Summary of public comments**

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan. **TO BE COMPLETED AFTER COMMENT PERIOD ENDS.**

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

**7. Summary** The overall goal of the community planning and development programs available from the City of Anacortes with CDBG funding is to assist in the development of affordable housing for low and moderate income households, reduce poverty in Anacortes, assist in creating better living conditions for low income households and provide funding to assist human service agencies serving low-income populations. A review of the projects and activities implemented in program year 2015 demonstrate that the City has made progress in fulfilling its goals. The City intends to continue to work closely with HUD staff to improve performance in timely implementation of identified community development strategies and CDBG administrative activities. The City did not hinder Consolidated Plan implementation by action or willful inaction.

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

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

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

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	ANACORTES	Planning, Community & Economic Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

### Narrative

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

### **1. Introduction**

The City performed an extensive outreach program to consult and coordinate with non-profit agencies, affordable housing providers, government agencies and other entities.

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

The City held two public hearings to obtain input from all citizens of the community. The first public hearing was held on March 7, 2016. This meeting opened the planning process for the development of the 2016 Action. The next meeting was held on April 18, 2016.

The City sent inquiries to various organizations and individuals to obtain current information on pressing needs within the community. Input was received from Community Action Agency of Skagit County, the Anacortes Community Health Council (comprised of representatives of churches, private organizations, social service agencies, city departments and community groups who provide support for Anacortes citizens), the Anacortes Family Center, and the newly formed City of Anacortes Affordable Housing & Community Services Committee.

The Anacortes Community Health Council member agencies include:

- Anacortes Family Center
- Anacortes Senior Activity Center
- Island Hospital Community Health Resource Center
- The Salvation Army
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Anacortes 100 Food Bank
- Celebration Lutheran Church
- Christ Episcopal Church
- Anacortes United Methodist Church
- Anacortes/San Juan Island Chapter of the American Red Cross
- Anacortes First Baptist Church
- Anacortes Christian Church
- Anacortes Police Department
- Skagit Senior Information and Assistance
- Anacortes Noon Kiwanis Club
- Anacortes Boys and Girls Club
- Skagit County Youth and Family Services
- Pilgrim Congregational Church
- Anacortes Housing Authority

- Christ the King Community Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church/Dinner at the Brick.

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

The City incorporates the Skagit County Continuum of Care plans which prioritizes the use of HOME and CDBG funds toward the goals of ending homelessness.

**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 City has coordinated with Skagit County Department of Public Health & Community Services, Skagit County Coalition to End Homelessness, and Community Action through the HOME Consortium efforts. These organizations are responsible for using ESG funds and for administering HMIS ([Homeless Management Information System](#)) for service providers operating in the Consortium region. Their goals, strategies activities and outcomes have been incorporated in the Consolidated Plan.

**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	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Community Action of Skagit County
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services-Children Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	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 Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Participated in multi-agency meetings, one-on-one consultation with staff, board meetings, participated in various committees in which CASC provided input. Anticipate increased coordination of homeless activities and public services.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Anacortes Community Health Council
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	City staff is a member of this organization which meets monthly to discuss the current situation of those in need within the community, case-by-case review of needs, solutions to those needs and other services available to help. Roundtable meetings provide information and resources to improve the coordination of services.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Anacortes Housing Authority
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Public Housing Needs
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	One-on-one consultation and board meetings; outcomes include city/HA working collaborative to locate property to develop more housing units.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Home Trust of Skagit
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	One-on-one consultation and group meetings; working closely with HOME Trust to determine funding, locate suitable homes for purchase and locating additional funding options to realize success.
5.	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Anacortes Affordable Housing & Community Services Committee
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	City Council, Planning Commission, City Staff working to develop affordable housing and community services strategy
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by consultation?</b>	Housing
	<b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Monthly meetings with group to determine strategies to address lack of affordable housing within community

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

There are no Community Based Development organizations, Community Housing Development organizations or Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Agency currently in jurisdiction or region.

**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	Skagit County Community Services	The Strategic Plan has adopted the major strategies of the 10 year plan.
2016 Comprehensive Plan update	City of Anacortes	Creating a better, coordinated strategy for LMI affordable homes and related issues

**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))**

The City coordinated efforts with the County, the Anacortes Housing Authority, the Anacortes Family Center, the Anacortes Community Health Council and the City of Anacortes Affordable Housing & Community Services Committee to share concerns, determine the needs and routes to follow to address the needs.

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

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

In deciding the 2016 program year funding allocations, the City of Anacortes conducted two public hearings (March 7, 2016 and April 18, 2016) and encouraged public comment in conjunction with the CDBG program. The notices for the public hearings were advertised in the Anacortes American and posted in officially designated public places (Municipal Building and City Library). The notices for the 30 day comment period and meetings were published February 17, 2016 and March 30, 2016. The public comment period began on March 7, 2016 and ended April 5, 2016.

In addition to the hearings, the City also consulted with local housing and human service providers to obtain input on the Action Plan.

The impact this had on the goal setting was the need for more affordable housing and living wage jobs. These City plans to work toward achieving these goals utilizing CDBG funding and other funding sources

Citizen Participation Outreach Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Hearing	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing				

**Table 4– Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

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

#### Introduction

#### 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: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	89,552	0			0	Funds used for public services, public facilities, admin/planning

**Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

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

Federal funds the City receives through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) are used to leverage other federal, state, local and private resources to meet housing and community development needs. While matching funds are not currently required for the City’s CDBG program, the City anticipates that most major projects will be funded primarily through non-CDBG resources.

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

The City has identified core areas where infrastructure improvements are needed to allow easy access for all individuals and in particular, disabled residents and visitors. The work between community involvement and the 2016 Comprehensive Plan update has identified areas through the core downtown that are being proposed for development of a central hub that will include residential development, retail, public services, restaurant, grocery and entertainment establishments that will be easily and safely accessible.

## Discussion

Through the development of the 2016 Comprehensive Plan, a unique vision is coming together to create a cohesive, well-laid out community with affordable housing and pedestrian mobility key factors in determining the paths to the central hub as described above. Zoning regulations are being reviewed for changes that will allow greater density, multi-family mixed use development, and greater mobility which will help create more affordable living space within the central hub of downtown.

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## Annual Goals and Objectives

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

#### Goals Summary Information (TO BE COMPLETED AFTER DETERMINATION OF PROJECTS)

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Homelessness/Assist Special Needs Populations	2016	2017	Homeless	City Jurisdiction	Homelessness/Assist special needs population	CDBG: \$13,432	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 80 Persons Assisted
2	<del>Preservation</del>	<del>2016</del>	<del>2017</del>	<del>Public Housing</del>	<del>Tract 940600</del>	<del>Preservation</del>	<del>CDBG: \$40,452</del>	<del>Low Income Rental units rehabilitated: 50 stoves replaced in housing units</del>
3	Planning/Administration	2016	2017	Planning/Administration	City Jurisdiction	Administration & Planning	CDBG: \$15,224	Grant preparation and administration; project management
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Table 6 - Goals Summary

#### Goal Descriptions

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homelessness/Assist Special Needs Populations
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Keeping families and single women off the streets and placing them in safe, secure housing and stable environments. Approximately <del>80-182</del> individuals & <del>families</del> served every year
2	<b>Goal Name</b>	<del>Increase affordable housing supply</del>
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<del>Promote home ownership for low income families. The funded amount includes left over funding from previous years (2015 funding – \$25,000 + \$15,000 = \$40,000)</del>
3	<b>Goal Name</b>	<del>Preservation</del>
	<b>Goal Description</b>	<del>Preserve and maintain existing stock of affordable housing resources. Work with the Anacortes Housing Authority to rehabilitate housing units to maintain existing stock of low income housing. Provide rehab assistance to approximately 30 units per year. (The amount funded to project includes 2015 funding plus left over funding from previous years – 2015 funding – \$33,137 + \$7,315 = \$40,452)</del>

4	<b>Goal Name</b>	Planning/Administration
	<b>Goal Description</b>	General management, oversight and coordination of the program, including providing local officials and citizens with information regarding the CDBG program; preparing budgets and schedules, preparing reports and other HUD related documents, monitoring programs, working with HUD officials.

**Table 7 – Goal Descriptions**

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## AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

### Introduction

The projects chosen are based on HUD criteria that the activity meet at least one of the national objectives (benefit to low and moderately low income persons, aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, and meet a need having a particular urgency) and they meet the criteria established in the City's Strategic Plan. The City determined that the public services funding be provided to the Anacortes Family Shelter as the Center meets a need of particular urgency by assisting families and women who would otherwise end up living on the streets without this service.

#	Project Name
1	Anacortes Family Center
2	<del>Anacortes Housing Authority Asbestos Abatement</del>
3	<del>Home Trust of Skagit</del>
4	City of Anacortes Administration

Table 8 – Project Information

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

The City established priorities for allocating resources and long range strategies following a careful assessment of the needs and demographics of the community. A clear priority identified in the analysis is a response to the needs of low to moderately low income families and individuals within the City for safe and affordable housing and basic services such as medical, dental and home energy assistance. Families and individuals in crisis situations need significant services and housing to be able to reach self-sufficiency. Included in this population are the homeless and others with special needs that generally are either priced out of housing or are unable to maintain stable housing.

Improving conditions, creating new housing resources and opportunities, and reducing housing costs to affordable levels represent major means of responding to the needs of the targeted population. The strategies and objectives outlined in the ~~2015-2017 Strategic~~[2016-2017 Action](#) Plan reflect these priorities and outline activities designed to alleviate these needs.

The primary basis for allocation of resources is to serve the needs of the low and moderately low income households. Consolidated Plan strategies developed through the community planning process reflect that a significant amount of funds are targeted to projects that benefit the low to moderately low income households. The public services portion provides services and resources to the households in need while the remaining resources are directed to projects that provide safe and stable transitional and permanent housing for families and individuals in need.

A major obstacle to address underserved needs is lack of funding.

## AP-38 Project Summary

### Project Summary Information

1	<b>Project Name</b>	Anacortes Family Center
	<b>Target Area</b>	Tract 940600
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homelessness/Assist Special Needs Populations
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness/Assist special needs population
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: <del>\$12,824</del> <u>13,423</u>
	<b>Description</b>	Public Services Allocation - Support Family Center staffing <del>that</del> <u>who</u> provide case management services to homeless families staying at the shelter.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The Center provides housing for 60-90 days and intensive case management and life skills education to assist the household with gaining the skills and resources needed to become fully self-sufficient. In <del>2014</del> <u>2015</u> , the Center provided successful transition to stable living/working environments to approximately <del>61</del> <u>86</u> % of their clients.
2	<b>Project Name</b>	<del>Anacortes Housing Authority Asbestos Abatement</del>
	<b>Target Area</b>	<del>Tract 940600</del>
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	<del>Preservation</del>
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	<del>Preservation</del>

	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$40,452
	<b>Description</b>	Asbestos floor tiles in 50-unit housing complex are severely deteriorated and will be replaced with new environmentally safe flooring. Exposure to asbestos and broken, cracked tiles create accessibility issues especially for mobility impaired individuals.
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Certified asbestos abatement control contractor will remove asbestos tile and replace it with environmentally safe tile. This project will continue through the next few years until complete.
3	<b>Project Name</b>	Home Trust of Skagit
	<b>Target Area</b>	Tract 940600
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Increase affordable housing supply
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Increase Affordable Housing Supply
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$40,000
	<b>Description</b>	Provide down-payment assistance to qualified low income families for home purchase. Homes will remain affordable through the Home Trust program and will only be available to qualified low income families
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	<del>Provide downpayment assistant to a qualified low income family to purchase a home within Aancortes. The homes remain low income in perpetuity through the Home Trust program and will only be available to qualified low income families.</del>
4	<b>Project Name</b>	City of Anacortes Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	<del>Tract 940600</del> <u>City Jurisdiction</u>
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homelessness/Assist Special Needs Populations Increase affordable housing supply Preservation
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Administration & Planning
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: <del>\$14,534</del> <u>15,224</u>
	<b>Description</b>	General administration of CDBG program
	<b>Target Date</b>	
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	
	<b>Location Description</b>	
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Implementation of this consolidated plan requires certain administrative and planning activities including the development of the plan, environmental review of projects, subrecipient monitoring, development of fair housing information, and other activities required by law

## **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**

Anacortes is located on Fidalgo Island in Skagit County with 12.5 miles of saltwater shoreline, four freshwater lakes, and 3000 plus acres of city-owned forestlands and city-owned parks. Anacortes is approximately 20 miles from the county seat in Mount Vernon, Washington. A majority of public services available to the citizens of Skagit County are provided in the Mount Vernon area.

The current population of Anacortes is approximately 15,778 citizens (US 2010 Census). Anacortes has one area with a concentration of moderately low to low income households, Census Tract 940600 with 57.6% LMI households. The overall low, to moderately low, income households in Anacortes is approximately 34%.

While Anacortes has one census tract (940600) with the highest concentration of persons living below the poverty level, there are smaller concentrations of low income households interspersed throughout the City. The City establishes priorities for allocating resources and long-range strategies following a careful assessment of the needs and demographics of the community. A clear priority identified in the analysis is a response to the needs of low to moderately low income families and individuals within the City for safe and affordable housing and basic services such as medical, dental and home energy assistance. Families and individuals in crisis situations need significant services and housing to be able to reach self-sufficiency. Included in this population are the homeless and others with special needs who are generally either priced out of housing or are unable to maintain stable housing.

Improving conditions, creating new housing resources and opportunities, and reducing housing costs to affordable levels represent major means of responding to the needs of the targeted population. The strategies and objectives listed in the Strategic Plan reflect these priorities and outline activities designed to alleviate these needs.

The primary basis for allocation of resources is to serve the needs of the low and moderately low income households. Consolidated Plan strategies developed through the community planning process reflect that a significant amount of funds are targeted to projects that benefit the low to moderately low income households. The public services portion is allocated to services that provide multiple benefits to households in dire situations and the remaining resources are directed to projects that provide safe and stable environments, transitional and permanent housing for families and individuals in need.

## Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Tract 940600	39

Table 9 - Geographic Distribution

## Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Census Tract 940600 contains the highest concentration of low, to moderately low households.

## Discussion

~~This is where a~~ majority of the public housing complexes are located in this tract. ~~The asbestos abatement project to remove asbestos tile that is completely deteriorated and creates mobility issues for residents is located in this area.~~

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

### Introduction

Because the City of Anacortes's annual CDBG grant is minimal, it is difficult to use CDBG for ~~many other~~ purposes other than those already identified. ~~However, the City does intend to invest other resources and effort toward the following actions:~~

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

The City will conduct outreach to various community sectors to inform lenders, property managers, and the public about Fair Housing laws. The City recently improved its Fair Housing website to include state level as well as updated federal information.

### Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will work in partnership with the Anacortes Housing Authority to secure the resources necessary to rehabilitate the various complexes, an important low-income housing resource in Anacortes. The City will also work with the Housing Authority to promote development of more complexes to accommodate the growing wait list for affordable housing. The City appointed the Affordable Housing & Community Services Committee, staffed by City Councilmembers, Planning Commissioners and City staff, to collaborate efforts with the community to work on strategies to eliminate barriers to affordable housing and services within the City.

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

Code enforcement will address any and all ~~lead-based~~ lead based paint issues that may arise; additionally the City will include ~~lead-based paint~~ lead based paint hazard information in community education and outreach.

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

The Public Services funding to the Anacortes Family Center provides intensive case management and life skills education to assist the household with gaining ~~the~~ skills and the resources needed to become fully

self-sufficient. The outlook of the community through the work on the 2016 Comprehensive Plan promises to promote more living wage jobs and create a community that would support lower priced housing. This will be accomplished through zoning changes and building incentives.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The City will work in partnership with adjacent and regional jurisdictions to create a regional HOME Consortium. A new, regional HOME Consortium will enhance the resource base for developing more affordable housing, and for addressing institutional barriers to creating more affordable housing.

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

The City will support the efforts of the Anacortes Community Health Council and participate more regularly in their multi-agency meetings. More active participation in the Council will improve the coordination of the City's Consolidated Plan goals and the efforts to reduce instability in the low income community. [The newly formed Affordable Housing & Community Services Committee will work with the public and private housing and social service agencies to develop a strategy to eliminate barriers to affordable housing and services.](#)

### **Discussion**

Funding continues to be the main obstacle to meeting underserved need. Obstacles include lack of sufficient financial resources to adequately address large projects such as permanent housing and shelters. Also, the limit on the public services prohibits the City from adequately providing a greater service to households in need of basic services.

## Program Specific Requirements

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

#### Introduction

The primary basis for allocation ~~fe-of~~ resources is to serve the needs of the low and moderately low income households. The 2015~~6~~ Action Plan ~~allocated-allocates a significant amount~~the majority of the fundsing to projects that benefit the low to moderately low income households. ~~The~~The public services portion provides services and resources to the households in need while the remaining resources are directed to projects that provide safe and stable ~~transitional and~~ permanent housing for families and individuals in need.

#### 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. (The City of Anacortes does not collect any program income from the projects funded with CDBG funding.)

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	0
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
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>0</b>

#### 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.

Years 2015,  
2016 & 2017 -  
80.00%

**Discussion**