FY2019 ACTION PLAN
COMMUNITY MEETING

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING,
HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Patrick J. Sullivan
Director
The City of New Bedford receives an annual allocation of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

These funds are used to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and affordable homes for all.

Funded activities align to the City’s goal of creating a livable and sustainable community.
The Consolidated Plan (ConPlan) is a five year plan that identifies community needs and spending priorities for CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds.

The Action Plan – is a one year plan that allocates estimated funding amounts for defined activities.

The forthcoming Action Plan allocates funds for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 representing the final program year within the current ConPlan cycle.
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Listening

- Public Hearings
- Consultations
- Stakeholder Sessions
- Community Surveys
- Draft Plans
FUNDING
Funding Life Cycle

1. Determine Needs
2. Set Priorities
3. Identify Resources
4. Establish Goals
5. Administer Programs
6. Evaluate Performance
Estimated Funding Availability for FY19

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

$2,455,414
used for a wide range of community development needs.

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**

$231,557
used to address homelessness.

**HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)**

$674,255
used to create affordable housing for low-income households.
BLOCK GRANTS
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Block Grants

CDBG
Community Development Block Grant Program

ESG
Emergency Solutions Grant Program

HOME
Home Investment Partnership Program
CDBG Eligible Activities

- Must meet national objectives
  - Benefit low to moderate income persons
  - Prevent slum or blight
  - Address urgent community needs

- Not less than 70% of spending must benefit low to moderate income persons
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**CDBG**

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ESG Eligible Activities

- Used to prevent homelessness and assist those already experiencing homelessness.

- Range of activities includes:
  - Street Outreach
  - Emergency Shelter
  - Homeless Prevention
  - Rapid Re-housing
  - Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
HOME Eligible Activities

- Provides funds to develop, support, produce, and expand the supply of decent and affordable housing including:
  - New construction, rental housing and first time homebuyer programs for low and moderate income persons
  - Assistance to approved Community Housing Development Organizations [CHDOs] that develop housing for low and moderate income persons
ACCOMPLISHMENTS
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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

 ✓ Community Development Block Grant Projects
 ✓ Emergency Solutions Grant Program
 ✓ CDBG Housing and HOME Activities
 ✓ The CAPER
City residents benefitted from CDBG-funded Public Service activities and programs

City residents benefitted from Public facility improvements and City park upgrades

Housing units were added, improved, de-leaded and/or rehabbed with CDBG and HOME dollars
Last fiscal year there were 21 public service activities funded totaling $287,187.

Activities ranged from recreation and arts programs to counseling, case management and transportation.
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Through the New Bedford Economic Development Council:

**15** Jobs created or retained last fiscal year.

**19** Businesses assisted in the last fiscal year.

Through the DPHCD:

**15** Businesses assisted with façade improvements
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CDBG ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PUBLIC FACILITIES

Hayden McFadden Playground

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First Baptist Church Steeple Restoration Project

Buttonwood Senior Center Project
CDBG Funds are often used for the planting of street trees, enhanced lighting and sidewalk/intersection improvements in areas with low-moderate income populations.
The Emergency Solutions Program utilized $239,285 in funding to support 6 homeless programs that served over 862 people:

- **Emergency / Transitional Programs**
  - 555 persons served.

- **Homeless Prevention Programs**
  - 141 persons served.

- **Rapid Re-Housing Programs**
  - 42 households served
Neighborhood’s First, First Time Homebuyer (FTHB) Assistance
Provided 10 households with down-payment/closing costs and/or gap assistance.
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HOME ACCOMPLISHMENTS

FIRST TIME HOMEBUYERS SEMINARS

150 people attended one of 5 First Time Homebuyers seminars offered last fiscal year.
Verdean Gardens 110 unit development $7 million rehabilitation

110 Units of Housing were assisted through CDBG and HOME funded rehabilitation programs.
The New Bedford “Continuum of Care” (CoC) is a collaborative network known as the Homeless Service Provider’s Network (HSPN) consisting of roughly 40 public, private, non-profit and faith-based organizations strategically working to prevent and end homelessness in the city.

In January of 2018, both a Point In Time (PIT) and a Housing Inventory Count (HIC) were conducted to collect census data about those experiencing homelessness in the city.

294 Permanent Housing Units
278 Rapid Rehousing (Permanent Housing) Units
123 Transitional Units
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NEW BEDFORD'S HSPN :: FORUM ON MENTAL HEALTH

Supportive Services and Relief for those displaced by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico

Coordinated help for those in need

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At the end of each fiscal year, the DPHCD develops a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) reporting on the status and budgets for the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs. A copy of the report is available online at www.newbedford-ma.gov as is the four page summary document.
1. What is an RFP?
   It is a Request for Proposals. This is the way in which you can apply for funding.

2. Where can I access the RFP?
   The RFP is available at the DPHCD offices, on the city’s website at this address: www.newbedford-ma.gov/community-development/ and will be available tonight.

3. How can I learn more about how to complete the RFP?
   The City’s DPHCD will be conducting an RFP Workshop that you may attend:

   CDBG at 9:00am
   ESG at 10:00am
   Friday, January 11, 2019
   Dept. of Planning, Housing and Community Development
   608 Pleasant Street, 2nd Floor
There are 2 kinds of RFP packets:

- CDBG RFP Packet
- ESG RFP Packet

Each packet is available in 3 locations:

- City Website: www.newbedford-ma.gov/community-development/
- Public Meeting Tonight
- DPHCD Offices: 608 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02740
THE RFP

THE RFP WORKSHOP WILL BE...

CDBG 9.00AM
ESG 10.00AM

FRIDAY  JANUARY 11, 2019

DPHCD
608 Pleasant Street
New Bedford MA  02740
City Wide Community Meetings:

**Tuesday, January 8th at Carney Academy School 6pm – 7:30pm**
Community Outreach Forum conducted to solicit input for the FY19 Action Plan; RFPs available

**Wednesday, January 9th at DPHCD 6pm – 7:30pm**
Public meeting conducted to solicit input for the FY19 Action Plan; RFPs available
Friday, January 11th
RFP Workshop to assist in developing a proposal
(CDBG at 9:00am | ESG at 10:00am at DPHCD offices, 608 Pleasant Street, 2nd floor)

Friday, February 8th at 12 PM
Deadline for all proposals at the DPHCD, 608 Pleasant Street (second floor)

Friday, March 22nd
Draft Action Plan 2018 published and distributed to public locations
Distribution of Plan to City Council

Friday, March 22nd — Monday, April 22nd
Thirty-day public comment period on Draft Action Plan 2019

Thursday, April 25th
Submittal to City Council for vote authorizing Action Plan 2019

Friday, May 10th
Submission of Final Action Plan 2019 to HUD

Monday, July 1st
2019 CDBG, ESG, and HOME fiscal year begins
FEEDBACK
So what do you think?

- Neighborhood Revitalization
- Affordable Housing
- Public Facilities
- Community Services
- Public Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Homeless Facilities and Services
- Planning

What’s needed?
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

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