



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**  
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**DRAFT 2015 ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN**  
**and**  
**DRAFT CONSOLIDATED PLAN 2015-2020**

**Purpose** In accordance with Federal Regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) the City of New Bedford is required to prepare a five year Consolidated Plan describing priorities and needs for housing and community development and a One-Year Action Plan that describes how federal grant funds and anticipated program income will be used to address priority needs and objectives identified in the City's five (5) year Consolidated Plan prepared by the City of New Bedford's Office of Planning, Housing & Community Development. The Consolidated Plan, required by HUD, constitutes the City's comprehensive housing affordability strategy and community development plan.

The Action Plan demonstrates how the City is addressing the needs articulated in the Consolidated Plan on an annual basis through its application to HUD for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and HOME Investment Partnership Program funding. The Action plan also identifies the extent to which these federal funds are expected to leverage other financial resources from private and non-federal public sources in meeting Consolidated Plan priority needs. The FY15 Action Plan will also describe activities to be undertaken within each grant program during the next year and will further address all commitments identified through the consolidated plan community survey, as well as various citizen participation activities for prioritizing community needs.

**Availability of Draft Plans:** This public notice only announces the availability of the Draft FY15 Action Plan and the Draft Consolidated Plan; copies of the complete drafts of both of these plans will be available for public review for 30 days beginning Monday, April 27, 2015 through Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at the following locations:

- Office of Planning, Housing & Community Development, 608 Pleasant Street;
- City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 133 William Street, New Bedford;
- Wilks Library, 1911 Acushnet Avenue, New Bedford;
- Howland-Green Library, 3 Rodney French Boulevard, New Bedford;
- New Bedford Public Library, Main Branch 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford;

Written comments concerning either/both draft plans described here are encouraged and may be submitted at any time during the 30-day comment period to: Office of Planning, Housing & Community Development, 608 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02740. A summary of these comments will appear in the respective plans as an appendix to the final documents submitted to HUD on or before June 1, 2015.

If you know of anyone who is unable to read this ad or is in need of translation services, please contact Gisele Gonsalves, Office Manager, at the Office of Planning, Housing & Community Development, (508) 979-1500 (TTY 508.979.1661), so that assistance may be provided.

*"This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact the Office of Planning, Housing and Community Development at (508)979-1500 or at 608 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 for accommodations for this request."*

*"Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma bajo petición. Por favor, póngase en contacto con the Office of Planning, Housing and Community Development al (508) 979-1500 o en 608 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 de alojamiento para esta solicitud."*