

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Year Four Annual Action Plan for Program Year 34 describes the proposed investment of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Homeownership Opportunities for People with Aids (HOPWA), Emergency Shelter Grants and HOME Housing Investment Partnership Program funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the upcoming fiscal year 2008-2009.

These funds will address the needs identified in the Five Year 2004-2009 Consolidated Plan in the areas of housing, public facilities and improvements, eligible rehabilitation activities, economic development and public services.

The plan satisfies the requirements for the Federal formula grant program. There are no major influences that are expected to impact program implementation.

The City of Hartford Department of Development Services, Grant Management Division is responsible for administering the CDBG, HOPWA and ESG programs. The Housing and Property Management Division administers the HOME program.

The following goals are used to guide funding decisions for the Annual Action Plan.

All funded activities address at least one goal and meet one of three following National Objectives of the CDBG program:

- Benefit to low and moderate income persons
- Elimination of slum and blight
- Meeting a particular urgent need.

All activities supported by the five year consolidated plan and annual action plan strive to improve the quality of life for City of Hartford low-to-moderate income residents. The City of Hartford encourages agency collaboration and cooperation to improve program outcomes.

The following objectives will be addressed in the Year Four Annual Action Plan:

- Improve public infrastructure
- Increase public safety
- Increase Residential desirability
- Better the quality of life in low- and moderate-income neighborhoods.

During the 2007-2008 Program Year Three, that will end June 30, 2008, the City utilized program funds for the following activities toward the accomplishment of the goals established in the Consolidated Plan:

### **CDBG:**

- Funds allocated for Public Service consisting of approximately forty seven (47) sub-recipient agencies that provide a range of services to low-moderate income Hartford residents. Outcome resulted in approximately 5,743 Harford residents receiving a direct service.
- Funds allocated for Public Facilities and Improvements resulted in an outcome of one public facility improved.
- Funds allocated for Rehabilitation Activities resulting in approximately 230 real properties improved in various fashions such as housing inspections, appraisal gap financing, loans under the Housing Preservation Loan Fund Program, commercial business façades and other.

- Funds allocated for economic development efforts resulting in approximately 66 varied services such as business loans, technical assistance, and small business training implemented through four eligible Sub-recipients.
- Funds allocated for enabling land acquisition for residential development by Habitat for Humanity and facilitated other acquisition via LISC resulting in the redevelopment of 29 residential units.
- 20% of funds allocated for the administrative costs of operating the programs.

**HOPWA:**

- Funds allocated for ten (10) agencies that provide HOPWA support to eligible residents within the Hartford Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area. Funding action resulted in approximately 241 families and individuals that received support services such as case management, short term rental assistance and supportive housing. Approximately \$32,940 or 3% was utilized for program administration and \$12,135 reserved for emergency needs.

**ESG:**

- Funds allocated for eleven (11) agencies that provide emergency shelter support to eligible residents within the City of Hartford. Funding action resulted in approximately 5,869 families and individuals that received support services such as case management, overnight shelter and supportive housing. Approximately \$4,115 or 2% was utilized for program administration.

**HOME:**

- The City requires that applicants for HOME funds demonstrate that they will leverage funding from other sources. The Division of Housing and Property Management has been diligent in its effort to insure that every dollar of HOME program funding is leveraged to the greatest extent possible. To illustrate this, since 1992 the city has recommended HOME program funding for 40 individual projects containing a total of 1,603 housing units. The total amount of development costs for these projects amounts to over \$275 million. The City of Hartford has committed HOME funds for these projects in the amount of \$25,341,315.
- There was also \$1,784,746 in State HOME funds administered by the City for these projects.
- On average, the amount of HOME funds invested is less than 15% of the total amount of funds required to complete these projects. This means that approximately 85% of the funds needed to complete each project comes from other sources. In Year Two, HOME funds leveraged \$33,424,871 in other funding.

**PLEASE SEE ATTACHED TABLE:**

FISCAL YEAR 2008-09, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) ENTITLEMENT FUNDS, OUTLINING APPROVED ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR FISCAL YR 08-09.

Overall we believe, as supported by a track record of diligence, that the programs above mentioned are performing well and look forward to continued fund utilization for the benefit of low and moderate income residents of the City of Hartford.

**FISCAL YEAR 2008-09  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) ENTITLEMENT FUNDS**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Hartford Economic Development Corporation	Merchant Association Small Business Revolving Loan Fund	230,000
Spanish American Merchants Association, Inc.	Empresario Latino Development Center	50,000
University of Hartford	Entrepreneurial Center	50,000
University of Hartford	Upper Albany Main Street Program	135,000
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOTAL</b>		<b>\$465,000</b>

**ELIGIBLE REHABILITATION ACTIVITIES**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Development Services-Housing & Property Management Division	Homeownership Appraisal Gap Program	135,360
Development Services-Housing & Property Management Division	Housing Preservation Loan Fund Program	374,571
Development Services-Planning Division	Façade Improvement Program	175,000
Department of Health and Human Services	Lead Hazard Control Program	93,000
Rebuilding Together Hartford, Inc.	Homeowner Retention	90,000
<b>ELIGIBLE REHABILITATION ACTIVITIES TOTAL</b>		<b>\$867,931</b>

**ACQUISITION**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Hartford Area Habitat for Humanity	Habitat Homeownership Program	74,250
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	Land Acquisition for Neighborhood Development	72,500
<b>ACQUISITION TOTAL</b>		<b>\$146,750</b>

**PUBLIC FACILITIES**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Department of Public Works	Hollowmead Playground Pope Park	301,000
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corp.	Preserving a Hartford Treasure at Park Street's Gateway	203,837
Riverfront Recapture, Inc.	Hartford Riverfront Park Development	135,986
YMCA of Metropolitan Hartford, Inc.	North Hartford YMCA Architectural & LEED Certification Costs	70,931
<b>PUBLIC FACILITIES TOTAL</b>		<b>\$711,754</b>

**PUBLIC SERVICES**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Artists Collective, Inc.	Free Educational and Outreach After School and Summer Programs	20,000
Boys and Girls Clubs of Hartford, Inc.	Triple Play	20,000
Camp Courant, Inc.	Hartford's Camp Courant	15,500
Christian Activities Council Congregational, Inc.	Housing Counseling Services	10,000
Community Partners in Action	The Resettlement Program	20,000
Compass Youth Collaborative	After School Initiative	42,000
Connecticut Institute for the Blind, Inc.	Hartford Artisan's Center	8,000

AGENCY	PROGRAM	ALLOCATION
Co-Opportunity, Inc.	YouthBuild Hartford	40,000
Cultural Dance Troupe of the West Indies, Inc.	After School and Saturday Dance Program	10,000
Foodshare, Inc.	Public Housing Food Delivery Program	15,000
Greater Hartford Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc.	Capable Kids "Believing and Achieving"	25,000
Hands on Hartford, Inc.	MANNA Senior Community Café	35,000
Hartford Action Plan on Infant Health, Inc.	Breaking the Cycle	20,000
Hartford Areas Rally Together, Inc.	Homeownership Made Easy Program	67,500
Hartford Interval House, Inc.	The Shelter Program	12,000
Hartford School of Music d/b/a Hartford Conservatory	Tuition-Free Performing Arts Program	15,000
Hartford Stage Company	Teen Performance Ensemble	15,000
House of Bread, Inc.	Helping Our Mothers Through Education	9,974
Housing Education Resource Center, Inc.	Direct Service Program	10,000
Jubilee House, Inc.	Esperanza Academic Center	30,000
Knox Parks Foundation, Inc.	Green Crew AmeriCorps Living Allowances	25,000
Literacy Volunteers Of Greater Hartford	ESOL and Basic Literacy Instruction for Adults	15,000
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	Hartford Collaborative of Community Organizing	100,000
Mi Casa Family Services and Educational Center, Inc.	Neighborhood Youth Center	20,000
New England Farm Workers Council	Hispanic Employability Program	20,000
Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters	Hartford School Based Program	10,000
Organized Parents Make a Difference, Inc.	After School Programs at Kennelly and Batchelder	30,000
Our Piece of the Pie, Inc.	Hartford AmeriCorps	18,000
Salvation Army of Hartford, Inc.	Parents the Second Time Around	47,050
San Juan Center Sports, Inc.	Youth Educational & Recreational Program	15,000
South Arsenal Neighborhood Development Corporation	Support Training Results in Valuable Employment (STRIVE)	18,000
Trust House, Inc.	Adult Education	10,000
YWCA of New Britain, Inc.	YWCA Sexual Assault Crisis Service	10,000
<b>PUBLIC SERVICE TOTAL</b>		<b>\$778,024</b>

#### PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

AGENCY	ACTIVITY	ALLOCATION
Community Renewal Team, Inc.	Annual Point-in-Time Census of the Homeless	10,000
Development Services-Grants Management Division	CDBG Program Administration	889,640
Finance Department-Accounting Division	Accounting, Audits & Loan Administration	87,725
Office of Human Relations	Fair Housing & Contract Compliance	30,000
<b>PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,017,365</b>
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,986,824</b>

#### HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAM

PROGRAM ACTIVITY	% OF ALLOCATION	ALLOCATION
Set-Aside for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs)	15%	\$277,019
Set-aside for homebuyer assistance, and rehabilitation/new construction of residential properties for homeownership opportunities, or rental housing or any combination thereof; this includes \$500,000 (House Hartford) and \$885,095 (Rehabilitation/New Construction).	75%	1,385,095

Program Administration	10%	184,679
<b>HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME) PROGRAM TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$1,846,793</b>

**HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH AIDS (HOPWA)**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Christian Activities Council, Congregational	Case Management for Zezzo House	82,180
Chrysalis Center, Inc.	HIV/AIDS Supportive Housing Services	166,313
Community Renewal Team, Inc.	McKinney Shelter Supportive Services and Case Management	85,560
Connecticut AIDS Resource Coalition, Inc.	Housing Services	151,269
Hands on Hartford, Inc.	Peter's Retreat	207,599
Human Resources Agency of New Britain, Inc.	Wellness Resource Center	149,782
Immaculate Conception Shelter & Housing Corporation	AIDS Case Management Services	51,413
Mercy Housing & Shelter Corporation	Supportive Housing Services	151,407
Saint Philip House	Saint Philip House	82,318
Tabor House, Inc.	Tabor House	108,820
Program Administration 3%		34,199
<b>HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH AIDS (HOPWA) TOTAL</b>		<b>\$1,270,860</b>

**EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG)**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Hartford Interval House	Interval House Shelter	\$10,259
House of Bread, Inc.	House of Bread	4,240
Immaculate Conception Shelter & Housing Corporation	Emergency Shelter	12,824
McKinney Shelter-City of Hartford-Department of Health & Human Services	McKinney Shelter	37,617
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corporation	Friendship Center	4,240
Mercy Housing and Shelter Corporation	St. Elizabeth House Emergency Shelter	10,259
My Sisters' Place, Inc.	My Sisters' Place Emergency Shelter	8,122
Salvation Army of Hartford, Inc.	Marshall House Emergency Shelter	13,679
South Park Inn, Inc.	South Park Inn Emergency Shelter	43,602
YWCA of the Hartford Region	YWCA Emergency Shelter	10,687
Open Hearth	Emergency Shelter	10,687
Program Administration (2.2%)		3,733
<b>EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) TOTAL</b>		<b>\$169,949</b>

**PROJECTED PROGRAM INCOME FY 08-09**

<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>ALLOCATION</b>
Projected HPLF Program Income FY 08-09	HPLF	\$1,100,000
Projected Program Income FY 08-09	HOME	200,000
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM INCOME</b>		<b>\$1,300,000</b>
<b>HUD ENTITLEMENT FUNDS (CDBG, HOME, HOPWA &amp; ESG) GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$7,274,426</b>

**GRAND TOTAL**

**\$8,574,426**