# **Executive Summary**

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

### 1. Introduction

The Consolidated Plan is a required plan document that all jurisdictions that receive HUD federal funds are required to produce. This document is the fifth Annual Action Plan (for FY 2025-26/CDBG Program Year 2025) tied to the Consolidated Plan for the Portland Consortium for the five-year period covering 2021-25. The 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan was approved by HUD in August 2021. The Annual Action Plan provides details on how the recipients of the federal HUD funds intend to allocate the funding that is received. The Portland Consortium consists of the City of Portland (Lead), City of Gresham and Multnomah County (representing the unincorporated portions and smaller cities within its boundaries).

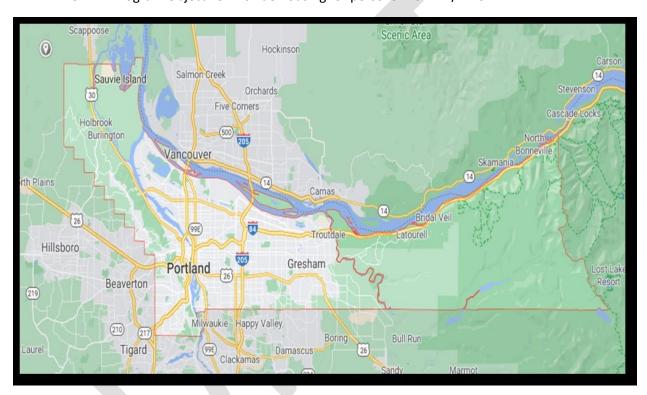
In Program Year 2025-2026, Multnomah County anticipates awarding approximately \$333,210.00 in CDBG funds from HUD to achieve the following national objectives:

- Provide a benefit to low-and moderate-income persons.
- Prevent or eliminate slum and blight areas.
- Meet an urgent need that threatens health or welfare of residents.

Multnomah County's 2025-26 Annual Action Plan period is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and details the County's plans for CDBG entitlement funding. County HOME funds are detailed in the City of Portland's plan, but HOME funded projects are also referenced in the narrative pieces of the plan wherever applicable. This annual action plan establishes local priorities, consistent with national objectives and priorities established by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to utilize funds allocated by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) and the Emergency Solution Grant (ESG). Over the five-year period covered by the 2021-25 Consolidated Plan over \$75 million is expected to be available to the Portland Consortium through these programs, including allocations and program income. Within that, Multnomah County's allocation is approximately \$1.6 million over the five-year period.

Following are the relevant programs and the associated national objectives:

- CDBG Program Objectives: Provide decent housing; Create suitable living environments; Expand economic opportunity
- HOME Program Objectives: Expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.
- ESG Program Objective: Reduce and prevent homelessness.
- HOPWA Program Objective: Provide housing for persons with HIV/AIDS.



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

As determined in the Needs Assessment and Market Analysis included in the Consolidated Plan, three broad needs and goals were identified described below:

## **Consortium Need #1**

**Affordable housing choice:** The community needs safe housing, in good condition for all residents. Projects accomplishing this goal include home repair, down payment assistance, new housing development support, affordable housing development, rental housing rehabilitation and permanent supportive housing.

Associated Goal: Increase and preserve affordable housing choices of rental and homeownership units for low- and moderate-income households.

2025-26 Action Plan Target Goals: Rental units rehabilitated- **14 household housing units** and Homeowner housing rehabilitation- **20 household housing units**. A total of 34 rehabilitations, keeping people in their affordable housing. Multnomah County has an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Gresham and City of Portland to further support homebuyer assistance and housing opportunities using HOME funds, which are included in Portland's Consolidated Plan as the Consortium Lead.

#### Consortium Need #2

Basic services and homeless prevention/intervention: There is a pressing need in the community to prevent and reduce homelessness and increase stability for low to medium income residents. Projects accomplishing this goal include interventions across a broad spectrum, such as: supportive and emergency services, transitional housing, shelters, homelessness prevention through service interventions, Housing First models, Fair Housing enforcement and education, cultural and population appropriate program delivery and activities to increase self-sufficiency, e.g., job training, employment readiness and education.

Associated Goal: Reduce and prevent homelessness for low- and moderate-income households.

2025-26 Action Plan Goals: Public service activities to benefit 155 individuals. Rapid Rehousing will be funded using HOME-ARP funds, which are included in Portland's Consolidated Plan as the Consortium Lead.

## **Consortium Need #3**

**Community and economic development:** The community needs improvements to area infrastructure, facilities, economic opportunities, and economic development. Programs to improve employment outcomes and household economic stability include employment training, referral and self-sufficiency and economic enhancement programs. Projects will also support micro-enterprises and business development, as well as, public facilities, parks, and transportation improvements.

Associated Goal: Improve livability and promote economic development in low and moderate-income areas by investing in community infrastructure, employment training and anti-poverty strategies for area residents.

2025-26 Action Plan Goals: Public Improvements- 97 individuals to benefit from this infrastructure improvement project taking place in Fairview, Oregon.

Please see **AP Sections 15, 20 and 35** of this Plan provide further detail on objectives and goals for this fiscal year. All projects aim to make progress toward established outcomes and goals in the Consolidated Plan 2021-25.

## 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

The consortium made up of the City of Portland, the City of Gresham and Multnomah County have made significant progress over the years in meeting needs of the community as we close out this 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan cycle. Multnomah County knowledges the needs of low-moderate income residents and residents at risk of homelessness has increased within our communities. The organizational structure includes coordination between departments within the Consortium jurisdictions, as well as coordination with agencies outside the Consortium, including Metro, Joint Office of Homelessness Services and Home Forward. The Consortium planning efforts create efficiencies in performance and delivery in spite of dwindling resources. Collaborative county-wide planning efforts include targeting the need for housing, building a suitable living environment through services and infrastructure, and fostering a system and improvements to spur economic development. In addition to a regional approach to projects and programs, area residents have supported increasing local resources to address the affordable housing crisis in the form of housing bond measures, general funds, and fees. Additionally, Portland, Gresham and Multnomah County have strong regional planning efforts, including the Continuum of Care and A Home for Everyone that focus on alleviating the suffering faced by populations experiencing homelessness. This combination of collaboration and local resources have helped the Consortium to actively address the affordable housing and economic prosperity needs of the community. The Consortium is absolutely committed to addressing the emerging and existing needs of the no and low-income residents of the community. Multnomah County will continue to focus on existing goals and objectives with its subrecipients:

- Increase access to affordable housing
- Support housing rehabilitation for vulnerable households
- Maintain existing housing for tenants
- Increase tenant advocacy, empowerment and education
- Provide improvements in deficient neighborhoods
- Correct accessibility deficiencies in public facilities
- Support social services for vulnerable populations

• Support training, prevention, and education programs

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

For the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan the Consortium has relied on in-person, virtual, hybrid hearings and on-line surveys for soliciting public comments. The primary goal is to provide citizens--especially low- and moderate-income citizens of the community where CPD-funded activities will take place-- an opportunity to participate in an advisory role in the planning, implementation, and assessment of the programs and projects. Additionally, the Consortium makes available around the year 'Comment Card' to submit comments for public input. Outreach for all in-person and virtual hearings involved a significantly increased effort to obtain public input by translating all flyers to Spanish from English, the top most spoken languages in Multnomah County.

Further, the Gresham & Multnomah County consultation survey was translated into four different languages: Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Russian and Vietnamese based on the Consortium language access guidance. Similarly, the Consortium has relayed on over the phone consultations, inputs from multiple task forces convened to address the needs created by the public health emergencies and a tailored "Consultant Survey."

2025 Community Need Hearings - The City of Gresham and Multnomah County conducted a joint Community Needs Hearing on November 13, 2024 to solicit public input. This hearing was directed to all residents of Gresham and East County as a whole, with translators and accommodations available if requested in advance. The hearing consisted of attendees from the community, subrecipients in support and other non-profit agencies. Attendees participated in a group discussion to share their experiences in the community with City and County staff. Facilitators asked a series of questions to gather input and took notes to accurately record and summarize the groups' discussions. Following the discussion polls were used to determine participants' priorities. Overall, 11 individuals participated in the discussion and 11 participated in the polls. Attendees included local service providers, representatives from community organizations and other community members. Attendees discussed topics about Community Services, Economic Development, Critical unaddressed community needs and Infrastructure and Housing needs.

A joint public notice for the meeting was posted in the Gresham Outlook on October 11th, 2024. The public notice was translated in English and Spanish. All sub recipients received the flyers to share with their agency and interested clients. Attendees were encouraged to fill out the comment card to provide further feedback or share with their clients if they were unable to attend.

Fifth Year Action Plans for FY 2025-2026 Public Meetings - Multnomah County held its public hearing on April 23rd, 2025. The 30-day public comment period for the 2025-26 Annual Action Plan-Draft was open

from April 24th, 2025, through May 24th, 2025. A public hearing meeting and public comment notice was published in the Gresham Outlook on April 11th, 2025. Any comments received by Multnomah County during the (30) day comment period were incorporated into this report. No comments were received after the 30 day comment period. In accordance with the HUD's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), and in advance of the public comment period, the County published a summary of the proposed (draft) AAP on the Multnomah County website. The City of Gresham held its public hearing for their 2025-26 Annual Action Plan on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The 30 day comment period will be from May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 through June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The City of Gresham City Council will review the plan at a public meeting on July 1, 2025. Updates can be found by visiting, <a href="https://www.greshamoregon.gov/community-services/community-revitalization/">https://www.greshamoregon.gov/community-services/community-revitalization/</a>. The City of Portland will be conducting their public hearings in the next few months and dates are to be determined. Updates can be found by visiting <a href="https://www.portland.gov/phb/consolidated-plan-and-action-plan">https://www.portland.gov/phb/consolidated-plan-and-action-plan</a>. Hearing notes from Multnomah County's April 23rd, 2025 hearing are attached to this report after the PAB public hearing is conducted.

# 5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Consolidated Plan.

The Consortium makes a concerted effort to solicit public comments through needs hearing, public review of Consolidated Plan draft, regular forums like area oversight and/or advisory bodies and city council/ county board budget hearings and approval processes.

Comments from the Community Needs Hearing on November 16th were varied; however, the majority of comments were focused on housing needs (affordable housing and barriers to having a choice of housing), the need for additional community services, the lack of economic opportunities, affordable college options, daycare opportunities, job availability in the area, and concern for necessary infrastructure lighting and pedestrian street improvements. Overall participants agreed that housing with wraparound services to assist families in all areas where they're struggling are crucial to ending houselessness and poverty.

Regardless of the revision to mode of citizen participation/public comments, the majority of public comments have been about hardships as the community recovers from the public health emergency, the plight of the population experiencing homelessness, and the continued lack of affordable housing options of all types and in all locations throughout Multnomah County. Notes from the Community Needs Hearing and public notice are attached.

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

All comments via public hearing, surveys and online submissions have been accepted by the jurisdiction and incorporated in the Action Plan.

## 7. Summary

This 2025-26 Annual Action Plan provides a detailed list and description of the activities which will be conducted with the CDBG entitlement in Multnomah County for the 2025 program year, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. All funding will be utilized to implement strategies and goals in the Consortium's 2021-2025 Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

A preliminary draft of Multnomah County's 2025-26 Annual Action Plan was made available on April 21, 2025 on the Multnomah County CDBG website. The Consortium has made every effort to extend opportunities to the public at large and to area service providers to comment and provide inputs for this Annual Action Plan. Besides the survey, a fall in-person Community Needs Hearing was held in November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and Annual Action Plan Hearings were held in April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 with the approval of the Public Advisory Board members.

In summary the following feedback/engagement opportunities were offered:

- Fall Community Needs Public Hearing (Gresham & Multnomah County)- Nov 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- Community Survey/Comment Card- November 2024 June 2025
- Publication of Action Plan Draft- Comment period, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 through May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- Multnomah County Consolidated Plan Public Hearing (CDBG Policy Advisory Board)- April 23<sup>rd</sup>,
   2025

# 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
Lead Agency		MULTNOMAH COUNTY		
CDBG Administrator MULT		NOMAH COUNTY	County Huma	n Services, Youth & Family Services Div

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

#### Narrative

As the designated lead agency for the CDBG Consolidated Plan, Portland Housing Bureau (PHB) coordinates and collaborates with the jurisdictional partners for plan preparation and relevant administrative tasks. Portland is also the Consortium lead in the HOME grant; and handles the allocation among consortium partners and administration of HOME Funds. Multnomah County currently has an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Portland to partner the County's HOME allocation with Portland to leverage resources to support increasing and preserving affordable housing for Multnomah County residents. For this PY2025 the City of Portland will be administrating the share of Multnomah County's HOME funds in the estimated amount of \$135,202 geared towards the construction of affordable multi-family units.

Each of the three jurisdictional partners get their own CDBG entitlement funds and hence allocate and administer respective allocations independently, but in close coordination with each other. For the upcoming fiscal year (FY2025-2026), HOPWA and ESG funds will be managed by the Consortium Lead, Portland Housing Bureau.

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

#### 1. Introduction

This section outlines consultations with public and private agencies that provide housing, social and economic development services through State and local health and child welfare agencies, adjacent governments, HOPWA grantees, the public housing agency, Continuum of Care grantees, Emergency Solution Grant grantees, and public and private agencies concerning housing, and related social programs for homeless, victims of violence, unemployed people and publicly funded institutions and systems of care that may discharge persons into homelessness, such as health-care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care, and corrections programs.

The Portland Consortium includes representatives from the City of Portland, the City of Gresham, and Multnomah County. They participate in regional planning efforts concerning all aspects of needs and opportunities covered by this Consolidated Plan, including economic development, transportation, public services, special needs, homelessness, and housing. Needs far exceed resources, so the Consortium members have worked together to make decisions and set long-term priorities. Coordination within the jurisdictions also consisted of input and review from the Portland Housing Advisory Commission, the Fair Housing Advocacy Committee, Renter Services Commission, the City of Gresham Community Development and Housing Subcommittee and the Multnomah County Policy Advisory Board. The preparation of this report was also coordinated with Home Forward, Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS), Prosper Portland, area housing service providers, area non-profits, and other stakeholders. Their comments and input are reflected in discussions throughout the Consolidated Plan. The County engages with broadband providers, residents, county programs, elected officials and other jurisdictions to identify and address broadband access gaps. Multnomah County is taking action on climate resilience and environmental concerns that impact the most vulnerable communities on the East side of the County. Below are some of the initiatives that the County is currently working on to achieve climate resilience and positive environmental impacts.

- Clean air standards: https://www.multco.us/dchs/wood-burning-exchange
- Emergency Management: https://www.multco.us/care-when-its-cold/severe-weather-and-homelessness
- 100% renewable energy: https://www.multco.us/sustainability/100-renewable-2050
- Utility assistance: https://www.multco.us/dchs/energy-services

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)).

Representatives of the Consortium of the City of Portland, City of Gresham and Multnomah County participate in regional planning efforts concerning all aspects of needs and opportunities covered by this Annual Action Plan as well as the 2021-25 Consolidated Plan, including housing, public services, homelessness, special needs, economic development, and transportation. Significant resources are jointly planned and administered for homelessness prevention, emergency housing and supportive services. Coordination efforts and planning processes are reflected in discussions throughout this annual plan. In preparing the Consolidated Plan, the Consortium consulted with other public and private agencies that provide assisted housing, health services and social services (including those focusing on services to children, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families and homeless persons).

These consultations occurred in the course of regularly-occurring meetings of the Portland Housing Advisory Commission, A Home for Everyone Coordinating Board, the Fair Housing Advocacy Committee, renter Services Commission, the City of Gresham Community Development and Housing Subcommittee and the Multnomah County Policy Advisory Board. Consultations occurred with both housing and service providers and several nonprofit providers in the area. The Consortium in previous program years was awarded CARES Act funding and as part of implementing programs for COVID-19 relief, consultations included brainstorming strategies with stakeholder groups for both immediate response and long-term recovery. At these sessions, along with CARES funding (CDBG-CV), feedback was sought for priorities and strategies for HUD entitlement funds as well. Multnomah county contracted CARES funding in PY23 and 24 to the nonprofit Latino Network to support households affected by COVID with retaining housing. It is expected that Latino Network will spend down all their CDBG-CV funds in PY24 for rent and utility assistance and there will be no further funding to administer in PY25.

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.

All three of our Consolidated Plan jurisdictions (Portland, Multnomah County, and Gresham) are represented on the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board (meets monthly) and its Executive Committee (meets quarterly.) The CoC coordinates with Consolidated Plan jurisdictions through meetings, calls and emails, to organize needs and Action Plan hearings and subcommittee to work on strategic planning, outreach, evaluation and system coordination. All of the jurisdictions support the Continuum priorities focusing on the needs of the most vulnerable populations including chronically homeless persons, unaccompanied youth, families with children, and veterans, among others. The CoC is part of a coordinated effort called A Home for Everyone. The A Home for Everyone Plan calls for assessment and rapid placement in appropriate housing, reducing vulnerability and increasing stability.

CoC goals from the Consortium local homelessness plan align with our Consolidated Plan. Under the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, this primarily comes through coordination between the CoC needs

assessments and strategic plan and the Consolidated Plan priority need #2 (Need for basic services and homelessness prevention and intervention) and goal #2 (Reduce homelessness and increase stability), though each of the Consolidated Plan priority needs and goals also aligns with CoC effort (especially those related to affordable housing production and preservation and economic opportunity). The CoC works with all three jurisdictions to engage consumers, neighborhoods and public agencies providing housing, health and social services (including health care agencies and the public housing authority.) The CoC specifically looks at 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 CoC is working on a single point of entry system, it has been successful at addressing veteran homelessness, and the CoC is using its experience to address other special need homeless populations.

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

The Consortium works closely with the Collaborative Applicant of the Continuum of Care (planning for allocation and use of Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds). The Collaborative Applicant is the eligible applicant designated by the Continuum of Care (CoC) to collect and submit the CoC Registration, CoC Consolidated Application (which includes the CoC Application and CoC Priority Listing), and apply for CoC planning funds on behalf of the CoC during the CoC Program Competition. The CoC may assign additional responsibilities to the Collaborative Applicant so long as these responsibilities are documented in the CoC's governance charter. The ESG Program is designed to assist people with quickly regaining stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness. The provider being contracted this fiscal year to carry out ESG activities is Transition Projects Inc. Day Center (TPI) the largest provider of homeless shelter services in Multnomah County. TPI provides individuals with the support services, resources and tools they need to end their homelessness, secure housing, and maintain that housing. In the latest annual report 2023-24, TPI announced they were successful in housing 600 homeless individuals find permanent housing. As of January 2024, a comprehensive byname list of people experiencing homelessness in Multnomah County consisted of 11,153 individuals. Of those, 5,398 people were experiencing unsheltered homelessness. The housing department operates across agency's service locations: the resource center, Doreen's place, Bud Clark Center, Clark Center Annex, S.O.S. shelter, Jean's Place, and Willamette Center; and in the community through outreach and home visits. housing assistance provides rent and deposit assistance to people experiencing, and at-risk of, homelessness. Participants are assessed and provided case management support to ensure they will be able to remain in housing. TPI has robust programs that serve homeless and at-risk veterans and their families. These services span throughout four counties including Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas, Oregon and Clark County, Washington.

These ESG funds will continue to contribute success to their growing housing placements, shelter bed expansions, in-person day center services and serving area veterans. ESG policies and procedures were created and are updated periodically in cooperation with the Consortium. Guidelines ensure that ESG

subrecipients are operating programs consistently across eligible activities. Performance is reviewed by all three entities. The CoC actively solicits and integrates ESG recipient participation in planning, evaluation & reporting. The Portland Housing Bureau (PHB) staffs the CoC Board and is also an ESG grantee and lead agency for the CoC and Portland Consolidated Plan. The CoC gathers input from ESG recipients through subcommittees, including the data & evaluation subcommittee, to assess needs and guide ESG funding decisions to address homelessness more effectively. As per the newly adopted CoC Action Plan, a specific strategy, The strategies below address the planned activities to review and refine HMIS performance and reporting measures:

1a. Developing Vision and Process for Project Performance (1) Select an individual, ad-hoc committee, standing committee, or CoC Board member to lead these efforts. (2) Narrow the focus of this effort by: (a) Developing a clear definition of project performance. (b) Determining, at a high level, how we will measure progress and success. (c) Determining how we can align this high-level vision with HUD expectations and other efforts ongoing in the community and other funding streams. (d) Factor in participants possibly having alternate definitions of success (e.)

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF PORTLAND / BHCD			
Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing			
	Services - Housing			
	Service-Fair Housing			
	Other government - Local			
	Community Development			
What section of the Plan was addressed by	Housing Need Assessment			
Consultation?	Public Housing Needs			
	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless			
	Homeless Needs - Families with children			
	Homelessness Needs - Veterans			
	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth			
	Homelessness Strategy			
	Non-Homeless Special Needs			
	HOPWA Strategy			
	Market Analysis			
	Economic Development			
	Anti-poverty Strategy			
	Lead-based Paint Strategy			
Briefly describe how the	City of Portland is the Consortium lead and works closely with the Consortium			
Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What	partners on all aspects for the Consolidated Plan and Action Plans.			
are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or				
areas for improved coordination?				

2	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT INC		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Education Regional organization		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted through regular partnerships, surveys, and public meetings.		
3	Agency/Group/Organization	HUMAN SOLUTIONS, INC./WILLOW TREE		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims		

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted through regular partnerships, surveys, and public meetings.		
4	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Maywood Park		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City of Maywood Park is part of Multnomah County's Policy Advisory Board team, attends the Annual Action Plan approvals yearly and contributes to collaboration efforts.		
5	Agency/Group/Organization	FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL OF OREGON		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Service-Fair Housing		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Non-Homeless Special Needs		

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Multnomah County staff attends quarterly FHAC meetings to discuss strategies to assist the homeless population and affordable housing efforts. FHCO also has a representative on the Consortium's Fair Housing Advocacy Committee, along with representatives from each jurisdiction.		
6	Agency/Group/Organization	UNLIMITED CHOICES INC.		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Persons with Disabilities		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Consulted through regular partnerships, meetings, and surveys.		
7	Agency/Group/Organization	COMMUNITY ALLIANCE OF TENANTS		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Service-Fair Housing Services - Victims		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	This agency was consulted as a sub-recipient through regular meetings and notices. CAT is an important provider of education and advocacy for tenants to prevent eviction and ensure house habitability. CAT provides Fair Housing information to tenants.		

8	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Fairview		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City of Fairview's planning documents related to economic development, parks, and housing were reviewed as part of the 2024-25 Community Needs assessment.		
9	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Wood Village		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the	The City of Wood Village's planning documents related to economic		
	Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	development, parks, and housing were reviewed as part of the 2024-25 Community Needs assessment.		

10	Agency/Group/Organization	MULTNOMAH COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
		Services - Housing
		Services-Children
		Services-Elderly Persons
		Services-Persons with Disabilities
		Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
		Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
		Services-homeless
		Services-Health
		Services-Education
		Services-Employment
	,	Service-Fair Housing
		Services - Victims
		Services - Narrowing the Digital Divide
		Health Agency
		Child Welfare Agency
		Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
		Other government - County

# What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?

Housing Need Assessment

**Public Housing Needs** 

Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless

Homeless Needs - Families with children

Homelessness Needs - Veterans

Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

**Homelessness Strategy** 

Non-Homeless Special Needs

**HOPWA Strategy** 

Market Analysis

**Economic Development** 

**Anti-poverty Strategy** 

Lead-based Paint Strategy

**Broadband Needs** 

## Briefly describe how the

Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?

Multnomah County's CDBG program receives reports and program information from all county departments regarding community needs. Multnomah County offers social, medical, and housing services to a variety of population groups, including homeless households, disabled persons, veterans, older adults, and those with mental health challenges. Multnomah County Department of Community Justice (DCJ) provides social and housing services to individuals who are on parole/probation and those who are leaving the justice system. DCJ staff offered input to the development of the 2021-25 Consolidate Plan. DCJ staff also are consulted on population's housing needs by the Joint Office on Homelessness Services (JOHS). Non-profit and business organizations are notified about the work of the JOHS. There is an on-going outreach effort with the Portland Business Alliance to address homelessness issues in downtown Portland.

11	Agency/Group/Organization	GRESHAM		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local Regional organization Planning organization Community Development Financial Institution  Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy  Consulted through regular partnerships, meetings and plans. City of Gresham is part of the Consortium and works closely to carry out all aspects of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan.		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?			
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?			
12	Agency/Group/Organization	Ziply Fiber		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Broadband Internet Service Providers		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Broadband Needs		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Ziply Fiber currently participates in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). All Ziply Fiber residential broadband data products are eligible to receive the ACP benefit of up to \$30 per month in subsidy. However, Ziply Fiber offers an exclusive package for ACP eligible households that includes 200/200 Mbps and an in-home WiFi router at \$0 out of pocket cost to the customer. If a resident lives in our service area and is eligible, they can receive our offering. However, I believe the biggest barrier is many that are eligible for an offer like ACP or are ACP offering are not aware it exists.		

13	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Troutdale		
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Other government - Local		
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development		
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	City of Troutdale has a chair on the Multnomah County CDBG Policy Advisory Board.		

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

No agency was excluded during this consultation by Multnomah County or the Consortium. Staff worked thoroughly to ensure advance publication of meetings and other opportunities to contribute.

# 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?	
	Joint Office of	The Continuum of Care works to alleviate the impact of homelessness in the community	
Continuum of Care	Homelessness Services	(Need)and create stability through the cooperation and collaboration of social service	
	(Multnomah County)	providers (Goal). This effort aligns with the Strategic Annual Action Plan.	
Analysis of		Affordable housing choice (Need); Increase and preserve affordable housing choice	
Analysis of	Doubland Consortium	(Goal)Basic services & homeless prevention/intervention (Need); Reduce homelessness	
Impediments to Fair	Portland Consortium	and increase stability (Goal)Community and economic development (Need);	
Housing		Infrastructure, facilities, economic opportunity (Goal)	

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?		
A Home for Everyone;	Multnomah County	Basic services & homeless prevention/intervention (Need); Reduce homelessness and		
A Comprehensive Plan	ividitionian county	increase stability in those at risk. (Goal)		
Community Economic	Drasnar Dartland	Community and Economic development (Need); Infrastructure, facilities, economic		
Development Plan	Prosper Portland	opportunity (Goal)		
Moving to Work	Home Forward	Community and economic development (Need); Infrastructure, facilities, economic		
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Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

# **Narrative**

The Consortium contacted every type of agency required. No agency types were excluded from the survey and hearing invitations. Multnomah County works closely with other local, regional, state, and federal entities is a priority to Multnomah County and is in regular consultations via meetings, surveys and email exchanges as a regular practice.

# 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

Citizen Participation was encouraged through two public Need Hearings, three jurisdiction Action Plan hearings, the Portland budget hearing, Gresham City Council meeting and service provider consultations. For the Need Hearings special attention was given to making the hearings accessible and known by non-English speaking citizens. All of the events were advertised in the Portland Tribune and/or Gresham Outlook, newsletters, email lists and on the jurisdiction webpages. Citizen participation was also encouraged through surveys and comment cards. Gresham and Multnomah County's online survey was available in English and Spanish and comment cards were translated into Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Russian and Vietnamese to encourage participation from diverse members of the community. See attachments for affidavits of public notices.

The Fall Needs Hearing for Gresham and East Multnomah County on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 helped the Consortium develop a list of needs and the needs raised by the community were then categorized into relevant groupings. This organized list of needs was then matched against the current Consolidated Plan (2021-2025) goals to see if there was any gap. Based on this exercise that was conducted by the group, it was clear that the current goals captured the needs of East County residents well. Accessibility accommodations and translation are offered for all meetings. As of January 1, 2023, all public hearings returned to in-person. When in-person meetings are held all meeting locations are ADA accessible.

The public involvement process is contained in the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP). The CPP was adopted in the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan. The public participation process for the Annual Action Plan follows the CPP guidelines. The current CPP is an exhibit of the current five-year Consolidated Plan and will guide the future public participation processes. The consortium partners also consulted with existing citizen committees and task forces that address community needs relevant to this Action Annual Plan.

The City of Gresham and Multnomah County held a joint Community Needs Hearing to gather input on priorities for the 2024-25 Annual Action Plan. Attendees participated in a group discussion to share their experiences in the community with City and County staff. Facilitators asked a series of questions to gather input and took notes on chart paper to record and summarize the group's discussion. Following the discussion, participants were given stickers and instructed to place stickers on the notes to indicate which items discussed were the highest priorities. The

highlighted numbers in the notes indicate the total number of votes each discussion item received. Overall, 11 individuals participated in the discussion. Attendees included staff members from local service providers, representatives from community organizations and community members. Notes of that meeting will be attached to this report.



# **Citizen Participation Outreach**



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		Specify other	November 13,	services and		
		language:	2024	infrastructure		
		Spanish,	Community	improvement		
		Russian,	Needs	s that make		
		Vietnamese,	Hearing: 11	space for		
		and others	community	more	All comments	
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		targeted/bro	County and	pedestrians,		
		ad	City of	including bike		
		community	Gresham	lanes, adding		
			needs hearing.	non existing		
		Residents of		sidewalks,		
		Public and		better		
		Assisted		lighting and		
		Housing		traffic		
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areas of
Gresham and
Rockwood
areas.
Providing
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services such
Economic
Development
opportunities
, Job Training,
Vocational
Programs
and Eviction
Prevention
services in
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identified as
a priority to
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				unhouse population. Affordable housing opportunities . A full summary of the comments is provided in the attachments.		

2	Online Survey and Online Comment Card	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Vietnamese, Russian  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/bro ad community  Residents of	Community Needs Survey and Comment Card, November 2024 to May 2025. The comment card was available as an online survey and a fillable PDF that could be completed via computer and emailed or printed and mailed into the jurisdictions. Information on how to comment with	Key issues mentioned included housing needs such as the lack of affordable housing, more assistance with homeowners hip assistance homelessnes s, need for public services, economic development and infrastructure needs. A full	All comments were accepted, please see supporting document for comments.	https://gresham.formstack.com/forms/community_feedback_survey
	Card  Non- targeted ad commun  Resident	targeted/bro ad community Residents of Public and Assisted	mailed into the jurisdictions. Information on how to	services, economic development and infrastructure		

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			contact list,	Comments		
			which includes	attachments.		
			subrecipients,			
			local non-			
			profits and			
			other			
			stakeholders			
			who has			
			expressed			
			interest in the			
			Annual Action			
			Plan.			

3	Public Hearing	Minorities  Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish  Persons with disabilities  Non- targeted/bro ad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	On April 23, 2025 at 1:00pm Multnomah County CDBG held its Policy Advisory Board Meeting for the 2025- 2026 Annual Action Plan: We will have staff members attend from the nonprofit subrecipients, 5 confirmed Policy Advisory Board members composed of City of Wood Village, City of Fairview, City of Troutdale, Maywood Park, District 4 Commissioner s Office and 2	Comments received at this hearing were only to thank the non profits for their work in the community and the work they do. A summary of the meeting can be found in supporting documents under Citizen Participation Comments in AD-26 Administratio n under Administratio n Citizen Participation Comments.	All PAB members comments will accepted and included in the 2025-26 AAP before submission to HUD.	
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			Multnomah			
			County Staff			
			members. Thi			
			s meeting was			
			offered in			
			person at the			
			City of Wood			
			Village City			
			Hall large			
			meeting room.			

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4	Newspaper Ad	Minorities  Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/bro ad community  Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	A large newspaper advertisement was published in The Gresham Outlook on 4/11/2025 informing the public of the availability of the draft Annual Action Plan, the date and time of the public hearing to review the draft plan, and the dates of the 30-day public comment period.	A detailed list of public comments and questions from this hearing are included in the attachment section to this plan entitled Citizen Participation Comments.	All comments will be accepted and included in the 2025-26 AAP.	

Sort Or der	Mode of Ou treach	Target of Ou treach	Summary of response/atte ndance	Summary of comments re ceived	Summary of co mments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
5	Internet Outreach	Persons with disabilities  Non-targeted/bro ad community  Local Broadband Service Providers	Online outreach was targeted towards Relevant local agencies and organizations as well as community members through updating the www.multco.u s/cdbg webiste.	No comments were received.	Any comments received by email at cdbg@multco.us will be included in the 2025-26 AAP.	https://www.multco.us/cdbg

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

## **Expected Resources**

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

#### Introduction

Multnomah County's CDBG program, as part of the HOME Consortium with the city of Portland and city of Gresham, makes every effort to leverage HUD grant funds with other public and private investments. Housing rehabilitation activities are highly leveraged. In recent program years, Multnomah County has leveraged almost four times the amount of CDBG-expended funding from other sources – County General Fund, other federal, state/local, private, and in-kind.

The Portland Housing Bureau as the Consortium lead makes required matches for use of HOME funds.

The programming of these funds followed the required Citizen Participation Plan processes.

Anticipated Use of Publicly-Owned Land/Property (SP35)

Multnomah County does not anticipate the use of publicly-owned land or property in projects currently planned or underway. If those opportunities arise, however, such land and property will be included to the extent practicable.

It is anticipated that funding levels will be similar over the five years of this Consolidated Plan. These anticipated amounts are noted in the chart below. As all funding sources are subject to annual Congressional appropriations, as well as potential changes in funding distribution formulas, these figures are subject to change.

## **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expe	cted Amoui	nt Available Y	ear 1	Expected	Narrative Description
	of		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	
	Funds		Allocation:	Income:	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Remainder of ConPlan	
							\$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						Multnomah County's CDBG funds are
	federal	Admin and						expended on Public Infrastructure,
		Planning						Admin & Planning, Housing, Public
		Economic						Improvements, and Public Services.
		Development						The county does not make
		Housing						expenditures on Economic
		Public						Development or Acquisition.
		Improvements						Multnomah County's CDBG funds are
		Public Services						expended on Housing Rehabilitation,
								Public Infrastructure Improvements,
								Public Services and staff
								Admin/Planning. The county does not
								make expenditures on Economic
								Development or Acquisition. The
								programming of these funds followed
								the required Citizen Participation Plan
								processes. The prior year resources of
								\$523.93 are from B-23-UC-41-0003.
								Total funds rounded to the nearest
			333,210.00	0.00	\$523.93	333,733.93	333,733.93	dollar amount, \$333,734.

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

Multnomah County, as part of the HOME Consortium with the Cities of Portland and Gresham, makes every effort to leverage HUD grant funds with other public and private investments. Rehabilitation and public services are highly leveraged because public funds are used as "last in" gap financing amounts, which requires that more substantial investments are in place. In many cases, projects are funded in order to expand the geographic reach into Multnomah County's Urban County areas, and this is done through leveraging existing countywide investments and infrastructure. The County's CDBG federal allocation consistently leverages a significant amount of local state and federal resources into our entitlement community. For example, in the 2024-2025 fiscal year, Multnomah County leveraged over eight times the amount of CDBG-expended funding from other sources — other federal, state/local, private and in-kind. The City of Portland Housing Bureau as the Consortium lead makes required matches for use of HOME funds. Multnomah County's CDBG Policy Advisory Board prioritizes leverage and additional resources in its rating and approval of all Housing Rehabilitation, Public Infrastructure, and Public Services projects. Public Infrastructure projects that are planned in Wood Village and Fairview normally match CDBG funds at 40-50% leverage rate. Public Service and Housing Rehabilitation projects are normally at 50% or higher leverage rate. In the months and years ahead, community-wide efforts will continue to move forward to find increased opportunities to leverage and better align economic opportunities and resources to support housing stability and reduction in homelessness.

# 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 County's Joint Office of Homelessness Services (JOHS) is making efforts to identify vacant land owned by the City of Portland, Prosper Portland (formerly Portland Development Commission), State of Oregon, Multnomah County, and agencies within these jurisdictions that would be appropriate for affordable housing, in-kind leverage, or as another resource for affordable housing. Publicly and privately owned buildings, institutions and churches are also identified for temporary housing and shelter partnerships. Multnomah County does not anticipate the use of publicly-owned land or property in projects currently planned or underway with CDBG funds. If those opportunities arise, however, such land and property will be included to the extent practicable.

#### Discussion

These revenue estimates are based on Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget projections and CDBG Program Year 2025 federal allocation. There was no reportable program income for FY2024-25. Budgeted amounts by goal and project are below. Please note cents are not included in these amounts. All sub grantees will receive the HUD approved 15% de minimis indirect cost rate that is applicable on or after 10/01/24 grants unless the sub grantee has a higher federal indirect rate letter approval from HUD.

### **Goal 1: Increase and Preserve Affordable Housing Choice**

Adapt-A-Home (\$60,382) includes programming of \$52,506 and \$7,875 of admin

Mend-A Home (\$97,198) includes programming of \$84,519 and \$12,678 of admin

#### **Goal 2: Reduce Homelessness and Increase Stability**

Tenant Education/Community Alliance of Tenants (\$15,065) includes \$13,100 of programming and \$1,965 of admin

Weatherization and Energy Education/Community Energy Project (\$12,075) includes \$10,500 of programming and \$1,575 of admin

Willow Tree Housing Stabilization (\$31,526) includes \$26,381 of programing and \$5,145 of admin

## **Goal 3: Infrastructure, Employment and Anti-Poverty**

City of Fairview (\$80,000) – Sidewalk improvement Project

## Other Projects (Admin)

Consortium Administration/Portland Housing Bureau (\$5,000)

Multnomah County CDBG Program Administration (\$32,489)

TOTAL for PY2025 Annual Action Plan = \$333,733.93, rounded to the nearest dollar making the total \$333,734

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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	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Increase and	2021	2025	Affordable		Affordable Housing Choice	CDBG:	Rental units rehabilitated:
	preserve			Housing			\$157,580.00	14 Household Housing Unit
	affordable housing			Public Housing				Homeowner Housing
	choice			Homeless				Rehabilitated: 20
				Non-Homeless				Household Housing Unit
				Special Needs				
2	Reduce	2021	2025	Homeless		Basic services & homeless	CDBG:	Public service activities
	homelessness and			Non-Homeless		prevention/intervention	\$58,666.00	other than Low/Moderate
	increase stability			Special Needs				Income Housing Benefit:
								155 Persons Assisted
3	Infrastructure,	2021	2025	Non-Housing		Community and economic	CDBG:	Public Facility or
	employment, and			Community		development	\$80,000.00	Infrastructure Activities
	anti-poverty			Development				other than Low/Moderate
								Income Housing Benefit: 97
								Persons Assisted

Table 6 - Goals Summary

## **Goal Descriptions**

1	<b>Goal Name</b>	Increase and preserve affordable housing choice
	Goal Description	The total \$137,026 for programming in addition to \$20,554 in administration, totaling <b>\$157,580</b> .  Increase and preserve affordable housing choice of rental and homeownership units for low- and moderate-income households.
2	Goal Name	Reduce homelessness and increase stability
	Goal	The total \$49,981 for programing in addition to \$8,685 in administration, totaling <b>\$58,666</b> .
	Description	Reduce and prevent homelessness for low- and moderate-income households.
3	Goal Name	Infrastructure, employment, and anti-poverty
	Goal	The total project total is \$80,000 includes no administration for this strategic plan goal.
	Description	Improve livability and promote economic development in low and moderate-income areas by investing in community infrastructure, employment training and anti-poverty strategies for low- and moderate-income households.

<sup>\*</sup>The remaining funds not captured in the table above consists of \$5,000 towards administrative Consortium Lead for the Portland Housing Bureau and \$32,489 in administrative internal CDBG support for the Department of County Human Services making our total rounded to the nearest dollar, \$333,734.

# 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 91.215(b)

It is expected that Multnomah County will be able to assist 34 households with rental and homeownership rehabilitation, 100% of whom make less than 80% MFI. At this time it is difficult to estimate an exact composition of these households in terms of income ranges. Looking at the Program Year 2024 accomplishments for housing rehab it is estimated that 27 households will be extremely low income (0-30% AMI), 5 households will be very low income (31-50% AMI) and 2 households will be low income (51-80% AMI) for the coming program year. The provider carrying out these activities mission is to remove barriers and make affordable housing accessible for low-income people with disabilities, provide critical home repair to low-income homeowners and provide housing rehabilitation services on a contractual basis with local and private

donation funds, CDBG Portland Consortium funds being one of them(City of Portland, City of Gresham and Multnomah County) The impact Adapt-A-Home and Mend-A-Home completed rehabilitation projects bring to the community vary from assisting homeowners and mobile home owners who are low/moderate income to continuing living independently. Stabilizes the community's affordable housing stock. And addresses the health, safety and fire prevention issues before they arise.



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

#### Introduction

The 2025-26 Annual Action Plan outlines projects that meet needs identified in the 2021-25 Consortium Consolidated Plan as well as priorities of Multnomah County's CDBG Consortium Cities – Wood Village, Fairview, Maywood Park, Troutdale and other unincorporated areas of Multnomah County. Each Consortium city jurisdiction has planning documents and priorities that outline business, transportation, housing, health, public safety, and parks/recreation needs.

The following projects were selected for CDBG Program Year 2025. The Multnomah County Policy Advisory Board recommends the allocation of CDBG funds to specific projects, and advises on guidelines and procedures for Multnomah County and the Consortium partners. These activities are designed to improve Multnomah County's neighborhoods and increase its capacity to address the needs of low- and



moderate-income households, including special needs groups, seniors, and persons with disabilities.

Goal 1: Increase and Preserve Affordable Housing Choice

Adapt-A-Home (\$60,382)

Mend-A Home (\$97,198)

Goal 2: Reduce Homelessness and Increase Stability

Tenant Education/Community Alliance of Tenants (\$15,065)

Weatherization and Energy Education/Community Energy Project (\$12,075)

Willow Tree Housing Stabilization (\$31,526)

Goal 3: Infrastructure, Employment and Anti-Poverty

City of Fairview (\$80,000) – Sidewalk Improvement

Other Projects (Admin)

Consortium Administration/Portland Housing Bureau (\$5,000)

Multnomah County CDBG Program Administration (\$32,489)

TOTAL for PY2025 Action Plan = making our total rounded to the nearest dollar, \$333,734.

#	Project Name
1	Adapt-A-Home (Unlimited Choices, Inc.)
2	Mend-A-Home (Unlimited Choices, Inc.)
3	Tenant Education (Community Alliance of Tenants)
4	Weatherization and Energy Education Workshops (Community Energy Project)
5	Willow Tree Housing Stabilization Services (Our Just Future)
6	NE Lincoln St Improvement Project (City of Fairview)
7	Portland Housing Bureau, City of Portland Consortium Administration
8	Multnomah County CDBG Program Administration

**Table 7 – Project Information** 

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

### needs

In this fifth year of the five-year Consolidated Plan, CDBG project recommendations and funding allocations were made by program staff after a review of subrecipient performance and programmatic monitoring. A part of this review process was consideration of the ability of project applicant organizations to successfully achieve objectives and administrative demands. These recommendations were brought to the Multnomah County CDBG Policy Advisory Board (PAB) on April 23, 2025 for review and approval. The PAB is composed of representatives of the Consortium cites – Fairview, Wood Village, Troutdale and Maywood Park and a representative from the Multnomah County's District 4 office. Allocations were made in the following categories: Public Services, Housing Development/Rehabilitation, and Public Facilities and Improvements. The County has a focus on projects that promote investment in low-income neighborhoods, leverage additional resources for revenue, preserve affordable housing, and provide social services to low- or moderate-income households. The main obstacle to providing services to all income-eligible individuals and families is the small but impactful decreasing amount of CDBG funds and local resources to serve all those who are potentially eligible. The cost of living continues to rise impacting how many households each organization can provide services.



## **AP-38 Project Summary**

**Project Summary Information** 



1	Project Name	Adapt-A-Home (Unlimited Choices, Inc.)
	Target Area	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Increase and preserve affordable housing choice
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Choice
	Funding	CDBG: \$60,382.00
	Description	Adapt-A-Home renter or owner occupied homes (up to \$5,000 per unit) to make 14 homes permanently accessible to persons with disabilities (below 80% MFI) and to keep people with disabilities independent and out of institutions. The program makes accessibility modifications such as adding wheelchair ramps, handrails and grab bars, installing roll-in showers and raised toilets, and widening doorways. The programming is \$52,506 plus \$7,875 in admin costs making the total \$60,382.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 14 households including renters and mobile homeowners and or traditional single family homeowners housing units will receive accessibility emergency home repair improvements to their homes.  Program will serve majority seniors and or people with disabilities, these households are composed of families below 80% MFI.
	Location Description	Multnomah County CDBG Entitlement area: Maywood Park, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of the County.
	Planned Activities	Minor Renter and homeowner housing rehabilitation and administrative activities to carryout the work.
2	Project Name	Mend-A-Home (Unlimited Choices, Inc.)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase and preserve affordable housing choice
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Choice
	Funding	CDBG: \$97,198
	Description	Emergency home repairs for low-income homeowners (up to \$5000 per unit) to improve housing conditions and habitability. The programming is \$84,519 plus \$12,678 in admin costs making the total \$97,198.
	Target Date	6/30/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This housing rehab project will assist 20 renter and property homeowners, including mobile home owners, receive critical accessibility improvements to their homes such as repair structural, plumbing, mechanical or electrical systems showing obvious signs of deterioration, roofing that's severely deteriorated, as well as exterior porches and stairs. Most beneficiaries are low-income households, many which include seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities.
	Location Description	Multnomah County CDBG Entitlement area: Maywood Park, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of the County.
	Planned Activities	Emergency home repairs for low-income renter and homeowners to improve housing conditions and habitability. Program will serve households earning below 80% MFI.
3	Project Name	Tenant Education (Community Alliance of Tenants)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Reduce homelessness and increase stability
	Needs Addressed	Basic services & homeless prevention/intervention
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,065
	Description	Provide support and information to renters who are experiencing a landlord/tenant dispute, have questions regarding renters' rights, or need Fair Housing information/referral services. The programming is \$13,100 plus \$1,965 in admin costs making the total \$15,065.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will assist 30 households that will call the renters hotline with questions regarding renters' rights, or need Fair Housing information/referral services. Beneficiaries are composed of female head households with children, seniors, individuals with disabilities.
	Location Description	Multnomah County CDBG Entitlement area: Maywood Park, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of the County.
	Planned Activities	Beneficiaries receive information on tenant rights, participate in workshops, learn to conduct self-advocacy, and receive referrals to Fair Housing Council of Oregon. Administrative activities also included to carry out the work.
4	Project Name	Weatherization and Energy Education Workshops (Community Energy Project)

	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Increase and preserve affordable housing choice
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Choice
	Funding	CDBG: \$12,075
	Description	Provide educational training sessions to 115 individuals (50 households) on how to weatherize their homes for the heat and winter and provide weatherization supplies for low-income households at or below 80% Median Family Income (MFI). The programming is \$10,500 plus \$1,575 in admin costs making the total \$12,075.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will assist 115 individuals composed of 50 household's majority being female head households that will participate in workshops and receive free materials to carry out small measure weatherization techniques for their homes. Workshops provided in multiple languages to serve the diverse community of East Multnomah County.
	Location Description	Multnomah County CDBG Entitlement area: Maywood Park, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of the County.
	Planned Activities	Weatherization education workshops will be offered to tenants and home owners. Low-income beneficiaries will receive free materials to weatherize their homes against the heat and cold. Administrative activities also included to carryout the work.
5	Project Name	Willow Tree Housing Stabilization Services (Our Just Future)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Reduce homelessness and increase stability
	Needs Addressed	Basic services & homeless prevention/intervention
	Funding	CDBG: \$31,526
	Description	Staff at Willow Tree apartments to deliver supportive case management services towards housing stabilization to 8 households (approximately 25 individuals) living at Willow Tree to remove barriers to permanent housing and prevent homelessness. The programming is \$26,381 plus \$5,145 in admin costs making the total \$31,526.
	Target Date	6/30/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This project will assist 8 low income households at or below 80% MFI (approximately 25 individuals) experiencing housing and stability barriers.
	Location Description	Multnomah County CDBG Entitlement area: Maywood Park, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of the County.
	Planned Activities	CDBG funds to support Willow Tree staff in delivering housing stability and supportive services to low-income households with significant barriers to permanent housing. Households will increase their knowledge of self-sufficiency and permanent housing stability. Administrative activities also included to carryout the work.
6	Project Name	NE Lincoln St (3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> St) Sidewalk Improvement (City of Fairview)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Infrastructure, employment, and anti-poverty
	Needs Addressed	Community and economic development
	Funding	CDBG: \$80,000.00
	Description	The project includes installation of 505 feet of new sidewalk and curb ramps along the south side of Lincoln Street between 5th street and just east of 3th street. This project will connect with 3rd street which has existing sidewalk on west side of 3rd street via one (1) new curb ramp. Eight (8) catch basins will be impacted and re-adjusted due to new sidewalk installation on NE Lincoln Street. Four (4) water meters will be relocated to be in sidewalk panels to meet the City's construction standards. Four (4) driveways will be renovated due to new sidewalk installation. This project will use other local City of Fairview funds of \$106,500 to leverage the completion of these sidewalks.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The total number of unduplicated persons/households from Multnomah County service area directly served by the project, below 80% MFI (includes those below 50% MFI: 97 local community members.  Multnomah County CDBG cost per low and moderate income beneficiary \$825/resident (based on a \$80,000 grant.)
	Location Description	Infrastructure project to benefit most community members of Fairview and surrounding cities of Troutdale and Wood Village.

	Planned Activities	Infastructure ADA improvements to sidewalks in City of Fairview.
7	Project Name	Portland Housing Bureau, City of Portland Consortium Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$5,000.00
	Description	Intergovernmental agreement with the City of Portland to manage the administrative and planning tasks associated with the Portland Consortium's Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	None.
	Location Description	Portland Housing Bureau headquarters location; 1900 SW 4th Ave #7007, Portland, OR 97201.
	Planned Activities	The Portland Consortium consisting of the City of Gresham, City of Portland and Multnomah County. The Portland Housing Bureau as the Consortium lead for City of Gresham and Multnomah County 2021-25 Consolidated Plan.
8	Project Name	Multnomah County CDBG Program Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$32,489.00
	Description	Multnomah County grant management administrative to effectively achieve CDBG goals, including general oversight and coordination, contracting, environmental reviews, data and reporting.
	Target Date	6/30/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	None, Multnomah County grant management to effectively achieve CDBG goals, including CDBG oversight coordination and contracting, environmental reviews, data and reporting.
	Location Description	Multnomah County, DCHS office; 209 SW 4th Ave, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97204.
	Planned Activities	Funding for internal County staff to effectively plan, administer funds and report on the CDBG funds.



## 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

Multnomah County CDBG entitlement areas are - Troutdale, Wood Village, Maywood Park, Fairview, and unincorporated areas of Multnomah County. We will identify low-moderate income census tracts and block groups where CDBG assistance will be directed. The majority of Multnomah County's CDBG resources are dedicated toward serving low-and moderate-income households individuals and qualifying low income neighborhoods. Where possible funds will be leveraged to qualifying infrastructure improvement projects.

### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution** 

## Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Multnomah County's CDBG Consortium includes the cities of Maywood Park, Fairview, Troutdale, and Wood Village as well as unincorporated areas outside of the cities of Portland and Gresham. Each of the CDBG Consortium cities has comprehensive plan documents that reflect its community needs and planning priorities. The need for affordable housing in east Multnomah County is much greater than noted in our previous 2016-20 Consolidated Plan. Gentrification, displacement, and rising housing costs in Portland have had an enormous impact on population growth in the other jurisdictions and unincorporated areas of the Multnomah County Consortium. There are also region-wide economic and employment changes that have also affected east Multnomah County over the past decade, which have contributed to a decline in housing conditions in some areas and an increase of higher-priced housing in other areas. Multnomah County CDBG geographic priorities are identified in planning documents developed by each of the cities in the Consortium. The Multnomah County Policy Advisory Board also reviews and makes decisions about projects related to addressing community needs.

#### Discussion

The Consortium affirms the importance of allocating resources all across Gresham, Portland and Multnomah County urban cities and unincorporated areas of the county with a focus toward increasing and/or preserving affordable housing in high-opportunity areas. This approach will provide comprehensive support to bring about housing stability and economic opportunity for the low to

medium income households that are served.





## AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

#### Introduction

In Multnomah County, barriers to affordable housing include high rents that exceed market rate, low vacancy rates, complex landlord tenant laws and construction deficiencies to name a few. Multnomah County works to eliminate barriers to affordable housing in multiple ways to address the complex barriers the community continues to face post pandemic. In particular the cities of Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview, and Maywood Park have all experienced significant population growth since 2000. Portland's gentrification over the past decade has displaced thousands of low-income households to East County. At the same time, lower rental rates in East County than in other parts of the jurisdiction have also drawn new low-income residents to locate here when moving to the area. This is reflected in the growing number of East County residents who are experiencing poverty.

According to the 2023 United States Census Bureau, the poverty rates for two of the Multnomah County CDBG Consortium jurisdictions exceed the county-wide average of 12.9% poverty rate, similar to the state average of 12.2% and the national average of 11.1%. — Wood Village (15.6%) and Fairview (14.4%). Troutdale (8.7%) and Maywood Park (5.3%) have poverty rates below the average. This data is part of the 5 year estimates from the American Community Survey. Multnomah County uses a coordinated access system for community members seeking housing and related social determinants of health services, particularly for those experiencing homelessness or at risk of facing eviction. This system, managed by the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS), aims to streamline the process and ensure equitable access to resources. Key components of the system include standardized assessments, like the Multnomah Services and Screening Tool (MSST), and case conferencing to match individuals with appropriate housing and support services, particularly for those experiencing homelessness or at risk of facing eviction. This system, managed by the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS), aims to streamline the process and ensure equitable access to resources. Key components of the system include standardized assessments, like the Multnomah Services and Screening Tool (MSST), and case conferencing to match individuals with appropriate housing and support services.

Multnomah County is committed to empowering all of its community residents to find affordable housing. The Department of County Human Services has launched the Housing Search Tools & Strategies for Overcoming Barriers to Housing. Those looking for tips and tools may navigate the website to empower themselves in the search. The tool also provides connections to local nonprofit agencies that can help in the search.

Annual Action Plan 2025-26 Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

Barrier: Five years post the global COVID-19 Pandemic has exacerbated the affordable housing and economic crisis at the local and national levels. Strategy: Multnomah County has focused on deploying all available federal resources, American Rescue Plan Act funding, and the reallocation of other local funding sources to support housing and financial stability, particularly for households of color and low-income households. Actions have included: The Multnomah County Board voted on where to direct \$22.74 million in the County's last allocation of federal American Rescue Plan dollars.

Barrier: Lack of an affordable housing supply makes impediments to Fair Housing choice more pronounced. Strategy: In 2018, voters approved a \$652.8 million affordable housing bond measure to create permanently affordable homes across Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah counties. Metro is working with local partners and communities to bring affordable homes to 12,000 people: seniors, families and veterans. Multnomah County as the responsible entity for the new 85 unit construction of the Troutdale Apartments is in the process of securing some of these Metro bond funds. See the Portland Metro Housing Bond for additional investment priorities and strategies to improve outcomes for communities that lack resources.

Barrier: Lack of diverse and affordable housing choices for Oregon residents. Strategy: House Bill 2001 (HB 2001) also known as the Middle Housing Bill was signed into law, August 2019, by Oregon's previous Governor Kate Brown. HB 2001 aims to provide Oregonians with more housing choices, especially housing choices more people can afford. The law, passed by the 2019 Oregon Legislature, expands the ability of property owners to build certain traditional housing types, like duplexes, in residential zones. Medium cities with a population between 10,000 and 25,000 and outside the Portland Metro boundary are required to amend codes to allow duplexes on residentially zoned lots that allow the development of detached single-family homes by June 30, 2021. House Bill 2003 requires Oregon cities with a population of over 10,000 residents to update their Housing Needs Analysis (HNA) every six years. Housing Needs Analysis audit reports for the Multnomah County CDBG

Annual Action Plan 2025-26 cities with a population larger than 10,000 are below:

City of Troutdale Housing Needs Analysis: https://www.troutdaleoregon.gov/commdev/page/housing

City of Fairview Housing Analysis: https://www.fairvieworegon.gov/DocumentCenter/View/4947

#### Discussion

Multnomah County investment priorities include in PY2025 include:

- Providing CDBG funds each year for the rehabilitation of owner-occupied and tenant occupied housing for people of low and moderate-income
- Providing CDBG funds each year to tenant education hotline and legal tenant protection resources
- Supporting HOME funding towards a nonprofit land trust to ensure that single-family homes purchased are affordable to low-income, first-time homebuyers, and remain affordable at resale. And construction of affordable multi family housing.
- Assist low-income homeowners and renters with home retention services including weatherization upgrades
- Multnomah County's Department of County Human Services division funds the Bienestar de la Familia (The Wellbeing of the Family) Program to provide culturally responsive and linguistically appropriate case management, employment search, and mental wellness services to the growing diverse communities and the community at large.
- Multnomah County, the City of Portland, Home Forward and the Joint Office of Homeless Services in partnership with 211info, legal service providers, tenant rights organizations and culturally responsive and specific organizations developed a new Rapid Eviction Response program during the pandemic to support tenants facing eviction in maintaining their housing. This partnership and services are continuing post pandemic and incorporating lessons learned and enhanced supports that arose during the crisis. As part of this, in PY2025 Multnomah County is funding emergency rent assistance, case management, tenant advocacy and legal services. Home Forward opened their affordable housing waitlist. Home Forward will accept applications for the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) waitlist and waitlists for 13 Home Forward apartment communities

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starting Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 through Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. 2025. More information on <a href="https://www.homeforward.org/waitlists/">https://www.homeforward.org/waitlists/</a>



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

#### Introduction

The gentrification of Portland's neighborhoods and the increase of low-income and vulnerable households have had a major impact on housing affordability in the cities of Maywood Park, Fairview, Wood Village and Troutdale. The number of homeless individuals and households with children is also increasing in East County, but the current social services infrastructure struggles to meet the demand for housing and social services. Multnomah County investments include projects to assist families achieve self-sufficiency and increase earning capacities. During the 2025 program year, the fifth year of the Consolidated Plan period of 2021-2025, the Consortium will take actions planned to address the following needs and priorities.

## Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Multnomah County has budgeted millions of dollars of its FY2026 General Fund resources to help resolve the issue of homelessness within the County. The City of Portland and Multnomah County are also jointly funding the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) to oversee the Continuum of Care and other efforts to assist homeless individuals and families. Multnomah County contracts for public services and housing resources with a variety of non-profit providers and utilizes an array of local, state, federal, and foundation funds to bring services to low and moderate income households.

### Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Multnomah County collaborates with the City of Portland to develop affordable housing and has executed an IGA with the City of Portland for management of its HOME-ARP funds. And has an IGA with City of Gresham for its HOME funds which will target homeownership for low income families. The Consortium will continue to work to leverage potential funding sources to increase the supply of affordable housing, and work as a region to foster and maintain existing affordable housing stock.

For Program Year 2025 (FY26), Multnomah County has directed its HOME allocation of (\$135,202), including associated administrative funds, to the City of Portland to support projects and programs in their service area while the City of Portland performs regulatory and compliance activities.

Multnomah County's HOME allocation in collaboration with Portland Housing Bureau HOME allocation will be used for the program year 2024 continuation of the construction of affordable multi-family units. Nearly the whole allocation is going towards the construction of affordable multi family housing in combination with Metro Bond dollars. All County HOME funds should be targeted toward vulnerable individuals and families who are homeless or in danger of homelessness, and particularly to avoid

secondary displacement in East County.

If County HOME funding is placed in housing development projects Housing developers receiving County HOME funds should include County programs in their marketing plan by notifying County HOME staff prior to lease up; County HOME staff will share the information with County program staff in DCHS, DCJ, JOHS, and the Health Department.

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

The Multnomah County CDBG program is in compliance with requirements of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Reduction Act. None of the programs or projects currently funded by Multnomah County provides in excess of \$5,000 in rehabilitation assistance. Multnomah County complies with federal regulations and continues to work towards increasing small Lead Based Paint contractors through building their capacity through education and safe work practices. Multnomah County is a party to the HUD Regional Lead Paint grant administered by the City of Portland. Both Multnomah County sub recipients with CDBG-CV funds have lead-based paint training certifications from HUD. If any site was to be in need of further lead-based paint inspection the subrecipient would have to hire out for this type of work. It is estimated in PY2025 there will be no further CDBG-CV funds to continue rent and utility assistance.

As of April 22, 2010, HUD and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) collaborated on a new Lead-Based Paint Rule called Renovate, Repair and Paint Rule (RRP). This is an EPA/HUD certified training process (402 of TSCA, 40 CFR Part 745, Subpart L) that is required for all contractors and construction workers working on homes built before 1978. This rule went into effect April 22, 2010.

Multnomah County's Health Department conducts lead-based paint hazard reduction services in the community. The Health Department also conducts free lead blood tests for children and treats low-income families who have lead-related medical issues. Community members can call the Multnomah County Lead Line by calling 503-988-4000 to speak to someone if they have a concern about lead in their home or would like to learn more about lead hazards. https://www.multco.us/health/lead-poisoning-prevention/lead-paint.

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

Multnomah County will continue its efforts in supporting projects with internal and external partners geared towards reducing the level of poverty and increasing the capacity of households to earn a livable wage to support their families. The 2019 Poverty in Multnomah County report highlighted the impact of poverty on diverse populations, mapped low-income neighborhoods, and outlined approaches for transitioning people out of poverty. Multnomah County is also a Community Action Agency under the

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State of Oregon's guidelines and is eligible to administer a number of federal programs to address poverty, including CSBG, Weatherization, and Low-Income Heating & Energy Assistance Program. The Department of County Human Services provides direct service supports to older adults, individuals with developmental disability, and veterans. The Health Department also provides direct medical and dental services to low income households.

Multnomah County's annual budget process for Fiscal Year 2026 has been reached, and Chair Jessica Vega Pederson is working to develop an executive budget that reflects our community's values and priorities by funding human services initiatives, reduce family poverty, and increase community safety and early learning opportunities for young children. Multnomah County faces a \$22 million deficit, a 3% cut to County Services and Staff for FY26. The Chair's office announced the upcoming budget engagement survey opportunity inquiring for public comments for Fiscal Year 2026. That survey closed after March 3rd, 2025. There will be more opportunities to participate in public hearings by visiting the Chairs website.

The Chair's draft of the Multnomah County's budget will be released April 24, 2025. Following that, the Board of Commissioners will work for several weeks — including dozens of public work sessions and three community hearings — to complete the budget. The final budget will be adopted on June 12, 2025. The Multnomah County's Board Executive Budget can be viewed after June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 by visiting; https://multco.us/info/fy-2026-budget

## Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Multnomah County has oriented its budget approval process to focus coordinated and evidence-based programs that demonstrate tangible results in alleviating the causes and conditions of poverty. Each department also has Research & Evaluation Specialists on staff to assure that public programs are effective and efficient in providing social and housing services. Record and data management systems reinforce this evidence-based approach to service provision.

Multnomah County will continue to hold annual meetings with subrecipients to assess current community conditions impacting low- and moderate-income households. These discussions include updates on social services accomplishments in working with the population and identification of service gaps or needs in the community.

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

### service agencies

In 2013, leadership from the City of Portland, City of Gresham, Multnomah County, and Home Forward created a renewed plan for ending homelessness in our community, called A Home for Everyone: A United Community Plan to End Homelessness in Multnomah County (AHFE). The plan chartered a new coordinating board to provide shared oversight of our community's work to end homelessness. The board is led by an executive committee, comprised of elected officials from Portland, Gresham and Multnomah County; leadership from Home Forward and Meyer Memorial Trust; as well as representatives from the faith and business community. That Coordinating Board and its Executive Committee, with leadership from local jurisdictions, developed a comprehensive action plan in spring 2015. The Action Plans, identify the specific numeric targets, policies, and financial investments that would likely be needed to achieve a fifty percent reduction in street and shelter homelessness over a three-year period.

Multnomah County is a member of the National Association for County Community and Economic Development (NACCED) is a nonprofit organization that provides education, training and technical assistance opportunities, advocacy services to local governments and state housing agencies related to CDBG and other HUD funded programs such as HOME and ESG. NACCED's vision is to act as the premier organization empowering local governments to create thriving and sustainable communities. Their strategic goals include; (1) Expand the attendees and scope of NACCED membership to ensure the organization's long-term sustainability. (2) Provide relevant professional development, technical assistance, and educational resources. Lastly, (3) serve as an effective conduit between members and stakeholders to create and advocate for sustainable communities and equitable economies.

The County participates in the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), which spearheads strategies that encompass whole communities and neighborhoods, including outreach to residents and businesses. Strategies are cross-cutting, recognizing that real opportunity is inclusive – housing, transportation, jobs, shopping, services, and recreation. The County will continue to participate in regional strategies. Multnomah County is a member of the Continuum of Care and will continue to provide input and act on recommendations. Acting alone and with City of Portland and the City of Gresham, Multnomah County encourages partnerships across public and private sectors.

#### Discussion

The East Portland metro area is seeing continued displacement of low-income and vulnerable families, defined as members of protected classes, from infrastructure rich neighborhoods, as a result of households moving to find more affordable housing, including housing affordable to working families. Multnomah County investments include projects to assist families achieve self-sufficiency and increase earning capacities. Projects included in this Annual Action Plan speak to those efforts.

In addition, Multnomah County works closely with long-term partner providers to reach out to persons in need, including in language and culturally specific methods. Participating in regional transportation

and economic efforts, the County seeks to create vibrant hubs and to increase employment, including local entrepreneurs. The County continues a strong monitoring practice to maximize the efficacy of funded efforts.



## **Program Specific Requirements**

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

#### Introduction

The specific allocations for various projects are finalized as part of the Policy Advisory Board adoption process. Multnomah County receives HOME funding through the Consortium. Multnomah County and City of Gresham enter into an IGA related to HOME funds and the projects City of Gresham will be funding for that fiscal year. Routinely 20% of the CDBG entitlement allocation is for administration and 80% of the CDBG funds are used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income.

## 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

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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 no	t
been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0
Other CDBG Requirements	
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1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and	
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## Discussion

It is estimated the PY2025 CDBG grant award will be \$333,210.00 plus \$523.93 from PY2023 unspent to carry out programming and admin CDBG work in Multnomah County. The total 20% admin cap of the grant totals \$66,728. The overall programming benefit of 80% is calculated for PY2025, in total of \$267,005. Making the grand total for CDBG PY25, \$333,734.

