

Second Proposed Substantial Amendment to
Hamilton County
2016 Annual Action Plan

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A. General Information: This document serves as notification of a substantial amendment to the 2016 Annual Action Plan for Hamilton County. The document describes the proposed changes to the use of CDBG funds and explains how these changes meet existing Consolidated Plan goals.

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B. Summary of Substantial Amendment Proposed Changes

Hamilton County is submitting this Substantial Amendment to the 2016 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan as required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) outlines in 24 CFR Part 91. Per HUD regulations and County policy, any change of 10% or more of the individual grant award or 25% of a project budget must be made only after a substantial amendment is approved by County Commissioners and submitted to HUD. This process includes following the County's Citizen Participation Plan with 15 days public notice prior to a public hearing, as well as inviting public comments for a period of 30 days. This process was followed as described in Section E – Citizen Participation and Public Comments.

The proposed changes to the 2016 Annual Action Plan will convert \$629,276 Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) program income to CDBG funds. The "new" CDBG funds may be used to fund fourteen projects. Eleven public services projects that may receive additional funding that will allow us to extend our contracts beyond March 31, 2017 until our 2017 grant funds are approved. Two construction projects previously scheduled for 2017 may be moved to 2016 to ensure a timely start and the full match of State of Ohio State Capital Improvement Program funds. The remaining funds may be used for economic development. The impacted CDBG projects and programs are listed below.

Program/Community	Agency	Action Plan Goal	2016 Budget	Amended Amount	Percentage Change
Home Repair Program	People Working Cooperatively	Provide Affordable Housing for Homeowners	\$ 700,000	\$ 875,000	+25%
Emergency Food Services	Freestore Foodbank	Improve Quality of Life	\$ 100,000	\$ 125,000	+25%
Fair Housing	H.O.M.E.	Further Fair Housing	\$ 85,000	\$ 106,250	+25%
Urban Land Assistance Program	HCDC	Eliminate Slum and Blight	\$ 45,000	\$ 56,250	+25%
Homeless Programs Admin	Strategies to End Homelessness	Serve Homeless Families and Reduce Homelessness	\$ 62,000	\$ 77,500	+25%
Homeless Reintegration Project	Ohio Valley Goodwill	Serve Homeless Families and Reduce Homelessness	\$ 60,000	\$ 75,000	+25%
Economic Development & Admin	HCDC	Spur Economic Development	\$ 50,000	\$ 62,500	+25%
Lincoln Heights	EMS Staffing	Improve Quality of Life	\$ 31,000	\$ 38,750	+25%
Mobility Program	H.O.M.E.	Further Fair Housing	\$ 30,000	\$ 37,500	+25%
Norwood	Youth Dental Program	Improve Quality of Life	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,500	+25%
Springfield Township	West College Hill Neighborhood Services	Improve Quality of Life	\$ 68,000	\$ 85,000	+25%
Economic Development	Hamilton County	Spur Economic Development	\$	\$ 194,000	New Program
Streets/Curbs/Sidewalk Improvements	Norwood	Improve Public Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ 100,000	Moved from 2017
Streetscape Improvements	Silverton	Improve Public Infrastructure	\$ -	\$ 25,000	Moved from 2017

C. Proposed Changes and Relationship to Consolidated Plan Goals

The proposed changes and relationships to Consolidated Plan/Action Plan Goals follow:

Program/Community	Agency	Goals	Change to Goals
Home Repair Program	People Working Cooperatively	Provide Affordable Housing for Homeowners	Increase to 750 households
Emergency Food Services	Freestore Foodbank	Improve Quality of Life	Increase to 25,000 persons assisted
Fair Housing	H.O.M.E.	Further Fair Housing	Increase to 94 persons assisted
Urban Land Assistance Program	HCDC	Eliminate Slum and Blight	Increase to 6 buildings
Homeless Programs Admin	Strategies to End Homelessness	Serve Homeless Families and Reduce Homelessness	Results from 2017 to 2016 Action Plan
Homeless Reintegration Project	Ohio Valley Goodwill	Serve Homeless Families and Reduce Homelessness	Increase to 75 households
Economic Development & Admin	HCDC	Spur Economic Development	Increase to 12 businesses
Lincoln Heights	EMS Staffing	Improve Quality of Life	Increase to 4,250 persons assisted
Mobility Program	H.O.M.E.	Further Fair Housing	Increase so 62 households assisted
Norwood	Youth Dental Program	Improve Quality of Life	Increase to 375 persons assisted

Springfield Township	West College Hill Neighborhood Services	Improve Quality of Life	Increase to 875 persons assisted
Economic Development	Hamilton County	Spur Economic Development	Increase businesses assisted, create new jobs and/or remove slum/blight
Streets/Curbs/Sidewalk Improvements	Norwood	Improve Public Infrastructure	Assist 1,000 persons
Streetscape Improvements	Silverton	Improve Public Infrastructure	Assist 3,000 persons

D. Citizen Participation and Public Comments

The table below outlines the citizen participation plan actions followed and public comments received:

Action Taken	Date	Public Comments
Legal Ad of Public Hearing – Cincinnati Enquirer	December 23, 2016	N/A
Legal Ad of Public Hearing – Cincinnati Herald	December 24, 2016	N/A
Public Hearing	January 18, 2017	TBD
Emails, Calls, Letters	None received to date	TBD

Summary of Comments Received:

TBD

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

TBD

Summary of comments accepted and reasons for accepting them:

TBD

E. Authorized Signature

By signing this amendment, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provided the required assurances and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code Title 218, Section 1001).

Signature/Authorized Official:
Jeffrey W. Aluotto, County Administrator

Date