

SUMMARY

2009 CONSOLIDATED ACTION PLAN

As the fourteenth annual report, the **2009 Consolidated Action Plan (the Plan)** is both an application for federal funds, as well as a blueprint for increasing and conserving affordable housing, increasing homeownership, assisting those with special needs, and upgrading low and moderate-income neighborhoods. The Plan covers the City of Houston's Fiscal Year 2010 (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010). Funding priorities are housing, supportive services, economic development and infrastructure/neighborhood facilities. Sources of funds are the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (HOME), the American Dream Downpayment Initiative Grant (ADDI), the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant (HOPWA), and the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG).

The Plan evaluates the City of Houston Housing and Community Development Department's (HCDD) success in achieving program objectives and in linking goals and objectives to performance outcomes (availability/accessibility, affordability and sustainability). It shows that HCDD has exceeded numerical objectives in all categories of revitalization activities, from housing rehabilitation to homebuyer assistance to assisting low-income Houstonians.

Throughout the 2009 Consolidated Action Plan development process, HCDD collaborates with various community stakeholders about improvement strategies that would benefit low and moderate-income Houstonians. HCDD distributes the Plan development schedule and information booklet. As required by federal regulations, HCDD held the first of two public hearings on Wednesday, November 12, 2008, where HCDD solicited input from residents, neighborhood-based organizations, and non- and for-profit agencies, and captured public comments.

The format and information presented in the Plan are based on requirements from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It contains an Executive Summary and sections that describe: Resources; Activities to be Undertaken; Geographic Distribution of Funding; Public Housing Improvements; the Monitoring Process; the Coordination of Efforts; the Applications for Funding; the Proposed Projects; Public Comments; Certifications; Appendices; and Ordinances.

The **2009 Consolidated Action Plan** describes how the estimated \$49,993,446 in federal funds and \$4,218,519 in program income will be used to benefit income-eligible residents during the 35th Program Year (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010). These estimates are based on grant amounts awarded for the 2008 Plan, as HUD has not released 2009 entitlement grant amounts, and the HCDD does not anticipate a significant change in funding for the 2009 Plan.

Sources of Federal Funds

Community Development Block Grant	\$	29,798,698
CDBG Projected Program Income	\$	3,918,519
HOME Investment Partnerships Grant	\$	12,722,540
HOME Projected Program Income	\$	300,000
American Dream Downpayment Initiative Grant	\$	107,611
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant	\$	6,038,000
Emergency Shelter Grants	\$	1,326,597
TOTAL	\$	54,211,965

Community Development Block Grant

Neighborhood Facilities Improvements	\$	5,348,171
Housing	\$	6,811,251
Public Services	\$	4,913,350
Emergency Shelter Grants (Match)	\$	700,000
Coalition for the Homeless	\$	133,415
Economic Development Assistance Program	\$	5,176,540
Dangerous Buildings Administration /Legal Department/Code Enforcement	\$	4,483,000
Program Administration	\$	6,151,490
TOTAL	\$	33,717,217

HOME Investment Partnerships Grant (Includes American Dream Payment Initiative)

Single-Family Down Payment/Closing, Cost Assistance New/Existing Homes	\$	5,275,000
Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation/ Remediation/New Construction	\$	1,400,000
Multi-family Acquisition/Rehabilitation/ New Construction/Relocation	\$	4,883,151
Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO Operations)	\$	300,000
Program Administration	\$	1,272,000
TOTAL	\$	13,130,151

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant

Acquisition/Rehab/Conversion/Repair/Lease	\$	247,558
Operating Costs	\$	640,028
Technical Assistance/Housing Information/ Resource Identification	\$	42,266
Supportive Services	\$	1,098,916
Project or Tenant-based Rental Assistance	\$	1,835,552
Short-Term, Rent, Mortgage & Utility Assistance	\$	1,569,880
Grantee Administration	\$	181,140
Sponsor Administration	\$	422,660
TOTAL	\$	6,038,000

Emergency Shelter Grants

Essential Services	\$	397,979
Operations	\$	464,309
Homeless Prevention	\$	397,979
Administration	\$	66,330
TOTAL	\$	1,326,597

The second public hearing on **the 2009 Consolidated Action Plan will be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Former City Council Chambers (900 Bagby). A draft copy of the Plan will be available, free of charge, from the Housing and Community Development Department, on Friday, April 24th. It will also be placed on the HCDD's website at www.houstonhousing.org and at branch libraries. **The public is invited to comment on the Plan during the 30-day review period which extends from Sunday, April 12th through Tuesday, May 12th.** Public comments submitted will be included in the Plan. The Plan will also be submitted to City Council for approval. Please contact HCDD if special arrangements are needed for the public hearing. For more information, contact Marnine Thomas (713.865.9314) or Robert Bradford (713.868.8340).