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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Boston Regional Office 5th Floor
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Boston, MA 02222

July 1, 2013

RE: City of Northampton Annual Action Plan 2013-14
CDBG Program Year 30 - FY14

Dear Mr. Shumeyko;

On behalf of the Mayor, City Council and residents of the City of Northampton, I am pleased to submit one original and two copies of the City's CDBG Annual Action Plan.

The City of Northampton extends its appreciation for the time and assistance you and your staff provide in partnering with us to administer this important Federal program.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 413-587-1288.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Margaret Keller'.

Margaret Keller
Housing and Community Development Planner
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ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Development Block Grant Program

July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014



Elevator Installation Schematics/ Douglas Architects

Forbes Library

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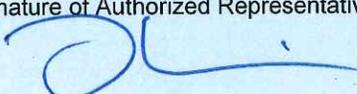
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SF 424

Complete the fillable fields (blue cells) in the table below. The other items are pre-filled with values from the Grantee Information Worksheet.

Date Submitted July 1, 2013		Applicant Identifier		Type of Submission	
Date Received by state		State Identifier		Application	
Date Received by HUD		Federal Identifier		Pre-application	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Non Construction
Applicant Information					
Community and Economic Development Office			UOG Code: MA251674		
City Hall – 210 Main Street			Organizational DUNS: 07921744		
Street Address Line 2			Organizational Unit: City of Northampton		
Northampton		MA		Department: Community & Economic Development	
01060		Country U.S.A.		Division:	
Employer Identification Number (EIN):			County: Hampshire		
04-6001406			Program Start Date: 07/01/2013		
Applicant Type:			Specify Other Type if necessary:		
Local Government			Specify Other Type		
Program Funding			U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers; Descriptive Title of Applicant Project(s); Areas Affected by Project(s) (cities, Counties, localities etc.); Estimated Funding					
Community Development Block Grant			14.218 Entitlement Grant		
CDBG Project Titles			Description of Areas Affected by CDBG Project(s)		
\$CDBG Grant Amount: \$621,640		\$Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged		Describe	
\$Additional Federal Funds Leveraged			\$Additional State Funds Leveraged		
\$Locally Leveraged Funds			\$Grantee Funds Leveraged		
\$Anticipated Program Income: \$ 10,000			Other (Describe)		
Total Funds Leveraged for CDBG-based Project(s)					
Home Investment Partnerships Program			14.239 HOME		
HOME Project Titles			Description of Areas Affected by HOME Project(s)		
\$HOME Grant Amount		\$Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged		Describe	
\$Additional Federal Funds Leveraged			\$Additional State Funds Leveraged		
\$Locally Leveraged Funds			\$Grantee Funds Leveraged		

\$Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	
Total Funds Leveraged for HOME-based Project(s)			
Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS		14.241 HOPWA	
HOPWA Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by HOPWA Project(s)	
\$HOPWA Grant Amount	\$Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
\$Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		\$Additional State Funds Leveraged	
\$Locally Leveraged Funds		\$Grantee Funds Leveraged	
\$Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	
Total Funds Leveraged for HOPWA-based Project(s)			
Emergency Shelter Grants Program		14.231 ESG	
ESG Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by ESG Project(s)	
\$ESG Grant Amount	\$Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
\$Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		\$Additional State Funds Leveraged	
\$Locally Leveraged Funds		\$Grantee Funds Leveraged	
\$Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	
Total Funds Leveraged for ESG-based Project(s)			
Congressional Districts of: 2 nd Congressional District		Project Districts: 2 nd	
Is the applicant delinquent on any federal debt? If "Yes" please include an additional document explaining the situation.		Is application subject to review by state Executive Order 12372 Process?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	This application was made available to the state EO 12372 process for review on DATE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Program is not covered by EO 12372
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	Program has not been selected by the state for review

Person to be contacted regarding this application		
First Name: Margaret	Middle Initial: L.	Last Name: Keller
Title: Housing and CD Planner	Phone: (413) 587-1288	Fax: (413) 587-1275
eMail: pkeller@northamptonma.gov	Grantee Website: www/northamptonma.gov	Other Contact: Cam Leon
Signature of Authorized Representative 		Date Signed 7-3-13



CPMP Non-State Grantee Certifications

Many elements of this document may be completed electronically, however a signature must be manually applied and the document must be submitted in paper form to the Field Office.

- This certification does not apply.
 This certification is applicable.

NON-STATE GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug Free Workplace -- It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about -
 - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - b. The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will -
 - a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - b. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -
 - a. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - b. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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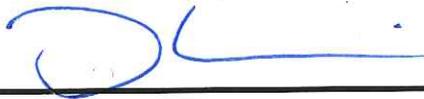
Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

8. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
9. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
10. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.



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Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

11. Maximum Feasible Priority - With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
12. Overall Benefit - The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) 2011, 2012, 2013, (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
13. Special Assessments - It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

14. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
15. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

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Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R, of title 24;

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.



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**OPTIONAL CERTIFICATION
CDBG**

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.208(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities, which are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.



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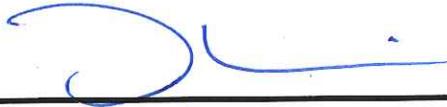
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- it is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance -- before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;



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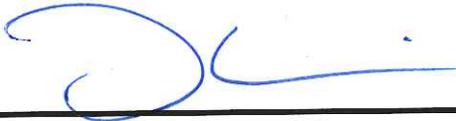
HOPWA Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities -- Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building -- Any building or structure assisted under that program shall be operated for the purpose specified in the plan:

1. For at least 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For at least 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.



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ESG Certifications

I, _____, Chief Executive Officer of Jurisdiction, certify that the local government will ensure the provision of the matching supplemental funds required by the regulation at 24 *CFR* 576.51. I have attached to this certification a description of the sources and amounts of such supplemental funds.

I further certify that the local government will comply with:

1. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.53 concerning the continued use of buildings for which Emergency Shelter Grants are used for rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters for the homeless; or when funds are used solely for operating costs or essential services.
2. The building standards requirement of 24 *CFR* 576.55.
3. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.56, concerning assurances on services and other assistance to the homeless.
4. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.57, other appropriate provisions of 24 *CFR* Part 576, and other applicable federal laws concerning nondiscrimination and equal opportunity.
5. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.59(b) concerning the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.
6. The requirement of 24 *CFR* 576.59 concerning minimizing the displacement of persons as a result of a project assisted with these funds.
7. The requirements of 24 *CFR* Part 24 concerning the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988.
8. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.56(a) and 576.65(b) that grantees develop and implement procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted with ESG funds and that the address or location of any family violence shelter project will not be made public, except with written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter.
9. The requirement that recipients involve themselves, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, homeless individuals and families in policymaking, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of these facilities as provided by 24 *CFR* 76.56.
10. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.57(e) dealing with the provisions of, and regulations and procedures applicable with respect to the environmental review responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related

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authorities as specified in 24 *CFR* Part 58.

11. The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.21(a)(4) providing that the funding of homeless prevention activities for families that have received eviction notices or notices of termination of utility services will meet the requirements that: (A) the inability of the family to make the required payments must be the result of a sudden reduction in income; (B) the assistance must be necessary to avoid eviction of the family or termination of the services to the family; (C) there must be a reasonable prospect that the family will be able to resume payments within a reasonable period of time; and (D) the assistance must not supplant funding for preexisting homeless prevention activities from any other source.

12. The new requirement of the McKinney-Vento Act (42 *USC* 11362) to develop and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent such discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for such persons. I further understand that state and local governments are primarily responsible for the care of these individuals, and that ESG funds are not to be used to assist such persons in place of state and local resources.

13. HUD's standards for participation in a local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and the collection and reporting of client-level information.

I further certify that the submission of a completed and approved Consolidated Plan with its certifications, which act as the application for an Emergency Shelter Grant, is authorized under state and/or local law, and that the local government possesses legal authority to carry out grant activities in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.



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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

Instructions Concerning Lobbying and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph three).
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant: Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code) Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here. The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace is required by 24 CFR part 21.

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7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules: "Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15); "Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of *nolo contendere*) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes; "Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any

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controlled substance; "Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including:

- a. All "direct charge" employees;
- b. all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and
- c. temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Note that by signing these certifications, certain documents must be completed, in use, and on file for verification. These documents include:

1. Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing
2. Citizen Participation Plan
3. Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan



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ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014

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Executive Summary

The Annual Action plan is derived from the Sustainable Northampton Comprehensive Plan, the HUD Five Year Consolidated Plan, All Roads Lead Home - the Pioneer Valley 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness, the Northampton Housing Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan and the citizen participation process.

The primary goals are:

- Support the basic needs of individuals and families with low and moderate household incomes
- Create new housing for a range of income levels
- Preserve and sustain existing affordable housing
- Work to end homelessness
- Encourage self-sufficiency and empowerment of people with low incomes
- Facilitate economic opportunity to obtain self-sufficiency and financial independence

Objective Addressed	Action
Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing	CDBG support for the Inter-Faith Cot Shelter & the Grove Street Inn
Assisting persons at risk of homelessness	CDBG support for SRO Outreach, Manna Soup Kitchen, Survival Center, Mass. Fair Housing Center, Community Legal Aid
Retaining the affordable housing stock	CDBG support for the New South Street Apartments Renovation
Increasing availability of affordable permanent housing	Support for moving Habitat, VCDC and Housing Authority projects forward
Providing affordable housing accessible to job opportunities	CDBG support for New South Street Apartments
Improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods	CDBG support for the Fairgrounds Redevelopment and the River Run Sidewalk construction project
Eliminating blighting influences and	CDBG support for the James House

deterioration of properties and facilities	and Fairgrounds projects
Increasing access to quality public and private facilities	CDBG support for Forbes Library, Fairgrounds Redevelopment and River Run sidewalk construction
Reducing isolation of income groups through housing de-concentration	Support housing development projects when proposed in City
Restoring and preserving special properties	CDBG support for Fairgrounds, Forbes Library and James House Learning Center
Conserving energy resources	CDBG support for James House renovation
Creating and retaining jobs	CDBG support for Valley CDC Micro-Business Assistance Program
Expanding micro businesses	CDBG support for Valley CDC Micro-Business Assistance Program
Provision of public services concerned with employment	CDBG support for Literacy Project, Center for New Americans, James House Learning Center, Valley CDC Business Assistance Program, Grove Street Inn, Casa Latina
Availability of mortgage financing using non-discriminatory lending practices	CDBG support for Mass. Fair Housing Center & Valley CDC Homeownership Center
Access to capital and credit for economic development and asset building	CDBG support for Valley CDC Business Assistance Center, Homeownership Center, Literacy Project, Center for New Americans

FY14 CDBG Budget Allocations

<u>Housing</u>	<u>\$ 156,000</u>	<u>Carry Over FY13</u>
First Time Homebuyer	26,000	
New South Street	0	130,000
<u>Public Infrastructure</u>	<u>\$45,055</u>	
River Run Sidewalk	45,055	
<u>Public Facilities</u>	<u>\$369,621</u>	
Senior Center Debt	311,621	
James House	11,000	23,000
Forbes Library	390	13,610
Grove Street Inn	0	11,000
<u>Economic Development</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	
Micro-Business Program	\$10,000	
<u>Slums and Blight</u>	<u>\$ 56,475</u>	
Fairgrounds Redevelopment	0	56,475
<u>Public Services</u>	<u>\$ 93,246</u>	
15% Award	(\$105,459 with program income)	12,213
<u>Administration</u>	<u>\$ 124,328</u>	
Uncommitted	0	11,668
Total	621,640	257,966
New CDBG Award	\$ 621,640	
Carry Over Funds	\$ 257,966	
Total CDBG Budget	\$ 879,606	

CDBG PROGRAM YEAR 30 ACTIVITY SUMMARY

On or about July 1, 2013 the City of Northampton will receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$621,640 from the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

Pursuant to HUD regulations, activities must meet one of the following CDBG national objectives: (1) activities benefiting persons of low and moderate income; (2) activities aiding in the elimination of slums and blight; or (3) address an urgent community need. The following outlines activities and/or programs to be funded by the CDBG program beginning July 1, 2013.

Housing Activities

\$ 156,000

Provide the following housing activities designed to address health, safety and building code issues, stabilize the City's housing stock, ensure decent, safe and affordable housing and provide homeownership assistance for the City's low and moderate income residents:

Valley CDC Homeownership Assistance Center

\$ 26,000

Homeowner assistance program which provides direct down payment assistance and referrals to HOME-funded units for low and moderate-income households

New South Street Apartments Property Improvements

\$ 130,000

In exchange for 25 years of additional housing affordability on 18 rental housing units, CDBG funds will be used for exterior painting and improvements to the roof and heating system

Public Infrastructure Improvements

\$ 45,055

Provide public infrastructure improvements within CDBG eligible areas with the goal of providing a suitable living environment for low / moderate income households. A sidewalk construction project is planned and an income survey will be conducted, if necessary to assure eligibility.

River Run Housing Development sidewalk

\$ 45,055

Public Facilities and Access

\$ 369,621

Develop and improve public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and facilities that serve the City's low/moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring citizens have access to and use of adequate public facilities. Undertake access improvements ensuring persons with physical disabilities have adequate access to public facilities and services.

<i>Northampton Senior Center Debt Service</i>	\$ 311,621
Payment of debt service obligations for the construction of a full service Senior Center at 67 Conz Street	
<i>James House Renovations</i>	\$ 33,000
Physical improvements to the James House, a municipally owned community learning center serving residents with low incomes.	
<i>Forbes Library Elevator Project</i>	\$ 14,000
Funding to create construction drawings and specifications For Front Lobby Elevator	
<i>Grove Street Inn Painting Project</i>	\$11,000
Exterior painting of the City's Homeless Shelter	
<hr/> Economic Development Activities	<hr/> \$ 10,000
Economic development activities that promote job creation and retention within Northampton and which promote the development of micro-business enterprises targeted to benefit the City's low and moderate-income residents	
<i>Valley CDC Micro-Business Assistance Program</i>	\$ 10,000
Provide funding to the Valley Community Development Corporation for technical assistance to small business entrepreneurs	
<hr/> Elimination of Slums and Blight	<hr/> \$ 56,475
<i>Fairgrounds Redevelopment Project</i>	\$ 56,475
Building demolition at Fairgrounds to improve health and safety Conditions	
<hr/> Public Services	<hr/> \$ 93,246
Provide funding for public services targeted to the City's low and moderate income population through community based non-profit agencies: (\$105,459 with PI)	
<i>Casa Latina / Bridges for Latinos</i>	\$14,000
Outreach, education, advocacy, case management and linkage to literacy programs for low and moderate income Latino households in Northampton.	
<i>Big Brothers & Big Sisters Mentoring Program</i>	\$ 4,459

A mentoring program targeted to students ages 6-16 and families at the Ryan Road School, the Jackson Street School and JFK Middle School in partnership with the Northampton School Department.

<i>Center for Human Development / SRO Outreach Program</i>	\$ 14,000
Services for the residents of the City's single room occupancy (SRO) housing which include outreach, advocacy, a food pantry and community service referrals.	
<i>Center for New Americans / Skills & Job Assistance</i>	\$ 9,000
Programs for computer training, employment coaching and family literacy for immigrant and refugee populations.	
<i>Community Action/ Youth Employment Program</i>	\$ 5,000
Program to assist youth with job training and employment	
<i>MA Fair Housing Center / Fair Housing Program</i>	\$ 5,000
Education and outreach to tenants and landlords on fair housing laws and housing discrimination complaint processing	
<i>ServiceNet / Grove Street Inn</i>	\$ 15,000
Operating funds for the City's year-round 20 bed emergency shelter for adult men and women.	
<i>ServiceNet / Hampshire County Interfaith Cot Shelter</i>	\$ 13,000
Operating funds for the Hampshire Interfaith Cot Shelter, which provides food and emergency shelter during the coldest months of the year, November-April.	
<i>MANNA / Soup Kitchen</i>	\$ 3,000
The MANNA soup kitchen provides meals three times per week, 52 weeks a year, including Thanksgiving and Christmas. Operates out of Edwards and St. John's Episcopal churches.	
<i>Survival Center / Emergency Food Pantry</i>	\$ 10,000
Food supplies for Northampton's largest emergency food pantry which serves the City's low-income residents, as well as school children during the summer.	
<i>The Literacy Project / Passport to Success</i>	\$ 9,000
Support for adult basic education students to develop academic, job and life skills needed to complete their GED's and transition to post-GED employment and/or higher education.	
<i>Community Legal Aid / Homelessness Prevention Project</i>	\$ 4,000
Assist households with eviction prevention.	

Planning and Administration

\$ 124,328

Resources utilized for administrative and project planning activities in the Community and Economic Development Office in its mission to provide community and economic development activities and administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Priority Housing Needs/Objectives/Activities

Activities Planned for this year indicated in blue.

Priorities correspond with needs identified in Consolidated Plan.

Need/Priority Level	Strategy/Program	Objective	Outcome	Number to be served
Homelessness Prevention High Priority	Assist court involved family households with mediation, tenancy stabilization, eviction prevention	Assisting persons at-risk of becoming homeless	Sustainability of Decent Housing Administered by Community Legal Aid/Community Action. (CDBG, ESG)	50 EL 50 LI
	Advocate for continued funding for the Tenancy Preservation Program	Assisting persons at-risk of becoming homeless	Sustainability of Decent Housing Support funding application to DHCD. (ESG)	60 EL 20 LI
	Continue to support the SRO Outreach Program	Assisting persons at-risk of becoming homeless	Sustainability of Decent Housing CDBG support on-going.	100 EL
	Collaborate with Highland Valley Elder Services to identify frail elders living alone	Assisting persons at-risk of becoming homeless	Sustainability of Decent Housing On-going through the Center for Human Development/SRO	15 EL 10 LI
	Support self-sufficiency, life skills attainment programs	Assisting persons at-risk of becoming homeless	Sustainability of Decent Housing CDBG support for public services programs/SRO Outreach	100 EL 50 LI
Provision of Emergency Shelter	Continue to support staff capacity for emergency shelter	Assisting homeless persons obtain	Availability/Affordability On-going (CDBG, ESG)	250 EL

High Priority	system	affordable housing		
	Improve the physical environment and energy efficiency at the Grove Street Inn	Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing	Availability/ Affordability CDBG and private funding for exterior painting	100 EL
Provide rapid re-housing services High Priority	Facilitate coordinated case management to re-house those who lose their housing	Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing	Availability/ Affordability On-going through local, regional network committees/REACH	35 EL 15 LI
	Identify housing resources to use for rapid re-housing efforts	Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing	Availability/ Affordability On-going through local, regional network committees/REACH	35 EL 15 LI
	Support self-sufficiency, life skills attainment programs	Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing	Availability/ Affordability On-going support to emergency shelters drop-in Center, SMOC	40EL
Preservation of Affordable Housing High Priority	Monitor and intervene as needed to maintain Subsidized Housing Inventory units	Retention of the affordable housing stock	Sustainability of decent, affordable housing On-going dialogue with Leeds Village Apt. and New South St. owners	21 units 18 units
	Re-establish a Housing Rehabilitation Program	Retention of the affordable housing stock, energy efficiency, housing quality	Sustainability of decent, affordable housing Identify funding. Hilltown CDC or PVPC willing to administer.	0 units
	Sustain and improve existing Single Room Occupancy Units	Retention of the affordable housing stock	Sustainability of decent, affordable housing Pursue Non-Profit purchaser for 129 Pleasant/SRO.	58 units
	Support landlords who are providing market rate	Retention of the affordable housing stock	Sustainability of decent, affordable housing	

	affordable units		Fair Housing workshop 6/24/13	
	Provide assistance for rehabilitation activities/preserve stock	Retention of the affordable housing stock	Sustainability of decent, affordable housing CDBG funding for rehabilitation work/ New South Street apts.	18 units / improved and length of affordability restriction increased.
Impact Affordability of Rental Housing High Priority	Support Northampton Housing Authority (local) and HAP Housing (regional) rental assistance programs	Increase utilization of Section 8 rental subsidies in Northampton	Improved availability / affordability Continue admin. Of VASH vouchers at N. Housing Authority	15-17 New VASH vouchers anticipated Total 245.
	Establish Task Force to increase exceptions rents and reconfigure the regional Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (Federal Congressional action required)	Increase utilization of Section 8 rental subsidies in Northampton	Improved availability/ affordability Continue dialogue with NHA and providers. No action taken to date.	Est. new SMSA for Northampton (someday)
	Advocate for increased funding for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program	Increase availability of rental subsidies	Improved availability/ affordability Increased in State budget for this year. Continue to monitor/advocate.	New vouchers for EL
	Implement newly funded local Rental Assistance Program activities (first, last month's and security deposits) CPC award to ServiceNet, Inc.	Increase opportunities for accessing/ obtaining affordable housing	Improved availability/ affordability \$10,000 available July 1 for homeless clients	15 EL households
Production of Rental Housing for Individuals. High Priority	Identify suitable municipal land and make available for housing	Increase availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment Search continues/	
	Pursue tax title property for affordable housing	Increase availability of affordable permanent	New availability/ a suitable living environment Will continue to	None identified for LM

		housing	monitor/rare	
	Convert existing housing to affordable housing	Increase availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment/ Sustainability Looking at surplus Smith College and Catholic church properties	0 units for EL and LI
	Promote Infill development	Increasing the availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment/ Sustainability Working with Valley CDC on new project/ permitting/ funding	40-60 units proposed for downtown parcel by Valley CDC in pre-dev. Phase. !!!!
	Identify and implement Housing First, Safe Haven projects	Increasing the availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment Maple Ave. completed. Pursue Safe Havens next	Maple Ave. 6 units No new project identified yet.
	Examine adaptive reuse and mixed use possibilities for affordable housing	Increasing the availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment Investigating Shaw's Motel parcel.	New owner of Shaws Motel/ Pursuing reuse options.
	Examine, identify and implement enhanced SRO projects	Increasing the availability of affordable permanent housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment Working with Valley CDC on new project.	New project identified, 40-60 units downtown.
	Hold Developers Forum	Forum 10/7/13 with all aff .hsng. dev.s To identify potential projects	New Availability/ a suitable living environment	Hope to identify additional new projects
	New construction for formerly homeless Veterans/ individuals and families on VA Campus in Leeds	Soldier On building 60 new units; 15 women and children 45 for individuals	New availability/ a suitable environment	60 new units for Veterans Construction Starting this Year !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
	New Assisted Living Development at	Increasing availability of	New availability/ a suitable	43 of 83 new units will be

	former State Hospital Village Hill / Christopher Heights	affordable permanent housing	environment	affordable in perpetuity 17 EL; 26LI !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Production of Rental Housing for Families High Priority	Convert existing housing to affordable housing	Utilize existing stock	New availability/ a suitable living environment <i>Will continue to pursue.</i>	No project identified at this time.
	Promote Infill development for smaller households	Protect undeveloped areas	New availability/ a suitable living environment <i>Will continue to pursue.</i>	No project identified at this time.
	Identify suitable municipal parcels for development	City surplus properties, issue RFP. Discount price to keep developer costs down.	New availability/ a suitable living environment <i>Will examine inventory and present options at 10/7 Developers Forum</i>	No properties available at this time.
Affordable Homeownership Opportunities Medium Priority	Continue to fund and support the First Time Homebuyer Program	Increasing the availability of affordable housing for ownership	A suitable living environment and economic opportunity/ <i>CDBG funded / added direct financial assistance</i>	45 LM households served / 2-3 down payment assistance grants
	Support area foreclosure prevention programs/efforts	Increasing the availability of affordable housing for ownership	A suitable living environment and economic opportunity/ neighborhood and economic stabilization <i>Support of Valley CDC and HAP</i>	25 LI households served
	Support post-purchase counseling; budgeting and financial literacy programs	Increasing the availability of affordable housing for ownership	A suitable living environment and economic opportunity/ neighborhood and economic stabilization <i>Support of Valley CDC and HAP</i>	60 LI households served
	Continue to fund and	Increasing the	A suitable living	25 EL and LI

	support Fair Lending and anti-discrimination practices and programs	availability of affordable housing for ownership	environment and economic opportunity/ neighborhood and economic stabilization CDBG funded for annual work scope & AI task implementation	households served/ Local landlords, property owners and service providers
	Examine locations and designs to accommodate smaller households/ cottage style, accessory apartments	Increasing the availability of suitably sized affordable housing	New availability/ a suitable living environment New phase of housing at State Hospital/ bungalows for moderate income households.	Village Hill construction is underway, prices higher than anticipated. Selling for 350,000+, not 250,000
Maintain and Provide Housing for At-Risk Populations High Priority	Identify ways to increase number of units through the Governor's 10,000 New Units Campaign. Look to local Community Preservation Act funds, CDBG funds, other existing State and Federal programs	Increase the supply of supportive housing to enable homeless and special needs populations to live safely and independently.	Increase accessibility and availability/ a suitable living environment. Regional Network SAMHSA grant provides support services for homeless placed in housing. Partnered with UMass Medical for research component.	50 EL households served; project funded for 3 years. 82% of 85 enrolled regionally have been housed to date.
	Continue to assess the needs of the seriously mentally ill after the completion of the units at the former Northampton State hospital	Increase the supply of supportive housing to enable homeless and special needs populations to live independently.	Increase accessibility and availability/ a suitable living environment. Will continue to monitor through DMH and State Hospital Advisory Committee	22 S+C units continue to be funded thru the HUD McKinney Program/ and NHA and DMH units
	Continue to assess the needs of the developmentally disabled after the	Increase the supply of supportive housing to	Increase accessibility and availability/ a suitable living	10 EL units created / still on hold due to lack of

	completion of the Northampton Housing Authority project on Burt's Pit Road	enable homeless and special needs populations to live independently.	environment. Advocate for funding allocation for Burt's Pit Road project/ requires creation of a State Bond through DDS.	funding at State level. May move ahead now that Housing Bond bill passed.
	Identify funding and locations for a Safe Havens Program	Increase the supply of supportive housing to enable homeless and special needs populations to live independently.	Increase accessibility and availability/ a suitable living environment. Will begin work on developing a Safe Havens Program. Challenge is finding support services funding.	4-6 new EL units need to be created / will identify potential developers during this year and identify funding sources.

EL = extremely low income, LM= low to moderate income households

Priority Public Facilities Needs/Objectives/Activities

Need/Strategies/Priority Level	Strategy/Program	Outcome
Construction of public infrastructure to support neighborhood and economic revitalization High/Medium Priority	Infrastructure design and construction in targeted income eligible neighborhoods or associated with eligible private or non-profit neighborhood, housing, or economic development projects. Highest priority is for drainage, sidewalks, accessibility, and telecommunications improvements because of limited alternative sources of funds. Sewer, water, roadway, traffic calming, parking and other improvements have medium priority due to alternative funding sources available.	Access, Sustainability Fairgrounds Design and Engineering work continues. CDBG funding allocated for soft costs and building demolition.
Streetscape improvements to support neighborhood and economic revitalization Medium Priority	Streetscape design, construction, installation in income eligible neighborhoods or associated with eligible private or non-profit projects including but not limited to sidewalks, crosswalks/pedestrian signals and other	Access, Sustainability River Run sidewalk planned.

	traffic calming/pedestrian safety measures, accessible ramps/fixtures, street trees/tree wells, street furniture, bike racks, lighting, waste receptacles.	
Public Parks/Recreation Areas to support neighborhood and economic revitalization Medium Priority	Park, playground, recreation construction/improvement in income eligible neighborhoods or associated with eligible projects or to enhance handicap accessibility.	Access, Sustainability No projects planned.

Priority Economic Development Needs/Objectives/Activities

Need/Priority Level	Strategy/Program	Outcome	Number Served
Increase business development and job retention/creation targeting low/mod residents High Priority	Micro-business/small business assistance technical assistance/entrepreneurial training to low/mod income residents and qualified businesses.	Access, Sustainability CDBG allocation made.	6-12 one on one technical assistance
	Literacy, adult basic education, English as a second language, soft skill/workforce readiness to low/mod income residents, youth, un/underemployed, under-educated, non-English speaking residents.	Access, Sustainability CDBG allocation made, Center for New Americans, Casa Latina, Literacy Project	100+
	Predevelopment assistance and small business loan program	Access, Affordability, Sustainability Refer to regional groups/ EDIC, Federal SBA	10
	Preserve and develop affordable housing, studio, rehearsal, and office space for artists and cultural enterprises and integrate L/MI/Special Need populations into community cultural events.	Access, Affordability, Sustainability	No projects planned.
	Economic development projects/revitalization to targeted business development areas and targeted business clusters including but not limited to business incubators, clearance, new construction/expansion/	Access, Sustainability Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards now used at local farmers markets to improve access to	City hired Economic Development Coordinator in Dec. 2012. Mayor named an 11 member ED

	rehabilitation, brownfields redevelopment, predevelopment project planning activities, job training, energy efficiency, conservation, growing local markets, CBDO assistance, and activities that improve access to services and opportunity by L/MI residents	fresh produce by LMI households.	Commission. Developing Work scope. Working on TIF agreements and various projects.
Infrastructure to support business development and job retention/creation Medium Priority	Infrastructure improvements to targeted business development areas and targeted business clusters including but not limited to sewer, water, drainage, roadways, sidewalk/traffic calming, parking, transit, telecommunications.	Access, Sustainability	Drainage improvements at Fairground Blighted Area, passenger railway station progressing, Round House lot RFP being created=jobs
Rehabilitation of deteriorated commercial or industrial property Medium Priority	Targeted financial assistance for rehabilitation/renovation to address accessibility, deteriorated buildings, code violations, and energy efficiency.	Access, Affordability, Sustainability	Fairgrounds building demolition planned.
	Outreach/assistance/education to property owners for housing rehabilitation for L/MI restaurant and immigrant workers including but not limited to renovations, education on rehabilitation programs, services/resources for tenants/property owners.	Access, Sustainability CDBG support for Center for New Americans. Coordination with BID.	Work with Center for New Americans

Priority Public Services Needs/Objectives/Activities

Need/Priority Level	Strategy/Program	Objective	Outcome
Basic Needs High Priority	Support of funding applications targeted to assist households with basic needs: Emergency fuel assistance Emergency food assistance	Insure minimums of quality of life are met for health and safety.	Sustainability of decent housing; Suitable Living Environment and economic opportunity CDBG Funding for

	Access to health care		Survival Center, MANNA
Youth Programs High Priority	Support of funding applications targeted to assist youth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ After school tutoring ▪ Adult and peer mentoring; mediation skills ▪ Recreational programming 	Enhance life skills for successful adulthood; secure education and job training for homelessness prevention and viable independent living	Sustainability of decent housing; Suitable Living Environment and economic opportunity New CDBG funding award for new Community Action Youth Program employment skills
Housing Support Services High Priority	Support of funding applications that provide support services	Provide housing and case management support services for successful tenancies.	Sustainability of decent housing; Suitable Living Environment and economic opportunity CDBG funds for Community Legal Aid Homelessness Prevention Program
Services for Special Needs Populations High Priority	Support for Services for special needs populations including services to the following: Persons with drug / alcohol addictions; Homeless youth; homeless families with severe barriers to self sufficiency	Provision of not only housing, but support services for acquisition of healthy life skills; homelessness prevention	Sustainability of decent housing; Suitable Living Environment and economic opportunity CDBG funds for Case Management at 2 homeless shelters and Com. Legal Aid/court
Skills Development, Training, Education & Counseling Medium Priority	Support applications including but not limited to the development of: Language and literacy skills, transitional education/workforce development, computer skills, employment and training skills, life skills, health/nutrition, energy conservation	Enhancing life skills to insure successful education and employment and self-sufficiency; homelessness prevention	Economic opportunity, Suitable living environment CDBG support for Center for New Americans, language and computer skills, Literacy Project
Transportation services	Support of applications for improved	Improve linkages for low/mod HH's	Economic opportunity, access

Medium Priority	transportation for end users/ from areas of low/mod households to work centers	between housing and employment	to health care, jobs, education New train station in mixed income downtown neighborhood.
Handicap services Medium Priority	Support efforts of local Committees and apply funds for entrances, curb cuts, interior public building access and flow	Improve accessibility of disabled to the downtown, jobs, public buildings and services	Economic opportunity; a suitable living environment; improved accessibility CDBG support for Forbes Library Elevator installation
Childcare services Medium Priority	Support preservation /creation of child care subsidies	Improved ability of heads of households to pursue education and employment opportunities	Economic Opportunity Child Care provided at the James House for participants
Senior Center High Priority	Debt service paid by CDBG /approximately \$300,000 this year, \$145,000 year after, then CDBG repayments cease	Successful close out of major public facilities project	Improved availability of services for elders/improved quality of life CDBG debt service, City Operation and Maintenance
Removal of Architectural Barriers High Priority	Survey public buildings, commercial buildings, public infrastructure and park facilities Installation of sidewalk curb cuts	Eliminate/lessen hardship for persons with physical disabilities.	Suitable living environment River Run sidewalk project/ Forbes Library Elevator
	Work with Committee on Disabilities and Human Rights Commission	Eliminate/lessen hardship for persons with physical disabilities.	Suitable living environment
Park & Recreation Facilities Medium Priority	Construction of new recreation facilities and improvements to existing park and recreation facilities in		Enhance living environment/ sustainability of decent housing

	CDBG target areas and public housing sites.		
Public Safety Medium Priority	Support public safety efforts including but not limited to DARE, crime prevention targeting LMI residents and neighborhoods	Address community safety concerns and lessen crime in targeted areas.	Suitable living environment

Evaluation of Past Performance/ FY13

ACTIVITY TYPE/ Project	Proposed Outcome	STATUS*
Infrastructure		
Sidewalks	Sidewalk improvements	No CDBG expenditure FY
Public Facilities/Access	Forbes Library Elevator Design for Accessibility	Fundraising campaign launched. No CDBG expenditure last FY
	James House Renovations	Building renovations continued/ Painting and porch repair Programs operating
	Housing Authority	Grace House kitchen renovation project completed
	Senior Center Debt Service	6 th debt service payment made
	Senior Center Landscaping	Project Completed
Housing		
Grove Street Inn Rehabilitation	96 served thru 3rd 1/4	Kitchen improvements made.
Homeownership Assistance	45 households	34 households served As of 3rd 1/4
Preservation of Affordable Housing Stock	New South Street Apts. Building Rehabilitation	Funds rolled over to next year. Ownership is changing.
Economic Development		
	Micro Business Assistance	14 individuals counseled, 5 jobs

		created, 15 jobs retained
	Fairgrounds Redevelopment	Engineering/Design Analyses conducted
Public Services		
	15 programs funded Various Outcomes	*Status reflects 3 quarters reported through 3/31/13 All on track for CAPER

Activities/Funds Being Carried Over

Most of the funding allocations will have been fully expended. The New South St. Apartments renovation and the Fairgrounds Redevelopment projects are on-going, but will require new contracts. The owners of the NSS apartments have changed, and the work scope for the Fairgrounds has changed. As a result, those grant agreements will be terminated and new contracts created. Therefore, the current projects will be closed out in IDIS and begun anew in the new fiscal year.

Additional projects being closed out are the Senior Center landscaping project, the James House painting and porch repair contracts, the Grace House kitchen and the Council on Aging Home Repair Program.

FY13 Other Program Funds:

- Projected program income from loan repayments in FY13 is anticipated to be approximately \$9,545.44 (River Valley Market, First Time Homebuyer, N. Maple).
- No revolving loan funds
- No float-funded activities
- No Section 108 Loan guarantees
- No surplus funds from urban renewal settlements
- No grant funds returned to a line of credit
- No income from float-funded activities
- No expenditures anticipated for urgent need activities

Estimated amount of CDBG funds to be utilized for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons:

Low/Mod Benefit Expenditure Levels (91.220(I)(1)(iv))

Total Expenditures	879,606
Planning and Administration	<u>124,328</u>
Subtotal to determine denominator	755,278
<u>LMI Expenditures</u>	
Public Services	105,459
Housing	156,000
Infrastructure - Area Benefit	45,055
Public Facilities	369,621
Economic Development	<u>10,000</u>
Subtotal to determine numerator	686,135
LMI Benefit %	91%
Non-LMI Expenditures	
Slums & Blight	56,475
Subtotal non-LMI expenditures	56,475

Citizen Participation and Consultation

The Community and Economic Development Office conducted two public hearings, an intensive interview process for public service applicants and held targeted consultations to gather input for the FY14 Annual Action Plan. The first public hearing was held Wednesday, February 13th, 2013 and the second Wednesday April 10th, 2013.

CDBG grantees and local housing, homeless and social service providers shared issues and trends they are seeing with their client populations and delineated unmet needs. Time was spent at the second session having attendees describe their programs to each other to insure providers in the social services delivery system are up to date on local resource availability for their shared client populations.

Twelve Public Service applicant interviews were conducted March 11th, 12th, and 13th. The process allowed the Review Committee to ask each applicant about unmet community needs, issues, trends, program successes, as well as budget and fundraising challenges. Additionally, public input was gathered from the general public, municipal departments and boards, community and social service organizations, economic development organizations, regional partners and surrounding communities. More specifically:

Next Step Collaborative: Held monthly meetings with housing and homeless service providers. Meetings were held September 13, 2012; October 11, 2012, November 8, 2012, December 13, 2012, January 10, 2013, February 14, 2013, March 14, 2013, April 11, 2013, May 9, 2013 and June 13, 2013. Monthly gatherings facilitate service coordination, track shelter capacity and numbers of unsheltered, street activity, resources available, issues and trends that City/providers address together. Meetings held monthly since 1994. (Membership list included in appendix).

Massachusetts Fair Housing Center: Three meetings held with Executive Director; October 12, 2012, December 21, 2012 and January 8, 2013. Determined program components for CDBG work scope and implementation activities from the Analysis of Impediments update. Co-sponsored three workshops: CORI Reform March 26, 2013; Reasonable Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities May 14, 2013; Fair Housing Law for Landlords June 24, 2013. Attended MFHC's Annual Conference April 11, 2013. Agency also held a Regional Networking meeting November 7, 2012 to coordinate work of the organizations affirmatively furthering fair housing.

COSA meetings: (Council of Social Service Agencies) under the auspices of the Hampshire County Council of Governments). Attended monthly sessions for discussions, presentations and networking between 25-40 Social Service agencies. Focus on linking family and parenting resources with family emergency shelter system and to update on Regional Network activity.

HIV/Aids: Met monthly with AIDS Care of Hampshire County at Three County Continuum of Care meetings. AIDS Care reports on issues and trends with HIV/Aids rates, housing and service demands, service gaps. The 2011 McKinney bonus project funding award for 10 scattered site rental subsidies began July 1, 2012.

Public Housing: Consultations occurred with the Northampton Housing Authority during the months of February and March. Met with Housing Authority Board of Commissioner's Chair December 4, 2012. Housing Partnership representative attended NHA's public hearing for their Agency Plan Update, and made comments to the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Plan and Section 8 Administrative plan which were adopted.

Northampton Housing Partnership met monthly to implement "Housing Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan", the housing plan created in 2011.

SRO Outreach Coordinator/ Met separately with new Single Room Occupancy Outreach Coordinator to ascertain needs of residents living in private and publicly funded SRO's.

Three County Continuum of Care/ City of Northampton, after 16 years, concluded its role of Continuum lead agency December 1, 2012. New Continuum is composed of

Berkshire, Franklin and Hampshire counties with Hilltown CDC as the lead agent. Hampden County communities are merging into the Springfield COC. Housing Planner continues to participate in transition role. Hilltown selected through an RFP process and Continuum participants made the decision.

Western Mass. Regional Network to End Homelessness/ Housing Planner continued to serve on the Leadership Council that meets quarterly, representing the City of Northampton. She no longer serves on the Steering Committee or Management Team. She will continue to attend the Individual Services and Unaccompanied Youth Committees.

A complete description of the standard Citizen Participation and Consultation Process is included in the appendix.

RESOURCES (91.220 c1 and c2)

The jurisdiction anticipates the following federal, state, local and private resources to be available in the next year to address local needs. The majority of funds referenced benefit low mod income households within the City of Northampton.

Northampton Affordable Housing Trust Fund - The City established the Northampton Housing Trust Fund in 2001 in order to maintain affordability at Hampton Gardens, an expiring use multi unit family housing development. The Trust Fund provided rental subsidies to low / mod income households at the development which secured 8 additional years of affordability. The fund is now exhausted. There will be an effort to recapitalize the fund, possibly through the local Community Preservation Act programming.

Community Preservation Act (CPA) - The CPA was passed by the voters in Northampton in November 2005 and allows the City to enact a CPA tax assessment that is matched by the state and used exclusively for open space/ recreation, historic preservation and community housing activities. The forecast for available CPA funds for 2013 - 2014 is roughly 1.1 million, with at least 10% being guaranteed for housing (\$110,000).

Federal Home Loan AHP Funds - Pioneer Valley Habitat for Humanity anticipates submitting a funding application in December of 2012 for the Garfield Avenue project.

Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program - In May 2011, the Northampton Housing Authority was authorized to administer, in conjunction with their partners at VAMC-Northampton, an additional 50 VASH vouchers, bringing the total to 230. HUD no longer funds the VASH program separately from the NHA's regular allocation, and has chosen this year only to make incremental funding allocations for a seven month period - April through October 2012. This is as a result of a new funding program aimed at

reducing Net Restricted Assets associated with the Section 8 Program. Accordingly, it is not possible for the NHA to provide a funding figure.

However, the average monthly HAP payment to a landlord with a VASH client is \$433, or about \$5,200 per year. Assuming the NHA utilizes all of the 180 prior years allocation of vouchers by July 1, 2012, we would expend \$935,000 in HAP payments in FY-13 for those vouchers. A utilization plan for the new FY-12 allocation is currently being developed, but assuming a 75% utilization rate for the fiscal year for those additional vouchers, the expenditure would be an additional \$194,850 in HAP payments in FY-13. ($\$ 433 \times 12 \text{ months} \times 50 \text{ vouchers} \times .75$). The utilization rate for those vouchers is largely dependent on the timing of staffing decisions at the VA. Also, the VASH participants are spread throughout the four western counties, so these financial resources are not all spent in Northampton. 15-17 new vouchers are expected for this new fiscal year.

Other anticipated resources include: (updated as of July 1, 2013)

Agency	Assistance	State / Federal	Amount
<i>Big Brothers Big Sisters</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal	\$ 4,459
	MA Mentoring Project	State (projected)	2,500
	United Way	Private (projected)	12,000
	Misc. Grants	Private (projected)	5,000
	Fundraising	Private (projected)	30,000
	Donations	Private (projected)	7,500
<i>Casa Latina</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal	\$ 14,000
	United Way	Private	39,156
	Misc. Grants	Federal/Local	30,000
	Administration Fee	C. Dickinson Hospital	19,080
	Interpreting Service Fee		16,800
<i>Center for New Americans</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal	\$ 9,000
	Greenfield CDBG	Federal	0
	Amherst CDBG	Federal	0
	Dept. of Education	State	399,268
	Office of Refugee & Immigrants State		9,655
	Foundation Grants	Private	20,000
	Individual Gifts	Private	45,000
	Hampshire United Way	Private	20,000
	Franklin United Way	Private	13,841
	<i>Community Legal Aid</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal
Mass. Legal Assistance Corp.		Private	11,275
Mass. Bar Foundation		Private	7,120

	Emergency Solutions Grant	State		0
<i>City of Northampton</i>				
	CDBG Allocation	Federal		\$ 621,640
	Community Preservation	Local	Florence Fields	400,000
Broad Brook Gap	Community Forest Program	Federal	300,000 not awarded	0
	Mass. Land Grant	State	Closed FY13	400,000
	Community Preservation Act	Local		300,000
	U.S. Fisheries & Wildlife	Federal		75,000
Conn. River Greenway	Transportation Imp. Program	Federal		6,000,000
& Damon Road	Legislative Earmark	State		100,000
	Parkland Acquisitions	State		400,000
	Community Preservation Act	Local		190,000
Leeds Park and Ride	Transportation Imp. Program	Federal		1,000,000
High Speed Rail	High Speed Rail Funds	Federal/ Western Mass.		73,000,000
& Rail Trail Linkage		Northampton		6,000,000
	State transportation Bond	State		1,500,000
South Street Traffic	Mass. Smart Growth	State		300,000
Calming	Overlay MGL40R			
Pleasant Street	EPA Brownfields Grant	Federal		20,000
	Transportation Imp. Funds	State		2,000,000
<i>Community Action</i>				
Employment Readiness	Northampton CDBG	Federal		\$ 5,000
	Workforce Investment Act	Federal		16,359
	Community Services BGrant	Federal		1,200
	Mass. Clean Energy Center	State		10,000
	Com. Foundation/W.Mass	Private		10,000
<i>Literacy Project</i>	WIA	Federal		\$ 44,000
	Northampton CDBG	Federal		9,000
	Ware CDBG	Federal		73,500
	Greenfield CDBG	Federal		17,000
	Dept. of Education	State		714,567
	DESE Career Pathways	State		74,000
	Donations/fundraising	Private		60,000
	Womens Missionary Found.	Private		10,000
	Greater Worcester Found.	Private		15,000
	Wapack Foundation	Private		2,500
	Bete Foundation	Private		5,000
	United Way	Private		10,000
	Other Foundations	Private		10,000
	Rental Income	Private		4,800
	Other Grants	Private		88,000
<i>MANNA Soup Kitchen</i>				
	EF and SP	Federal		\$ 0

	Northampton CDBG	Federal	3,000
	Shelter Sunday	Private	7,000
	Project Bread	Private	2,000
	Donations	Private	7,600
	Religious Organizations	Private	7,000
<i>Mass. Fair Housing Center</i>	HUD FH Grant	Federal	325,000
	Northampton CDBG	Federal	5,000
	Springfield CDBG Grant	Federal	7,500
	Community Foundation/WM	Private	5,100
	Attorneys Fees	Private	36,000
<i>Meadowbrook Apartments Affordability</i>	222 units	Low Income Housing Tax Credits	
		\$6.5 Million Equity – 40-Year	
<i>Northampton Housing Authority</i>	Public Housing Subsidies	Federal	387,696
	Capital Fund	Federal	144,198
	ARRA / Capital Projects	Federal	182,526
	Section 8	Federal	3,480,932
	Section 8 Mod Rehab	Federal	163,683
	Public Housing Subsidies	State	362,931
	Mass Rental Vouchers	State	34,000
	Mix Population Grant	State	31,200
	Modernization Program	State	132,400
	Veterans Supportive Housing Program Rental Vouchers	Federal Section 8	324,929
	Religious Organizations	Private	6,700
<i>ServiceNet, Inc.</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal	13,000
<i>InterFaith Shelter</i>	Deferred Payment Loan	Federal	9,996
	DHCD	State	68,602
	Friends of the Homeless	Private	13,768
	Private Donations	Private	12,346
<i>ServiceNet, Inc.</i>	Northampton CDBG Grove	Federal	15,000
<i>Grove Street Inn</i>	DHCD Grove St. /	State	\$ 170,000
	MA Shelter Alliance	Private	26,648
	Hampshire UW	Private	30,000
	Project Bread	Private	1,075
	Private Donations	Private	25,472
<i>SRO Outreach</i>	Northampton CDBG	Federal	\$ 14,000
	FEMA	Federal	0
	United Way Hampshire County	Private	37,200
	Hap Inc.	Non-Profit	2,000
	Valley CDC	Non-Profit	3,500

	Highland Valley Elder Services	Private (applying)	4,000
	Home City Housing	Private	2,000
	Donations	Private (projected)	8,500
<i>Survival Center</i>	EFSP	Federal	0
	City of Easthampton	Federal/State	5,500
	Northampton CDBG	Federal	10,000
	Project Bread	Private	8,000
	United Way	Private	60,000
	Misc. Grants	Private	55,000
	Goshen Grant Income	Local	10,000
	Civic/ Business	Private	51,000
	Religious	Private	12,000
	Individual Donations	Private	341,200
	Interest Income	Private	1,000
	Schools	Private	100
<i>Three County</i>	Project Development-USDA	Federal	TBD
<i>Fairgrounds</i>	Cultural Facilities	State	TBD
	EDA	Federal	TBD
<i>Valley CDC</i>	CDBG Amherst	Federal/State	6,250
	CDBG Northampton	Federal	26,000
	Florence Savings	Private	20,000
	TD Bank North	Private	5,000
	Easthampton Savings Bank	Private	5,000
	Peoples Bank	Private	6,000
	Berkshire Bank	Private	2,500
	Country Bank for Savings	Private	2,500
	TD Bank	Private	5,000
	MHP/Home Safe Program	Private	8,000
	DHCD CITC	State	25,000
	HAP/AGO Foreclosure Program	Private	37,500
	HC United Way	Private	20,000
	Mass Growth Com. Capital	State (projected)	17,500
	Membership Donations	Private	7,000
	Developer Overhead (Parsons)	Private/State/Fed	86,000
	Fundraising	Private (projected)	20,000
	Homebuyer Workshop Fees	Private	10,000
	Homeownership Marketing	Private	23,100
	Foundations	Private	10,000
<i>Small Business</i>	SBTA State Office of Entrep.	State	30,000
<i>Assistance Program</i>	USDA Rural Business Dev.	Federal	15,000
	Northampton CDBG	Federal	10,000
	Florence Savings Bank	Private	5,000

<i>Pioneer Valley</i>	Garfield Ave.	Federal AHP	\$60,000
<i>Habitat for</i>	5 Units	Private (Lions Club)	20,000
<i>Humanity</i>		Local / State CPA	120,000
		Major Donor	25,000
		In-kind land donation	125,000
Massachusetts DMR	10 New Units Burt's Pit Road	State (on hold)	\$2,000,000
Go West SRO	17 Units	State / Federal McKinney	
St. Michael's House	86 Units	Mass Housing	
The Lorraine SRO	20 Units /Rental subsidies	State Private	
Earl Street SRO	14 Units Rental Subsidies	State / Federal Sec 8	
McKinney Funding	Hampshire County Programs	Federal	\$342,253/yr.

*City of Northampton Projects: (No ARRA or Neighborhood Stabilization funds are received).

Florence Fields Recreation Area is a new recreation area that will serve the entire city. It is within walking distance from Florence Heights, one of the largest housing developments in the City. It is owned and managed by the Northampton Housing Authority and serves families with low incomes.

Connecticut River Greenway and adjacent Lane Business Park – This project will create needed riverfront access, riverfront recreation and economic development opportunities immediately adjacent to River Run, the largest condominium development in the City. River Run serves mostly low and moderate income and special needs households and is within walking distance to the Housing Authority's other large family public housing complex, Hampshire Heights. The new sidewalk planned to serve River Run is adjacent to the Lane Business Park development.

Leeds Park and Ride Lot – the lot and rail trail access planned will improve access from the Leeds VA Medical Center. Emergency shelter, transitional and permanent housing for formerly homeless Veteran's currently on site will benefit. Soldier On, a non-profit that administers these programs is developing new permanent limited equity coop housing on the site under separate Federal funding commitments.

High Speed Rail and Rail Trail Linkage Project – This project will bring Amtrak back to Northampton, add a related traffic signal at Damon Road/Industrial Drive, build a new train station platform and railroad under pass to connect rail trail sections. Will serve adjacent low and moderate income neighborhoods.

Roundabouts at Pleasant St. /Conz Street and N.King St./Hatfield Street - Funds are in place to complete the design of two roundabouts that will improve vehicular and pedestrian safety. The Pleasant Street location serves many downtown residents, including visitors to the Senior Center and a 190 unit Housing Authority elderly housing complex.

Main Street/State Street/South Street Intersection - Funded to complete the design for an intersection realignment to address dangerous condition at site of high pedestrian use. Adjacent to affordable housing at 22-34 New South Street and 36 Bedford Terrace.

Summary of Specific Annual Objectives and Program Activities (91.220 c 3)

On or about July 1, 2013 the City of Northampton will receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$621,640 from the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

This Action Plan articulates the use of those funds and addresses objectives related to a range of housing, public facilities, economic development, elimination of blighted and decadent areas and public service needs identified in the Consolidated Plan and the community outreach process.

Pursuant to HUD regulations, activities must meet one of the following CDBG national objectives: (1) activities benefiting persons of low and moderate income; (2) activities aiding in the elimination of slums and blight; and (3) activities that address an urgent community need. Each activity to be funded will address one or more of those objectives.

The housing activities are designed to address health, safety, and building code issues and to stabilize the City's housing stock, ensuring decent, safe and affordable housing for the City's low and moderate income residents. The Valley CDC will assist low and moderate-income households through a homeownership assistance program that provides referrals to HOME assisted units in Northampton and direct financial assistance. A funding allocation has been made this year to Home City Housing/Better Homes for renovation activities at 17 New South Street, an apartment block containing 18 affordable units. The funding will be utilized for building improvements focused on energy savings, roof and gutter repair, heating system upgrades and exterior façade repairs. The \$130,000 commitment had been made in prior years but the property is being sold which has put the disbursement on hold. A closing with the new owner is scheduled for July 15, 2013. The owner will commence work soon thereafter.

The program can provide public infrastructure improvements within CDBG eligible areas with the goal of providing a suitable living environment for households with low & moderate incomes. Funding will be considered for installation of a new sidewalk connecting the River Run condominium complex to Damon Road. An income survey of residents may be required. If the property location is deemed eligible, funds will be allocated for the project.

The program can develop and improve public facilities within CDBG eligible areas to insure citizens will have access to and use of adequate public facilities. The program can also undertake access improvements ensuring persons with physical disabilities have adequate access to public facilities and services. Funds are being allocated this year to the Forbes Library Elevator project to insure access for all Library patrons.

Year 30 will provide funding to 12 public service programs targeted to the City's low and moderate income population through community based non-profit agencies and organizations. Public services include food and meals programs, housing support programs, literacy and mentoring programs as well as assistance for Latinos and immigrant populations.

Economic development activities will promote job creation and retention within Northampton and promote the development of micro-business enterprises, principally targeted to benefit the City's low and moderate-income residents.

The program will provide assistance in eliminating blighted and decadent conditions at the Three County Fairgrounds public facility and deteriorated conditions of surrounding public infrastructure. Additional site redevelopment work will occur this year.

Planning and administration resources will be utilized to support the provision of professional planning expertise for the City including neighborhood planning, the development and preservation of affordable housing, economic development activities geared towards business support, job creation and retention efforts within the City and administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Obstacles to Addressing Underserved Needs

There are several obstacles that were identified in the Impediments to Fair Housing Choice report completed in 2012. Data analysis conducted by the Massachusetts Fair Housing Center in that analysis yielded the following:

- Latino and Black residents have lower incomes than their White Non-Latino counterparts.
- Young adults and senior citizens have lower incomes than middle aged residents.
- The newest residents and those who are moving within Northampton are disproportionately low-income as compared to the City as a whole.
- The average household size is getting smaller.
- The percentage of Northampton residents identifying as Latino has increased the past few years, but the growth rate has not increased as rapidly here as it has in the county or state.

- Residents of color are overrepresented in tracts 8216.01, 8219.03 and 8220 which contains Smith College, so 8220 may not be representative of the City as a whole.
- Residents of color are underrepresented in tract 8217.
- Significant increase in those aged 45 to 65, significant decrease of those 25 to 44 and children under 18, over last 10 years.
- Percentage of female headed households with children has increased over last decade.
- Female headed households with children are disproportionately living in poverty.
- More than 50% of the housing stock was built before 1950.
- Except for tract 8216.02, children under the age of 6 are underrepresented in tracts containing the oldest housing stock.
- Northampton's rental market is competitive.
- Homeownership rates for Black and Latino residents is much lower than for it White Non-Latino counterparts.
- Residents of color are more likely to live in larger households than White Non-Latino residents.
- Limited supply of rental housing stock for large families; abundant supply of owner housing capable of accommodating larger families.
- Over the past ten years, the cost of homeownership in Northampton has risen dramatically while the median income has stayed flat.
- The median rent in Northampton is considered unaffordable to over 40% of the households in Northampton and is extremely unaffordable to almost 25% of households.
- Over the past ten years, while the amount of households paying affordable rent has stayed roughly the same, the amount of households that were paying very affordable rent has decreased by more than 10 percentage points, the amount of households paying unaffordable rent has increased by more than 5 percentage points, and the amount of households paying very unaffordable rent has increased nearly 10 percentage points.
- Over the past ten years, there has been a loss in the number of low-rent apartments and an increase in the number of high-rent apartments.
- There is a polarization of affordable homeownership in Northampton. For more than half of the mortgaged homes, the owner's housing cost was either extremely affordable or else it was unaffordable.

(Next items were reported during a focus group meeting hosted by MFHC)

- Members of certain protected classes may be denied housing based on their CORI records. This may have a discriminatory effect based on race, national origin, and disability.
- Residents living with AIDS and HIV reported experiencing housing discrimination because of their HIV/AIDS status.

- There is a high representation of Latinos, African-Americans and transgender people in the HIV/AIDS community.
- Some elderly residents residing in public housing experience bullying and intimidation.
- Some landlords are resistant to accommodating the needs of elderly tenants as they become frailer and in need of modifications to their apartment.
- Homeless and disabled individuals often face challenges trying to meet the requirements that landlords have when securing a new apartment such as credit checks, references, etc.
- Discrimination based on disability was the most commonly stated reason for a housing discrimination complaint over the past six years.
- There are a number of agencies operating in Northampton and the region that are charged with handling claims of housing discrimination.
- The City has used its CDBG allocation to support numerous agencies and programs involved in housing issues.
- There are several municipal boards and commissions which have the opportunity to address fair housing matters.
- The city's Housing Plan recognizes the need to provide a range of housing choices for its residents.
- The city's zoning ordinance includes an overlay district designed to encourage affordable housing in its suburban and rural residential zones.
- Multi-family dwellings are not permitted as of right in any residential zone in the city.
- Community residences or halfway homes are not permitted by right in any of the city's residential zones.
- Accessory apartments are permitted by right in all residential zones.
- Many of the city's more flexible and diverse uses are only permitted by the special permission of a city board.
- There are numerous community organizations in the city designed to empower or advocate for members of a variety of protected classes.
- Local rental housing advertisements frequently state "no pets."
- Some local rental housing advertisements state that students are prohibited from renting.
- Some local rental housing advertisements seem to indicate an unwillingness to rent to families with children.

Workshops were held to begin to address some of these concerns. The CDBG Work Scope for the new annual contract with the Mass. Fair Housing Center will develop a longer term work plan to address these obstacles.

The Northampton Housing Partnership will be sponsoring a Developer's Forum in October to stimulate the creation of affordable rental housing projects in the City.

Additional Information on the Changing Community Profile

(As excerpted from the Community Action Needs Assessment FY2012-2014 Report)

"Franklin County, designated the state's only rural county, and neighboring Hampshire County encompass 1,425 square miles and include many small cities and towns. In its FY '2009-2011 needs assessment, *Community Action*, the federally-designated Community Action Agency for both counties, noted that: "The 'diversity of the diversity' in Franklin and Hampshire Counties is unusual for a rural area. ... The number of undocumented immigrants is increasing, especially those from Latin America, China, and other Asian countries." (FY '2009-2011 Needs Assessment, p. 34) The most recent needs assessment for FY '2012-2014 cites 2010 Census data to confirm this trend. Since 2000, the counties experienced a small increase in overall population (about 2.5%) driven by dramatic increases in their immigrant population. For example, the counties' Asian population grew by 37% and the Latino population grew by 47% between 2000 and 2010. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission's 2011 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Annual Report also concludes from the 2010 Census that the region's long tradition of attracting immigrants continues unabated, and remarks that newcomers are increasingly drawn not to such urban centers as Holyoke and Springfield but to the counties' more rural communities. The report also notes the workforce development ramifications of this influx of immigrants since they represent an increasing segment of the labor pool.

Community Action's FY '2012-2014 report notes that Hampshire County's population is both more dense and more racially and ethnically diverse than Franklin County's, but there are several overarching similarities. Increasingly, the counties' respective populations face all the economic and social challenges associated with larger urban areas, but without the buffer or safety net created by the public infrastructure typical of larger areas. For instance, the availability of public transportation to newcomers, who may not yet have obtained a driver's license, is much more limited, as is the availability of childcare. This service deficit increases barriers to education and employment, which creates a risk of isolation for newcomers, especially before they have become proficient in English.

In addition, unlike cities which have attracted immigrants from one country of origin, Hampshire and Franklin Counties have become home to immigrants from over 50 different countries. Particular enclaves in each county have attracted particular groups, such as Easthampton and Moroccans, Turners Falls and Mexicans but in fact, the regions have been settled by an astounding diversity of immigrants from North Africa, the Middle East, Asia, and a variety of countries in Latin America. In addition, whereas the counties' aggregate data suggests that overall, the counties' population is still predominantly white, the communities where the Center for New Americans has located its program centers are disproportionately diverse.

Northampton is the county seat for Hampshire County. Its population, now at 28,549, has declined slightly since 2000 notwithstanding a continuing influx of immigrants from Ecuador, China, Vietnam, and Cambodia.

Northampton's economic base consists of some manufacturing, a service sector which includes government offices, healthcare, Smith College, and retail outlets and restaurants. Although the 2010-2011 public school data shows that the percent of children speaking a first language other than English is at 7.7% overall, at the Jackson Street School, located close to a public housing community where many immigrants live (Hampshire Heights), the percentage is 13.5%. Some immigrants to Northampton who work in the restaurant trade have come to the community without their children, who remain at home, and they live in restaurant dormitories.

Allocation Priorities and Geographic Areas

Allocation priorities were chosen consistent with the goals and objectives in the Consolidated Plan and in response to the needs identified in the annual solicitation, community outreach process and the Housing Needs Assessment and Strategic Housing Plan. Public services will be delivered city-wide and the infrastructure project is planned to serve a housing complex where many low and moderate income households reside.

Geographic Areas Where Activities Will Occur

Census tracts with more than 25% minority population are defined as areas of minority concentration. Presently, there are no such areas in the city. Northampton defines census tracts with percentages of low income households that exceed the city average of 39% to be areas of low income concentration. Those tracts consist primarily of the more densely populated areas in and around the Central business district downtown. These tracts are: 8216.01, 8219.02, 8220 (Smith College) and 8221.

CDBG Target Areas by Census Tract / Block Group

Pursuant to program regulations the following census tracts/block groups are targeted for CDBG funds based on income; more than 51% of the households in these areas have incomes below 80% of median income based on family size. (Census Tract Map attached.)

<u>Geographic Description</u>	<u>Census Tract, Block & Group</u>
North King Street	8216 01 – 1
Florence	8216 02 – 5
Leeds Veterans Hospital	8217 00 – 3
Central Core / Downtown	*8219 02 – 2; 8219 02 – 3; 8220 00 – 1
Former State Hospital	8219 02 – 4

*2010 Census Tract 821902 was split into 2: 821903 and 821904

All area benefit activities funded by the City are located within CDBG eligible census tracts. Direct benefit activities are funded throughout the City at locations, which meet direct benefit criteria.

Urgent Community Development Needs

Pursuant to HUD regulation 570.208 (c) "Criteria for National Objectives", CDBG resources may be used to address community development needs having a particular urgency. In utilizing this national objective criterion, the jurisdiction must certify that a particular activity is designed to alleviate existing conditions that directly pose a serious and immediate threat to the health, safety and welfare of a community. The existing conditions to trigger an urgent community development need must be recent, or have

recently reached a level of urgency within the past eighteen months. The following occurrences and/or conditions may require the determination outlined above:

- natural disasters (flood, hurricane, tornado, wildfire)
- structural fires of a particularly devastating nature

The City, depending on required activity, may complete a determination for CDBG funds to be used to address a particular urgent community development need. The Housing and Community Development Planner/CDBG Administrator shall complete the determination. Concurrence with the completed determination shall be required from the Mayor prior to the expenditure of CDBG funds. Examples of activities that typically meet an urgent community need are infrastructure improvements, interim assistance, and rehab of a community facility.

Action Plan Amendments

During the course of CDBG program year 30, funded activities may require budget adjustments based on project related cost overruns or cost savings. Such adjustments will be made only to activities included within an approved annual Action Plan. At such times the City requires flexibility in adjusting budgets. A budget adjustment will be considered a substantial amendment to the Action Plan if it meets the criteria established in the Citizen Participation Plan.

Annual Affordable Housing Goals (91.220 g)

New Affordable Rental Housing for Individuals and Families

The *Valley CDC* completed the energy efficient rehabilitation of an existing building on King Street near downtown Northampton two years ago. The project added 10 new SRO units to the inventory. The building formerly housed 2 apartments and first floor commercial space. The beautifully renovated structure now provides 10 enhanced SRO units, five specifically for formerly homeless.

Valley serves the communities of Northampton, Easthampton and Amherst. After an 18 month permitting review process, Valley has been granted approval to break ground on a 38 unit family rental housing development in Easthampton. Occupancy is expected for September of 2014. This project will be an exciting and much needed addition of units to the region's affordable rental housing inventory.

Valley has a signed Purchase and Sale Agreement on a downtown parcel in Northampton. (!) The CDC is in the due diligence phase currently, securing the Environmental Assessments and property appraisal. If this project moves forward, it has the potential to introduce 40-60 affordable rental units to families and individuals at a downtown location accessible to goods and services. State funding sources in addition to a local Community Preservation Act award will be pursued.

New Affordable Rental Housing for Special Populations

The *Northampton Housing Authority* still awaits the opportunity to break ground on 10 new units for the clients of the Department of Developmental Services. The project, located on Burts Pit Road, has been designed and permitted, but there are no State funds currently available. A bond is required and it appears the preference is for renovating existing properties as opposed to new construction.

Village Hill Affordable Unit Update

The remaining phases of new residential construction at the former State Hospital property will be market rate housing. The goal of the project, being shepherded by *Mass Development*, was to produce 207 residential units, half of which would be affordable. The affordable housing goal (104 units) will be met once Christopher Heights is developed (see below). The current bungalow housing being constructed was slated for "work force" housing (80-120% of area median income) but has ended up being more expensive than anticipated. Even though the sales prices for the lots and homes are in the 350,000 range as opposed to 250,000, some lots have been purchased by teachers, a local pastor and some other City employees.

The affordable units produced in the earlier phases of the redevelopment project are attractive and fully rented. These units made a huge contribution to the local housing inventory and offer exciting opportunities for households with lower incomes to be active participants in this diverse mixed income and mixed use neighborhood.

Project	Affordable units at Mass Development site	Affordable Units Credited to City using Chapter 40B
Village Hill I (renovated existing brick buildings)	26	33
Village Hill II (new townhouse construction)	32	40
Ice Pond Drive (Homeownership subdivision)	8	8
Housing Authority (Grove Street) DMH Housing	0	6
Total Current	66	87
Christopher Heights Assisted Living	43	83
Total pending	109	170

New Affordable Assisted Living Units

Christopher Heights: The Grantham Group from eastern Massachusetts has proposed an assisted living project (their fifth) that will include affordable units. Assisted living was a key component in the Master Plan. Village Hill, as the development is now called, is a 126 acre mixed use community composed of commercial, office, retail, research and development, light industrial, as well as residential rental and homeownership uses.

Christopher Heights of Northampton will be composed of a three story building containing 83 units. There will be 71 studio apartments, and 12 one bedroom units. A minimum of 17 units (20%) will be restricted to extremely low income residents earning less than 30% of the area median income while an additional 26 units will be restricted to residents earning less than 60% of AMI. These units will be affordable in perpetuity. Not only will it serve the special needs of the elderly senior population, but it contributes to multi-generational housing options offered at the site. This \$13,400,000 development will generate \$8,600,000 in construction spending resulting in 65 construction related jobs and create 40 new permanent jobs, introducing \$825,000 in payroll into the local economy.

Soldier On, a private non-profit organization serving Veterans from the New England region, is moving forward on a project in Northampton. Soldier On, in what is being described as a "first in the nation" partnership, is teaming up with the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to create 60 units of permanent housing for Veterans on the Leeds campus. 45 units will be for individuals and a separate 15 unit building will be for women and their children. The VA Medical Director said in a press release that this project will help meet the VA's goal to end homelessness among Veterans within 5 years. The majority of the project will be funded through a grant of up to \$8 million dollars from the VA Innovative Initiative program. Soldier On has obtained the land from the VA through an "enhanced use" lease. All funding has been secured, construction is planned for this September. Occupancy is expected for fall 2014.

Gandara Community House (Yvonne's House #2) opened in the fall of 2011. Friends of the Homeless partnered with the Gandara Center to purchase a duplex on Maple Avenue, in downtown Northampton. Through private fundraising, a Community Preservation funding award and a grant from MassHousing's CCRI Program, an opportunity was created to house 6 homeless residents committed to sobriety. The property was renovated over the summer and is now fully occupied. The residence has blended seamlessly into the existing neighborhood.

Regional Activity/

Projects continue to move forward in Western Massachusetts. In a press release issued May 9, 2012, the following projects were identified as DHCD award recipients:

- Gordon H. Mansfield Veterans Village in Agawam = Soldier On, Inc. will use \$2,715,000 in DHCD housing subsidies and \$544,657 in state and federal low income housing tax credits to renovate the former Western Mass Regional Police Academy in Agawam into 54 units of limited equity cooperative housing for formerly homeless Veterans. The project is expected to provide 85 jobs. Construction will begin this fall.
- Olympia Oaks in Amherst = HAP, Inc. will use \$2,715,000 in DHCD housing subsidies and \$1.1 million in state and federal low income housing tax credits to create 42 units of affordable family housing, with eight units reserved for extremely low income households and 2 formerly homeless families. Project will create 81 jobs.
- Cottage Square in Easthampton = Arch Street Development will use \$2.5 million in DHCD housing subsidies and \$981,271 in state and federal low income housing tax credits to create 50 units of affordable family housing. Five units will be reserved for extremely low-income households. Project will create 111 jobs. 50 one, two and three bedroom apartments will be created for tenants whose income falls between \$28,000 and \$42,000. Project is set to begin at the end of this calendar year with a 14 month construction schedule. Units could be available for rent in early 2014.
- Dial Self Teen Housing in Orange = Franklin County Dial Self will use \$1.3 million in DHCD housing subsidies to preserve nine units of affordable housing for youth aging out of the foster care system. The renovation project will generate 11 jobs.
- Westhampton Woods in Westhampton = Hilltown CDC will use \$800,000 in DHCD housing subsidies to create eight units of affordable housing for seniors, with two units reserved for extremely low income households. Project will create 10 jobs.

An award to a project in Springfield was the only award made in Western Mass. in 2013.

Colonial Estates, Springfield: Beacon Communities is the developer of this large-scale preservation project. With DHCD's award of \$2.5 million in state housing tax credits and \$2 million in Trust funds, Beacon will rehabilitate 500 units of family housing in this project and maintain the affordability of the units for many more years. Beacon has been working with the Department for several years to place homeless families in this project.

Annual Public Housing Goals (91.220 h)

As stated in the 5-Year and Annual Plan, the Northampton Housing Authority's mission statement is as follows:

“ The Northampton Housing Authority is committed to ensuring decent, safe and affordable housing, and housing opportunity for the citizens of Northampton and the region in an effort to maintain the economic diversity of the community. To this end the NHA shall strive to create and maintain clean and secure housing developments, offer a variety of housing opportunities for the community's citizens, assure fiscal integrity by all program participants, and work to support initiatives to provide opportunities for residents who wish to gain self-sufficiency and economic independence. The effectiveness of these endeavors is measured, in part, by the dedication of an innovative and caring staff to efficient program management, and collaboration with residents, community service providers and Northampton's government and community leaders”.

The City and Housing Authority work together to carry out the mission. The NHA was involved with the creation of the Housing Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan. The Director attends Housing Partnership and City Council Social Services and Veterans Affairs meetings to update members on NHA activities. A CDBG allocation to refurbish the kitchen at the Grace House was completed this program year. The City will also support NHA efforts to develop the 4th parcel deeded to them at the Former State Hospital, (Laurel Street) for homeownership and pursue grants to increase family self-sufficiency at the existing family developments.

Representatives of the Housing Authority are invited to all meetings facilitated by the CEDO office relative to affordable housing, coordinated service delivery and case management. NHA Rental Assistance program managers are actively involved in the administration of subsidies for the HUD VASH Program, The Florence Inn, Go West, Hathaway Farms, the Maples and with assisting homeless and formerly homeless residents with housing search activities.

Housing Authority capital improvement projects planned recently completed and planned for this program year are:

- ✓ Florence Heights - Purchase and install HW heaters \$ 33,800
- ✓ McDonald House - Add circuits to e generator \$ 8,300
- ✓ McDonald House - Community room auto door opener \$ 1,700
- ✓ McDonald House - Hp bathroom flooring \$ 2,000
- ✓ Tobin Manor - Auto door openers \$ 2,400
- ✓ Forsander - New roofs \$ 148,500
- ✓ Forsander - Column repair \$ 12,000
- ✓ Grace House- Kitchen improvements \$ 25,885
- ✓ Cahill - Repair/ replace floor tiles and repair walkways \$ 28,000

Planned FY14

- Bridge, Tobin, Grace – Renovate entry ways \$ 87,200
- Cahill – Renovate community room \$ 25,000
- Forsander – Replace boilers \$ 413,000
- Tobin – Replace Boilers \$ 114,000
- Salvo – Low flow toilets \$ 40,000
- State St. – Water damage repairs/ mitigation \$ 25,000

During FY14, the Housing Authority hopes to make use of a new State law that allows Housing Authorities that have properties deemed unusable for various reasons, to divest of them to a non-profit agency. There is a property on Corticelli Street in Florence that is in dire need of repair, outside the scope of available resources. The NHA hopes to create and release an RFP for demolition and new construction of new affordable units at that location. The language of the new law is as follows:

SECTION 104. *Section 26 of chapter 121B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 1414 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:- 1415*

(p) Notwithstanding this section or section 34 to the contrary, to dispose of or demolish any part or all of an existing housing project assisted by the commonwealth pursuant to chapter 689 of the acts of 1974, chapter 167 of the acts of 1987 or chapter 705 of the acts of 1966, if: (1) the department and the housing authority have determined that it is not financially feasible to bring the units up to a reasonable program standard for occupancy or permissible to convert the units to another low-rent housing program; (2) the inventory of available housing units remaining in the surrounding community is not substantially diminished as a result of such demolition; and (3) for units financed pursuant to chapter 705 of the acts of 1966, the units were vacant as of November 1, 2012, or, for units financed by the chapter 689 of the acts of 1974 or chapter 167 of the acts of 1987, the department has received written confirmation from both the department of developmental services and the department of mental health that those units are obsolete and inappropriate for housing their respective clients. Upon approval by the department, the authority may dispose of the property by sale, ground lease or other transfer of its interest in the property; provided, that the department shall review and approve of any appraisal and request for proposals related to the disposition, as well as the selection of the selected bidder. The request for proposals shall provide that, in reviewing responses to the request for proposals, first priority for selecting from among the responsive and responsible bidders shall be those bidders that offer a feasible plan to provide housing on the site that is permanently affordable to households under 80 per cent of area median income as defined by the department. Those bidders shall obtain the property for \$1, subject to an enforceable agreement to meet the requirements of its proposal. If no responsive and responsible bidder meets the above standard, the property shall be sold to the bidder offering the highest price for the property. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter, proceeds from the disposition, after paying for the costs of the disposition, shall be deposited in an expendable trust controlled by the department, the purpose of which shall be to fund capital improvements that the department determines are necessary and appropriate at

existing housing developments that serve households that would have been eligible for occupancy of the units that had been sited on the property.

The City will support the NHA's efforts in carrying out this project and advocate for any funding requests that may result.

Annual Homeless and Special Needs Goals (91.220 i)

During Year 30, the City will actively support with CDBG funding, the Interfaith Shelter, the Grove Street Inn and the SRO Outreach Project. City staff will work closely with the Outreach Clinician from Elliott Services to monitor the number and needs of unsheltered residents in the community. The City will support local efforts of Friends of the Homeless to assist ServiceNet with the Interfaith Shelter operation, fundraise for the boot program, dental care and rental assistance. Numbers being served in the homeless shelter system locally were relatively stable this past year. The number of new people to the shelter increased during the year and it remained full through to the last day of operation. Regional capacity issues will continue to be addressed during this coming year. Coordination with the Amherst winter shelter will continue as guests tend to move between the two communities frequently. *Annual goal, serve 100, house 15.*

The City secured funding through the HUD McKinney program, hired staff and launched the creation of a Homeless Management Information System. This system tracks the numbers, needs and housing placements of the chronically homeless. This past year saw great strides in improving the efficiency and productivity of the regional HMIS system. The Annual Point in Time count and Annual Homeless Assessment Report and the Housing Inventory Chart were compiled and submitted according to HUD regulations.

Chronic homeless activities: During FY14, the City will actively support with CDBG funding, the Interfaith Shelter, the Grove Street Inn and the SRO Outreach Project. City staff will also work closely with the Outreach Clinician from Eliot Services to serve the unsheltered, chronically homeless people in the community. During the annual Point in Time survey count, sheltered and unsheltered chronic homeless individuals (and families) are identified and tracked. Service Providers meet regularly to develop individual service plans to move the chronically homeless into housing. Services are provided through the C-SPECH and REACH programs.

The C-SPECH program (Community Support Program for People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness) provides outreach, case management, assessment and referral services to people with mental health and/or addiction issues whom are chronically homeless or recently housed with chronic homeless history in order to promote long term housing stabilization. The program's mission is to promote housing stability and readiness for treatment services, so clients can access and participate in community based social

services that in turn may promote long-term physical & mental health, sobriety, and community based permanent housing.

The type of services provided is based on a pretreatment model that values "meeting clients where they are at" and thereby believes that all chronically homeless clients in need of housing and stabilization services could benefit from these services as listed below:

- Relationship building, engagement and outreach services
- Common language development and articulation of client generated goals
- Facilitate psychosocial rehab on defining obstacles to goals and developing skills and supports
- Active housing search and placement with focus on affordability and transition/adaptation issues to new settings
- Landlord mediation and counseling re: transition to housing community
- Focus on development of safety plans regarding mental health, substance abuse, trauma, and housing crisis. This includes access and use of area crisis teams, detoxification facilities, psychiatric inpatient units, and self help networks, etc.
- Assessment and referral to community based social services with support around critical transitions to new services
- Provide education and access to needed community resources such as food pantries, benefits and rental assistance
- Eligibility determination and readiness work to promote access to umbrella state agencies such as DMH, DDS, Substance Abuse Bureau, SHIP, etc.
- Integration of Change Model, Motivational interviewing, and Harm Reduction approaches

Selection Criteria is based on the following: Single adults with a history of chronic homelessness, mental health diagnosis, MBHP membership, and a willingness to engage in services. The program operates through a philosophy of continued and extensive outreach and engagement services regardless of current housing status. Eliot Services PATH staff currently serves two clients in the Northampton area and will continue to make two slots available throughout the year. They have matched C-SPECH services with affordable housing placements via VASH Vouchers, Home City Housing, and Northampton Housing Authority units. Staff offers a minimum of 3 hours of housing stabilization services per week per client and currently serves up to 12 clients thru out Western MA (6 in Springfield).

REACH (Regional Engagement and Assessment of Chronically Homeless) housing first services were provided by ServiceNet, but these clients were transferred to the Housing Plus program as part of a regional SAMHSA grant, once REACH dollars ran out. REACH provider participates continue to meet monthly at the Department of Mental Health building to match chronically homeless clients with affordable housing resources

and support services. Housing and service providers attend along with direct care persons who have contact w/homeless individuals in need of housing and support services. The support service and housing programs in attendance and utilized include, but are not limited to the following:

- Behavioral Health Network and Soldier On /SAMHSA Mission West Program
- Eliot Community Health System – C-SPECH & PATH
- Home City Housing – Go West and other Housing Resources
- VA Case managers – VASH
- ServiceNet – Shelter, Drop in Center, Housing Plus-SAMHSA Team, Yvonne’s House
- DMH Western Mass. Housing Coordinator Chris Zabik – Eligibility for Shelter Plus, CBFS, Case management services
- Mental Health Association – Shelter plus Care McKinney Subsidies
- DMH Club House- Starlight Center

With the 100% response rate for Annual Point in Time Count surveys, as well as the increasing utilization of the HMIS system, data on the chronically homeless is becoming more reliable and comprehensive. The Street outreach worker who conducts the unsheltered count has been the same individual for years. Brendan Plante from Eliot Services knows the unsheltered individuals well, as many of them tend to be the same year after year. The locations where unsheltered folks camp are well known.

The number of unsheltered chronic homeless has gone from 11 in 2010 to 5 in 2012, to 12 in 2013. There is always a slight increase when the winter shelters in Northampton and Amherst close for the season. Efforts towards engagement and trust building continue. Sometimes the process takes years. *Annual goal is to serve 20 and house 5.*

Specific FY14 Action steps to end chronic homelessness:

- CEDO, Next Step and the Housing Partnership supported an application from ServiceNet to the Community Preservation Committee for rental assistance funds. The successful collaborative effort yielded an award of \$10,000 for first, last and security deposit funds for chronically homeless to access housing in Northampton. Funds will be available July 1, 2013 and assigned through the existing coordinated case management team. The goal is to house 15 with this much needed resource.
- CEDO staff continue to facilitate local collaboration between Police Department, service providers and the downtown business community to improve services coordination for sheltered and unsheltered chronically homeless downtown. This task force, entitled the Downtown Resource Center Work Group, first met on June 23, 2011. The group continues to meet to address downtown safety and services coordination for the homeless, as well as the relocation and expansion of the Homeless Drop-In Resource Center.

- Street Outreach Clinician will continue to link unsheltered residents with local services and participate in coordinated case management meetings with other providers.
- City will continue to participate in Western Mass. Regional Network to End Homelessness Discharge Planning meetings to develop and adopt local protocols to prevent public systems discharging people into homelessness. Meetings are taking place with area hospitals, psychiatric units, community mental health workers, reintegration managers at area jails and houses of corrections. Work group on housing sex offenders continues to meet regularly.
- The Western Mass. Network to End Homelessness has received a one year \$300,000 grant from the Paul and Phyllis Fireman Foundation aimed at moving homeless families into permanent housing by linking them to job training and employment opportunities. "Secure Jobs Connect" article in appendix.
- CEDO staff will meet with potential developers of Safe Havens housing to identify support services dollars, which are difficult to locate.

Homelessness Prevention: During Year 30, the City will actively support with CDBG funding, the SRO Outreach Program, the Literacy Project, the Manna Soup Kitchen, the Survival Center Food Pantry, the Valley CDC Homeownership Program and the Mass. Fair Housing Center's Fair Housing Program and the Community Legal Aid Homelessness Prevention Project. The CLA program, funded for the first time last year, focuses specifically on court involved households and works to stabilize public housing tenancies. The target population is households with public subsidies because the loss of those subsidies severely limits options for housing placements in the future. 10 households were proposed to be served and 27 were, with tenancies preserved for all but one. The Review Committee was excited to provide an increased funding award to CLA for this coming year to serve additional families.

All the public service programs listed above directly or indirectly preserve existing housing. Regionally, the City will participate in efforts to secure funding to maintain and/or expand the Tenancy Preservation Program and the tenant/landlord mediation services provided through the Housing Court. The need for additional financial sources for rental and utility arrearages for households at risk of homelessness still exists.

The City also supports the efforts of Valley Community Development Corporation. Valley holds quarterly meetings with its property manager and area service providers to identify and resolve any challenges Valley's tenants may be experiencing in order to stabilize the tenancies and prevent evictions. The City has encouraged SMOC (South Middlesex Opportunity Council based in Framingham) that owns and operates affordable SRO housing in the region to adopt the same model.

As the region moves to a homelessness prevention, housing first and rapid re-housing system model, the City will engage in efforts to promote and create those programs. The

City will also be cognizant of the need to transition to this new system slowly, rather than dismantling the emergency shelter system prior to the other components being in place.

Supportive Housing for Non-Homeless: Stavros Center for Independent Living based in Amherst provides housing search and access assistance to *persons with disabilities*. DHCD's Mass Access website also provides information on accessible unit availability. This past spring the City cosponsored a training session with Mass. Fair Housing and Stavros staff on laws related to reasonable accommodation. In this new fiscal year, the City will partner with the same entities to solicit public comment on the Analysis of Impediments. The new projects proposed locally will include some handicap accessible units, but it is too early to ascertain the exact numbers.

The City will continue to advocate for funding for the Housing Authority's project proposed for clients of the Department of Developmental Services. A housing bond bill has been passed at the State level, but there does not appear to be funding for Chapter 689 developments.

Persons with *HIV/AIDS* are assisted by Hampshire Aids/Care, recently renamed The Positive Place and Tapestry Health. The Positive Place is implementing the recently funded HUD McKinney bonus project that provides 10 additional subsidies. Most of those apartments will probably be in other communities, though. Persons with *alcohol abuse issues* can be assisted by the new sober home on Maple Avenue created last year with Community Preservation Act, MassHousing CCRI and private funding. The house is now fully inhabited with 6 formerly homeless men and women committed to sobriety. Hairston House, transitional housing for people in recovery, continues to operate on Graves Ave. also under the auspices of the Gandara Center.

The Department of Mental Health reports no additional resources for services or units coming to Western Mass. this fiscal year.

Activities to Overcome Barriers to Affordable Housing (91.220 j)

During Year 30, the Housing Partnership will work closely with the Office of Planning and Development to develop recommendations on zoning changes that will facilitate the preservation and creation of affordable housing units. The Housing Partnership will continue to implement recommendations in the Housing Needs Assessment/Strategic Housing Plan. The Community Preservation Committee awarded the funding to the Partnership to create the plan, so they can use it to guide CPA funding decisions. The Planning Board is also benefitting from having a document that clearly articulates housing needs in the community and possible zoning revisions to encourage unit

preservation and new creation. This will enhance the City's overall coordination with regard to housing policy and program support.

Contained within the Strategic Housing Plan are several regulatory recommendations the Housing Partnership, CEDO and Planning Office will pursue to encourage the creation of affordable housing. Some of those action items suggested are:

- Ease restrictions on city and village center development (underway)
- Promote mixed use development in more locations (underway)
- Revise Cluster Zoning Provisions
- Modify Accessory Apartment requirements
- Revise Parking requirements
- Explore form based zoning
- Establish a new mixed use innovations zone
- Fund small infill development
- Make suitable public property available for development (underway)

The City will continue to work closely with the Northampton Housing Authority to improve accessibility to housing opportunities. Through the Housing Partnership, a fact sheet was created for Housing Authority dissemination to formerly homeless applicants. It is often difficult for formerly homeless to provide all the required documentation for a Housing Authority application (i.e. 5 years of recent rental history). By bringing the Housing Authority Director together with local homeless advocates, a sheet was created that informs the applicant that they can be assisted at ServiceNet's Drop In Center (and includes a map). This will reduce the number of rejections based on incomplete applications and result in more formerly homeless securing permanent affordable housing. The NHA has also hired bi-lingual personnel and efforts continue to create tenancy documents in other languages.

Fair Housing

The City will again contract with the Mass. Fair Housing Center for education and outreach workshops, complaint processing and for implementing the recommendations articulated in the Impediments to Fair Housing Analysis.

On-going consultation will occur with housing and homeless service providers through the Next Step Collaborative and Three County Continuum of Care (in the new configuration) to address any barriers that may be identified throughout the year. The impediments listed in the AI are as follows:

1. Members of certain protected classes may be priced out of Northampton.

Black, Latino, disabled, and female-headed households with children are disproportionately low-income and poor. Homeownership is often out of reach for these

residents due to the increasing value of homes in Northampton, which has increased at a rate greater than incomes. Northampton's high rents and tight rental housing market has the biggest impact on low-income and poor residents, who are disproportionately members of protected classes.

2. Members of certain protected classes may be unable to find rental housing with enough bedrooms to meet their needs.

Residents of color disproportionately live in larger-sized families. Northampton has a limited supply of rental housing with 3 or more bedrooms. A scarcity in the number of rental units with 3 or more bedrooms will have a bigger impact on residents of color by squeezing them out of the city.

3. Transgender and gender identity expression are newly protected classes.

Since transgender and gender identity are relatively new protected classes in Massachusetts, there will be a need to educate and inform landlords and lenders about their responsibilities towards individuals identifying in this manner.

4. A significant majority of the housing stock in Northampton likely contains lead paint.

The presence of lead paint in a home may have the dual effect of causing landlords to not want to rent to families with young children and cause families with young children to be discouraged from renting in older homes.

5. A CORI record may allow a landlord to deny an individual an apartment, which disproportionately affects certain protected classes.

As a general rule, a landlord is permitted to look at a rental applicant's CORI record and reject their application on the basis of a positive CORI check. However, this policy might be found to have a disparate impact on protected classes based on race, national origin and disability.

6. Individuals living with disabilities face obstacles to fair housing choice from a number of directions.

A significant percentage of Northampton's population is living with at least one type of disability. Disability-related claims are the most common type of housing discrimination complaint. The existence of a disability often overlaps with other protected class statuses such as being a veteran. Individuals living with a disability face serious housing affordability challenges as they disproportionately live in poverty.

7. There is no mechanism in place to coordinate between the various fair housing agencies and local community groups.

Across Northampton there are several agencies that receive housing discrimination complaints, including MFHC, MCAD, the Northampton Commission on Human Rights, and HUD. In addition, there is a vibrant network of community-based organizations that provide support for housing matters. However, without a coordination and information sharing plan across these agencies, it will be difficult to fully assess the patterns of housing discrimination in the city.

8. The city's zoning ordinance has the potential to exacerbate existing problems with accessing a diversity of housing options.

Multi-family dwellings are often more affordable than single-family dwellings. Greater

affordability in housing benefits members of protected classes. The zoning ordinance does not permit the construction of multi-family dwelling units by right in any residential zone. In order to build a multi-family unit, a developer must first receive a special permit. In addition, halfway houses and community residences, which often serve individuals from protected classes are also not permitted by right in any residential zone as a special permit is required. Uses that are not allowed by right and are required to seek a special permit are at risk of not-in-my backyard attitudes on the part of neighbors.

9. Local rental advertising contains discriminatory language or seems to indicate a discriminatory impulse.

Ads for rental properties in Northampton often prohibit pets, but do not exclude service animals from that prohibition. Some ads clearly state that they discriminate against students. Other ads seem to hint that children may not be welcome in an apartment.

Recommendations

The City will work this coming year on the following tasks recommended in the AI:

- Increase the supply of affordable housing in Northampton and take steps to prevent the loss of affordable units in the city.
- Because Northampton is a desirable place to live, a strategy will need to be employed that ensures that members of protected classes who are disproportionately affected by the high cost of housing in Northampton are the ones who access newly created affordable units.
- Create an incentive plan for the development of multi-bedroom rental units.
- With a suitable LGBT advocacy organization, host an education session with landlords and lenders to inform them about this new protected class status.
- Produce or revise fair housing outreach materials to include this protected class.
- Create a database on the city's website that lists those homes that have been de-lead.
- Provide outreach to landlords and homeowners about the programs and financial assistance available to them to de-lead their homes.
- Host a community meeting to inform members of the public about the recently adopted CORI reform law to ensure that landlords are following the requirements for CORI checks and denials based on a CORI record and to inform renters of the ways in which they can seal their CORI records. **DONE**
- Work with disability rights and disability advocacy groups to host a workshop to help those with disabilities assemble the types of documents and identification papers needed to complete a rental application. **DONE**
- Examine the types of disability housing discrimination complaints filed over the past few years and look for patterns and opportunities for targeted outreach and education.
- All agencies that receive housing discrimination complaints will participate in a

process of information sharing across agencies while still maintaining client confidentiality.

- Fair housing agencies will work together to better define their respective roles regarding receipt, referral, and investigation of housing discrimination claims.
- The MFHC will meet regularly with representatives from Northampton's community organizations in order to hear, from the ground up, the challenges to fair housing that their constituents face.
- Consider expanding the "by right" designation to the construction of halfway homes and multi-family dwellings.
- Work with rental housing advertisers to inform them of the fair housing laws in Massachusetts and their obligation not to print discriminatory ads.

Annual HIV/AIDS Housing and HOPWA Goals (91.220(1)(3))

During Program Year 30, AidsCare of Hampshire County aka The Positive Place will continue providing 10 rental subsidies to households affected with HIV/Aids and get 10 additional units on line. Case management services, including housing search, homelessness prevention, life skills training and advocacy will be provided to those households. The case management component will also be enhanced with this funding award.

Discharge Policy (91.225(c)(10))

The City will support the Three County Continuum of Care protocols to prevent people from being discharged from public and private institutions directly into homelessness. Additionally, the Massachusetts Operational Services Division has developed discharge planning specification language in its human services RFPs to ensure consistency in discharge planning for state funded agencies in order to establish an effective discharge policy in the service system statewide. The language aims to ensure consistency in discharge planning among vendors. Massachusetts has an on-going practice of evaluating its policies to prevent discharge from institutions and health care facilities that result in homelessness.

Monitoring (91.230)

The Community and Economic Development Office (CEDO) will monitor and measure the success of annual activities against the goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. Progress on the ConPlan needs and strategies will be evaluated on an annual basis to determine if changes are required to plan priorities and strategies. Performance of annual activities will be evaluated against the target outcomes identified in the sub-recipient agreements. CEDO will conduct on-site monitoring visits to sub-recipients on a regular rotating basis. In addition all sub-recipients will provide quarterly and annual

reports which will be reviewed and entered into the IDIS reporting system. Any problems identified by sub-recipients or by CEDO staff will be address on a quarterly basis. Expenditures will be monitored and evaluated quarterly.

Project Name: Infrastructure: River Run Sidewalk					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-1 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Sidewalk construction to facilitate safe pedestrian access for residents of low and moderate income housing complex to nearby services. Approximately 1,000 linear feet will be constructed					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
Damon Road, Northampton	Select one: Infrastructure				
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:				
6/30/2014	Infrastructure improvements within CDBG eligible areas with the goal of providing suitable living environments for low and moderate income residents National Objective: LMH				
Objective Category					
<input type="radio"/> Decent Housing					
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment					
<input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity					
Outcome Categories					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of public improvements for lower income persons				
<input type="checkbox"/> Affordability	2				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	04 Households	Proposed	216	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Safe access to goods and services for people living in a nearby low and moderate income housing complex	Amount of linear feet constructed; number of households benefitting	To be reported in CAPER			
03 Public Facilities and Improvements (General) 570.201(c)	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	45,560	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Facilities: Forbes Library					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-2 UOG Code: MA251674				
Funds will be leveraged with fundraising monies for the installation of a handicap accessible elevator at the main entrance of the library. CDBG allocation will be assigned to the creation of construction specification plans.					
Location: 20 West Street, Northampton Census Tract: 8219.02 04	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Facilities				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Development and improvement of public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and/or those facilities serving the City's low and moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring l/m individuals and persons with physical disabilities have access to and use of public facilities National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of neighborhood facilities for low-income persons				
	2				
	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	11 Public Facilities	Proposed	1	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Improvements to the City's public library all residents access recreational, technological and social opportunities	Complete installation of the elevator to serve disabled population	To be reported in CAPER			
03 Public Facilities and Improvements (General) 570.201(c)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	14,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
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	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Description:		IDIS Project #: 30-3		UOG Code: MA251674	
The Valley Community Development Corporation (CDC) will administer a homeownership assistance program providing low and moderate income Northampton residents advocacy to address the challenges in both attaining and sustaining affordable homeownership. Referrals to HOME-funded homeownership opportunities and downpayment/closing costs grants to assist buyers with purchase of their first home will also be provided					
Location:		Priority Need Category			
30 Market Street, Northampton		Select one:		Owner Occupied Housing	
Expected Completion Date:		Explanation:			
6/30/2014		Housing activities undertaken by the City are designed to address health, safety and building code issues and to stabilize the City's housing stock ensuring decent and safe housing. Activities also include assistance with attaining and sustaining affordable homeownership National Objective: LMH			
Objective Category		Specific Objectives			
<input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity		1. Improve access to affordable owner housing 2. 3.			
Outcome Categories					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability					
Project-level Accomplishments	04 Households	Proposed	48	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome		Performance Measure		Actual Outcome	
Assistance to low and moderate income households in accessing resources to obtain sustainable homeownership; two grants to assist with downpayment and closing costs will also be provided		Number of households who obtain and sustain homeownership; number of HOME-funded referrals; number of grants administered		To be reported in CAPER	
13 Direct Homeownership Assistance 570.201(n)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	26,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Economic Development: Small Business Technical Assistance					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-4 UOG Code: MA251674				
The Valley Community Development Corporation (CDC) will provide technical assistance and workshops for micro-businesses and/or low and moderate individuals interested in starting their own business					
Location: 30 Market Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Economic Development				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Economic development activities are undertaken by the City to promote job creation and retention within Northampton, and to promote the development of micro-businesses for low and moderate income residents National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input checked="" type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve economic opportunities for low-income persons				
	2				
	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	20	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Individual counseling to create micro-businesses to provide for economic opportunity	Number of individuals counseled; number of jobs created and/or retained	To be reported in CAPER			
18C Micro-Enterprise Assistance	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	10,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	

Project Name: Public Services: Casa Latina				
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-5 UOG Code: MA 251674			
Casa Latina will provide outreach, support and referrals for low/mod Latino residents to access services such as health, housing, language and literacy education, employment and to obtain other basic needs				
Location:	Priority Need Category			
140 Pine Street, Florence	Select one: Public Services ▼			
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:			
6/30/2014	Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC			
Objective Category	Specific Objectives			
<input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons ▼			
	2 ▼			
	3 ▼			
Outcome Categories				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility				
<input type="checkbox"/> Affordability				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People ▼	Proposed 250	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome		
Improved accessibility to information and case management for Northampton Latinos, allowing them to successfully integrate into their community	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER		
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e) ▼	Matrix Codes ▼			
Matrix Codes ▼	Matrix Codes ▼			
Matrix Codes ▼	Matrix Codes ▼			
Program Year 4	CDBG ▼	Proposed Amt. 14,000	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed Units	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed Units
		Actual Units		Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source: ▼	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed Units	Accompl. Type: ▼	Proposed Units
		Actual Units		Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Career and Education Support					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-6 UOG Code: MA 2516714				
The Center for New Americans will teach English and technology to low and moderate income immigrants, with a focus on career and workforce related classes. Through CDBG and other funding sources, The Center for New Americans has developed pathways to careers in manufacturing, healthcare, and weatherization/energy efficiency allowing immigrants to acquire the skills needed to move out of poverty and integrate into their new community. Classes are held at the James House.					
Location: 42 Gothic Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input checked="" type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 Improve economic opportunities for low-income persons 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	45	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Low and moderate income immigrants will receive English and technology education as well as career and education advising allowing them to take advantage workforce development classes and/or opportunities to secure better employment	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER			
05H Employment Training 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	9,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Public Services: Big Brother Big Sister Mentoring Program						
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-7 UOG Code: MA 251674					
The Center for Human Development (CHD) will create and support quality mentoring relationships for low and moderate income youth in Northampton from families with multiple risk factors with goal of improving peer relationships, improving chances for success in school and encourage involvement in the community. Youth are referred by school personnel. Volunteer mentors meet weekly with their mentees for at least one year. Total HUD funding for Program Year 2013 is \$4,459 (\$4,136 from new funds; balance of \$323 from prior year (Program Year 2012) program income						
Location: Jackson St. School 120 Jackson St., Northampton Ryan Road School 498 Ryan Rd., Florence JFK Middle School 100 Bridge St., Florence	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services					
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC					
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives					
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 3					
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete	30 Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete				
	Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete	Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete				
	Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete	Accompl. Type: Proposed Underway Complete				
	05D Youth Services 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes				
	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
	Program Year 4	CDBG Fund Source: Accompl. Type: Accompl. Type:	Proposed Amt. 4,459 Actual Amount Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Units Actual Units Proposed Units Actual Units	Fund Source: Fund Source: Accompl. Type: Accompl. Type:	Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Units Actual Units Proposed Units Actual Units	
		Program Year 5	Fund Source: Fund Source: Accompl. Type: Accompl. Type:	Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Units Actual Units Proposed Units Actual Units	Fund Source: Fund Source: Accompl. Type: Accompl. Type:	Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Amt. Actual Amount Proposed Units Actual Units Proposed Units Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: SRO Outreach				
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-8 UOG Code: MA 251674			
The Center for Human Development (CHD) will provide case management and support to residents living in SROs throughout Northampton and Florence. Staff provide support services needed to overcome major barriers, prevent homelessness and hunger and enhance the quality and stability of their lives				
Location: 129 Main Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services			
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC			
Objective Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives			
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 3			
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed 125	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway		Underway
		Complete		Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome		
Support services will allow residents to increase their access to benefits and food security. Residents will build a sense of community by attending weekly coffee hours	Number of persons served	To be reported in CAPER		
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt. 14,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units		Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount		Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units		Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Youth Employment Readiness Initiative					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-9 UOG Code: MA251674				
Community Action will provide individual career development assistance, employment readiness training, and educational workshops to at-risk Northampton youth, ages 14-21. A Financial Education and Resources Advocate will assist youth to navigate public assistance programs and access appropriate resources to overcome the barriers in their lives					
Location: 42 Gothic Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives 1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 Improve economic opportunities for low-income persons 3				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability					
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	75	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome Youth will receive employment readiness support and/or training allowing them to obtain educational and employment goals	Performance Measure Number of youth served	Actual Outcome To be reported in CAPER			
05D Youth Services 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	5,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Homeslessness Prevention Project					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-10 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Community Legal Aid (CLA) will provide legal assistance to tenants with rent subsidies who are at risk of eviction and participants in rent subsidy programs, such as Section 8, who are at risk of being terminated from the subsidy program in an effort to prevent eviction and secure and/or maintain subsidized housing					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
20 Hampton Avenue, Northampton	Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:				
6/30/2014	Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category	Specific Objectives				
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons				
Outcome Categories	2				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	20	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Free legal advocacy for low income residents to prevent eviction and homelessness and to secure and maintain subsidized housing	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER			
05C Legal Services 570.201(E)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	4,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Public Services: Passport to Success					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-11 UOG Code: MA 251674				
The Literacy Project (TLP) will provide GED instruction and intensive individualized and group education and career advising to residents age 16 and over. The Education and Career Advisor will assist current, past and potential Adult Basic Education (ABE) students with overcoming barriers to staying in class to earn their GED and prepare students for the transition to post-secondary education and/or training and employment					
Location: 42 Gothic Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 Improve economic opportunities for low-income persons 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	40	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Low and moderate income residents who lack a high school diploma and/or adequate post-secondary/work skills will receive access to GED instruction and/or career advising	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER			
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	9,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Manna Soup Kitchen					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-12 UOG Code: MA 241674				
The MANNA Soup Kitchen will provide three free meals per week year round to low and moderate income residents. Special meals on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day will also be provided					
Location: 48 Elm Street, Northampton 297 Main Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	400	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Low income and homeless individuals will have access to three meals per week lessening food expenses and preventing hunger	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER			
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	3,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Public Services: Northampton Fair Housing Program					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-13 UOG Code: MA 251674				
The Massachusetts Fair Housing Center (MFHC) will work to further fair housing by addressing key barriers identified in the 2012 Analysis of Impediments (AI). MFHC will address issues such as: lead paint discrimination against families with children; protect new classes as amended in 2013 Mass law; and criminal history and disability discrimination. Trainings and workshops will be held for community groups and landlords, will investigate claims of discrimination and provide advocacy, including free legal representation to victims.					
Location: Citywide	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve access to affordable rental housing 2 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	75	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Low and moderate income residents will receive fair housing education on fair housing law. Victims of discrimination will be provided legal assistance to protect their rights under the fair housing law in order to secure/maintain their housing	Number of people served	To be reported in CAPER			
05J Fair Housing Activities (if CDBG, then subject to 570.201(e))		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	5,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Grove Street Inn					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-14 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Service Net, Inc. will operate a 22-bed transitional and emergency shelter for homeless individuals. Shelter staff provide case management with an emphasis on rehabilitation. The Grove Street Inn is open 365 days per year from 5:00 pm-9:00 am Monday-Friday and for 24 hours per day on Saturdays and Sundays. Total HUD Program Year 2013 is \$15,000 (\$9,055 from new funds; balance of \$5,945 from prior year (Program Year 2012) program income					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
91 Grove Street, Northampton	Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:				
6/30/2014	Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category	Specific Objectives				
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	1 Increase the number of homeless persons moving into permanent housing 2 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 3 End chronic homelessness				
Outcome Categories					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability					
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	200	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Homeless individuals will have access to shelter and case management to assist in overcoming barriers to obtaining/maintaining permanent housing	Number of individuals served	To be reported in CAPER			
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	15,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Interfaith Cot Shelter					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-15 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Service Net, Inc. will operate the City's cold weather shelter for homeless individuals. Service Net, the Friends of the Hampshire County Homeless and the City of Northampton collaborate to provide food and emergency shelter. Two meals per day and overnight shelter are provided daily from November 1 - April 30 with hours from 6:00pm-7:00am daily. A Drop In Center provides case managers to assist in finding long term housing to suit individual's needs. Total HUD Program Year 2013 is \$13,000 (\$7,055 from new funds; \$5,945 from prior year (Program Year 2012) program income					
Location: 43 Center Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Increase the number of homeless persons moving into permanent housing 2 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 3 End chronic homelessness				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	200	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Homeless individuals will have access to emergency shelter during the coldest months of the year. Each individual will work with a case manager to assist them to overcome the issues that led to homelessness and to secure permanent housing	Number of individuals sheltered; number of people who secure housing	To be reported in CAPER			
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	15,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Services: Emergency Food Pantry					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-16 UOG Code: MA 251674				
The Northampton Survival Center, Inc. will operate an emergency food pantry providing low and moderate income residents free nutritionally balanced monthly food packages, as well as, access to fresh bread and produce, much of it locally grown. A KIDS Summer Food Program will operate during the summer months which will allow school-age children in Northampton supplemental groceries.					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
265 Prospect Street, Northampton	Select one: Public Services				
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:				
6/30/2014	Funding for public services and anti-poverty programs are targeted to the City's low and moderate income residents through community based non-profit organizations. Public services include, but are not limited to, youth programs, housing support programs and the provision of basic needs National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons				
	2				
	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	01 People	Proposed	2,400	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Individuals and families will have access to free monthly food allotments preventing hunger and malnutrition	Number of people served; amount of food distributed	To be reported in CAPER			
05 Public Services (General) 570.201(e)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	10,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Planning and Administration						
Description:	IDIS Project #: 30-17 UOG Code: MA 251674					
Planning activities including neighborhood planning, community and economic development, affordable housing activities and administration of the Community Development Block Grant Program						
Location: Citywide	Priority Need Category: Planning/Administration					
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Professional planning expertise including neighborhood planning, community and economic development, housing and homeless activities and administration of the Community Development Block Grant					
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives					
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve the services for low/mod income persons 2 Improve economic opportunities for low-income persons 3					
Project-level Accomplishments	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>
		Underway	<input type="text"/>		Underway	<input type="text"/>
		Complete	<input type="text"/>		Complete	<input type="text"/>
	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>
		Underway	<input type="text"/>		Underway	<input type="text"/>
		Complete	<input type="text"/>		Complete	<input type="text"/>
	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type: <input type="text"/>	Proposed	<input type="text"/>
		Underway	<input type="text"/>		Underway	<input type="text"/>
		Complete	<input type="text"/>		Complete	<input type="text"/>
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome				
Administration of the CDBG Program to meet the needs of the community and the fostering of economic development	Maximize utilization of HUD funds to address community needs	To be reported in CAPER				
21A General Program Administration 570.206	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	124,328	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Units	<input type="text"/>		Actual Units	<input type="text"/>
Program Year 5	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>		Actual Amount	<input type="text"/>
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>
		Actual Units	<input type="text"/>		Actual Units	<input type="text"/>
Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	<input type="text"/>	
	Actual Units	<input type="text"/>		Actual Units	<input type="text"/>	

Project Name: Public Facilities: Senior Center Debt Service					
Description: IDIS Project #: 24-6 HUD #0596 UOG Code: MA 251674					
Seventh payment for debt service obligations for the construction of a full service senior center. Initially funded in Program Year 2007; principal / interest payments to be made in September 2013 and March 2014. The CDBG program was obligated to pay the first 7 1/2 years of the debt; the City will begin payments in Program Year 2014					
Location: 67 Conz Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Select one: Public Facilities				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Development and improvement of public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and/or those facilities serving the City's low and moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring l/m individuals and persons with physical disabilities have access to and use of public facilities National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of public improvements for lower income persons 2 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	11 Public Facilities	Proposed	1	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Year 7 of a 20 year debt payment	Number of people utilizing the facility; number of programs provided	To be reported in CAPER			
03A Senior Centers 570.201(c)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	311,621	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Prior Years	CDBG	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount	2,042,766		Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Public Facilities: Grove Street Painting					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 29- HUD #0768 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Exterior painting of the City owned homeless shelter for individuals					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
91 Grove Street, Northampton	Select one: Public Facilities				
Expected Completion Date:	Explanation:				
6/30/2014	Development and improvement of public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and/or those facilities serving the City's low and moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring I/m individuals and persons with physical disabilities have access to and use of public facilities National Objective: LMC				
Objective Category	Specific Objectives				
<input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of neighborhood facilities for low-income persons				
Outcome Categories	2				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	11 Public Facilities	Proposed	1	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Exterior painting of the building	Completion of the job	To be reported in CAPER			
03C Homeless Facilities (not operating costs) 570.201(c)		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes		Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	11,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Other	Proposed Amt.	20,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Prior Years	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Public Facilities: James House Construction					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 26-7 HUD #0689 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Repair and construction of the James House Learning Center front porch. The James House provides space to non-profits providing education services, skills training and literacy programs for the City's low and moderate income residents					
Location:	Priority Need Category				
42 Gothic Street, Northampton Census Tract: 8219.02.02	Public Facilities				
Explanation:					
Development and improvement of public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and/or those facilities serving the City's low and moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring l/m individuals and persons with physical disabilities have access to and use of public facilities National Objective: LMC					
6/30/2014	Specific Objectives				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input checked="" type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of neighborhood facilities for low-income persons				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	2 Improve the services for low/mod income persons				
	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	11 Public Facilities	Proposed	1	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Rehabilitation of a public facility to provide literacy, skills training and family support services in a one-stop center accessible by public transportation	Completion of work; number of people using the facility	To be reported in CAPER			
03 Public Facilities and Improvements (General) 570.201(c)	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	33,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Prior Years	CDBG	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount	131,332		Actual Amount
	Other	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount	201513		Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Project Name: Housing: New South Street Apartments					
Description: IDIS Project #: 28-2 HUD #0725 UOG Code: MA 251674					
In exchange for 25 years additional affordability on 18 housing units, CDBG funds will be used for building improvements to roof/gutters, heating systems and exterior painting. Due to an ownership change, the project has been delayed; HUD #0725 will be closed out. The project will begin again in Program Year 2013 with a June 30th 2014 deadline. The scope of services will be revised and a new contract issued; when the documents have been fully executed funds will be re-committed in IDIS and spent					
Location: 22-34 New South Street, Northampton	Priority Need Category Rental Housing				
Explanation:					
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Housing activities undertaken by the City are designed to address health, safety and building cold issues and to stabilize the City's housing stock ensuring decent and safe housing. Activities also include counseling and assistance in attaining and sustaining affordable homeownership National Objective: LMH				
<input type="radio"/> Objective Category <input checked="" type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity					
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve access to affordable rental housing 2 Improve the quality of affordable rental housing 3				
Project-level Accomplishments	04 Households	Proposed	18	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
18 households will continue to have access to affordable housing with improved quality standards and energy conservation	Amount of work completed; number of households improved	To be reported in CAPER			
14B Rehab; Multi-Unit Residential 570.202	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes			
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	130,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Prior Years	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units

Project Name: Blighted and Decadent Areas: Fairgrounds Pre-Development					
Description:	IDIS Project #: 27-5 HUD #0714 UOG Code: MA 251674				
Redevelopment of the Three County Fairground and surrounding public infrastructure to eliminate deteriorated and blighted conditions. The City's 2-year contract ended June 30, 2013. The IDIS activity will be closed out, the scope of services will be revised and a new contract issued. Funds will be re-committed in IDIS once all paperwork is in place					
Location: 54 Fair Street, Northampton Census Tract: 8222.00	Priority Need Category: Public Facilities				
Expected Completion Date: 6/30/2014	Explanation: Development and improvement of public facilities within CDBG eligible areas and/or those facilities serving the City's low and moderate income residents with the goal of ensuring l/m individuals and persons with physical disabilities have access to and use of public facilities National Objective: SBA				
Objective Category <input type="radio"/> Decent Housing <input checked="" type="radio"/> Suitable Living Environment <input type="radio"/> Economic Opportunity	Specific Objectives				
Outcome Categories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Availability/Accessibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordability <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability	1 Improve quality / increase quantity of neighborhood facilities for low-income persons				
	2				
	3				
Project-level Accomplishments	11 Public Facilities	Proposed	1	Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed		Accompl. Type:	Proposed
		Underway			Underway
		Complete			Complete
Proposed Outcome	Performance Measure	Actual Outcome			
Elimination of deteriorated and blighted conditions	Number of structures eliminated and/or number of structures improved	To be reported in CAPER			
03 Public Facilities and Improvements (General) 570.201(c)	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Matrix Codes	Matrix Codes				
Program Year 4	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	56,475	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
Prior Years	CDBG	Proposed Amt.	62,000	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount	5,554		Actual Amount
	Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.		Fund Source:	Proposed Amt.
		Actual Amount			Actual Amount
	Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units		Accompl. Type:	Proposed Units
		Actual Units			Actual Units
	Proposed Units			Proposed Units	
	Actual Units			Actual Units	

Annual Housing Completion Goals
(Table 3B)

Grantee Name: Program Year:	Expected Annual Number of Units To Be Completed	Actual Annual Number of Units Completed	Resources used during the period			
			CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA
BENEFICIARY GOALS (Sec. 215 Only)						
Homeless households	0		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-homeless households	1		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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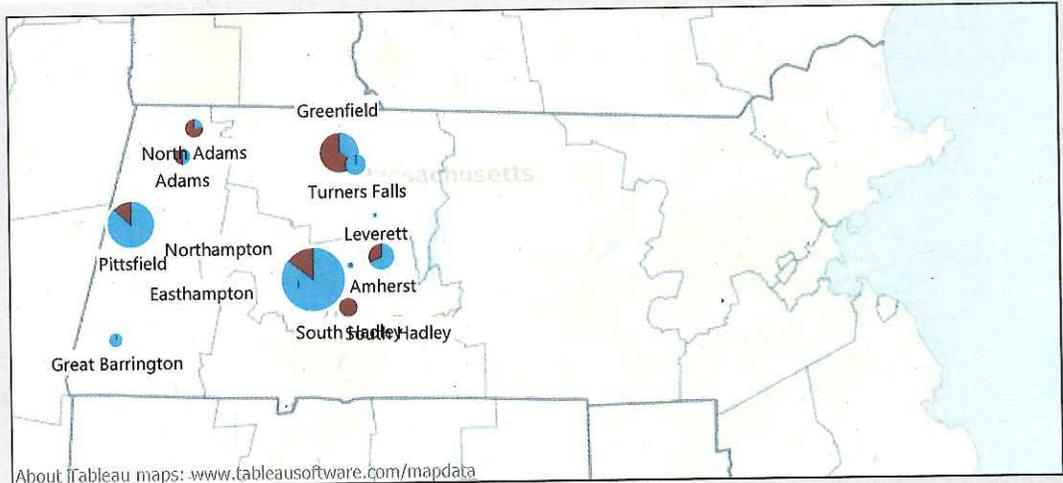
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Berkshire, Franklin and Hampshire Counties of Massachusetts
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■ Persons in Families

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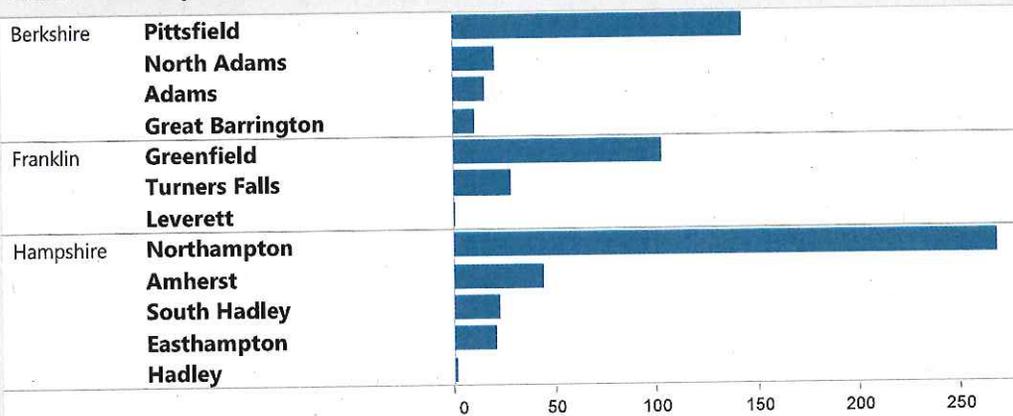
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persons homeless
on a single night in 2013

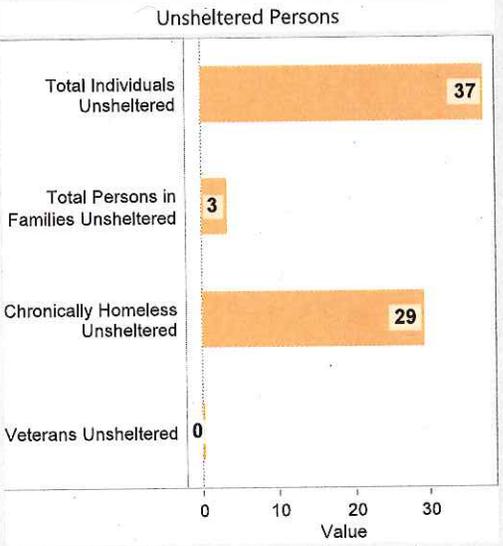
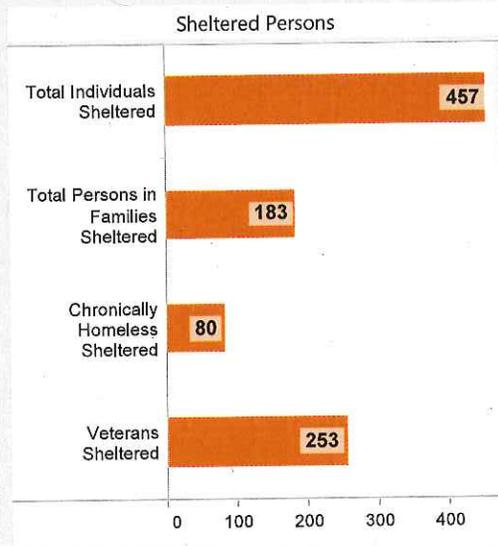
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Community Closeup

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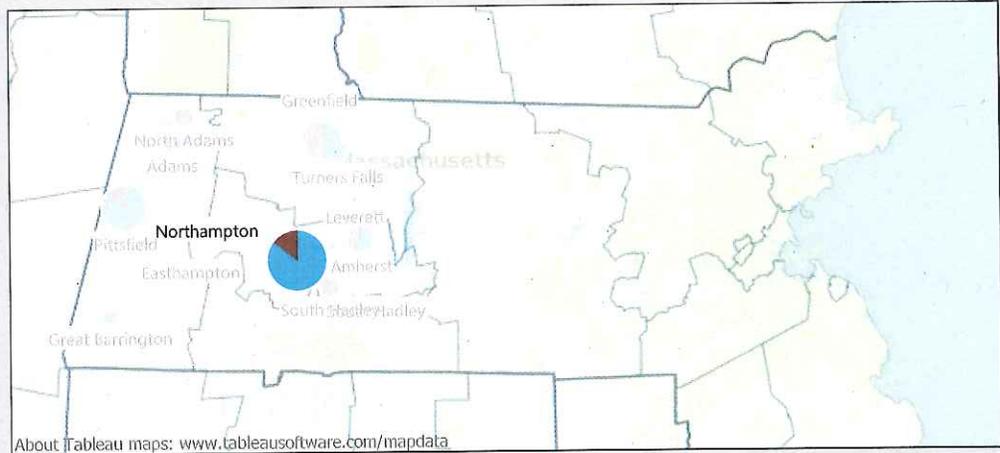


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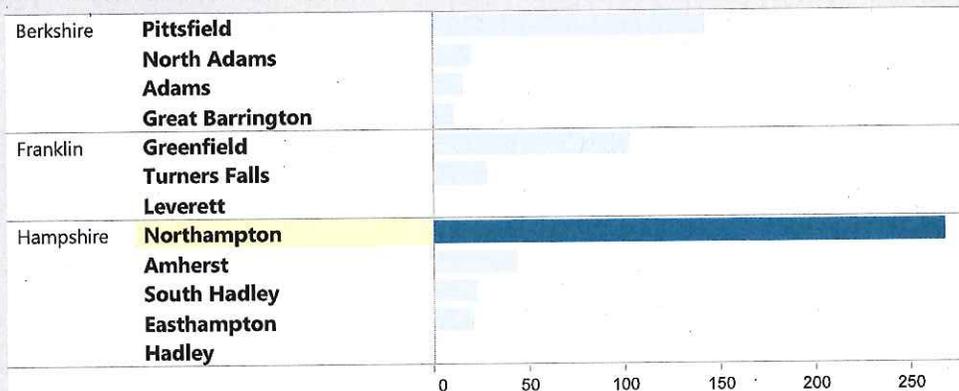
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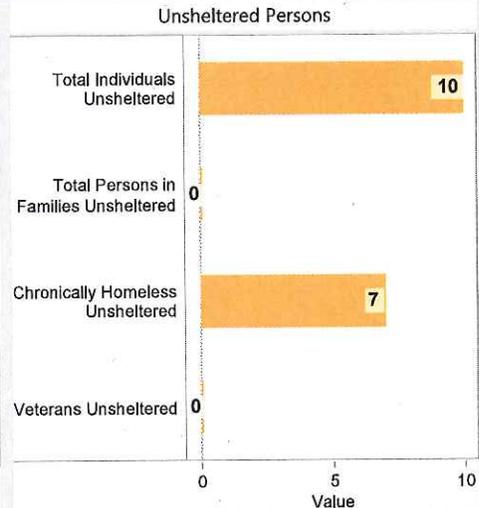
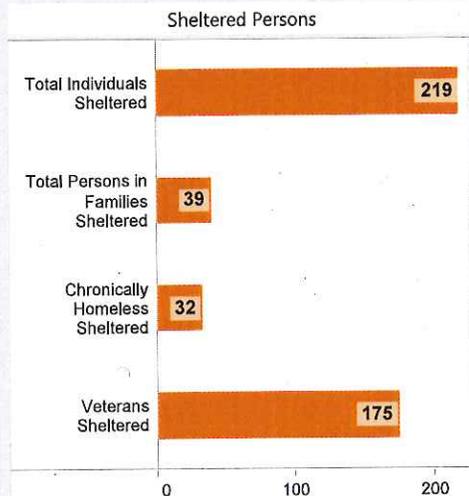
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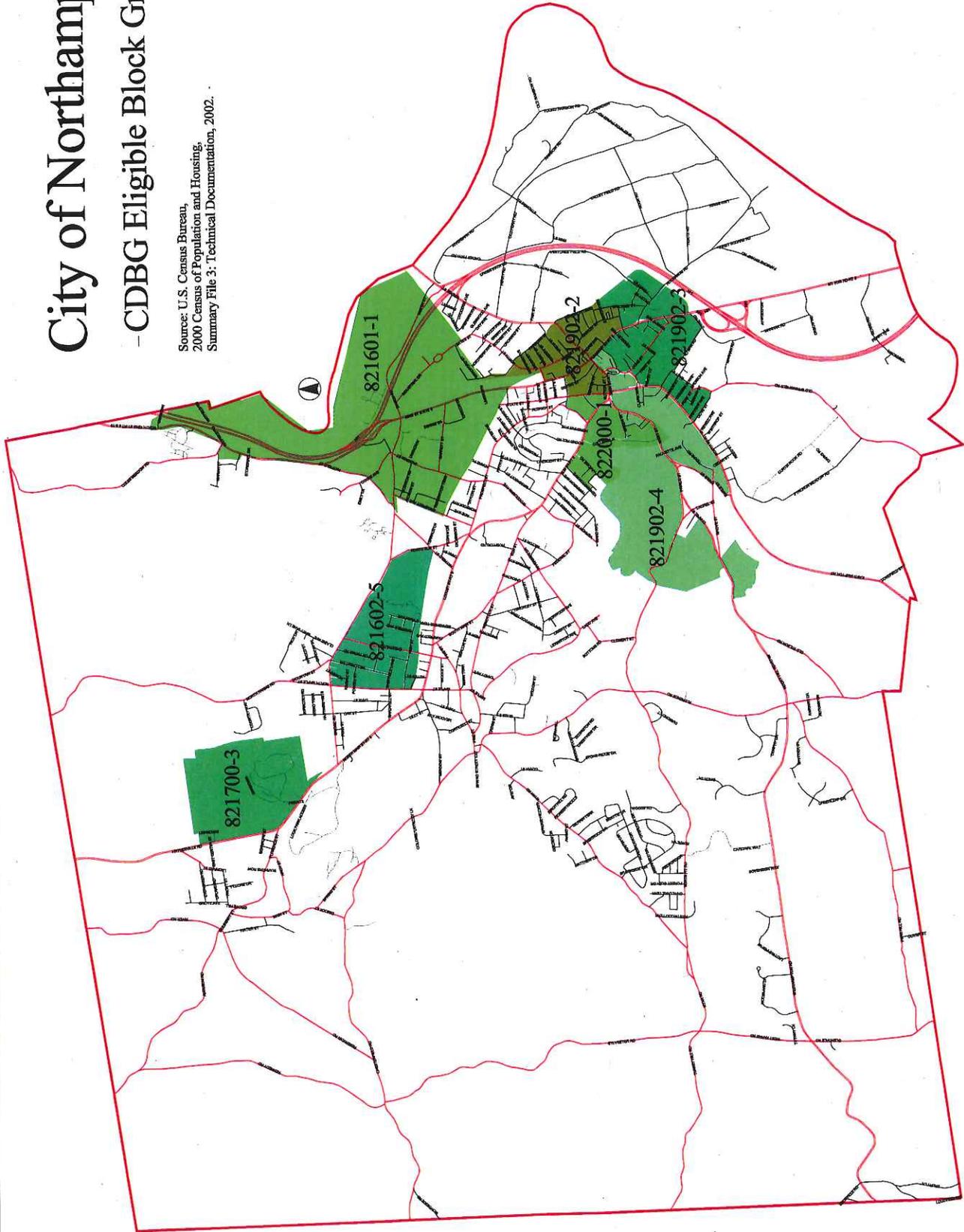
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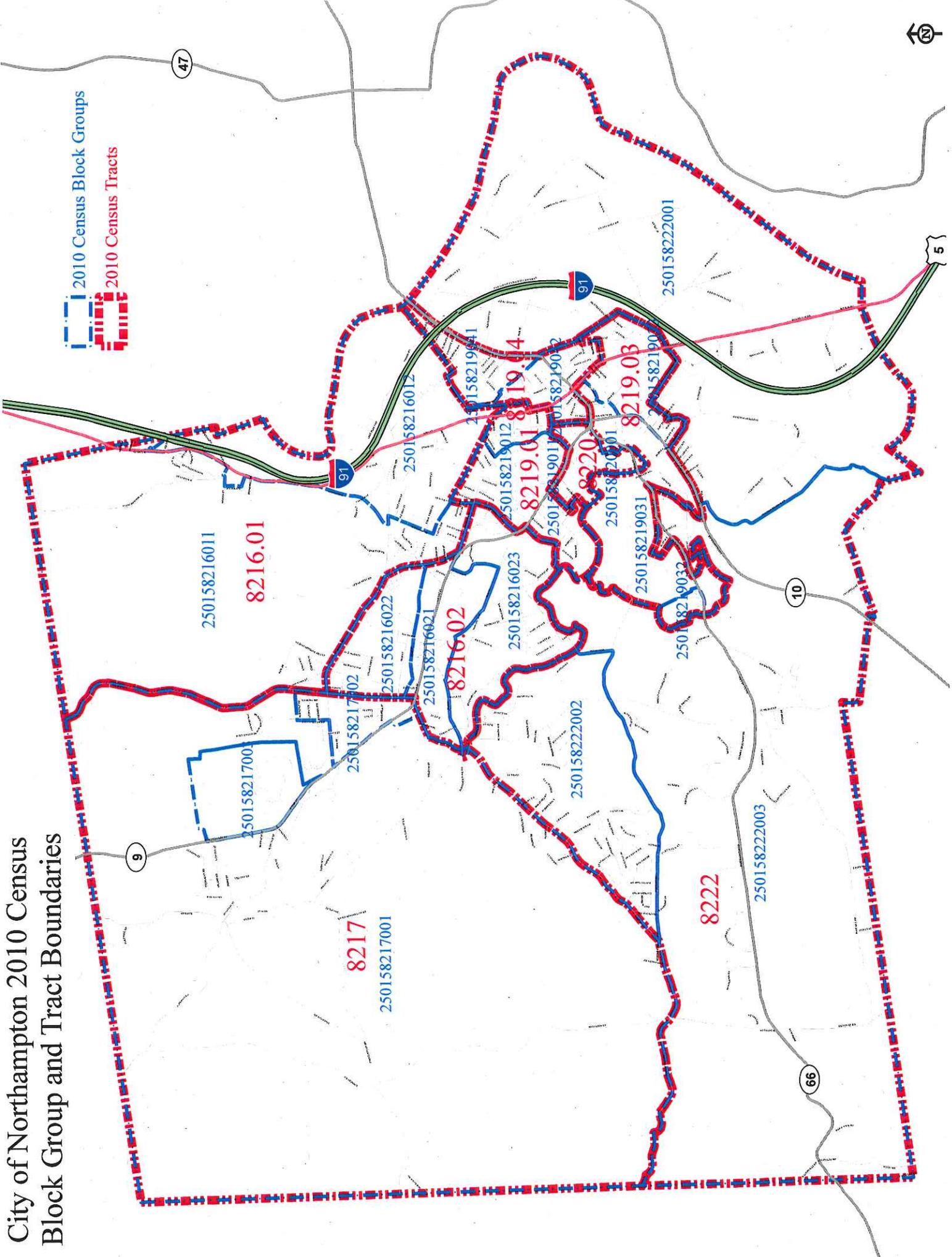
- CDBG Eligible Block Groups -

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,
2000 Census of Population and Housing,
Summary File 3: Technical Documentation, 2002.



City of Northampton 2010 Census Block Group and Tract Boundaries

2010 Census Block Groups
2010 Census Tracts



CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

The City of Northampton receives an annual entitlement allocation of Community Development Block Grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This program is administered through the City's Community and Economic Development Office (CEDO). The funds are utilized in ways that contribute to Northampton's health and sustainability. Allocations are made that assist with the provision of decent housing, quality living environments and increased economic opportunities for low and moderate income people.

In order to receive those Federal funds, the City is mandated to submit the following:

Consolidated Plan - A five year document that articulates housing, community and economic development needs and identifies strategies to address those needs.

Annual Action Plan - A yearly plan that identifies specific projects and dollar expenditures that will be made to address overall goals and objectives.

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) - An annual progress report that describes outcome measurements and achievement of goals.

In order to accurately identify the City's needs and create strategies, a Citizen Participation process has been developed. This process provides residents and other interested parties with opportunities to participate in the planning and implementation of the CDBG program. The goals of this process are to:

- Offer an opportunity for all interested parties to identify community needs.
- Offer an opportunity for all interested parties to brainstorm possible solutions to address needs.
- Provide a feedback mechanism to comment on the success or failure of the strategies being implemented.
- Encourage citizen participation by all, while emphasizing outreach and engagement of those with low and moderate incomes.
- Educate the community about the program and the resources it can provide.

In order to accomplish broad community participation in this planning process, the CEDO sponsors the following:

Public Hearing and Public Meetings

Public hearings are required by HUD. At least two public hearings are held, usually at two different locations, in the evening. Topics include housing, community and economic development needs, identification of strategies to address the needs, proposed uses of funds and past program performance. Power point presentations are made and

handouts provided. Additional public meetings are held during the preparation of the 5 Year Consolidated Plan. All materials are posted on the City's website. Locations are accessible to the handicapped. Reasonable accommodations are made for people with disabilities and language interpreters will be provided with advance notice.

Additionally, public hearings will be held when there is a substantial change proposed to the Consolidated or Annual Action Plan. A substantial change (24 CFR 91.505 a) is defined as:

Any change greater than 25 per cent in an individual project budget in the allocation priorities

A substantial revision in the distribution methodology of funds

A proposal to fund an activity not identified in the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan

A substantial revision in the purpose, scope, location or beneficiaries of an activity.

All interested parties will be encouraged to offer oral comments at the hearings and additional written comments will be accepted for 30 days thereafter. Documentation of the actions outlined above for dealing with substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or Action Plan will be maintained by the City and transmitted to the HUD Boston office at the conclusion of the citizen participation process.

Hearing and Meeting Notification

All public hearings and meetings are posted with the City Clerk and on the City's website calendar and are open to the public. Legal ads are placed in the newspaper as required and sent to City and local community listserv and email distribution lists including but not limited to city councilor ward lists, neighborhood associations, community groups, municipal list serve,.

Public notices for the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and CAPER public hearings are advertised in the Daily Hampshire Gazette at least 10 days prior. Notices will be posted by the City Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall and the bulletin board next to the Office of Planning and Development on the second floor of City Hall.

Newspapers: Meeting notices are printed in the Daily Hampshire Gazette and the Republican.

Radio: Notices are sent to and aired on local radio station WHMP .

Community Education and Outreach

The goal of the Citizen Participation Plan is to maximize participation in the City's community development planning process. Towards that end, specific outreach will be made to the following:

Mayor's Office

For Mayoral input, posting on the City's website calendar and in the Mayor's monthly email newsletter

Northampton City Council

For on-going input, feedback and ConPlan/Action Plan final approval/authorization

Northampton City Departments, Boards, and Commissions

For on-going input, needs assessment, strategy development, and implementation assistance including but not limited to Department of Public Works, Office of Planning and Development, Recreation Department, Veterans Services, Council on Aging, Health Department, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Board of Public Works, Board of Health, Economic Development/Housing/Land Use Committee, Redevelopment Authority, and other departments/boards as needed.

Northampton Housing Partnership

Monthly meeting to articulate and address the City's short and long term housing needs

Next Step Collaborative

Monthly meeting of local housing and homeless service providers for needs assessment and coordination of the local service delivery system

Three County Continuum of Care

Monthly meeting of regional (Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden county) homeless providers

City Council Social Services and Veteran's Affairs Committee

Monthly meeting for strategic human services planning and community education

CDBG Public Services Review Committee

Assembles annually to review, rank and recommend CDBG public service funding awards

Northampton Human Rights Commission

Meets monthly for needs assessment, plan feedback and implementation evaluation

Mayor's Committee on Disabilities

Meets monthly to address the needs of the disabled in the community

Northampton Housing Authority

On-going collaboration for needs assessment, strategy development and implementation relative to housing and quality of life issues

Northampton Chamber of Commerce and the Northampton Business Improvement District

On-going collaboration for needs assessment, strategy development and implementation relative to community and economic development issues

Neighborhood groups

Bay State, Ward Associations, Leeds Civic Association

Developers

Private and non-profit, Valley CDC, HAP Housing, Community Builders

Realtors

Property Managers

Home City Housing, Hampshire Property Management, HAP Housing, Robinson

Property Owners

Landlord Business Association

Local and Regional Housing, Human Services and Economic Development

Organizations

Meet quarterly and monthly at various locations and venues

Tenant Associations

Hampshire Heights, Florence Heights, Meadowbrook Apts. ,Hathaway Farms

One on One Consultations

Targeted consultations may be held with representatives of surrounding towns, representatives of particular organizations/agencies, such as Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Mass. Fair Housing Center, Stavros Center for Independent Living, AidsCare of Hampshire County

In addition to email, direct mail and telephone invitations to public hearings and meetings, separate focus groups may be set up for more targeted discussions. At least two focus groups will be held during the preparation of the Consolidated Plan (housing/homelessness and community/economic development/infrastructure based).

Information Access

Notice of the availability of draft and final planning documents will be posted on the City's website. The notice will provide a direct link to the document and identify where hard copies are located. At a minimum, copies of plans will be available in the CEDO. Information on past plans, current activities and funding expenditures is available in the CEDO upon request.

Comments

All interested citizens, agencies and organizations are encouraged to submit comments on the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and year end evaluation report (CAPER). The periods for comment begin the day of the public hearing. All comments will be considered in preparation of the plans and funding recommendations. Comments may be submitted by mail, email or fax to the following:

Community and Economic Development Office
Northampton City Hall
210 Main Street
Northampton MA 01070

Peg Keller, Housing and Community Development Planner/CDBG Administrator
Telephone: 413- 587-1288
Fax: 413-587-1275
pkeller@northamptonma.gov

Comment periods are listed below:

Type	Comment Period
Annual Action Plan Public Hearing	15 calendar days
CAPER Public Hearing	15 calendar days
Substantial Changes Public Hearing	30 calendar days
Consolidated Plan Public Hearing	30 calendar days

Response Time

The CEDO will respond in writing to comments, inquiries, or complaints received within 15 calendar days.

Citizen Complaint Procedure

Citizen complaints are defined as those complaints meeting the following criteria:

Received by the City in writing.

Includes the date, legal name, address and is signed by the citizen making the complaint.

The complaint involves the administration or expenditure of CDBG funds included within an approved CDBG Action Plan.

The Community and Economic Development Office Director will process citizen complaints as follows:

An informal meeting will be scheduled with the complainant to discuss the complaint and provide the City the opportunity to offer clarification or request additional information from the complainant.

If the complaint is not resolved at that time, the CEDO Director will respond to the complaint in writing within 45 days of the informal meeting or within 45 days of the complainant declining to attend an informal meeting.

Copies of the complaint and the subsequent outcome will then be transmitted to the HUD Boston Office, Community Planning & Development Division.

Technical Assistance

The City shall make available to community groups, private not-for-profits, City departments and other CDBG sub-recipients, technical assistance regarding eligible uses of block grant funds, completion of the Request for Proposal forms and sub-recipient reporting requirements. Technical assistance will be provided on first come first served basis upon receipt of a written request outlining the type and level of technical assistance required. The Housing and Community Development Planner will address technical assistance requests of a minor nature by phone or via e-mail, based on the preference of the person or agency requesting assistance.

Use of the Citizen Participation Plan

The City of Northampton will adhere to this Citizen Participation Plan as the official vehicle for soliciting public input into the preparation and administration of the aforementioned plans. The requirements shall not restrict the authority or responsibility of the City for the preparation and administration of the plans. The Mayor has the sole

and final responsibility and authority to make determinations regarding the City's CDBG program with endorsement through resolution by the Northampton City Council.

5/7/2010

The Western Massachusetts Network to End Homelessness Legislative Priorities for Fiscal Year 2014

Investment and Tax Reform

The Leadership of the Western Massachusetts Network to End Homelessness (see attachment for membership list) voted to support Governor Patrick's investment and tax proposal for Fiscal Year 2014. The investments outlined in Governor Patrick's plan align with the Network's priorities to increase access to quality early education and public transportation, two of the most frequently identified barriers to ending homelessness and sustaining permanent housing. We urge the legislature to either adopt the Governor's progressive tax proposal or to enact an alternative proposal that will generate sufficient revenue to support these critical investments.

Family Homelessness

The Network's Family Homelessness Committee urges the Legislature to:

- **Protect families from sleeping in places "not meant for human habitation."** DHCD recently amended regulations have made many families ineligible for shelter unless and until their children have first slept in places "not meant for human habitation." Western Massachusetts Network partners can attest to how this regulation, as currently applied, is placing some families in unsafe situations. We urge our legislators to either amend this regulation or enact an alternative solution to protect families from this unintended consequence.
- **Provide assistance to 6,057 families statewide and 1,009 families in Western Massachusetts who will face a substantial risk of homelessness when their HomeBASE short-term subsidies expire,** beginning in August, 2013. Right now, these families stand to lose a substantial rent subsidy without having alternative sources of income available. This crisis can be averted with legislative intervention, providing some degree of transitional support when the subsidy terminates.
- **Extend the 32 week limit for utilizing HomeBASE household assistance (\$4,000).** This limit was intended to provide incentive for families to move out of shelter; instead, it has created an unintended barrier to exiting shelter since with the loss of this resource, many families have no possibility of entering permanent housing.

Individual Homelessness

The Network's Individual Services Committee urges the Legislature to:

Amend Individual Services line item 7004-0102 so that "no shelter shall receive less than a \$30 per night minimum unit rate." It is well known that the shelters serving individuals across the Commonwealth are funded at very different rates and are not based necessarily on services provided. While DHCD continues to sort through that issue, we think it is vital that the line item be adjusted to the \$30 per night minimum rate to help keep the programs safe, at a minimum, as well as to work towards reducing the numbers of individuals who are homeless overall.

Family and Individual Homelessness

The Network urges the Legislature to **adopt budget line-item 7004-3045 to allocate \$750,000 to the Tenancy Preservation Project**. This effective program works with individuals and families who are facing eviction as a result of behavior related to a disability, as well as rental property owners, and the Massachusetts Housing Court Department to prevent homelessness and ensure ongoing housing stability.

Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

The Network's Work Group for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth urges the legislature to:

- **Allocate \$500,000 for the work of the Massachusetts Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Commission** to determine the scope of need among unaccompanied youth and young adults ages 24 and younger who are experiencing homelessness, and to identify and implement potential models for appropriate service delivery to unaccompanied homeless youth in urban, suburban, and rural areas of the Commonwealth.”
- **Adopt An Act Providing Housing and Support Services to Unaccompanied Homeless Youth** (House Docket #364, filed by Representative Jim O'Day and Senator Katherine Clark) which will address the critical need for housing and support services geared specifically for unaccompanied homeless youth.

Public Safety and Housing Sex Offenders

The mission of the Work Group for People with Sex Offense Histories is *to maximize the safety of the community by minimizing the potential for re-offense through the identification and development of stable, supportive housing options for registered sex offenders who are committed to an offense-free life.*

Towards the goal of greater access to housing, stability and community safety, this Work Group urges the legislature to:

- **Adopt “An Act relative to the creation of a sex offender management board” (HD782)** (sponsored by Representative Kahn): This legislation creates an interagency council that ensures that all of the work with sex offenders within the state of MA is based upon the current research in this field. It moves beyond the “one size fits all approach” to utilize different assessments and treatment protocols for adult sex offenders than for children.
- **Adopt “An Act to protect our communities (SD1613)**, sponsored by Senator Clark. (Representatives Brodeur and Wong filed corresponding legislation, HD 3309, in the House). This comprehensive legislation will:
 - Empower the Sex Offender Registry Board (SORB) to reclassify offenders on its own initiative or upon written request by a District Attorney or police department.
 - Ensure that the Board has access to all relevant information necessary to determine an offender's level of risk and clarify what types of incidents are to be reported.
 - Strengthen interagency communication by providing direct access to registry information for agencies responsible for ensuring child safety.
 - Make Level 1 sex offender information publicly available via an in-person request at local police departments.
 - Make information about licensing history of childcare facilities publically available online.

Partner Websites



Search for Accessible/
Affordable Housing



Community
Preservation Coalition



Massachusetts Smart
Growth Alliance



Welcome Home
MA/Affordable Housing
Toolbox

Other Links

State Legislative Priorities

CHAPA 2013-2014 Legislative Priorities

This package of legislation aims to address challenges that impede working families, persons with disabilities, seniors, and low income households from affording the high cost of owning or renting a home in Massachusetts. If enacted, these proposals will reduce homelessness and housing instability; help persons with disabilities afford accessible housing, create jobs, and increase efficiency.

An Act Financing the Production and Preservation of Housing for Low and Moderate Income Residents

Lead Sponsors: Rep. Kevin Honan and Sen. Jamie Eldridge, *H. 1127*

Affordable housing production and preservation creates housing opportunities necessary for households to be productive, healthy, and successful and directly stimulates the economy. The housing bond bill would recapitalize DHCD bond-funded programs, which are critical for the production and preservation of affordable housing in the Commonwealth. The bill also adds funding for mixed-use development to the Commercial Area Transit Node Housing Program and creates a program to build and improve facilities for early childhood education and out-of-school time programs. The bill would invest more than \$1.4 billion in public housing modernization, housing options to help disabled residents remain in their homes and communities, neighborhood stabilization, housing units in commercial areas served by public transit, and housing opportunities for residents across the Commonwealth. The bill would also extend the Massachusetts Low Income Housing Tax Credit at \$20 million per year for two years.

An Act Promoting the Planning and Development of Sustainable Communities

Lead Sponsors: Rep. Stephen Kulik and Sen. Daniel Wolf, *H. 1859*

Updating Massachusetts land use laws is vital to meeting the state's need for workforce housing, reduced commutes, and the preservation of farmland and forests. This bill provides benefits to all municipalities through statewide reforms and offers enhanced incentives and tools to communities that choose to opt in by changing select local regulations in order to meet economic development, housing, and natural resource protection goals. These reforms will equip cities and towns with the tools they need to shape their futures while providing more certainty to landowners and developers.

An Act Relative to Public Housing Innovations Pilots

Lead Sponsors: Rep. Jeffrey Sanchez and Sen. Harriette Chandler, *H. 1146, S. 592*

In difficult budget times, it is important to maximize efficiency and innovation in government. This legislation would create a pilot program for 10 housing authorities to implement innovative management and rehabilitation programs in state public housing. The legislation would authorize innovative program design on a variety of issues such as energy contract procurement, use of surplus housing authority real estate, administrative reporting, public/private partnerships, and rent calculation. Authorities implementing innovative programs could apply for streamlined and reduced regulatory and statutory requirements to overcome red tape that blocks innovation. The pilot would also allow these authorities to maximize the efficient use of funds received by the authority. By not restricting the use of funds to one narrow purpose, housing authorities would be able to address local needs which differ by locality.

An Act Relative to Affordable Housing Energy Efficiency

Lead Sponsors: Rep. Kevin Honan and Sen. Sal DiDomenico, *H. 1122, S. 1574*

Making affordable housing energy efficient helps tenants, affordable housing owners, and the environment. There is a significant cost to constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing to ensure that the buildings minimize energy use. However, if the up-front capital investment can be absorbed, the energy savings are significant and can reduce the rent necessary to maintain the property and the impact on the environment. This legislation redirects funding to provide grants and loans as up-front capital investments that make affordable housing developments more energy efficient.

An Act Promoting Local Housing Initiatives for Economically Diverse Households

Lead Sponsor: Rep. Carl Sciortino, *H. 1153*

Excessive local barriers to multifamily housing have made many communities off limits to working families, seniors, and persons with disabilities with modest income. This proposal promotes local land use policies that create housing for a range of incomes. Under the bill, cities and towns may establish large lot zoning but must address exclusion of families, persons with disabilities and seniors with limited incomes by designating places to develop homes on smaller parcels or in multifamily settings.

An Act Relative to Preventing Discriminatory Land Use and Permitting Decisions

Lead Sponsor: Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, *S. 929*

This bill provides that it will be an unlawful discriminatory practice for government entities to reject affordable housing developments simply on the basis that the developments will include households with lower incomes as residents. This type of socio-economic discrimination is fundamentally unfair and has led to a shortage of affordable housing in Massachusetts. Because this is an issue of equity, the Commonwealth's civil rights statute is an appropriate place to ensure protection for those in need of affordable housing. The legislation makes it clear that government entities are entitled to make land use decisions based on any bona fide government interest. The proposal is modeled on the North Carolina civil rights statute.

An Act Extending the Brownfields Tax Credit

Lead Sponsors: Rep. Antonio Cabral and Senator Barry Finegold, *H. 2515*

This bill extends the brownfields tax credit through 2018. The credit is currently scheduled to expire on August 5,

7th Annual Conference Celebrates Federal Fair Housing Act

2013 Fair Housing and Civil Rights Conference



Our 7th Annual Fair Housing and Civil Rights Conference will be held at the Springfield Marriott on April 11 and 12, 2013. We will be celebrating the 45th anniversary of the federal Fair Housing Act. We have 18 workshops on a range of topics, including immigration, LGBT civil rights, affirmatively furthering fair housing, disability rights, the rights of service members, the physical cost of discrimination, and many others.

Our featured speakers include HUD Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing, John Trasvina; nationally known fair housing leader, Stella Adams; professor and bestselling author, James W. Loewen; Executive Director of the Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center, James Perry; and U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, Carmen Ortiz. For further information about our accomplished speakers see:

<http://www.nfhta.org/>
<http://sundown.afro.illinois.edu/>
<http://jameshperry.com/about/>
<http://www.justice.gov/usao/ma/meetattorney.html>

We have added a new section to this year's conference to address current topics. Attendees will have their choice of hot topics, including sessions on reasonable accommodations and medical marijuana, pay equity, school and civil rights, and the new domestic violence protections in Massachusetts. A reception, with light refreshments, will follow the first day of the conference from 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. to provide an opportunity to network.

The conference is free, but you must register. The registration deadline is April 2. You can register at:
www.2013conference.massfairhousing.org.

The Massachusetts Fair Housing Center, HAP Housing and the City Of Northampton Office of Housing and Community Development are presenting a

Landlord Training

on the Federal and State Fair Housing Laws

Monday, June 24, 2013

6:00pm-7:30pm

Northampton City Hall

210 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Room 18

This presentation will provide very important information to landlords about requirements and obligations under the federal and state fair housing laws. This event is free and open to all landlords.

Please contact the Massachusetts Fair Housing Center at (413) 539-9796 or info@massfairhousing.org with any questions.

The Massachusetts Fair Housing Center, Stavros Center for Independent Living, and the City of Northampton Office of Housing and Community Development are offering a presentation on

Fair Housing and Reasonable Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

10am-12pm

Northampton City Hall, 2nd Floor, Room 18

This event is free and open to the public.

Please contact Whitney Abel at (413) 539-9796 x107 or wabel@massfairhousing.org with any questions.

This presentation will provide information to community members about fair housing laws that protect individuals with disabilities and housing accessibility standards. It will also provide a practical look at the process by which reasonable accommodations and modifications can be requested from housing providers.



The Official Website of the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED)

Housing and Economic Development

Home Initiatives Executive Office of Housing and Economic... DHCD Goal Set of 1K New Units of Supportive Housing By 2015

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Lieutenant Governor Murray Announces Goal Of 1,000 New Units Of Supportive Housing By 2015

Lieutenant Governor Murray also announces grants for 138 vouchers to support programming for homeless and very low-income households

BROCKTON – Wednesday, December 19, 2012 –Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray announced today a first-in-the-nation, collaborative effort by 18 state agencies to create an additional 1,000 units of permanent, supportive housing in Massachusetts by 2015.

Supportive housing, which is operated in conjunction with a network of non-profit agencies across the Commonwealth, includes not just a place to live for a family, but also services that could include child-care, access to job training, mental-health care, and other opportunities that give participants a helping hand. There are currently approximately 15,000 units of supportive housing in Massachusetts.

“Since day one, the Governor and I have been dedicated to reducing homelessness in the Commonwealth,” said Lieutenant Governor Murray, Chair of the Interagency Council on Housing and Homelessness. “By offering families in need supportive housing options, we are not only ensuring they have a place to call home but also the right resources to remain stable, get back on their feet, and soon begin to provide for their family again.”

The 18 agencies involved in a memorandum of understanding will partner to improve existing processes, make recommendations for new, collaborative efforts, and develop a long-range action plan to meet the need for supportive housing among the Commonwealth’s residents. Supportive housing helps individuals and families that are homeless or facing homelessness, institutionalized or at-risk of institutionalization; people with disabilities and the elderly. Additionally, the agencies will assess the extent of public cost-savings generated as a result of providing permanent supportive housing and will recommend strategic reinvestments.

“This supportive housing program will provide a clear pathway for participants from homelessness and emergency shelter

towards stabilization and growth in permanently affordable housing," said Aaron Gornstein, Undersecretary for the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

"CSH applauds the Patrick-Murray Administration and state agencies throughout the Commonwealth in this groundbreaking example of comprehensive interagency collaboration to use supportive housing as the scaffolding for improving systemic response to their most vulnerable residents," said Deborah De Santis, Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) President & CEO. "CSH looks forward to supporting the Commonwealth's implementation of this bold new effort to maximize public resources and build healthy communities."

In March, Governor Patrick signed "An Act Relative to Community Housing and Services," which increases coordination and efficiency across government agencies by requiring these agencies to commit to working together through a legally-binding MOU to create a demonstration program resulting in up to 1,000 new permanent supportive housing units, and requires administrative action to promote supportive housing and to establish benchmarks to assess progress.

Today in Brockton, in a visit to supportive housing partner Father Bill's & MainSpring, Lieutenant Governor Murray also announced the award of 138 project-based vouchers from the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP). The vouchers are available to owners of existing, affordable rental properties, who provide services or partner with an agency that has experience with successfully stabilizing homeless or very low-income households.

The MRVP vouchers allow homeless families to move into existing housing developments with long-term affordability restrictions. The supporting non-profit agencies which own the property will provide participating families with comprehensive supportive service programs to help ensure that they not only do not fall back into the cycle of homelessness and emergency shelter, but also move toward stability and self-sufficiency. Funds for supportive services in the amount of \$2,500 per unit will be used to provide a wide array of services, including job search and training, financial literacy and planning, self-sufficiency training and coaching, counseling, parenting, early education and child care, mental health and addiction treatment, adult education, and GED and skills training.

"I am excited about the positive impact this program will have right here in Brockton," said Mayor Linda M. Balzotti. "In the last few years, we have worked diligently and collaboratively to address homelessness in our city, with Father Bill's and MainSpring and other agencies. This initiative will go a long way toward furthering these efforts."

The Patrick-Murray Administration continues to focus its efforts and resources on homelessness prevention and permanent housing, to reduce the number of families living in hotels and at the same time to maintain one of the strongest safety nets in the country.

Governor Patrick and the Legislature have increased funding for homelessness prevention and permanent housing programs, including increasing funding for the Residential Assistance for Families in Transition program from \$276,000 to \$8.7 million, which provides up to \$4,000 in assistance to prevent a family from becoming homeless. The Governor and the Legislature also secured \$6 million in additional funds for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program, which will provide rental assistance to over 500 families, and boosted capital funds to construct and preserve more affordable housing.



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Patrick Administration Announces \$750,000 in Community Investment Tax Credit Grant Awards

Funding will allow Community Development Corporations to Implement Community Investment Plans

June 25 – Expanding the Patrick Administration’s commitment to encourage new economic opportunities for low- and middle-income households throughout Massachusetts, Department of Housing and Community Development Undersecretary Aaron Gornstein announced the Community Investment Tax Credit (CITC) grant awards for 28 community organizations across the Commonwealth.

The grants, which total \$750,000, will allow the Community Development Corporations to refine or implement Community Investment Plans that will support programs, policies and activities that lead to new economic opportunities. The awards were announced at the annual meeting of the Mel King Institute in Boston.

“By partnering with local Community Development Corporations, we hope to create economic opportunity for everyone in Massachusetts,” said Undersecretary Gornstein. “The Community Investment Tax Credit will lead directly to new ideas and new projects that will revitalize neighborhoods and support growth for low- and moderate-income families who still need help recovering from the recession.”

The Community Investment Grant Program is designed to enable local residents and stakeholders to work with and through community development corporations to partner with nonprofit, public and private entities to improve economic opportunities for low and moderate income households and other residents in urban, rural, and suburban communities across the Commonwealth. Community Development Corporations do this through the adoption of community investment plans to undertake community development programs, policies, and activities.

The Department of Housing and Community Development is the administering agency for CITC and is responsible for managing the process by which the credits are allocated to eligible CDCs. The program was created in 2012 through the

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Jobs Bill signed by Governor Patrick in August 2012, and is available to CDCs through 2019.

Since 2009, the Patrick Administration worked with the Legislature and Congress to direct over \$700 million in federal and state tax credits and state housing program subsidies to projects that improve the state's affordable housing, create jobs and build stronger communities. These investments have generated more than 14,000 jobs and 10,000 homes.

The following Community Development Corporations are receiving grant awards of \$25,000 each:

- Allston Brighton CDC
- Asian CDC (Boston, Quincy, Malden)
- CDC of South Berkshire (Great Barrington, Sheffield)
- Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corp.
- Community Development Partnership (Cape Cod)
- Community Economic Development Center of Southeastern Massachusetts (New Bedford)
- Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corp.
- Franklin County CDC (Greenfield region)
- HAP Housing (Springfield, Chicopee, Holyoke, Westfield)
- Hilltown CDC (Chesterfield)
- Island Housing (Martha's Vineyard)
- Jamaica Plan Neighborhood Development Corp.
- Lawrence Community Works
- Madison Park CDC
- Main South CDC (Worcester)
- MetroWest Collaborative Development (Watertown, Natick, Newton, Needham)
- The Neighborhood Developers (Chelsea, Revere)
- Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Shore (Quincy, Brockton, New Bedford)

- NOAH (East Boston)
- Nuestra Comunidad (Roxbury, Grove Hall)
- Quabog Valley CDC (Palmer, Ware)
- South Boston Neighborhood Development Corp.
- Springfield Neighborhood Housing Services
- Urban Edge (Roxbury)
- Valley CDC (Northampton region)
- Viet Aid (Fields Corner)
- Watch CDC (Waltham)

The Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations received \$75,000.

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