

**NOTICE OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE
TO 2015-2016 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

The City of Amarillo is seeking public comments on the 2015-2016 Substantial Change to increase funding to the Demolition and Clearance program in the amount of \$60,000. The 30 day comment period begins on June 7, 2017 and ends on July 6, 2017. A copy of the proposed change to the Annual Action Plan is available on the City website at www.amarillo.gov, and in the Community Development Department, (Simms Municipal Building), 808 S. Buchanan St.

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING
2017-2018 Annual Action Plan**

The City of Amarillo announces the availability of the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan implementing the third year of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development. The Consolidated Plan establishes priority strategies to guide the use of local and federal resources to address community development and housing needs of Amarillo's low and moderate-income neighborhoods.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR 2017-2018

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$ 1,459,648
HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)	\$ 512,730
Total Resources	\$ 1,972,378

PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR FUNDING

The Community Development Advisory Committee recommends the following allocations for projects and programs with the adoption of the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan to be implemented beginning October 1, 2017.

Reduction of Slum and Blighting Influences	\$222,482
Community Improvement Inspector – Salary and operating cost of inspector to work neighborhood services in target area - \$72,482	Demolition & Clearance of substandard vacant structures and clearance of junk and debris from vacant lots - \$150,000
Public Services	\$218,947
Catholic Charities – InterFaith Hunger Project-Provide food at no cost to all clients while helping them to remain independent by being able to choose the foods they receive – \$24,556	Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) - Assisted Child Care - Title 4-A - Reduce cost of daycare for lower income families. Parents have choice of placing children at any licensed center or registered home in Amarillo - \$67,112
Transportation for Homeless - Provide bus tickets to agencies serving the homeless to assist them to go to appointments and job search - \$3,056	CD Homeless Information Management System-requirement of HUD to track and manage services provided to homeless individuals and families and leverages in excess of \$1million in state funding for our community annually-\$60,000
Guyon Saunders Resource Center - Day Room Coordinator – to supervise the day room advocate and oversee the daily services, operations and operations - \$23,555	Maverick Boys & Girls Club-After School/Summer Program- Summer and After-school program for at risk youth in Amarillo-\$10,556
Salvation Army-Mattress Project-Purchase 100 mattresses to replace the current mattresses in the 230-bed Emergency Shelter- \$3,000	Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) – FoodNet - Provide noon meal to homebound elderly and disabled adults - \$18,556
	Wesley Community Center – Wrestling Coach's salary - Wrestling Program for boys and girls ages 9 to 15 - \$8,556
Neighborhood Improvements	\$196,000
Amarillo Area Youth Center- HVAC Replacement- Installation of new heat/air pumps on the roof and running mini-split units throughout the main hallway, entryway, mens' room and ladies' room- \$27,000	Maverick Boys & Girls Club-HVAC Replacement-Installation of two (2) new heating and air conditioning units with larger capacity units including heat pumps that will reduce utility costs- \$69,000
Wesley Community Center-Parking Lot Renovation- Repair of existing west parking lot and installation of new parking lot on the north side of the Center to meet the growing needs and capacity- \$100,000	
Owner Occupied Housing Improvements	\$530,290
Emergency Repair Grants - Provide grants to very low income homeowners for hazardous conditions in their home. Limit \$4,500 per home - \$379,853	Rehabilitation Support Administration - Provide salary and operating support - \$150,437
HOME Affordable Housing Programs	\$308,485
Housing Rehabilitation Assistance in the form of a no interest forgivable loan based on a sliding scale for a lower income homeowner for renovation or reconstruction of their home - \$50,000	Rental Rehabilitation – Provide no interest deferred payment loans to property owners for half of the costs needed to renovate a substandard rental unit. Renovated unit must be occupied by lower income households at controlled rents for 5 years - \$124,816
New Construction – Reconstruction of severely substandard homes for qualified low-income owners - \$133,669	HOME Administration – Use for administration and management - \$51,273
Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO)	\$152,972
CHDO Housing Projects Amarillo Habitat - Glenwood Addition - \$128,000	CHDO Operating Assistance Amarillo Habitat - \$24,972
Planning and Management	\$291,929
Staffing and operating support	

HOW FUNDS HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PAST FOUR YEARS

Activity	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Park Improvements	326,435	175,000	168,000	300,000
Demolition & Clearance	90,000	90,000	80,000	150,000
Community Improvement Inspector	61,447	64,269	67,482	67,482
Housing Emergency Repairs	321,259	339,653	247,243	247,243
Owner Occupied Housing Improvements	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Rehab Support	150,437	150,437	125,437	150,437
Public Services	230,671	225,232	207,305	218,947
Micro-Loan	0	0	0	0
Neighborhood Facilities	0	131,087	190,000	20,000
Program Administration	307,562	300,308	285,587	291,930
Total CDBG Allocations	\$1,537,811	\$1,525,986	\$1,421,054	\$1,459,648
Owner Occupied Rehabilitation	100,000	143,806	50,000	50,000
Rental Rehabilitation	100,000	201,439	129,509	124,816
HOMEbuyer Assistance	48,153	0	0	0
CHDO Projects	210,000	120,000	140,000	112,500
CHDO Operating Support	26,950	27,367	24,972	25,636
HOME Administration	53,900	54,734	49,945	51,273
Total HOME Allocations	\$539,003	\$547,346	\$499,454	\$512,730

CITIZEN REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

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Written comments may be submitted by mail to:

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**FINAL PUBLIC HEARING
July 11, 2017 - 5:00PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
509 E. 7th Street**

Following the 30 day comment period and evaluation of citizen comments, the Amarillo City Council will conduct a public hearing to allow citizens the final opportunity to comment on the Substantial Change to increase funding to the Demolition and Clearance program in the amount of \$60,000 to the 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan and the 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan as recommended by the Community Development Department Advisory Committee. If no revisions are made to the Plan as a result of the final hearing, the Plan as proposed will be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development and published for community distribution.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 806-378-3023 OR TDD 806-378-4229