



Waynesboro City Council Agenda Briefing

Meeting Date:	August 9, 2021	Staff/Council Member(s): Jim Shaw, Deputy City Manager/Luke Juday, Director of Planning
Agenda Item #	7	
Resolution#		
Department:	City Manager's Office/Planning Department	
Subject:	Federal FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Communities Program Annual Action Plan	

Background: In 2013, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determined that the City of Waynesboro was eligible to receive annual funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Communities Program. Entitlement Communities receive annual funding allocated according to a HUD formula which uses objective measures of community needs, including the extent of poverty, population, housing overcrowding and age of the housing stock.

HUD awards grants to Entitlement Communities to carry out a wide range of activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved public facilities and services. While entitlement communities develop their own program and funding priorities, expenditures must be consistent with HUD's national objectives:

- 1) To provide decent housing by preserving the affordable housing stock, increasing the availability of affordable housing, reducing discriminatory barriers, increasing the supply of supportive housing for those with special needs, and transitioning homeless families into housing.
- 2) To provide a suitable living environment through safer more livable neighborhoods, greater integration of low- and moderate- income residents throughout the City, increased housing opportunities and reinvestment in deteriorating neighborhoods.
- 3) To expand economic opportunities through more jobs paying self-sufficient wages, homeownership opportunities, development activities that promote long-term community viability, and the empowerment of low-and moderate-income persons to achieve self-sufficiency.

Each year the Council must adopt an Annual Action Plan of specific program goals and expenditures. Waynesboro will receive approximately \$192,838 in FY2021 (Federal Fiscal Year) as its normal allocation and an additional allocation of \$117,476 which originates in the second round of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Securities (CARES) Act. Proposed activities in the FY2021 Plan include the following:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	CDBG FY 2021 Budget	CDBG-CV Round 2 Budget
Reconstruction of Rosenwald Basketball Courts	\$40,870	
WHRA Fairfax Hall Expansion and Renovation	\$25,000	
Downtown Resurgence grant and façade grants	\$11,400	
4 th Street Crossing and Sidewalk Project	\$37,000	
Downtown Parking and Landscaping	\$20,000	

Port Republic Signage and Landscaping	\$20,000	
WARM Contribution		\$28,981
Habitat for Humanity Kirby Avenue Extension		\$65,000
Grant Administration	\$38,568	\$23,495

City Manager’s Recommendation: The City Council should hold a Public Hearing and after closing the hearing and considering any public comments, consider adoption of the proposed 2021 Annual Action Plan (AAP) and authorize the City Manager to submit the AAP to The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in accordance with citizen participation requirements.

Suggested Motion(s): A motion should be made to adopt the 2021 Annual Action Plan (AAP) and authorize the City Manager to submit the AAP to HUD in accordance with the attached Resolution

Attachments:

- 1) Low to Moderate Income Map of Waynesboro
- 2) 6-Year Program Summary
- 3) 2021 Annual Action Plan Resolution