## **CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**

### DRAFT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN OF THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN

(FY 2016-2017)

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# PROPOSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM AMENDMENT (FY 2015-2016)

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## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY: STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) FUNDS (FY 2016-2017)

Every five years, the City of Fort Lauderdale is required to submit its Consolidated Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to continue receiving funding for the City's Entitlement Grant Programs. The Consolidated Plan provides direction for the City's use of funds under the following programs:

- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME);
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); and
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA).

The purpose of the Consolidated Plan is to identify community, economic and housing development needs, and to develop strategies and goals to address those needs with anticipated funding from HUD federal programs over the next five years.

Each year, the City of Fort Lauderdale is required to submit an Annual Action Plan to HUD in order to receive funding for the City's Entitlement Grant Programs. Congress has released preliminary entitlement allocations for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. The 2016-2017 estimated allocations from HUD to the City for these programs are:

HOME \$ 471,564.00 CDBG \$ 1,475,549.00 HOPWA \$ 7,136,480.00

The draft 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan and the CDBG Program Amendment will be available for public review during a 30-day comment period, beginning May 8, 2016 and ending June 6, 2016 at the City's Housing and Community Development Office at 700 NW 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Copies of the draft plan can be requested by contacting 954-828-4527.

#### **CDBG Program Amendment**

The City of Fort Lauderdale is considering amending the 2015-2016 Annual Action Plan, within the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The CDBG funds are federal funds and have no impact on the general fund budget. This amendment is in accordance with HUD regulations. The allocation and/or reallocation of CDBG funds for projects/activities will assist the Housing and Community Development Division in meeting the City's federal spending requirements. To support the spending plan, staff is proposing the following amendments:

TO:

• Broward Partnership for the Homeless

\$ 20,483.00

The request is to assist with the costs related to the paving and landscaping of the S.E. lot. The SE lot is part of the Central Homeless Assistance Center (CHAC) located at 920 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The City will accept all written comments on both the draft Annual Action Plan and CDBG Program Amendment until June 6, 2016. You may email your comments to <u>JonathanBr@FortLauderdale.gov</u> or send them to the City of Fort Lauderdale, 700 NW 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311. The City will review and respond to all written documents prior to submission of the Plan to HUD. If you have any questions or would like further information, please call Housing and Community Development at 954-828-4527.

### **SHIP Notice of Funding**

The City of Fort Lauderdale anticipates receiving approximately \$1,106,204.00 in FY 2016-2017 SHIP funds to be used in accordance with the FY 2016-2019 Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP). The funds will be allocated as follows:

- Administration \$110.620.40
- Purchase Assistance \$174,343.80
- Special Needs Barrier Free \$221,240.80
- Housing Rehabilitation / Replacement Program \$450,000.00
- New Construction-Infill Housing \$100,000.00
- Impact Fees \$50,000.00

Upon approval by the City Commission, applications will be solicited and/or provided at the Housing & Community Development Office located at 700 NW 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311. Once funding becomes available, all applications will be considered on a First Come, First Qualified, and First Served Basis (and subject to funding availability)

SHIP Rules (F.A.C. 67-37.005) requires that funds must be advertised at least 30 days prior to taking applications. Applications for assistance using these funds will be taken on or around August 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> 2016. For questions or assistance contact Avis Wilkinson at 954-828-4513 or email to <a href="mailto:awilkinson@fortlauderdale.gov">awilkinson@fortlauderdale.gov</a>.

At the June 7, 2016 regular meeting of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission, to discuss Housing and Community Development programs and funding. The SHIP funding may or may not be presented as a Public Hearing item (as it is not required); however the City Commission will accept the SHIP funds as part of a budget amendment.

At the June 7, 2016 Regular meeting of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission, the Commission will hold a public hearing on the draft 2016-2017 Annual Action Plan and the proposed 2015-2016 CDBG Substantial Amendment. The City Manager's Office may submit alternate recommendations for consideration by the City Commission. The City Commission will consider all recommendations and public input as part of its deliberations. City Commission meetings are

held at 6:00 pm in the City Commission Chambers, City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale. Prior to that meeting, if you would like more information on the nature or location of the projects affected, or if you would like to comment on the proposed changes during the public comment period, you should contact the Housing & Community Development Division, 700 NW 19<sup>th</sup> Ave., Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311 at (954) 828-4527 or TTD/TTY (954) 828-5069.

Informacion disponible en espanol telefono 954-828-4516.

Pou plis kesyon ki nan kreyòl, tanpri rele at 954-828-4527.