





Housing & Community Development

## Action Plan 2019 – Public Hearing Draft

May 1, 2019 to April 30, 2020 Lake County Board Approval – May 14, 2019 This is the first amendment to the Program Year 2019 (PY19) Annual Action Plan (AAP). This amendment accounts for the redistribution of funds from a project that couldn't clear the environmental review process to previously-approved projects that have additional funding needs. The reallocation detailed in this amendment allows for appropriate and timely spending of Lake County's entitlement funding.

## **Executive Summary**

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

### 1. Introduction

In this fifth and final year of the 2015 to 2019 Consolidated Plan for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Lake County continues working towards the five-year goals of building affordable housing, suitable living environments and new job creation opportunities. This work is in support of affirmatively furthering fair housing.

Fair housing has long been an important issue in American urban policy. The passing of the Fair Housing Act in 1968 was a critical step towards addressing this complex problem but it was far from a solution. Since the passing of the Act community groups, private business, concerned citizens, and government agencies at all levels have worked earnestly at battling housing discrimination. The Fair Housing Act mandates that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) affirmatively further fair housing through its programs. Towards this end, HUD requires funding recipients to undertake fair housing planning (FHP) to take steps that will lead to less discriminatory housing markets and better living conditions for all protected classes.

The existing laws and executive orders that define protected classes for housing in Lake County include:

### <u>Federal</u>

- Age Discrimination Act of 1975
- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
- Architectural Barriers Act of 1968
- Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Executive Order 11063, 12892, 13166
- Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
- Rehabilitation Act of 1973

#### State

• Illinois Human Rights Act

The protected classes that result from these laws are as follows:

- Race and color
- Gender
- Age
- Religion
- Physical and mental disability
- National origin and ancestry
- Sexual orientation
- Marital status
- Military status and Unfavorable Military Discharge
- Familial status
- Victims of sexual harassment
- Individuals with orders of protection (for victims of domestic violence)

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

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

In this five year plan, Lake County set the following ten goals (JG):

- 1. To acquire and/or rehab existing buildings in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income households and special needs populations.
- 2. To expand Lake County's affordable and mixed-income housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income households and special needs populations.
- 3. To end homelessness in Lake County.
- 4. To provide direct assistance to facilitate and expand homeownership among and/or to provide rental assistance to persons of low- and moderate-income.
- 5. To revitalize deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods.

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- 6. To allieviate physical and economic distress through the stimulation of private investment and community revitalization in areas with declining tax base.
- 7. To provide both services to people with disabilities and accessibility modifications to the homes, facilities and workplaces of people with disabilities, including the elderly.
- 8. To foster welcoming, inclusive and neighborly suburban communities.
- 9. To create or retain jobs for low- and moderate- income persons.
- 10. To support low- and moderate-income workers in need of job training, of transportation for access to employment, and/or of access to affordable, quality child care.

## 3. Evaluation of past performance

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

Five-year plan to date, Lake County's progress on converting existing single family homes to affordable housing has been steady due to effective downpayment assistance and owner-occupied rehab programs administered by the Affordable Housing Corporation of Lake County --- now merged with Community Partners for Affordable Housing and its successful Community Land Trust. For the development of new affordable housing, Lake County's 2015 investment in forty new units of affordable housing at Fairhaven Crossing in Mundelein was an early success. Since then, however, major commitments of HUD entitlement funds to potential new affordable rental housing in Deerfield, Mundelein and Waukegan has been reserved or reallocated as those large rental projects were delayed or canceled. Lake County's ongoing commitment to alleviating renters' cost burden and to ending homelessness continues to result in substantial investment in Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing. Toward the end of this five-year plan, Lake County increased its focus on increasing permanent supportive housing (PSH) through both new construction projects (Kirwan Apartments in Waukegan and Zion Woods Apartments in Deerfield) and proposed Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for chronically homeless waiting for PSH on the Continuum of Care's by-name list (Coordinated Entry).

Lake County's commitment to accessibility modifications has funded the installation of ramps, automated door-openers, chair lifts and elevators in facilities across the County. New job creation projects have ranged from starting a home-grown microloan program at the Black Chamber of Commerce of Lake County to creating better linkages for entrepreneurs in Lake County to Accion's downtown microloan offerings.

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

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

For this 2019 Annual Action plan, a public hearing on community needs was held on September 12, 2018. For the Plan itself, official public comment period was from February 13 to April 8, 2019. Two public hearings were held at meetings of the Housing & Community Development Commission on February 13 and March 13, 2019.

A public hearing for this proposed amendment will be held on October 23, 2019 at the meeting of the Housing & Community Development Commission.

## 5. Summary of public comments

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

Laura Ramirez spoke on behalf of A Safe Place, which provides services to those experiencing domestic violence, thanking the Housing and Community Development Commission's (HCDC) Advisory and Recommendation Committees (ARCs). The ARC's funding recommendation for security improvements will allow the agency to ensure that individuals who flee from violence aren't at risk of further violence by their abusers and for accessibility improvements will ensure that those with disabilities will have equal access to shelter.

Gail Weil, Executive Director of Community Youth Network (CYN) Counseling Center, stated that the agency had just celebrated its 40th anniversary. The agency offers a school-based therapeutic program which assists families that have been indicated for child abuse. Ms. Weil thanked the HCDC for PY2018 funding, which enabled CYN to help more than 500 at-risk youths and asked that the proposed PY2019 funding be approved, so that CYN may continue this work.

Reverend Jackie Lynn, of ElderCARE, thanked the HCDC for her agency's funding recommendation for its project to provide transportation to Lake County's homebound senior citizens. Last year, the agency provided 1911 round-trip rides to healthcare appointments, allowing ElderCARE's clients to improve their health and maintain their independence by remaining in their homes.

Susan Shulman, of Highland Park Highwood Legal Aid Clinic (Clinic), offered her appreciation for the agency's funding recommendation. The proposed funding will be used to help those experiencing domestic violence, a project that has expanded from helping 7 victims during 2016 to aiding 119 victims during 2018. Ms. Shulman added that the Clinic has reached out to surrounding communities to offer its services to a larger area.

Elizabeth Thielen, of Nicasa, thanked the HCDC for Nicasa's funding recommendations. As President of the Illinois Council on Problem Gambling, she informed those present that Lake County may be the only Illinois county utilizing Video Gaming Revenue funds to mitigate the harm caused by gambling. Nicasa is

working hard to spread the word about gambling addiction and to provide services to help those with this problem.

Maya Ziv-El, Fair Housing attorney for Prairie State Legal Services' Fair Housing Program (Program), thanked the HCDC for continued funding for the Program and informed those present that the funds allowed Prairie State to add a staff attorney who handles only housing discrimination cases. She said she recently noted that the most prevalent type of discrimination has been against people with disabilities, both physical and mental. The Program also provided Fair Housing Rights Act training to many social service providers, community groups, landlords and the staffs and clients of the local housing authorities. Ms. Ziv-El asked that the HCDC favorably consider the Program's proposed funding, thereby allowing the agency to continue serving the County's residents.

Cheryl Hudson-Jackson, of YWCA Lake County, explained the agency's tenets and programs including the youth STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) after-school classes and summer camps, currently reaching 594 youth. The YWCA believes in the early introduction of STEM education; the proposed funding would allow the agency to initiate the TechGYRLS project, to introduce possible career paths to young girls.

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

N/A

## 7. Summary

Please also see the Consultation section of this Action Plan for agencies who attending the Action Plan public hearings.

## **Expected Resources**

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

### Introduction

The 2019 Expected Resources are based on the HUD FY2017 allocation for CDBG (Lake County & North Chicago), HOME and ESG plus prior year resources and program income as shown below.

Annually, Lake County provides an additional \$300,000 of its general funds for affordable housing.

## **Anticipated Resources**

Program	Source of	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected	Narrative
	Funds		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	Description
			Allocation:	Income: \$	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$		\$		Remainder	
							of ConPlan	
							\$	
CDBG	public -	Acquisition						
	federal	Admin and Planning						
		Economic Development						
		Housing		<del>26,186</del>	<del>588,671</del>	3,424,174		
		Public Improvements						
		Public Services	2,809,317	<u>67,688</u>	2,088,164	4,965,169	0	

Program Source		Uses of Funds	Ехр	ected Amoun	t Available Ye	ar 1	Expected	Narrative
	Funds	Funds		Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$	Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Description
HOME	public -	Acquisition						
	federal	Homebuyer assistance						
		Homeowner rehab						
		Multifamily rental new						
		construction						
		Multifamily rental rehab						
		New construction for						
		ownership						
		TBRA	1,509,922	23,591	1,254,868	2,788,381	0	
ESG	public -	Conversion and rehab for						
	federal	transitional housing						
		Financial Assistance						
		Overnight shelter						
		Rapid re-housing (rental						
		assistance)						
		Rental Assistance						
		Services						
		Transitional housing	224,137	0	0	224,137	0	
Other	public -	Housing						
	local		300,000	1,000	0	301,000	0	

Table 2 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

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

Federal funds are leveraged with developer equity, municipal investments, local fundraising, bank financing, First Time Home Buyer grants, and State of Illinois affordable housing funds. Match requirements are met by local fundraising, donated materials and labor, and state and local grant funds.

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

Lake County owns or is tax trustee for several parcels of land throughout its jurisdiction for which there is currently no process in place to address directly the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. Community Development staff will be working with other stakeholders during the course of PY19 to seek and evaluate potential opportunities to leverage County-owned land in support of the Consolidated Plan.

### Discussion

As in years past, the identified needs far exceed the available resources in Lake County. To best manage this situation, as a best practice and an effort to maximize the impact of the available resources, the County has implemented an intensive grant administration strategy that includes thorough vetting of each grant applicant and a healthy monitoring process that ensures on-going compliance. These efforts are the County's means of not only satisfying HUD regulations in many ways, but more meaningfully, to ensure the resources that are available are used in the most effective way possible.

## **Annual Goals and Objectives**

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

## **Goals Summary Information**

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Rehab Existing	2015	2019	Affordable	City of	Job Creation and	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Housing: Affordable			Housing	Waukegan	Retention	\$ <del>1,159,405</del>	Activities other than
	& Special Needs			Homeless	Zion	Low Cost	\$1,707,118	Low/Moderate Income Housing
	,			Non-Homeless	Employment &	Housing	1, , , , ,	Benefit: 200 Persons Assisted
				Special Needs	Transit Centers	Strengthen	номе:	Rental units rehabilitated: 347
					North Chicago	Neighborhoods	\$1,444,577	Household Housing Units
								Homeowner Housing
								Rehabilitated: 2 <u>1</u> Household
								Housing Units
								Homeless person overnight
								shelter: 60 persons assisted
2	Develop New	2015	2019	Affordable	Mundelein	Low Cost	CDBG:	Brownfield acres remediated: 2
	Housing: Affordable			Housing	Zion	Housing	\$ <del>667,643</del>	Acre
	& Special Needs			Homeless	Employment &	Strengthen		Rental units constructed: 24
				Non-Homeless	Transit Centers	Neighborhoods	\$804,061	Household Housing Unit
				Special Needs			HOME:	Homeowner Housing
							\$837,501	Rehabilitated: 3 Household
							Local:	Housing Unit
							\$21,000	
								Building demolished: 4 buildings

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Assist People Without a Home  Subsidize Housing for Low/Mod Income Families	2015	2019	Affordable Housing Homeless	Lake County  Lake County	Low Cost Housing Strengthen Neighborhoods  Low Cost Housing	ESG: \$224,137 CDBG: \$107,480	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 9 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 970 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 25 Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 659 Persons
							\$129,980 HOME: \$355,311 Local: \$250,000	Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 800 Persons Assisted Housing for Homeless added: 5 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 18 Households
5	Provide Adequate Low/Mod IncomeArea Infrastructure	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Round Lakes North Chicago	Strengthen Neighborhoods	CDBG: \$ <del>203,168</del> \$683,281	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2065-3080 Persons Assisted Businesses assisted: 1 Businesses Assisted
6	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	North Chicago	Strengthen Neighborhoods	CDBG: \$20,000 \$10,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 900 Persons Assisted

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
7	Assist People with	2015	2019	Affordable	City of	Job Creation and	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Disabilities			Housing	Waukegan	Retention	<del>\$276,437</del>	Activities other than
				Non-Homeless	North Chicago	Low Cost		Low/Moderate Income Housing
				Special Needs		Housing	<u>\$251,437</u>	Benefit: 6205-5305 Persons
						Strengthen		Assisted
						Neighborhoods		Public service activities other
								than Low/Moderate Income
								Housing Benefit: 210 Persons
								Assisted
								Homeless Person Overnight
								Shelter: 230 Persons Assisted
8	Provide Welcoming	2015	2019	Affordable	Lake County	Low Cost	CDBG:	Public service activities other
	Communities			Housing		Housing	\$191,693	than Low/Moderate Income
				Public Housing		Strengthen		Housing Benefit: 1609 Persons
				Homeless		Neighborhoods		Assisted
				Non-Homeless				
				Special Needs				
				Non-Housing				
				Community				
				Development				
9	Job Creation	2015	2019	Non-Housing	Lake County	Job Creation and	CDBG:	Jobs created/retained: 12 Jobs
				Community		Retention	<del>\$161,000</del>	
				Development				Businesses assisted: 10
							<u>\$550,251</u>	<u>businesses</u>

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
10	Provide Services for	2015	2019	Non-Homeless	Lake County	Job Creation and	CDBG:	Public service activities other
	Job Stability			Special Needs	,	Retention	\$75,485	than Low/Moderate Income
				Non-Housing		Strengthen		Housing Benefit: 164 Persons
				Community		Neighborhoods		Assisted
				Development				
11	Grant & Program	2015	2019	Affordable	Lake County	Job Creation and	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	Administration			Housing		Retention	\$561,863	
				Homeless		Low Cost	HOME:	
				Non-Homeless		Housing	\$150,992	
				Special Needs		Strengthen	Local:	
				Non-Housing		Neighborhoods	\$30,000	
				Community				
				Development				

Table 3 – Goals Summary

## **Goal Descriptions**

1	Goal Name	Rehab Existing Housing: Affordable & Special Needs	
	Goal Description	Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of existing buildings in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income households and special needs populations.	
2	Goal Name	Develop New Housing: Affordable & Special Needs	
	Goal Description	To expand Lake County's affordable and mixed-income housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income households and special needs populations. Activities may include providing infrastructure to new affordable and mixed-income housing.	

3	Goal Name	Assist People Without a Home
	Goal Description	To end homelessness in Lake County.
4	Goal Name	Subsidize Housing for Low/Mod Income Families
	Goal Description	To provide direct assistance to facilitate and expand homeownership among and/or to provide rental assistance to persons of low- and moderate-income.
5	Goal Name	Provide Adequate Low/Mod IncomeArea Infrastructure
	Goal Description	To revitalize deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods.
6	<b>Goal Name</b>	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts
	Goal Description	To alleviate physical and economic distress through the stimulation of private investment and community revitalization in areas with declining tax base.
7	<b>Goal Name</b>	Assist People with Disabilities
	Goal Description	To provide both services to people with disabilities and accessibility modifications to the homes, facilities and workplaces of people with disabilities, including the elderly.
8	<b>Goal Name</b>	Provide Welcoming Communities
	Goal Description	To foster welcoming, inclusive and neighborly suburban communities.
9	<b>Goal Name</b>	Job Creation
	Goal Description	To create or retain jobs for low- and moderate-income persons by providing assistance to small business incubators, small businesses and/or microenterprises.
10	Goal Name	Provide Services for Job Stability
	Goal Description	To support low- and moderate-income workers in need of either transportation for access to employment or access to affordable, quality child care.

1	.1	Goal Name	Grant & Program Administration
		Goal	Administration and Planning for HOME and CDBG. ESG Admin is contained in Goal #3 per IDIS procedures.
		Description	

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

#### Introduction

According to 24 CFR 91.1, the overall goal of the community planning and development programs covered (in this Plan) is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons. The primary means towards this end is to extend and strengthen partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including forprofit and non-profit organizations, in the production and operation of affordable housing.

- (i) Decent housing includes assisting homeless persons to obtain appropriate housing and assisting persons at risk of becoming homeless; retention of the affordable housing stock; and increasing the availability of permanent housing in standard condition and affordable cost to low-income and moderate-income families, particularly to members of disadvantaged minorities, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. Decent housing also includes increasing the supply of supportive housing, which combines structural features and services needed to enable persons with special needs, including persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, to live with dignity and independence; and providing housing affordable to low-income persons accessible to job opportunities.
- (ii) A suitable living environment includes improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods; increasing access to quality public and private facilities and services; reducing the isolation of income groups within a community or geographical area through the spatial de-concentration of housing opportunities for persons of lower income and the revitalization of deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods; restoring and preserving properties of special historic, architectural, or aesthetic value; and conservation of energy resources.
- (iii) Expanded economic opportunities includes job creation and retention; establishment, stabilization and expansion of small businesses (including microbusinesses); the provision of public services concerned with employment; the provision of jobs involved in carrying out activities under programs covered by this plan to low-income persons living in areas affected by those programs and activities; availability of mortgage financing for low-income persons at reasonable rates using nondiscriminatory lending practices; access to capital and credit for development activities that promote the long-term economic and social viability of the community; and empowerment and self-sufficiency opportunities for low-income persons to reduce generational poverty in federally assisted and public housing.

In the context of these three HUD goals, projects #1 through #4 support Create Decent Housing; projects #5 through #8 aim the Create Suitable Living environments and projects #9 & #10 aim to Expand Economic Opportunities.

A total of \$421,397.00 of CDBG has been allocated to public service projects; (Project 4 - \$99,980; Project 7 - \$54,239; Project 8 - \$191,693; Project 10 - \$75,485).

Lake County Consortium's total 2019 HOME allocation was \$1,509,922.00, which requires a CHDO set-aside minimum of \$226,488.30. Lake County Consortium has one CHDO-eligible set-aside project for 2019, (Project 1) which has a total grant funding award of \$465,700.00. This exceeds Lake County's CHDO reserve set-aside minimum by \$239,211.70

#	Project Name
1	Rehabilitate Existing Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
2	Develop New Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
3	Assist People Without a Home
4	Subsidize Housing for Low/Mod Income Families
5	Provide Adequate Low/Mod Income Area Infrastructure
6	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts
7	Assist People with Disabilities
8	Provide Welcoming Communities
9	Create Jobs for Low/Mod Income Workers
10	Provide Services for Job Stability
11	Grant & Program Administration

Table 4 – Project Information

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

Allocation priorities remain consistent with the approved First Amendment of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan for Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

## **AP-38 Project Summary**

**Project Summary Information** 

Project Name	Rehabilitate Existing Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
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Target Area	City of Waukegan
	Employment & Transit Centers
	North Chicago
Goals Supported	Rehab Existing Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing
	Strengthen Neighborhoods
Funding	CDBG: \$1,159,405
	<u>\$1,707,118</u>
	HOME: \$1,444,577
Description	Acquisition and/or rehab of existing buildings in order to provide a
	decent home and a suitable living environment for low and
	moderate-income households and special needs populations.
Target Date	4/30/2020
Estimate the number	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate
and type of families that	Income Housing Benefit: 200 Persons Assisted
will benefit from the	Rental units rehabilitated: 347 Household Housing Units
proposed activities	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Units
	Homeless person overnight shelter: 60 persons assisted
<b>Location Description</b>	Waukegan, Highland Park, Lake Forest, Highwood, North Chicago

	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>Community Partners for Affordable Housing owner-occupied rehabilitation program; \$497,036 \$557,036 (\$158,542 North Chicago HOME; \$88,732 Lake County HOME; \$169,763 \$199,763 Lake County CDBG; \$80,000 \$110,000 CDBG project delivery).</li> <li>Community Partners for Affordable Housing (\$465,700 HOME; CHDO set aside) acquisition, rehabilitation and resale of housing units (plus \$20,000 HOME CHDO operating).</li> <li>Debruler Company (\$151,940 CDBG) roof replacement at Hebron Townhomes rentals</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Debruler Company (\$\frac{637,287}{\$825,000}\$ CDBG) structural façade repair at Lilac Ledge apartments.</li> <li>A Safe Place (\$\frac{5}1,466\$ CDBG) security upgrades at multifamily rental housing complex.</li> <li>Raquan's Haven (\$\frac{6}{8},950\$ CDBG) Acquisition, rehabilitation and rental of 2-units</li> <li>City of Waukegan (\$\frac{7}{11,603}\$ HOME) rehabilitation of Barwell Manor</li> <li>Lake County Haven (\$\frac{3}{300,000}\$ CDBG) Acquisition of new shelter</li> </ul>
2	Project Name	Develop New Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
	Target Area	City of Waukegan Mundelein Zion Employment & Transit Centers North Chicago
	Goals Supported	Develop New Housing: Affordable & Special Needs
	Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$667,643 \$804,061 HOME: \$837,501 Local: \$21,000
	Description	To expand Lake County's affordable and mixed-income housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income households and special needs populations. Activities may include providing infrastructure to new affordable and mixed-income housing.
	Target Date	4/30/2020

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	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Brownfield acres remediated: 2 acres remediated Rental units constructed: 24 Household Housing Unit Homeowner housing rehabilitated: 3 housing units  Building demolished: 4 buildings
	Location Description	North Chicago, Waukegan, Zion, Deerfield, Mundelein
	Planned Activities	Activities planned under the goal to Develop New Housing for Affordability & Special Needs include the following:  • Debruler Company (\$25,144 CDBG) for environmental site investigation at potential affordable housing project in Mundlein, IL.  • Youth Conservation Corps. (YCC - \$21,000 local funds) construction of small homes on vacant lots in North Chicago, Waukegan and Zion.  • HODC – (\$1,450,000; \$642,499 CDBG and \$807,501 HOME) Site preparation for 25-unit affordable housing development (plus \$30,000 HOME CHDO operating)  • City of North Chicago (\$136,418 CDBG) blighted property demolition program
3	Project Name	Assist People Without a Home
	Target Area	Lake County
	Goals Supported	Assist People Without a Home
	Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Funding	ESG: \$224,137
	Description	To end homelessness in Lake County.
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 9 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 970 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 25 Persons Assisted
	Location Description	Residents from throughout the County are provided services from the funds invested via this program.

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	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>Lake County Haven (\$26,637 ESG), homeless shelter – shelter services for individuals and families.</li> <li>Catholic Charities (\$49,195 ESG) Homelessness Prevention – short term rental assistance and case management for persons at imminent risk of homelessness.</li> <li>Catholic Charities (\$61,572 ESG) Rapid Rehousing – short and medium-term rental assistance and case management for homeless persons and families.</li> <li>A Safe Place (\$26,458 ESG) Domestic Violence Shelter – shelter services and case management for victims of domestic violence.</li> <li>PADS (\$24,335 ESG) Overnight shelter – night-by-night shelter services and case management.</li> <li>Homeless Management Information System administration (\$19,130 ESG)</li> <li>ESG Grant Administration (\$16,810)</li> </ul>
4	Project Name	Subsidize Housing for Low/Mod Income Families
	Target Area	Lake County
	Goals Supported	Subsidize Housing for Low/Mod Income Families
	Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Funding	CDBG: \$\frac{\$107,480}{\$129,980}\$  HOME: \$355,311  Local: \$250,000
	Description	To provide direct assistance to facilitate and expand home ownership among and/or to provide rental assistance to persons of low- and moderate-income.
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 659 Persons Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 800 Persons Assisted Housing for Homeless added: 5 Household Housing Unit Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 18 Households
	Location Description	Clients served with service dollars will come from all areas of the County.

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	Planned Activities	Activities planned under the goal to Subsidize Housing for Low/Moderate Income Families include the following:  •Community Partners for Affordable Housing (\$160,000 local funds) landlord risk mitigation pool
		•Community Partners for Affordable Housing (\$30,000 local funds) Affordable Housing Program
		•Community Partners for Affordable Housing (\$135,000 HOME) First time homebuyer Program
		•Supportive Housing RFP (\$\frac{237,811}{5260,311}; \$10,000 local funds, \$220,311 HOME and \$\frac{57,500}{530,000} CDBG)
		• Catholic Charities (\$51,541 CDBG; Public Service) Homelessness prevention
		<ul> <li>Catholic Charities (\$50,000 local funds) Rapid Rehousing – short and medium-term rental assistance and case management for homeless persons and families.</li> <li>Prairie State Legal Services (\$21,307 CDBG; Public Service) Legal</li> </ul>
		advice and representation related to homelessness prevention and
		<ul><li>housing stability issues</li><li>ElderCARE (\$21,366 CDBG; Public Service) Transportation assistance to seniors</li></ul>
		PADS (\$5,766 CDBG; Public Service) Overnight shelter – night-by- night shelter services and case management
5	Project Name	Provide Adequate Low/Mod Income Area Infrastructure
	Target Area	Round Lakes North Chicago
	Goals Supported	Provide Adequate Low/Mod IncomeArea Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Strengthen Neighborhoods
	Funding	CDBG: \$ <del>203,168</del> <u>\$683,281</u>
	Description	To revitalize deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods.
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2065-3080 Persons Assisted
	proposed activities	Businesses assisted: 1 business
	<b>Location Description</b>	North Chicago, Round Lakes

	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>North Chicago (\$\frac{113,168-\\$383,281}{13,168-\\$383,281} \text{CDBG}) \frac{1000}{1000} \text{Infrastructure-Sewer} improvements.</li> <li>Lake County Municipal League (\$\frac{5,000-\\$45,000}{245,000} \text{CDBG}) - Capacity building</li> <li>Round Lake Beach (\$\frac{85,000}{25,000} \text{CDBG}) - Drainage improvements and road reconstruction</li> <li>Round Lake Heights (\$\frac{170,000}{25,000} \text{CDBG})</li> </ul>	
6	Project Name	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts	
	Target Area	North Chicago	
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts	
	Needs Addressed	Strengthen Neighborhoods Job Creation and Retention	
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000 \$10,000	
	Description	Revitalize Low/Mod Income Area Business Districts.	
	Target Date	4/30/2020	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 900 Persons Assisted	
	<b>Location Description</b>	North Chicago	
	Planned Activities	In support of revitalizing business districts that service and employ low/moderate income households in Lake County, the following activities are planned:  • NORTH CHICAGO (\$20,000-\$10,000 CDBG): - Streetscaping - plant new trees along commercial corridors to improve appearance of struggling business districts.	
7	Project Name	Assist People with Disabilities	
	Target Area	City of Waukegan North Chicago	
	Goals Supported	Assist People with Disabilities	
	Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing Strengthen Neighborhoods Job Creation and Retention	
	Funding	CDBG: <del>\$276,437</del> <u>\$251,437</u>	

	Description	To provide both services to people with disabilities and accessibility modifications to the homes, facilities and workplaces of people with disabilities, including the elderly.
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6205 Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 210 Persons Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 230 Persons Assisted
	Location Description	Waukegan, North Chicago
	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>Great Lakes Adaptative Sports Association (\$21,557 CDBG; Public Service) Adaptive sports programming</li> <li>Arden Shore (\$58,610 CDBG) – HVAC upgrades at family center</li> <li>A Safe Place (\$47,805 CDBG) - Accessibility upgrades to domestic violence shelter</li> <li>One Hope United (\$16,341 CDBG; Public Service) – Transportation services</li> <li>Arden Shore (\$16,341 CDBG; Public Service) – Transportation services</li> <li>North Chicago (\$25,000 CDBG) – Sidewalk reconstruction</li> <li>City of Zion (\$90,783 CDBG) – Sidewalk reconstruction</li> </ul>
8	Project Name	Provide Welcoming Communities
	Target Area	Lake County
	Goals Supported	Provide Welcoming Communities
	Needs Addressed	Strengthen Neighborhoods Job Creation and Retention
	Funding	CDBG: \$191,693
	Description	To foster welcoming, inclusive and neighborly suburban communities.
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1609 Persons Assisted
	Location Description	To foster welcoming, inclusive and neighborly suburban communities.

	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>CASA – (\$27,284 CDBG; Public Service) Court advocacy support for abused and neglected children</li> <li>Prairie State Legal Services (\$87,155 CDBG; Public Service) for fair housing legal services</li> <li>Mano a Mano (\$21,332 CDBG; Public Service) for their productive parents program</li> <li>Highland Park Legal Aid Clinic (\$16,324 CDBG; Public Service) for fair housing legal services</li> <li>YWCA (\$16,291 CDBG; Public Service) STEM school age youth</li> </ul>
		program
		<ul> <li>Antioch Area Healthcare Alliance (\$16,307 CDBG; Public Service)</li> <li>network nurse program</li> <li>Northern Illinois Food Bank (\$5,000 CDBG; Public Service) mobile</li> </ul>
		food pantry
		Zacharias Center (\$2,000 CDBG; Public Service) youth counseling
9	Project Name	Create Jobs for Low/Mod Income Workers
	Target Area	Lake County
	Goals Supported	Job Creation
	Needs Addressed	Job Creation and Retention
	Funding	CDBG: \$161,000 \$550,251
	Description	To create or retain jobs for low- and moderate-income persons by providing assistance to business (e.g. small business incubators, small businesses and/or microenterprises).
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Jobs created: 12 jobs <u>Businesses assisted: 10 businesses</u>
	Location Description	All areas of the County are expected to benefit from the funds invested in this goal.

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	Planned Activities	Glenkirk (\$81,000 CDBG) Day programming facility expansion	
		Highland Park Community Nursery (\$80,000) Construction of day care facility	
		• Greater Waukegan Development Coalition (\$142,000 CDBG)	
		technical assistance to low/mod income business owners	
		• Youth Conservation Corps. (\$247,251 CDBG) reconstruction of single family homes in Zion, Waukegan and North Chicago	
10	Project Name	Provide Services for Job Stability	
	Target Area	Lake County	
	Goals Supported	Provide Services for Job Stability	
	Needs Addressed	Strengthen Neighborhoods Job Creation and Retention	
	Funding	CDBG: \$75,485	
	Description	To support low- and moderate-income workers in need of either transportation for access to employment or access to affordable, quality child care.	
	Target Date	4/30/2020	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 164 Persons Assisted	
	Location Description	Clients from throughout Lake County are expected to benefit from dollars invested in this goal.	
	Planned Activities	<ul> <li>Highland Park Community Nursery School (\$31,449 CDBG; Public Service) – Child care for low/mod income workers</li> <li>Youth Conservation Corps (\$16,291 CDBG; Public Service)</li> <li>Educational and vocational opportunities for low/mod income youth</li> <li>YouthBuild Lake County (\$22,745 CDBG; Public Service) -</li> <li>Educational and vocational opportunities for low/mod income youth</li> <li>YWCA (\$5,000 CDBG; Public Service) educational youth</li> <li>programming</li> </ul>	
11	Project Name	Grant & Program Administration	
	Target Area	Lake County North Chicago	
	Goals Supported	Grant & Program Administration	

Needs Addressed	Low Cost Housing Strengthen Neighborhoods Job Creation and Retention
Funding	CDBG: \$561,863 HOME: \$150,992 Local: \$30,000
Description	This includes North Chicago CDBG Admin.
Target Date	4/30/2020
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
Location Description	Countywide
Planned Activities	Planning and administrative funds cover staff and other County costs in planning and administering CDBG and HOME funds. Per IDIS practices, the ESG administration funds are contained in Project #3: Assist People Without a Home.

## 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

The County developed its geographic priorities based on a two-pronged approach:

- 1. Revitalize areas of greatest need. In addition to the entitlement communities of North Chicago and Waukegan, several areas of Lake County are home to a concentrated number of low/moderate income households whose neighborhoods would benefit from community development, including commercial revitalization, housing and infrastructure rehabilitation plus more adequate amenities. Indicated in HUD data as census tracts where over 55% of households are at or below 50% of area median income (AMI) and located in Beach Park, Fox Lake, Mundelein, Park City, the Round Lake area, Warren Township, Wauconda Township and Zion, these target areas are identified in green in the map below. In further articulating each area's specific needs/barriers, place-based strategies and opportunities, Lake County will work with local governments. A recommended action for Lake County in its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice is to "Use CDBG funds to make areas with existing affordable housing more attractive by investing in public facilities, infrastructure, and economic development there.
- 2. Assist in expanding the supply of housing near transit and employment centers, especially outside areas where there are already heavy concentrations of affordable housing. Another recommended action for Lake County in its Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice is "The County could prioritize the allocation of CDBG and HOME funds to (housing) projects near public transportation and employment centers." To this end, the County is articulating areas "near transit and employment centers, especially outside areas where there are already heavy concentrations of affordable housing" as a geographic priority for affordable and special needs housing. Areas proximate to employment, retail and medical facilities —or easily accessible by public transportation often lack affordable housing, so those areas are a priority for affordable housing in this Action Plan.

### **Geographic Distribution**

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of Waukegan	<del>23</del> 20
Lake County	
Mundelein	1
Round Lakes	<del>2</del> 3
Wauconda Township	
Waukegan Township	
Zion	<del>5</del> <u>7</u>
Beach Park	

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Employment & Transit Centers	<del>32</del> 26
Fox Lake	
Gurnee	
Park City	
Warren Township	
North Chicago	<del>9</del> 13

Table 5 - Geographic Distribution

## Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The geographic allocation will be driven by a combination of the County's geographic priorities discussed above and the 2019 project proposals from the local communities. Also, the joint agreement between the City of North Chicago and Lake County reserves the amount of the City of North Chicago's entitlement for North Chicago although its CDBG allocation is administered by Lake County.

### Discussion

City of Waukegan's Action Plan is contained on separate pages.