

RESOLUTION NO. 2018- 224

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT TO THE U.S. DEPT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT THE APPROVED FY 2018-2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, SF-424 UNIVERSAL APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT OCTOBER 1, 2018 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 CDBG ENTITLEMENT GRANT PROGRAM YEAR.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2016 the Board of County Commissioners approved the St. Johns County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan and the Fiscal Year 2016 Action Plan for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded St. Johns County \$799,754 to execute the projects specified in the Fiscal Year 2016 Action Plan.

WHEREAS, the CDBG Entitlement Program provides an annual allocation of funds, which has been estimated to be \$918,973 for St. Johns County. As a prerequisite to approving the 2017 allocation of CDBG funds for St. Johns County, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the submission of the Fiscal Year 2018 Action Plan by August 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2018 Action Plan is derived from the needs identified and goals established in the Board-approved 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan, the Housing and Community Development Division is requesting approval from the Board to submit the Fiscal Year 2018 Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WHEREAS, when the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development makes the Fiscal Year 2018 CDBG funds available to St. Johns County, these funds will become recognized and appropriated in the St. Johns County Budget for Fiscal Year 2019.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this resolution and such recitals are adopted as findings of fact.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Chair to execute the attached SF-424 Universal Application and Certificates on behalf of the County.

Section 3. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator, or his designee, to submit an approved FY 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan, SF-424 Universal Application and Certificates to HUD on or before August 16, 2018 for the October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019 CDBG grant program year.

Section 4. The Board of County Commissioners grants authority for the County Administrator or his designee to implement, manage, and administer the approved HUD CDBG Entitlement Program.

Section 5. The Board of County Commissioners recognizes that approved projects are subject to the availability of funds and environmental review approvals, and authorizes the County Administrator or his designee to adjust projects that do not rise to the level of a substantial amendment, as defined in the St. Johns County Citizen Participation Plan, and to provide additional information to HUD as may be required.

Section 6. The County Administrator or his designee is identified as the official representative of the Grantee to sign all appropriate sub-recipient agreements for the use of funds approved in the FY 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan for the October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019 CDBG grant program year.

Section 7. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors or omissions that do not change the tone, tenor, or context of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

Section 8. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County Florida this 17 day of July 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____

Henry Dean
Henry Dean, Chair

ATTEST: Hunter S. Conrad, Clerk

By: _____

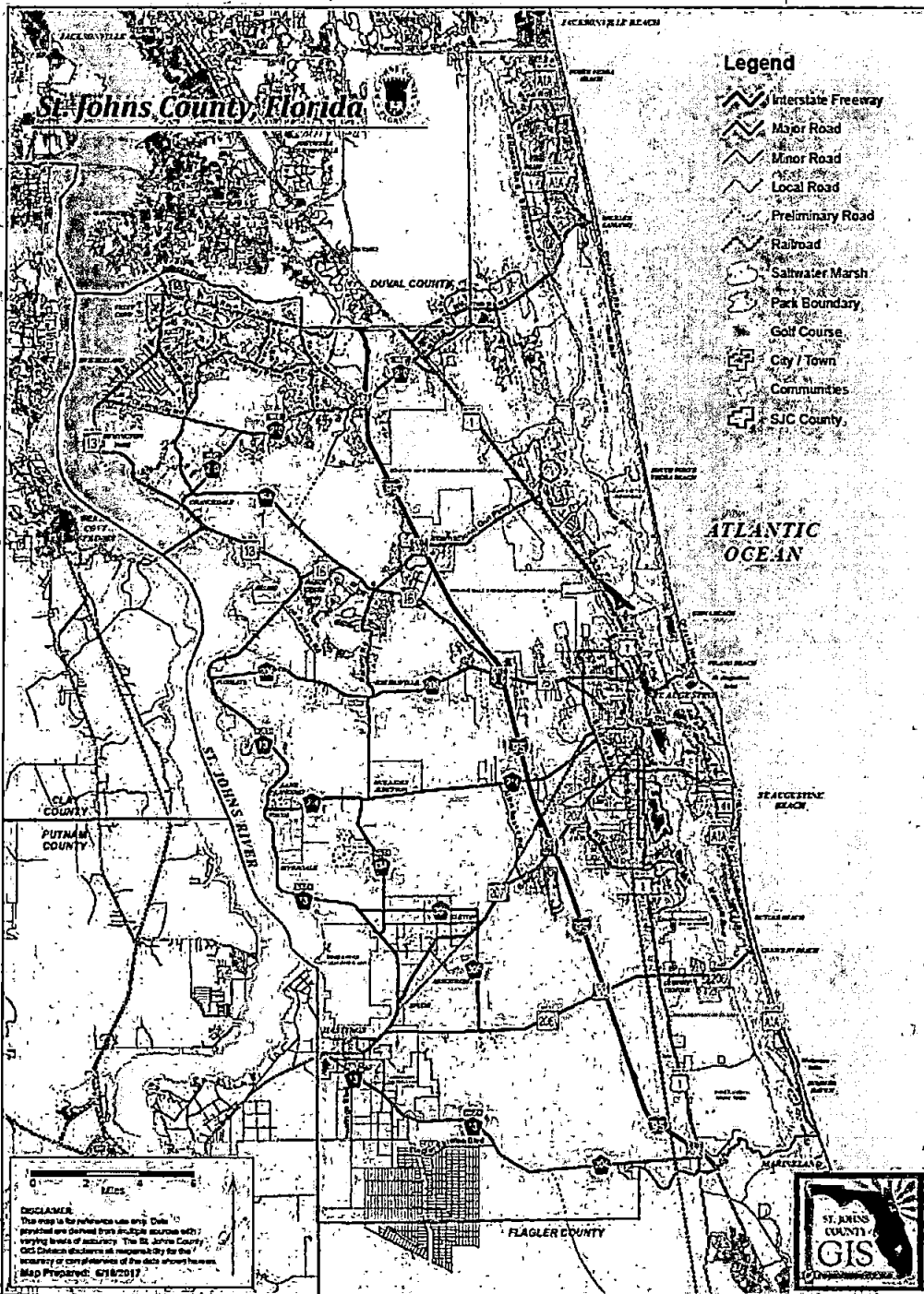
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Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 7/17/18





Annual Action Plan
2018



2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

Federal Funds must be expended to achieve the following goals for low-income households and/or predominately low-income areas: Provide Decent Housing, Create Suitable Living Environments, Expand Economic Opportunities, Prevent Homelessness, and Expand the supply of decent/safe/affordable housing.

Based on market statistical analysis, needs assessments, and public input via the citizen participation process and a community survey, the St. Johns County Consolidated Plan identifies the jurisdiction's housing and community development needs and priorities as follows: affordable housing, homelessness, housing and home repairs for people with special needs and those earning low income, improvement of public services and facilities, and economic development. The County will leverage CDBG funds with other state, federal, and local funds to address the needs of the community.

The lack of affordable housing units contributes to the most prevalent housing problem faced by County residents - housing cost burden (paying more than 30% of income on housing costs). Of the 85,717 households in St. Johns County, 19% are cost burdened greater than 30%, paying 30-50% of income on housing costs; 18% (15,746) of households experience severe cost burden by paying 50% or more of their income on housing costs. The housing cost burden affects the very low and low income households at a higher rate, placing them at risk of becoming homeless. The County will leverage CDBG funds with other state, federal, and local funds to address the lack of affordable housing issue by increasing the supply of affordable housing, by providing rental assistance to low income households, and by funding home repair programs to preserve affordable housing units. (University of Florida-Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse-2015)

The County will address homelessness by funding supportive services/programs and homeless facilities, and by providing rapid re-housing financial assistance for rents and utilities. The County plans to improve and expand public services and facilities predominately in areas of low income persons, specifically by improving water and sewer lines, streets and sidewalks. Economic development will be addressed by providing job training programs, afterschool programs, and childcare programs in low to moderate income areas.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The past two years, Hurricane Irma (2017) and Hurricane Matthew (2016) have negatively impacted St. Johns County. In addition to damage to businesses and homes in the community, the storms placed

additional pressures on the day to day operations of the County. Despite these additional pressures the County remains committed to working towards the expenditure of CDBG funds. A CDBG Grant Administrator was hired in 2017 and the County continues to work with the Jacksonville HUD Field Office to expedite the expenditure of funds. With the exception of The West Augustine Historical Community Development Corporation's existing agreement, all of the FY 16-17 and FY 17-18 funded projects are in one of three different phases/processes at the time of this writing: environmental review, general procurement, or contractual development/review.

FY 16-17 CDBG funds were utilized to fund The West Augustine Historical Community Development Corporation's (WAHCDC) after-school tutorial program. The program served 35 income-eligible, at-risk students during the 2017-2018 school year. At the conclusion of the first semester, the WAHCDC reported that one student was on the A Honor Roll and five students were on the A-B Honor Roll. Also, three students received Avid Scholar Awards. At the conclusion of the second semester, five students were on the A-B Honor Roll and four students received the Avid Scholar Award. Seventeen students demonstrated improved scores on both Reading and Math post-tests.

At the time of this writing, FY 17/18, St. Johns County maintained its current stock of affordable housing options by rehabilitating 17 low income owner-occupied homes, utilizing the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) funds distributed by the State of Florida. St. Johns County also utilized SHIP funds set aside for disaster recovery to provide affordable rental housing by providing rental assistance for 8 low to moderate income residents who had been displaced by Hurricane Irma.

During FY 17/18, the County entered into agreements to distribute funds (+\$771,268) for the Affordable Housing Grant. These funds are currently being utilized and/or implemented by various non-profit groups to create a combined 25 affordable housing units, (Habitat for Humanity, The St. Johns Housing Partnership, and Emergency Services Coalition) and 60-100 beds for individuals attempting to prevent and/or avoid homelessness (Alpha Omega).

St. Johns County also provides an Independent Agency Funding grant through the general fund utilizing an RFP process. For FY 17/18, \$1,003,493 was committed to 8 non-profits (St. Johns Welfare Federation DBA Bayview, Council on Aging, Early Learning Coalition, Betty Griffin House, Emergency Services Homeless Coalition, St. Francis House, St. Johns Housing Partnership, etc.) for addressing homelessness and housing needs in St. Johns County.

The County currently funds homeless prevention and rapid re-housing activities through its Social Services Division. The Social Services Division receives and matches Emergency Solution Grant (ESG), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and Challenge grant funds to aid in the prevention of homelessness. The County utilized the ESG to assist 11 low-income households, TANF to assist 11 low-income households, and the Challenge Grant to assist 9 low-income households. The County has allocated more than \$500,000 annually, in salary and benefits for staff to carry out re-housing and homeless prevention related activities, \$46,500, which assisted 49 households with direct rental

assistance costs, and \$16,320 in direct financial assistance, used to assist 47 households with utility assistance. Both services are funded directly from general revenue to assist households in crisis.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

St. Johns County developed a Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) to guide the public process of developing the Consolidated Plan. This Citizen Participation Plan was noticed in the local newspaper and published on the County website for a 30 day review and comment period. The CPP required no less than two public hearings to gather citizen input on housing and community development programs funded by the CDBG program. The County sought public participation and input as outlined in the CPP and as follows:

- One public hearing held in association with the Board of County Commissioners' regularly scheduled meeting as well as another public hearing held at the St. Johns Health & Human Services Building, 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084; on July 10, 2018.
- Fourteen public hearings, including two technical trainings, and 1 separate requested public meeting, were held throughout all areas of the county. The schedule of these hearings was published in the local newspaper and posted on the County website, as well as announced at a number of regularly scheduled community agency meetings that occurred prior to the public hearings. The St. Johns County CoC sent an email to its entire distribution list to inform local agencies about the schedule of hearings. In 2017, The Housing & Community Development offices started an email list notifying neighborhood leaders of different community opportunities, a schedule of the meetings was also distributed to this list. St. Johns County utilized different types of media to notify the public of meetings and events associated with CDBG, such as the County's local broadcasting station (GTV), as well as social media sites such as Twitter and Facebook.
- An electronic survey was created to gather citizen and stakeholder input to help determine what programs/projects should be funded. The survey was published on the County website and notice of the survey was published in the local newspaper. Paper copies of the survey were made available at various community hearings.
- Staff met with stakeholders and community members and attended local meetings to educate citizens on the consolidated planning process and to encourage citizen participation and input.
- A draft copy of the Annual Action will be made available to the public for a 30 day review and comment period.



St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Housing & Community Development

CDBG Neighborhood Community Hearings

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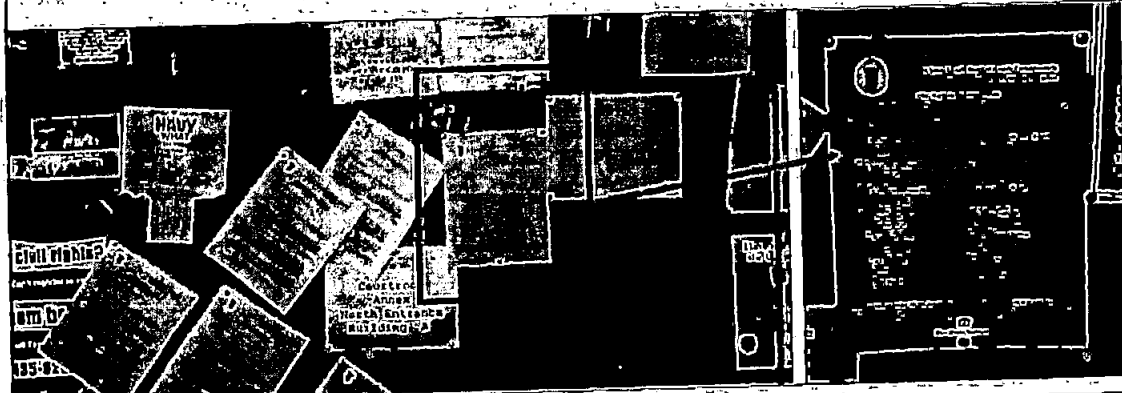
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2018 CDBG COMMUNITY MEETING SCHEDULE

2018 CDBG Community Meeting Schedule: Posted at the St. Johns Health & Human Services Lobby on January 26, 2018



2018 CDBG Community Meeting Schedule: Posted at the St. Johns County Courthouse on January 26, 2018.



The Public Notice of the 2018 CDBG Community Meeting Schedule: (pictured above at two locations) was posted at the St. Johns County Courthouse and in the lobby of St. Johns County Health & Human Services on January 26, 2018.

Sworn to me on this 26th day of January 2018, by Gregory Lulkoski, who is personally known to me.

Signature of Notary:

Michelle L Lawlor

Seal:



Physical Postings



St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Communications Division

February 23, 2018
For Immediate Release

St. Johns County Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Meetings

St. Johns County, FL – St. Johns County is hosting several public meetings to provide information regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), gather community input, and explain project eligibility under the CDBG program. The Citizen Participation Plan will be available, and residents will have an opportunity to discuss questions or concerns regarding the CDBG program. St. Johns County residents are encouraged to attend any of the following CDBG community meetings:

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February 27 at 6 p.m. | St. Johns County Health and Human Services, 200 San Sebastian View

February 28 at 6:30 p.m. | Armstrong Baptist Church, 6370 Armstrong Road

March 13 at 11 a.m. | The Players Community Senior Center, 175 Landrum Lane

For more information on CDBG or the community meetings, please call 904.827.6897 or visit www.sjcfi.us/housing/cdbg.aspx.

Press Release

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Thu 3/29/2018 10:30 AM

Sarah Hand

Comm Plan - St. Johns County hosts Community Development Block Grant Public Meeting

To Sandy Stokey; Tina Barrett; Thomas Stallings; Michael Ryan

Cc Greg Lulkoski; Joseph Cone; Shawna Novak

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- Website – front page newsfeed, CDBG page
- GTV – bulletin board
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Media – locals notification
- BCC e-newsletters

St. Johns County hosts Community Development Block Grant Public Meeting

St. Johns County Housing and Community Services is hosting a public meeting at 10:30 a.m. on April 3 at the Hastings Branch Library, 6195 South Main Street, to provide information and gather community input regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). County staff will be present to answer any questions and discuss project eligibility. Copies of the Citizen Participation Plan, project applications, and community surveys will also be available. For more information on the CDBG program, please call 904.827.6897 or visit www.sjcf.us/housing/cdbg.aspx.

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Communications Specialist

St. Johns County

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budgeted for planning and administration. For more information, please call 904.827.6897 or view the [Meeting Notice](#).

Community Development Block Grant Program


The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. Beginning in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The CDBG program provides annual grants on a formula basis to 1209 general units of local government and States. St Johns County, in cooperation with the City of St Augustine Beach, met the population requirement in 2015 to be considered an Entitlement Community by HUD. The CDBG entitlement program allocates annual grants to larger cities and urban counties to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

- [2018 CDBG Survey Results](#)
- [2018 CDBG Application Scoring Public Notice](#)
- [2018 CDBG Survey](#)
- [2018 CDBG Application](#)
- [2018 CDBG Meeting Schedule](#)
- [Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report – Draft](#)

Affordable Housing Links

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Florida's Historic Coast



Webpage with Survey results and scoring meeting posted

PUBLIC NOTICE: Proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Johns County has prepared a proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan as required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. St. Johns County receives CDBG funds as an entitlement community for the benefit of low-to-moderate income residents. St. Johns County may use CDBG funds within the unincorporated areas of the County and within the city limits of St. Augustine Beach. The development and approval of a Consolidated Plan and an Annual Action Plan are requirements of receiving CDBG funds.

The Five Year Consolidated Plan was prepared by St. Johns County and includes a discussion of needs and strategies to meet those needs. The Consolidated Plan was developed with participation from County staff, elected officials, affordable housing and social service providers, and local citizens. As a result of this process, the following priorities were developed:

Priority #1 - Rehabilitation of existing Housing: focus on improving health and safety, code violations, accessibility, and sustainability for extremely low-to-moderate income residents below 50% AMI (including but not limited to residents who are elderly, disabled, and veterans).

Priority #2 - Public Facilities and Infrastructure: provision of adequate public facilities and infrastructure to assure the efficient levels of service and enhance the livability of low-to-moderate income neighborhoods.

Priority #3 - Public Services: enhance the living environment of the targeted area by addressing basic needs that were unmet due to economic disparity.

Priority #4 - Homeless Assistance: provide housing and support services to assist individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Priority #5 - Affordable Housing: Increase the supply of affordable rental housing available to very low, low, and moderate income residents as well as veterans, elderly, disabled, and homeless persons through new construction or acquisition.

The Annual Action Plan lays out how the funds will be used for qualifying purposes such as projects, programs, and administration. For the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, HUD allocated \$918,973 for St. Johns County. The FY2018-2019 Action Plan will provide for the following expenditures:

Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities:

- \$258,282 for renovations and improvements to the Flagler Estates Park.
- \$129,722 for renovations and improvements to the Armstrong Park.
- \$297,175 for installation of a sidewalk in Flagler Estates.

Public Services: \$50,000 for homeless prevention services.

Planning and Administration: \$183,794 for HUD-approved administrative costs associated with establishing and maintaining a CDBG program.

The current Citizens Participation Plan, Consolidated Plan, and the proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan are available for review Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. These documents can also be viewed on the St. Johns County website: <http://www.sjcl.us/Housing/CDBG.aspx>

The purpose of this public notice is to fulfill the requirements of the St. Johns County Citizens Participation Plan by ensuring that the public is informed of the proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan. The public comment period is June 10, 2018 through July 17, 2018. Comments from the public are encouraged and will be accepted during this period at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. A written response will be given within fifteen (15) days, to all written comments received. For additional information, please contact Greg Lukoski at 904-927-6897.

Public Hearing: There will be a Public Hearing to present and discuss the 2018-2019 Action Plan at 4:00 PM on July 10, 2018, in the Egret Conference in the Health and Human Services Building at 200 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

Final Action: The proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan is scheduled for Board action July 17, 2018, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners in the County Commission Chambers, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida, 32084. Prior to adopting the 2018-2019 Action Plan, St. Johns County will allow for public comment in order to obtain citizens' views and comments on the proposed Action Plan. Interested parties are encouraged to attend and participate.

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Equal Housing Opportunity

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2018 CDBG Community Survey Results - 184 Respondents

Zip Codes	32033	32080	32081	32082	32084	32086	32092	32095	32145	32224	32259	32177	32226	32256	32158
# of Respondents	13	5	2	11	29	9	4	1	104	1	0	2	1	1	1

#	Items Ranked:	Blank	Not a priority	Low	Moderate	High priority
1	Affordable Housing	7	33	17	26	101
2	Home repairs for low income households	9	25	20	31	99
3	Rental apartments for low to moderate incomes	8	48	18	24	86
4	New homes for low to moderate income homebuyers	9	32	16	38	89
5	Housing for homeless	9	38	17	27	93
6	Services for homeless	11	30	18	39	86
7	Housing for people with special needs, like the elderly on fixed incomes or people with disabilities	6	8	14	39	117
8	Repair homes for people with special needs, like the elderly or people with disabilities	6	6	10	44	118
9	Build or improve streets, sidewalks, and lighting in the area	4	12	21	38	109
10	Build or improve water and sewer lines	7	21	22	37	97
11	Storm water drainage projects	9	6	11	37	121
12	Upgrade parks and recreational facilities	10	9	25	57	83
13	After school programs and affordable childcare	11	17	17	55	84
14	Business start-ups and job creation	10	20	25	55	74
15	Education assistance programs	10	15	20	50	89
16	Job training	12	16	19	48	89
17	Wellness programs for infants, children, and families	9	15	17	51	92
18	Wellness programs for seniors	8	13	13	39	111
19	Public transportation	7	17	26	48	86
20	Domestic Violence programs	12	25	22	46	79
21	Crime prevention programs	11	9	13	55	96
22	Multi-purpose Community Centers	9	13	21	38	103

2018 Survey Results

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Affiant further says that the St. Augustine Record is a newspaper published at St. Augustine, in St. Johns County, Florida; and that the said newspaper heretofore has been continuously published in said St. Johns County, Florida each day and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in the City of St. Augustine, in said St. Johns County, Florida for a period of one year preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says the he/she has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission, or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in said newspaper.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of JAN 29 2018

by Jamie Williams who is personally known to me
or who has produced as identification



Tiffany M. Lowe
(Signature of Notary Public)

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Record Ad Meeting Schedule

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 o Greg Umsted; Joseph Gore; Shonna Novak

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- February 27 at 6 p.m. | St. Johns County Health and Human Services, 200 San Sebastian View
- February 28 at 8:30 p.m. | Armstrong Baptist Church, 6370 Armstrong Road
- March 13 at 11 a.m. | The Players Community Senior Center, 175 Landrum Lane

For more information on CDBG or the community meetings, please call 904.827.6897 or visit www.sjcfll.us/housing/cdba.aspx.

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The screenshot shows the St. Johns County Government website. The main navigation bar includes: Departments, Services, Information, Calendars, Government, Links, Contact, Home. The page title is "Housing & Community Services".

News & Announcements

National Homeownership Month
 June begins National Homeownership Month, a time of year when the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and others mark the importance of owning a home and the impact it has on the lives of American families, local neighborhoods and to the nation's economic health. This year's theme is National Homeownership Month 2018: Find Your Place.
 President Donald J. Trump proclaimed June 2018 National Homeownership Month: "This month, we celebrate those Americans whose success and determination have helped make them homeowners. Their dedication to their families and communities, and to achieving a brighter and more secure future, is an inspiration to each person who is pursuing their own American Dream." National Homeownership Month Press Release

If you'd like information on financial or homebuyer counseling, please contact our Homeownership and Financial Counseling office, (904) 209-6146.

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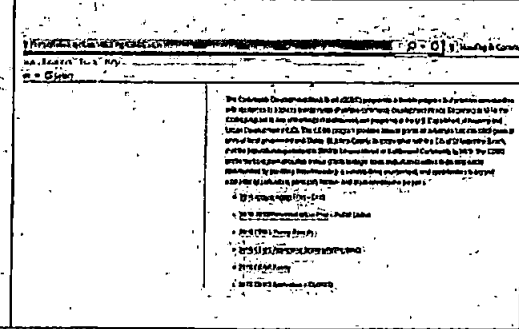
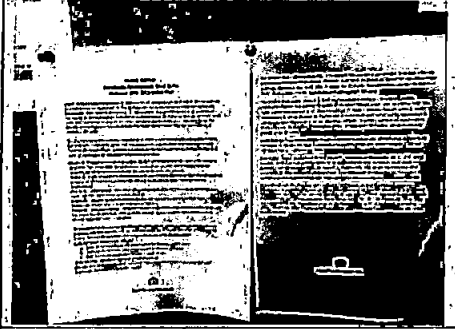
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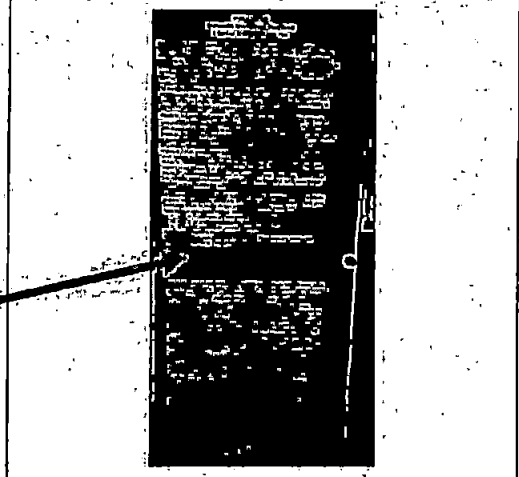
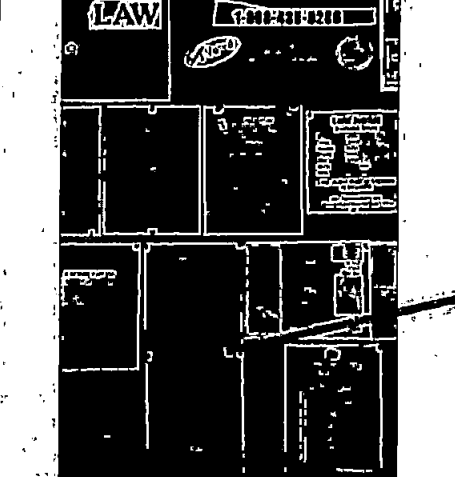
Affordable Housing Month Outreach

Posting Public Notice: Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan

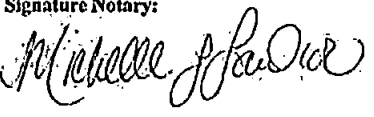
Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan was posted at the St. Johns County Courthouse on June 8, 2018 **Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan was posted on the St. Johns County CDBG webpage on June 8, 2018**




Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan was posted in the lobby of the St. Johns County Health & Human Services on June 8, 2018



On June 8, 2018, the Public Notice for the Proposed 2018-2019 Annual Action Plan was posted in the two locations pictured above:
 1. The St. Johns County Courthouse.
 2. The lobby of the St. Johns County Health & Human Services.
 Sworn to me on this 8th day of June 2018, by Gregory Lulkoski, who is personally known to me.

Signature Notary:


Seal:


Action Plan Hearings and Postings

FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION OF PUBLIC OUTREACH PLEASE SEE DOCUMENTS LOCATED IN APPENDIXES

Additional Info

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

As part of the required preparation for the Action Plan, staff received a variety of comments that addressed community needs. Those comments primarily addressed:

- Street repair, paving roads, sidewalks, street lights,
- Street safety: speed bumps, reflective signs , more stop signs, speed enforcement
- Improve storm-water drainage
- Improved access to water and sewer
- Demolish abandoned buildings.
- Affordable housing
- Repair sub-standard rentals
- Independent Housing Authority
- Section 8 housing
- Infrastructure improvements and affordable housing in Hastings
- Noise ordinances
- Improved public transportation
- Local Fire station for Flagler Estates
- Homeless shelters and services; job training, decrease panhandling
- Drug prevention programs
- Domestic violence prevention
- Parks, playgrounds, pools, swimming and recreational programing

- Services/programs for children
- Programs for developmentally delayed individuals
- Services for seniors – transportation options
- Medical services for low-income people
- Legal services for low-income people
- Increased funding for existing services/programs
- Improved internet services
- Community Center
- Performing Arts Center
- Economic development in West Augustine
- New Emergency Shelter

The 2018 CDBG Survey includes written public comments and are available for review upon request to the Housing and Community Development Department.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

There were no written or verbal comments that were not accepted.

7. Summary

St. Johns County values and encourages the input and participation of its citizens, stakeholders, and community members affected by, or involved with, any housing and community development projects. By utilizing the citizen participation process and by consulting with public service providers, advisory committees, other County departments, and community development corporations, the County was able to gather valuable feedback that helped identify the goals and objectives in the Action Plan. The County will leverage its CDBG funds with other federal, state, local, and private dollars to meet the goals and objectives discussed in the Plan.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	ST. JOHNS COUNTY	Housing & Community Development Division

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

The St. Johns County Housing and Community Development Department is responsible for preparing an Annual Action Plan. St. Johns County is also responsible for developing and monitoring a citizen participation plan that covers all of the county.

In preparation for the current Annual Action Plan, the County consulted with other public and private agencies that provided health services and social services, including those focusing on services to children, elderly persons, persons with special needs, and homeless persons. The public and private agencies contacted include, but were not limited to, the St. Johns Housing Partnership, United Way, St. Johns County Social Services Division, Alpha-Omega Miracle Home, Emergency Services and Homeless Coalition, West Augustine CDC, Habitat for Humanity St. Augustine/St. Johns County, the steering committees associated with the County’s Community Development Areas, and others.

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AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

To comply with federal requirements, a jurisdiction must consult with community service providers, other jurisdictions, and other entities with a potential interest in, or knowledge, of that jurisdiction's housing and non-housing community development issues. The County consulted with many different groups, committees, departments, and organizations to encourage public participation and to identify housing and community development needs. Specifically, the entities listed below were invited to participate in Neighborhood Community Public Hearings, where information was provided about the CDBG Program and feedback was solicited from the entities as to the community's housing and development needs. In addition to the meetings, a survey was posted on the Housing and Community Development webpage for over 90 days. Paper copies of the survey were also available at the neighborhood hearings. The Action Plan will be presented to the public and the Board of County Commissioners at a Public Hearing. Any comments received, either verbally or in writing, will be accepted. A notification process was established to ensure awareness of each stage of the CDBG process. The process includes public notices and announcements on the Housing and Community Development webpage, the local newspaper (The St. Augustine Record), and an optional email list the Housing and Community Development offices use to share helpful information to agencies and individuals. County staff have also engaged in direct correspondence with interested parties.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

Regarding affordable housing needs and impediments to affordable housing, the County enhanced coordination between public and private entities by attending and facilitating several different hearings/meetings with housing providers, public and private agencies, community groups, and advisory boards. Most of these meetings were publically advertised in the local newspaper and published on the County website. The citizen participation process was explained in detail and attendees were encouraged to complete a paper or electronic survey regarding housing and community development priorities. County staff encouraged comment and input from these participants in regard to community housing needs and non-housing community development needs. The County also had a number of informal conversations with a number of service-providers that provided health, mental health, substance abuse, and social services over the last ten months. These agencies are instrumental in identifying housing and social service needs of the community. County staff also attends the Housing Finance Authority monthly meetings to gather feedback from profit and non-profit housing service providers/contractors on the community's housing needs and priorities. The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) has recently reconvened to further engage in conversation regarding affordable housing needs and impediments to affordable housing. AHAC continues to meet, exceeding the minimum statutory requirements, hosting a variety of educational seminars on affordable housing.

The Housing and Community Development Department also utilizes an email list to share information regarding public meetings, community information, and community development opportunities.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

A new St. Johns County CoC Board was recently voted in by the CoC general membership in May, 2016. Currently, the strategic planning subcommittee is meeting to re-evaluate the Continuum's strategy to end homelessness. County staff regularly attend the CoC meetings and one County staff member sits on the CoC Board. Once the strategic plan to end homelessness in St. Johns County is complete, the Consolidated Plan will be amended to reflect the updated needs and strategies to end homelessness.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The St. Johns County Continuum of Care (CoC) currently receives \$187,500 in ESG funding, \$15,000 of which is allocated to St. Johns County Health and Human Services for rapid re-housing and homeless prevention services. The CoC Lead Agency, Flagler Hospital, provides the administrative management for ESG funding, which includes the involvement of the CoC Board and several CoC Committees. The Strategic Planning Committee develops the annual strategic plan, which outlines the CoC's priorities, goals, and outcome measures, and also outlines these metrics for funded agencies. The Scoring and Review Committee is tasked with developing Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for funding, as well as scoring and review tools to determine funding allocations in alignment with the CoC's strategic plan. The Scoring and Review Committee also oversees funded agencies financial and program monitoring. The HMIS/Coordinated Entry Committee is responsible for overseeing the development of policies and procedures for HMIS and Coordinated Entry, as well as ensuring a high level of data quality, and identifying training priorities. The Executive Committee of the CoC Board (Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary) work closely with the Lead Agency and each committee to ensure that all objectives are being met, and that the priorities of the St. Johns County CoC are met. County representatives have long maintained a strong presence at the monthly CoC Board and General Membership meetings, as well as on several committees, including the HMIS/Coordinated Entry Committee and the Veterans Committee.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Flagler Estates CRA Steering Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in Flagler Estates area, south St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs. Phone and face to face conversations and meetings with individual steering board and community members.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	West Augustine CRA Steering Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Community Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in West Augustine area, west St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs. Phone and face to face conversations and meetings with individual board and community members.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Weed and Seed Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Education Other government - County Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Community Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in St. Johns County Administrative building, central St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs. Phone and face-to face conversations and meetings with individual board and community members.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Johns Housing Partnership
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone, and email conversations. Provides information regarding local housing needs & financial issues affecting St. Johns County.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Alpha Omega Miracle Home, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Families with children

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding local housing needs & financial issues affecting both the elderly and young families within St. Johns County.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Johns County Board of Commissioners
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development CDBG Program guidance
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted public hearing to discuss the CDBG program, unmet needs, and various plans/actions associated with the CDBG program.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Vilano Beach CRA Steering Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in Vilano Beach, east St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs. Phone and face to face conversations and meetings with individual board and community members.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	Emergency Services & Homeless Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding local housing needs and the needs of the community.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Safety Shelter of St. John's County dba Betty Griffin House
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Services - Victims
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Domestic Violence Services
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding local housing needs and the needs of victims of domestic violence.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Johns Continuum of Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in St. Johns County Health & Human Services building, central St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs. Phone and face to face conversations and meetings with individual board and community members/ civic leaders.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	Council on Aging - St. Johns County
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Elderly Persons Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing in Ponte Vedra area, northeast St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	St. Augustine South Improvement Association
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Homeowner Association Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Community Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Hosted Public Hearing held in south St. Johns County, to discuss CDBG program, community & unmet needs.

13	Agency/Group/Organization	FLAGLER HOSPITAL, INC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Major Employer
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding local housing needs, serves as lead of CoC, and providing services and assessing needs of the area's homeless.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Inbound Foundation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development General Social Service Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding the Town of Hastings's local housing, redevelopment, health, and youth sports needs.
16	Agency/Group/Organization	SEA Community Help Resource Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	General Social Services

<p>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</p>	<p>Face to face, phone and email conversations. Provides information regarding the Community of Elkton and Armstrong's local housing, social services, and youth service's needs.</p>
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Not Applicable-The Housing and Community Development staff of St. Johns County is always willing and available to meet with different neighborhood groups, concerned citizens, regional leaders, other municipalities, and with other County departments to receive feedback and consultation.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Flagler Hospital	Both have goals to end chronic homelessness.
St. Johns County Comprehensive Plan	St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners	Both identify goals to improve public services in low income areas.
LHAP- Local Housing Assistance Plan	SJC Housing and Community Development	Both recognize the severe shortage of affordable housing.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

**1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

St. Johns County held fourteen public hearings and 1 requested public meeting, in which citizens and local nonprofit/service providers attended and expressed concerns about "gaps in services" that are occurring throughout the community, such as: rehabilitation of existing homes, public facilities and infrastructure, affordable housing, funding for public services with an emphasis on expanding educational and technical opportunities, and economic development. Based on feedback from those meetings and the priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan, St. Johns County decided to continue to focus its goals on addressing: *Priority 1- Rehabilitation of Existing Housing, Priority 2- Public Facilities and Infrastructure, Priority 3- Public Services, Priority 4- Homeless Assistance*

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	The 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Survey was posted on the County's website.	Surveys were printable and are included with the submitted survey responses.	N/A	http://www.sjcfcl.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGSurvey.pdf

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2	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff constantly update the County's CDBG page and work with the County's Public Information Office to disseminate information on the County's main homepage.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	N/A	http://www.sjcfcl.us/Housing/CDBG.aspx

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3	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff disseminate information directly to interested community members through a direct-mailing email list. Staff sends out emails with both-CDBG notifications and different meetings/programs that may be beneficial for non-profits engaged in the neighborhood development process.	A number of individuals on the list thanked staff for sharing information or notified staff that they would be attending meetings.	N/A	

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4	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff placed a newspaper ad that ran on 1/28/18, which was 14 days ahead of the first public hearing. The same meetings were also advertised on the Housing and Community Services CDBG portion of the department's website.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	N/A	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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5	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in West Augustine as part of the West Augustine CRA meeting. 34 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Need for economic development, access to sewers and street lights, affordable housing-more single family units & rentals, crime reduction needed, more activities for youths, and lights needed in Collier Park.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcl.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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6	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the northwest portion of the County at the Bartram Trail Branch Library. 1 person attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: A need for more affordable housing throughout the county.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfli.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf
7	Public Hearing	Public Service Providers/non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred as part of the monthly St. Johns County Continuum of Care meeting. 35 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Eligibility for the CDBG program and questions were taken concerning what types of applicants had applied in the past.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfli.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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8	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the eastern portion of the County, in an effort to reach out to the residents of St. Augustine Beach, at the Anastasia Island Branch Library. This meeting was announced beforehand at a City of St. Augustine Beach Commission Meeting. 0 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Not applicable.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
9	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred as part of the monthly Weed and Seed meeting. 8 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Previous survey indicated interest in youth activities; interested in current survey results, placement of items on the survey and possible bias concerning questions at the end of the survey, who can submit an application, and evaluation	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf
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10	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the southwestern portion of the County, in an effort to reach out to the residents of Hastings, at the W.E. Harris Center. 2 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Submittal of applications in lieu of different projects, how projects are funded, is process fair, who should be informed about projects (BCC?), survey and how it tied into scoring, who to contact for technical assistance.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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11	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in Vilano Beach as part of the Vilano Beach CRA meeting. 9 people attended.	Comments addressed the following: Funds are disbursed? organizations that can apply, years to complete a project? areas eligible? Previous assistance, Water-taxi project/ocean-front park project, storm-water drainage, past assistance-slum-blight, homeless or job development.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBG-MeetingSchedule.pdf

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12	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in St. Augustine South as part of the St. Augustine South Improvement Association meeting. 10 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Improvements for Shore Park, domestic violence prevention services-needed for, home rehab projects are needed.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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13	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in Flagler Estates as part of the Flagler Estates CRA meeting. 11 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Community center, copies of high scoring CDBG applications of the past, info for scoring meeting, review survey results, survey for Flagler Estates only, impact of comments on scoring, better area drainage.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcl.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
14	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the St. Johns County Health and Human Services Building as part of an opportunity to provide information regarding CDBG and answer questions for providers who were considering applying (Technical Assistance Workshop). Meeting was held during afternoon hours. 1 person attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: No comments.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf
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15	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the St. Johns County Health and Human Services Building as part of an opportunity to provide information regarding CDBG and answer questions for providers who were considering applying (Technical Assistance Workshop). Meeting was held during evening hours. 2 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Do projects need to be completed in one fiscal year? Rehab houses for seniors.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfh.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf
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16	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the northeastern portion of the County, in an effort to reach out to the residents of Ponte Vedra, at the Ponte Vedra Branch Library. 2 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Define urgent need, list of current projects funded by CDBG.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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17	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in Elkton at the Armstrong Baptist Church. 18 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Rehab homes, better drainage, repair roads, process for funding, money not being spent in Armstrong, project selection process	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfl.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

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18	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing occurred in the northeastern portion of the County as part of the Council on Aging monthly meeting. This meeting was held in an effort to reach out to the residents of Ponte Vedra, at the Players Community Senior Center. 19 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: better transportation for seniors, questions about low-mod income level income limits, housing complexes for the elderly are needed.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcl.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
19	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	This requested public meeting occurred in the southwestern portion of the County, in an effort to reach out to the residents of Hastings and Flagler Estates, at the Hastings Branch Library. 8 people attended.	Comments addressed the following issues: Affordable housing throughout the County, economic development, survey of historic structures, low-income residents need assistance with home rehab.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGMeetingSchedule.pdf

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
20	County Television Channel-GTV	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff placed a notification ad that ran on 3/29/18-4/3/18. The same meetings were also advertised on the Housing and Community Services CDBG portion of the department's website.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	All comments were accepted.	http://www.sjcfi.us/GTV/index.aspx

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22	Social Media- Facebook & Twitter	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff placed a notification ad that ran on 3/29/18. The same meetings were also advertised on the Housing and Community Services CDBG portion of the department's website.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	All comments were accepted.	Facebook.com & Twitter.com

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23	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broader community	Housing and Community Services staff placed a notification advertisement that ran on 6/8/18, on the County's website. Notification of 2 public hearings and 30 day review period for the draft 18-19 Action Plan.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	All comments were accepted.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
24	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Housing and Community Services staff placed a notification ad that ran on 6/10/18, in the St. Augustine Record. Notification of 2 public hearings and 30 day review period for the draft-18-19 Action Plan.	N/A- Citizens who contact the Housing and Community Services office are invited to meet with staff either in person or over the phone, directed to a public meeting, or directed to the Housing and Community Services CDBG webpage.	All comments were accepted.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
25	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	This public hearing, 7/10/18 occurred in the St. Johns County Health and Human Services Building as part of an opportunity to provide information and receive feedback regarding the CDBG program and the 2018-2019 Action Plan.	At the time of this writing the advertised public hearing has not occurred.	All comments were accepted.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

St. Johns County anticipates receiving an estimated \$918,973 from HUD through the CDBG program during the third program year (October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019). These funds will be used to address priority needs, goals, and objectives as recognized by the community and its leaders. However, the County realizes that these funds alone are not sufficient to fulfill the jurisdiction’s housing and community development needs. The County will leverage CDBG funds with other state, local, and private resources, as these other funds become available. The County currently funds homeless prevention through its Social Services Division. The Social Services Division also receives and matches Emergency Solution Grant (ESG), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and Challenge grant funds to aid in the prevention of homelessness. The Housing and Community Development Division receives State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds to produce and preserve affordable homeownership and multi-family housing for low to moderate income persons. Since 2017, the County has utilized an email list to share different funding and community development opportunities with its various neighborhood groups and community partners.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	918,973	0	826,849	1,745,822	1,453,194	This is the allocation for FY 18/19
Other	public - federal	Other	15,500	0	0	15,500	45,000	These are anticipated funds for 18/19.
Other	public - federal	Public Services Other	14,500	0	0	14,500	29,150	This amount is anticipated for 18/19
Other	public - state	Acquisition Admin and Planning Housing Other	416,821	0	0	416,821	2,714,115	This amount is anticipated for FY 18/19.
Other	public - state	Public Services Other	0	0	0	0	38,356	This grant is not currently funded for 18/19.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Florida Statutes at Title XI, Section 125.35 (County Authorized to Sell Real and Personal Property and to Lease Real Property), 125.38 (Sale of County Property to United States or State), 125.37 (Exchange of County Property), 125.379 (Disposition of County Property for Affordable Housing) and St. Johns County Ordinance 2011-17, provide guidelines as to the distribution of land owned by the County. The disposition of any County owned land for purposes of addressing the needs identified in this Action Plan are subject to Florida State Statute and County Ordinance.

The County maintains an inventory of lots and properties owned by St. Johns County. Land owned and managed by the County may be sold or donated to entities for the purpose of public and community good. A private entity or non-profit may request to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) a conveyance or lease of a property. The property may be conveyed or leased, to an applying entity, for a price named by the BCC, regardless of the actual value of the property and pending BCC satisfaction of the proposed use of the property. The land must not be needed for County purposes as determined by the BCC. A number of properties in the inventory have been earmarked for the purpose of expanding affordable housing options. At the time of this writing, staff has developed a procedure by which the County shall distribute these lots in a competitive and equitable manner.

Staff also works closely with the St. Johns County Housing Finance Authority (HFA) to develop affordable housing. The HFA oversees the Community Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot (CWHIP) Program and has ownership of various pieces of property centered in West Augustine.

Discussion

The County continues to work with different agencies, members of the community, and groups outside of the community, to expand both housing and community development opportunities within St. Johns County. Housing staff has offered both labor and technical support to other County departments as well as community non-profits, in an effort to both identify redevelopment and social challenges and assist in development of effective processes to create comprehensive solutions to the problems the agencies are working on.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities	2016	2020	Non-Housing Community Development	Elkton/Armstrong Flagler Estates	Public Facilities and Infrastructure	CDBG: \$685,179	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10 Persons Assisted
2	Homeless Services and Prevention	2016	2020	Homeless	Countywide	Homeless Services and Prevention	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 55 Households Assisted
3	Planning and Administration	2016	2020	Planning and Administration	Countywide		CDBG: \$183,794	

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities
	Goal Description	Renovations and improvements to Flagler Estates Park and Armstrong Park. Installation of a sidewalk in Flagler Estates

2	Goal Name	Homeless Services and Prevention
	Goal Description	Homeless prevention services. Partial funding for 1 part-time employee to improve client access and delivery for this funding request as well as 3 other grant sources that serve the same clients. Other funding will provide rental and utility assistance for individuals seeking to avoid and/or allude homelessness.
3	Goal Name	Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	HUD-approved administrative costs associated with establishing and maintaining a CDBG program.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

St. Johns County's allocation for the 2018-2019 program year is anticipated to be \$918,973.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Flagler Estates Park Renovations and Expansion
2	Flagler Estates Boulevard-Sidewalk
3	Homeless Prevention Services Expansion-Catholic Charities
4	Armstrong Parks Renovations and Expansion
5	Planning and Administration

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

The allocations and priorities contained in the Consolidated Plan were established by using input received from community meetings, electronic and paper surveys, public hearings, County departments, other municipalities, and advisory groups. Obstacles to addressing underserved needs include the lack of resources to accomplish the identified goals and needs.

On September 4, 2017, Governor Scott declared a state of emergency for all of Florida's counties in preparation for Hurricane Irma. Hurricane Irma reached St. Johns County, pop. ±235,000, on September 10th with Category 1 hurricane impacts. During the storm event 148,500 individuals were under an evacuation order during the storm. Storm surge and flooding affected the entire St. Johns County and as many as 97,950 accounts lost electricity. On September 10th, The White House issued a press release stating that the President had declared "that a major disaster exists in the State of Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State, tribal, and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Irma beginning on September 4, 2017, and continuing."

Preliminary County estimates indicate Hurricane Irma has had a negative impact of more than \$24 million dollars in damage. It is estimated that over 950 residential structures have been damaged. A large number of St. Johns County families, across the economic spectrum, have been negatively impacted by this hurricane.

During FY 16-17 and 17-18, a large amount of the County's resources have been spent on hurricane recovery. Countless hours and monetary resources have gone toward assisting residents in recovery

efforts. Hurricanes Matthew and Irma became a major obstacle to meeting the community's underserved needs as identified in the County's Consolidated Plan. The community's need for affordable housing and other service-oriented resources were exasperated by the storm. Affordable housing options became scarcer and much of the community's service-oriented resources were appropriated toward recovery efforts. Many of the community's non-profit service providers have felt a drain on their resources the past two years. The storm events have drastically impact the county's low-mod population as well as those organizations that serve them.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Flagler Estates Park Renovations and Expansion
	Target Area	Flagler Estates
	Goals Supported	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$258,282
	Description	Park Renovations and Expansion
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The applicant has submitted information stating that the entire community of Flagler Estates will benefit from the project. Flagler Estates is a rural community mostly comprised of single-family housing units. The estimated population for the area is 3,533.
	Location Description	<div class="vk_sh vk_bk">9970 Oliver Ave, Hastings, FL 32145; Flagler Estates is an unincorporated area located in the southwest portion of the county. Flagler Estates is bordered by Ashley Street on the north and extends west just past Hennessey Avenue and runs south to Division Street and ends to the east at Amos Ave. The area is approximately 11.94 square miles.</div>
Planned Activities	Installation of new playground equipment, additional ADA access to facilities, construction of walking/nature trails, drinking fountain, bicycle docking station, climate controlled restroom/community space, lighting, and installation of shade structures.	
2	Project Name	Flagler Estates Boulevard-Sidewalk
	Target Area	Flagler Estates
	Goals Supported	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$297,175
	Description	Sidewalk installation
	Target Date	4/30/2019

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The applicant has submitted information stating that the entire community of Flagler Estates will benefit from the project. Flagler Estates is a rural community mostly comprised of single-family housing units. The estimated population for the area is 3,533
	Location Description	Along Flagler Estates Boulevard, originating at the intersection of Co Rd 13 and Flagler Estates Boulevard. Nearest geographic address point is 9895 Co Rd 13, Hastings, FL 32145.
	Planned Activities	Design, permitting, and construction of 2865 linear feet of sidewalk.
3	Project Name	Homeless Prevention Services Expansion-Catholic Charities
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Homeless Services and Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Public Services Homeless Services and Prevention
	Funding	CDBG: \$50,000
	Description	Homeless prevention services
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Applicant is proposing to serve 55 households either impacted by homelessness or facing challenges associated with maintaining housing. This service will roughly impact 193 people.
	Location Description	Countywide. Services shall not be rendered inside the City of St. Augustine, FL.
	Planned Activities	Hire and train a part-time case manager, identify eligible households, provide case management services and referrals, and rent and utility assistance.
4	Project Name	Armstrong Parks Renovations and Expansion
	Target Area	Elkton/Armstrong
	Goals Supported	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities and Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$129,722

	Description	Park Renovations and Expansion
	Target Date	4/30/2020
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The applicant has submitted information stating that the entire community of Elkton/Armstrong will benefit from the project. Elkton/Armstrong is a rural community, mostly comprised of single-family housing units and farming operations. Armstrong, the area where the project is proposed, is mostly single-family housing with a multi-family development that houses primarily migrant workers. The estimated population for the Elkton/Armstrong area is 4,587.
	Location Description	4950 Harvey Ave, Elkton, FL 32033; Elkton/Armstrong is an unincorporated community located off of County Rd 207 and includes Armstrong Rd in St Johns County. The area is located in Census-tract (CT) 211.02 and is 87.13 square miles.
	Planned Activities	Installation of new playground equipment, additional ADA access to facilities, multi-purpose athletic fields, lighting, and installation of shade structures.
5	Project Name	Planning and Administration
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$183,794
	Description	Planning and Administration of the CDBG program.
	Target Date	9/30/2019
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Not applicable.
	Location Description	Not applicable.
	Planned Activities	Planning and Administration of the CDBG program.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Elkton/Armstrong is an unincorporated community located off of County Rd 207 and includes Armstrong Rd in St Johns County. The area is located in Census-tract (CT) 211.02 and is 87.13 square miles. According to 2014 census data, the population of CT 211.02 is 4,518 of which 459 (10%) are Black or African American and 267(6%) are Hispanic. The estimated amount of low to moderate income individuals in this area is 37%. Due to the extremely small size of the community, specific census track information is unavailable. The majority of parcels in the target area are residential in nature. There are a total of 2089 housing units with 1841 occupied units (88%) and 242 vacant units (12%) within the target area. The occupied housing units consist of 1569 owner-occupied units and 272 renter-occupied units.

Flagler Estates is an unincorporated area located in the southwest portion of the county. Flagler Estates is bordered by Ashley Street on the north and extends west just past Hennessey Avenue and runs south to Division Street and ends to the east at Amos Ave. The area is approximately 11.94 square miles. According to 2014 census data, CT 211.01 the population of Flagler Estates is 3,215, of which 6.2% are Hispanic and 6.1% are Black or African American. 68% of the population is of low to moderate income. The majority of the parcels in the target area are residential in nature. There are a total of 1,307 housing units with 1,115 (85%) occupied and 192 (15%) vacant. Of the occupied units in the area, 940 are owner-occupied units and 175 are renter-occupied.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Elkton/Armstrong	14
West Augustine	
Flagler Estates	56
Hastings	
Countywide	5

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The allocation of investments in this geographic area is due to a number of factors, including but not limited to, the establishment of the target area, program requirements, project applications, and public input. To comply with CDBG program requirements that at least 70% of funds benefit low and moderate

income persons. These target areas also exhibit a need for infrastructure improvements, public services, affordable housing, and home repairs for special needs and low income residents. The Citizen Participation Plan process also directed the County in the identification of needs and establishing priorities of the target areas.

Discussion

Income eligible residents are scattered throughout the county; therefore, in addition to targeted areas, St. Johns County has also chosen to target individuals who are homeless or on the brink of homelessness. Individuals selected for the homeless services project are expected to be located throughout the County and are expected to be provided with services and assistance outside the City of St. Augustine.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

St. Johns County will use FY 18-19 CDBG funds to improve affordable housing by providing rental and utility assistance, allowing individuals to avoid homelessness and providing shelter to those who may be on the verge of or already are homeless. All potential clients will be asked to complete an application process, meet income requirements, or meet the HUD definition of homeless.

In addition to the above mentioned project, St. Johns County will use other funding, mentioned elsewhere in this plan, to create affordable housing, as defined by the HOME program, utilizing different leveraged funds.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	55
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	55

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	55
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	55

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

St. Johns County will continue to utilize funding other than CDBG to achieve its affordable housing goals. The County provides funds from its General Fund and a trust fund based entirely of funds that were accumulated from mitigation associated with developments classified as Developments of Regional Impact, to assist with affordable housing and rehabilitation of existing housing stock. The County also receives SHIP dollars, which according to the County's Local Housing Assistance Plan, may be used to fund disaster-related repairs, new construction, rehabilitation, down payment and closing cost assistance, impact fees, construction financing, acquisition of property for affordable housing, matching dollars for federal housing grants and programs, and homeownership/financial counseling. Even with these additional resources, the County is not able to meet all of its affordable housing needs.

It should be noted that the pressures on affordable housing have grown greater since Hurricane Irma negatively impacted 900+ residential units in St. Johns County in early September, 2017. This after Hurricane Matthew negatively impacted 2,319 residential units when it reached the shores of St. Johns County on October 7, 2016.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

St. Johns County does not have a public housing authority or public housing. Residents wishing to apply for public housing must apply for a voucher through Jacksonville Housing Authority (JHA) in neighboring Duval County to the north or Flagler County Housing Authority to the south.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

St. Johns County does not have public housing so this is not applicable to the jurisdiction.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

St. Johns County does not have public housing so this is not applicable to the jurisdiction.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

St. Johns County does not have public housing so this is not applicable to the jurisdiction.

Discussion

St. Johns County does not have public housing so this is not applicable to the jurisdiction.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

St. Johns County is dedicated to improving the housing opportunities for all of its residents, especially the homeless population, the special needs population, and people who are at risk of becoming homeless. The County, along with other non-profit agencies and other organizations, will continue to provide services and funds to aid in the prevention of homelessness, funds for rapid re-housing programs to house the homeless, and funds for the rehabilitation of homes of low income and special needs persons.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Through collaboration with the St. Johns County Continuum of Care, along with other organizations, St. Johns County will utilize many avenues to provide outreach and education to the homeless population, including those who are unsheltered. St Johns County CoC has identified “Street Outreach” as an important role in our county’s plight to end homelessness. Currently, the street outreach program is under the direction of the St. Francis House and has been successful since its implementation a little over two years ago, having served approximately 426 adults. The Street Outreach team has served 65 unaccompanied youths the last 12 months and opened the Port in the Storm Youth Center in 2018. The Port in the Storm youth program includes a day-drop-in center staffed with professional case managers experienced in youth crisis. The Port provides access to food, a shower, clean clothes, and a safe caring environment. All outreach efforts include initially assessing the homeless individual/family’s needs in order to provide the appropriate housing and supportive services referrals. The Port of Storm is currently working towards additional sheltering for youths up to 21 years of age with an additional 16 beds.

In addition, the Street Outreach program will assist in the identification of unsheltered individuals and the areas in which they live. The program is able to assess each individual by way of a vulnerability assessment, by identifying their most critical needs and helping them to navigate to those resources in an expeditious manner. Recently, the CoC has agreed to transition to a new tool the Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT), which is an evidence-based approach to assess an individual’s or family’s acuity to be used during the outreach process. This tool prioritizes who is in the greatest need, and identifies the areas in the person’s life where support services are necessary to avoid housing instability in the future. This outreach program will assist these individuals in accessing much needed support services in the areas of medical care, employment, assistance in applying for State, Federal and local programs to help meet their needs and will assist with the rapid re-housing of these individuals.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The St. Francis House, an emergency shelter, will serve as the main point of access for homeless services in St. Johns County by providing 20 beds for individuals, an additional 24 available during times of severe weather and crises, and 4 family units. They have an additional 16 overflow beds for access by local law enforcement.

The County will continue to provide funding, based on availability, for the operation and maintenance of the emergency shelter, transitional housing facilities and program services provided by these facilities. These facilities provide shelter and supportive services to homeless veterans, homeless families with children, single men and women, including those recently released from incarceration, chronic homeless and victims of domestic violence. St Johns County CoC will continue to address the needs of emergency shelter and transitional housing in our community by continuing to increase the resources available for emergency case management, increase referrals and placements in permanent housing.

Although transitional housing is no longer a priority in our community, we continue to have programs that assist in transitional housing for those victims of domestic violence, the elderly, and homeless families with children.

Emergency Services and Homeless Coalition Transitional Housing Program provides access for individuals in need of transitional housing in St. Johns County by providing 63 beds (15 units) for families with children. While the Alpha-Omega Miracle Home Transitional Housing Program has fluid beds that can be used by both families and individuals. Alpha-Omega has 7 units that serve on average 2.24 average households size at any given time, with capacity being 19 beds year round.

The County will continue to work with the CoC toward a goal of functional zero whereby every person wanting to exit homelessness will be offered appropriate housing within 30 days. By utilizing our Housing Crisis Center and other Crisis Housing resources for emergency shelter and service linkage, homeless persons will receive the support and services best matched to their circumstances. Transitional Housing will serve, in the interim for those needing housing while permanent and affordable options are created and/or found.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

St. Johns County will assist homeless persons and families to transition into permanent supportive/independent housing by providing financial assistance and case management. The CoC has

received ESG funding through HUD, via the State of Florida. This funding will provide rapid re-housing and prevention support to area agencies and organizations. This program will provide financial assistance to homeless individuals/families to regain stability in permanent housing. The financial assistance provided through this source may be used for rent and utility assistance as well as assistance with rent and utility deposits.

In addition, the County will continue to provide prevention funding for emergency assistance for rent and utilities through its Social Services Division. The County is also supporting a few new projects that will increase the number of permanent supportive housing units in our county.

The County is the recipient of Challenge grant funding to assist in funding of a SOAR processor. Individuals can be referred by any community stakeholder to the Social Services Division to initiate the SOAR process. This process assists an individual to secure or restore SSI/SSDI benefits. The County continues to be a leader in the State for successful applications.

The County was awarded HUD CoC Program NOFA funds, \$17,836 in 2016 and \$17,956 in 2017, to implement a Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Program. This program moves homeless individuals and families into permanent housing as quickly as possible. RRH provides tenant-based rental assistance in a client driven, low-barrier environment.

The County is collaborating with the CoC and other community stakeholders to develop strategies to not only increase our affordable and permanent supportive housing stock but also to look at possible funding streams to develop and implement other rental/workforce housing programs. Other options may include a Housing Reentry Assistance Program as well as other supplementary strategies to increase the community's resources for permanent supportive housing.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

St. Johns County will utilize local, state and federal funding when available to support prevention activities designed to help our low-income individuals and families that find themselves at risk of homelessness and needing a hand up.

County Social Services will provide financial assistance in the form of emergency rent and utility payments to those individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless. These prevention funds will target those who would become homeless without the assistance. This support is designed to be a one-time payment in an 18 month period.

The County will partner with area agencies to refer homeless individuals and families who find themselves stranded, to relocation assistance through the St. Augustine Police Department. This will allow these homeless individuals and families to return home to out of area relatives.

The County will collaborate with various community partners, to implement a community-wide policy to assist in the discharge of our homeless, to include but not limited to, hospitals, mental health facilities and correctional facilities.

The St. Johns County Family Integrity Program (FIP) has established and implemented a formal protocol for the discharge of youth aging out of foster care. This protocol involves collaboration with the Department of Children and Families (DCF), Independent Living Case Manager through FIP and other partner agencies to prevent homelessness for these youths. The intent is to have a smooth transition from foster care system to self-sufficiency.

The County and other community stakeholders are currently working closely with the St. Johns County CoC and implemented Coordinated Entry starting in February, 2018. A system has been created that will quickly identify individuals at risk for homelessness, return those experiencing homelessness to stable housing by utilizing Coordinated Intake, and create a by-name listing of all homeless individuals within the St. Johns County CoC. The St. Johns County CoC will assess the needs for additional shelter capacity on an ongoing basis.

Upon the recommendation of the St. Johns County CoC Governance Committee, the St. Johns County Continuum of Care established four county-wide focus areas to end homelessness. The areas identified were: increase community involvement and awareness, increase service capacity, increase housing stock, and increase the usage and reliability of the data.

In the last fiscal year, a staff member with St. Johns County has been assigned the task of accumulating a list of affordable housing providers and staff working under the umbrella of the Housing and Community Development Division and the County's Social Services Division work with local landlords to assist clients with housing needs.

During FY '16-'17, the County provided rental assistance to 14 households, utilizing SHIP funds in response to Hurricane Matthew. These households had either been temporarily or permanently rendered homeless after the storm events associated with Matthew. Without the assistance of SHIP disaster funds, these households could have faced additional risk of homelessness, unemployment, migration from the community, and/or requiring additional social services.

Discussion

Not applicable, see above explanations. (AP-65)

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

St. Johns County realizes that current housing market conditions present many barriers to affordable housing. These barriers have only worsened with the effects of Hurricanes Matthew and Irma. The County continues to implement policies and strategies to maintain and provide affordable housing inventory for residents.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The St. Johns County Comprehensive Plan 2010-2025 Housing Element, states that its purpose is to support the provision and maintenance of an adequate inventory of decent, safe and sanitary housing in a variety of types, sizes and locations throughout the County at affordable costs to meet the needs of the current and future residents of St Johns County. The Plan provides several objectives as listed below:

- Continuing the housing implementation policies such as density bonuses, infill housing, and an expedited development review process for affordable housing developments.
- Maintaining existing programs, investigating new programs, and identifying funding sources that will work toward the elimination of substandard housing.
- Through its Future Land Use Map and its review of the County Land Development Code shall ensure that County zoning districts include areas for the location of housing for very low to moderate income households, single family homes, mobile homes, manufactured homes, group homes and foster care facilities adequate to meet the needs for these housing types during the planning period
- Provide for uniform and equitable treatment for persons and businesses displaced by state and local government programs consistent with Section 421.55 F.S.
- Improve and maintain the quality and integrity of its residential communities.

In addition, the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) continues to address some of the impediments to construction of affordable housing within the community. The AHAC is currently in the process of examining barriers and educating the community about the importance of creating and maintaining affordable housing.

The County realizes that public policies can affect the supply and new construction of affordable housing through their impacts on the cost and geographic location of these types of units. The County is dedicated to ensuring that consideration is given to affordable housing developments in areas with close

proximity to transportation, employment opportunities and public services. The County will continue its regular review of existing policies and adjust when needed and appropriate so that they are not an impediment to affordable housing provision. The County acknowledges new policies may be needed in the future as the affordable housing market changes over time.

Discussion:

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) continues to meet monthly and work toward solutions for addressing affordable housing.

St. Johns County has also implemented the Affordable Housing Grant Program which provides grants to eligible organizations to fund a wide range of activities to create affordable housing for very low, low, and moderate income residents of St. Johns County.

Research is underway and discussions are being had with administrators, elected officials, and civic leaders associated with both St. Johns County and the City of St. Augustine, concerning ways to address affordable housing needs within the community.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

St. Johns County strives to address the needs of low and moderate income persons, homeless individuals and families, and underserved populations. The majority of the strategies and actions taken by the County are done so in collaboration with non-profit agencies, municipalities, other organizations, and advisory boards/committees. The following actions will outline how the County will address underserved needs, affordable housing, reduce lead-based paint hazards, reduce the number of poverty level families in the County, and develop an institutional structure to ensure the success of activities aimed at low and moderate income persons.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

Obstacles to addressing underserved needs include the lack of resources to accomplish the identified goals and needs. The County will take the following actions to address those obstacles:

- Provide support to homeless individuals and families, and other underserved populations, by allocating funds to non-profit agencies that provide support to those populations
- Promote cooperation between agencies by participating in different coordinating bodies in St. Johns County, such as but not limited to, the Continuum of Care, the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, Health and Human Services Advisory Council, and the Housing Finance Authority
- Search and apply for new funding from Federal and/or State sources
- Address infrastructure deficiencies in low to moderate income areas through CDBG funding

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The St. Johns County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) has the responsibility of reviewing and assessing established policies and procedures, ordinances, land development regulations, as well as the local government comprehensive plan, and recommending specific action or initiatives to encourage or facilitate affordable housing. The AHAC is required to furnish a report outlining recommendations to the State of Florida once every three years. At the end of 2016, a report was submitted to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation that served as a recommendation to the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners that addressed 12 possible incentives addressing affordable housing. The incentives addressed were as follows:

- The processing of approvals of development orders or permits, as defined in Florida Statute 163.3164(7) and (8), for affordable housing projects is expedited to a greater degree than other projects.
- The modification of impact-fee requirements, including reduction or waiver of fees and alternative methods of fee payment for affordable housing.

- The allowance of flexibility in densities for affordable housing.
- The reservation of infrastructure capacity for housing for very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income persons.
- The allowance of affordable accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.
- Reduction of parking and setback requirements for affordable housing.
- The modification of street requirements for affordable housing
- The establishment of a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.
- The preparation of a printed inventory of locally owned public lands suitable for affordable housing.
- The support of development near transportation hubs and major employment centers and mixed-use developments.
- Homebuyer Programs/Advocacy
- Economic Impact

The AHAC committee continues to meet and with their support, staff continues to research their recommendations, or other actions that are similar, in an effort to promote affordable housing initiatives to the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Actions to address lead-based paint hazards and to increase access to housing without lead-based paint hazards are supported by the Florida Department of Health (DOH) through integrated partnerships and programs administered by local county health departments. Public health programs administered by the DOH-St. Johns County Health Department include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Surveillance and Epidemiology: Tracking and follow-up of reportable conditions, such as lead exposure, as well as case management including risk screenings and home assessments, as needed;

(2) Environmental Public Health: Inspection of limited-use drinking water systems and timely water quality monitoring related to lead and other contaminants; environmental health education;

(3) Public Health Practice and Policy: One of our many community partnerships, the St. Johns County Health Leadership Council convenes the triennial Community Health Assessment (CHA), which uses a formal method to identify key issues in our community (i.e. safe housing, transportation, etc.) and community health status data (i.e. lead poisoning rates, access to community water systems, etc.). DOH-St. Johns partners with the federally funded Head Start program by serving as a seasonal co-location site to allow for comprehensive screenings (i.e. child development and lead exposure) to children ages 3 to 5.

(4) Healthy Start (a Maternal and Child Health Program): Registered nurses review screenings of pregnant moms and infants then, as needed, conduct home visits which include a safety assessment (i.e. for potential sources of lead exposure) and child developmental screenings. Through the Nurse Case Management Model, those clients living in housing with LBP hazards are provided guidance on how to reduce exposure, and if needed, are provided information on how to access safe housing.

(5) Community Linkages: Because many residents still associate DOH-St. Johns with primary care services/lab testing services, residents frequently contact our Nurse Triage Call Center for referrals/linkages to lead testing locations within the community.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The County's poverty-reducing goals and policies are established by the Board of County Commissioners which governs and provides direction to all County departments administering poverty-reducing programs. Coordination between departments is facilitated through collaborative planning efforts, participation on coordinating bodies, and program-specific partnerships. St. Johns County has overall objectives and policies in the Comprehensive Plan that are geared toward poverty reduction. Objective A.1.9 and related policies address mixed use development, Objective A.1.11 and related policies address efficient and compact development, Objective A.1.13 and related policies address community and neighborhood creation and preservation, Objective A.1.21 and related policies address economic development, Objective A.2.1, applies to the Northwest Sector which allows for an economically diverse area and Objective A.3.1 which apply to the Town Center design which allows for economically diverse areas. In addition to the above the County will continue to:

- Upgrade the Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Housing Stock, which predominantly provides for low income persons and continue its efforts to develop low to moderate income rental housing stock.
- Inventory all surplus County-owned land, foreclosed properties, and in-fill opportunities that could be used to promote affordable housing provision and production. A number of properties in this inventory have been earmarked for the purpose of expanding affordable housing options within the county and County staff is currently developing a procedure by which the County shall distribute these lots in a competitive and equitable manner.
- Strategically work with developers, community members, and various boards and groups seeking to develop affordable housing projects close to major employment centers and available amenities.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

St. Johns County has a fairly strong institutional delivery system that manages and delivers services from community programs. There are a number of public and private agencies within the County that participate year round in the provision of housing, public services, economic development services,

homeless services, and other community development activities including: capital improvements, public facilities and infrastructure. The County also has several groups that collaborate continually to lobby for resources to alleviate identified gaps within the community. These groups include, but are not limited to: Health and Human Services Advisory Council (HHSAC), Health Leadership Council, Behavioral Health Consortium, Continuum of Care (CoC), Housing Finance Authority (HFA) and the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC). Each of these groups has representatives from various agencies that provide services for the institutional delivery system within the county. As such, communication between agencies is frequent, goal oriented and aimed at resolving needs and gaps identified within the County. The following are currently underway or will begin during the program year:

- Several groups are currently in the process of updating respective needs assessments. It is expected that a Comprehensive Needs Assessment will be available in 2018 as Flagler Hospital, Department of Health St. Johns County, Health and Human Services Advisory Council, and the Behavioral Health Consortium are currently collaborating on an updated assessment aimed at identifying gaps related to healthcare, mental health, substance abuse and other socio-economic concerns.
- The Continuum of Care is currently working on an updated 10 year Strategic Plan to End Homelessness.
- County staff has implemented the Affordable Housing Grant to address the affordable housing needs of the county. At the time of this writing, 4/23/18, 1 project has been completed; Emergency Services and Homeless Coalition of St. Johns County, Inc., renovation of three freestanding housing units which were vacant or being used as office space and convert them to residences. Three other projects are currently being implemented by local nonprofit affordable housing providers.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

St. Johns County will continue to partner and work with multiple public and private housing and social service agencies to address the housing and community development needs of low and moderate income residents. The County is an active participant in the CoC, the Health and Human Services Advisory Council, the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, the Housing Finance Authority, and other committees that coordinate with service providers, private organizations, and other stakeholders. The County will also continue to fund non-profit organizations that provide social services and housing facilities to residents in need.

Discussion:

St. Johns County works with St. Johns County Legal Aid, located in St. Augustine, FL, for technical assistance with implementing Fair Housing. In March 2018, St. Johns County Housing and Community Development staff hosted a training, provided by St. Johns County Legal Aid, for County staff regarding

Fair Housing and tenant/landlord rights. The training was primarily attended by staff from both the Housing Department and the Social Services Department. Representatives from other non-profits were also in attendance. This training was provided so that those who participated could provide better information and knowledge to the residents of St. Johns County. The hope is that participants are better able to discern between what is a Fair Housing issue and a civil issue between parties, and provide references to individuals who are in need of assistance.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(l)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

Attachments

Grantee Unique Appendices

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Subject: New CDBG Community Survey

Hello:

We are preparing to release the 2018 Community Survey to encourage citizens to participate in the CDBG process.

However, we'd first like to ask community partners if they would like to suggest any changes to the survey questions.

In the past two years, we've asked citizens to rank the factors in the chart below and also asked the general question:

"What housing and community development programs and projects would you like to see in St. Johns County?"

We have used survey responses to award points to CDBG applications based on how applications were aligned with factors that were high priorities of citizens.

Please look over the survey factors below and send me any suggestions for additions you may have:

COMMUNITY SURVEY	
Please rank the following programs from lowest to highest priority for you:	
Affordable Housing	
Home repairs for low income households.	
Rental apartments for low to moderate incomes.	
New homes for low to moderate income homebuyers.	
Housing for homeless.	
Services for homeless.	
Housing for people with special needs, like the elderly on fixed incomes or people with disabilities.	
Repair homes for people with special needs, like the elderly or people with disabilities.	
Build or improve streets, sidewalks, and lighting in the area.	
Build or improve water and sewer lines.	
Storm water drainage projects.	

Upgrade parks and recreational facilities.
After school programs and childcare.
Business start-ups and job creation.
Education assistance programs.
Job training
Wellness programs for infants, children, and families.
Wellness programs for seniors.
Public transportation
Domestic Violence programs
Crime prevention programs
What housing and community development programs and projects would you like to see in St. Johns County?

Once the survey is finalized, I will send another email to let all know that the survey is available on the website.

Also, I can provide hard copies to be passed out at your community meetings.

Thank you for the assistance!

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Attachments: 2018 CDBG Meeting Schedule.pdf

CDBG Neighborhood Community Hearings

The St. Johns County Housing and Community Development Department will be holding public hearings to provide information and gather community input regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – please see the attached schedule – and the [link](#) to it on our [webpage](#).

County staff will explain what constitutes eligible activities and projects under the CDBG program. Copies of the Citizen Participation Plan will be available, along with citizen surveys and project applications. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

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2018 CDBG APPLICATION: the current application and instructions can be found at: <http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGApplication.pdf>

At this time, the survey and application are not fillable online. However, we expect to have this feature added to both documents in the next few days. I apologize for this inconvenience and will send another email to notify you when these documents are fillable online.

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Hello: The 2018 CDBG Survey can now be completed online and submitted through the SIC website. We would appreciate your assistance in sending this link to members of your organization and those you may have on your email contact list.

Also, the 2018 CDBG Application is now in PDF-fillable format.

Thanks!

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Subject: UPDATE: CDBG Community Meeting at the Hastings Library

UPDATE: CDBG Community Meeting at the Hastings Library

April 3, 2018 → 10:30 AM

St. Johns County Library - Hastings Branch
6195 S. Main Street, Hastings, FL 32145

The St. Johns County Housing and Community Services Department will be holding a public hearing to provide information and gather community input regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

County staff will explain what constitutes eligible activities and projects under the CDBG program. Copies of the Citizen Participation Plan will be available, along with citizen surveys and project applications. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

For additional information about CDBG, please call 904-827-6897 or visit our webpage:
<http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/CDBG.aspx>

Please take a moment to share your opinions by completing the 2018 Community Survey:
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Subject: Results of the 2018 CDBG Community Survey

Hello: The results of the 2018 CDBG Community Survey have been posted on our webpage:

- [2018 CDBG Survey Results](#)

The notice for the Application Scoring Meeting has also been posted:

- [2018 CDBG Application Scoring Public Notice](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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Subject: EVALUATION & SCORING OF CDBG APPLICATIONS

NOTICE OF EVALUATION AND SCORING OF PROJECT APPLICATIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Johns County Housing and Community Development Division, will be hosting a meeting of an independent scoring committee for the purpose of evaluation and scoring of project applications submitted by community agencies for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The evaluation and scoring will occur on May 18th, 2018, from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM in the Kingfisher Conference Room within the Health and Human Services Building located at 200 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, FL 32084. The committee's recommendations shall be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval on July 17, 2018.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awards an annual CDBG grant to St. Johns County to carry out a wide range of community development activities related to revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services. Through the CDBG program, individual communities, with public input, develop their own projects and funding priorities. Communities are required to give maximum priority to activities that benefit persons of low-income and moderate-income. Activities may also aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, or meet other community development needs having a particular urgency. Through the competitive application process, the County provides a portion of its CDBG funds to community agencies for specific eligible activities.

Project applications must propose projects that are consistent with the St. Johns County 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan. The County is not obligated to award all funds available during a particular grant cycle. The County reserves the right to reject any and all applications submitted on the basis that the proposed projects do not meet one of the CDBG National Objectives, are in conflict with the rules and regulations of the CDBG program, are incomplete or not formatted correctly, or are not submitted prior to the submission deadline. Please direct questions to the Housing and Community Development Division at (904) 827-6897 or housing@sjcfl.us. Additional information regarding CDBG can be found at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/>

NOTICE TO PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO ALL HEARING IMPAIRED PERSONS: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in the proceedings should contact the ADA Coordinator, at (904) 209-0650 at the St. Johns County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian Vlew, St. Augustine, Florida 32084, for hearing impaired individuals: Florida Relay Service: 1-800-955-8770; no later than 5 days prior to the date of the meeting.

Handouts for Community Meetings

2018 Community Development Block Grant

INTRODUCTION: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awards an annual grant, called the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), to St. Johns County. CDBG funds are used to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION: St. Johns County encourages citizen involvement in the planning, implementation, and assessment phases of the CDBG program. Public input is sought to develop funding priorities and projects. For additional information on community participation, please see the St. Johns County Citizen Participation Plan at: <http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/media/FinalCIPlan5.2.16.pdf>

2018 Community Survey: Citizens are encouraged to provide feedback on which CDBG eligible projects are priorities for them. This survey can be found at: <http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGSurvey.pdf>

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES: CDBG projects must be aligned with at least one of three National Objectives, which include:

1. Activities that benefit persons of low-income and moderate-income.
2. Activities that aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.
3. Activities that meet community development needs having a particular urgency.

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GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS: Through a competitive application process, the County provides a portion of its CDBG funds to eligible community groups that have planned specific activities that meet one or more of the National Objectives. The 2018 CDBG application and instructions can be found at: <http://www.sjcf.us/Housing/media/2018CDBGApplication.pdf>

The deadline for submitting CDBG applications is May 4, 2018, at 4:00 PM. Assistance with completing the application is available during two Technical Assistance Workshops which will be held on February 23 at 2 PM and February 27 at 6:00 PM, at Muscovy Conference Room, 200 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

The More information about St. Johns County's CDBG program can be found at: <http://www.co.st-johns.fl.us/Housing/CDBG.aspx>

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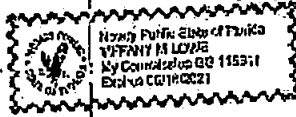
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by Sam Williams who is personally known to me
or who has produced an identification



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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.

Uniform Relocation Act and 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, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

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

1. 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;
2. 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
3. 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 Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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Specific Community Development Block Grant 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 plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

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

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, 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 CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having 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 (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) _____ [a period specified by the grantee 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.

3. 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.

In addition, 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:

1. 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
2. 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.

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 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

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

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

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 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 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.

N/A

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

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.

Subsidy layering -- 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;

N/A

Signature of Authorized Official

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Emergency Solutions Grants Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion/renovation – If an emergency shelter's rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation.

If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion.

In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the recipient will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the recipient will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the recipient serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The recipient will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal, State, local, and private assistance available for these individuals.

Matching Funds – The recipient will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The recipient has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the recipient will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the recipient undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with its consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The recipient will establish 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, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

N/A

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS 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 consolidated plan:

1. For a period of not less than 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility,
2. For a period of not less than 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building or structure.

N/A

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

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.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Community Development Block Grant
Proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. Johns County has prepared a proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan as required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. St. Johns County receives CDBG funds as an entitlement community for the benefit of low-to-moderate income residents. St. Johns County may use CDBG funds within the unincorporated areas of the County and within the city limits of St. Augustine Beach. The development and approval of a Consolidated Plan and an Annual Action Plan are requirements of receiving CDBG funds.

The Five Year Consolidated Plan was prepared by St. Johns County and includes a discussion of needs and strategies to meet those needs. The Consolidated Plan was developed with participation from County staff, elected officials, affordable housing and social service providers, and local citizens. As a result of this process, the following priorities were developed:

Priority #1 - Rehabilitation of existing Housing: focus on improving health and safety, code violations, accessibility and sustainability for extremely low-to-moderate income residents below 50% AMI (including but not limited to residents who are elderly, disabled, and veterans).

Priority #2 – Public Facilities and Infrastructure: provision of adequate public facilities and infrastructure to assure the efficient levels of service and enhance the livability of low-to-moderate income neighborhoods.

Priority #3 – Public Services: enhance the living environment of the targeted area by addressing basic needs that were unmet due to economic disparity.

Priority #4 – Homeless Assistance: provide housing and support services to assist individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Priority #5 – Affordable Housing: Increase the supply of affordable rental housing available to very low, low, and moderate income residents as well as veterans, elderly, disabled, and homeless persons through new construction or acquisition.

The Annual Action Plan lays out how the funds will be used for qualifying purposes such as projects, programs, and administration. For the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year, HUD allocated \$918,973 for St. Johns County. The FY2018-2019 Action Plan will provide for the following expenditures:

Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities:

- \$258,282 for renovations and improvements to the Flagler Estates Park.
- \$129,722 for renovations and improvements to the Armstrong Park.
- \$297,175 for installation of a sidewalk in Flagler Estates.

Public Services: \$50,000 for homeless prevention services.

Planning and Administration: \$183,794 for HUD-approved administrative costs associated with establishing and maintaining a CDBG program.



Equal Housing Opportunity

The current Citizens Participation Plan, Consolidated Plan, and the proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan are available for review Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. These documents can also be viewed on the St. Johns County website: <http://www.sjcfcl.us/Housing/CDBG.aspx>.

The purpose of this public notice is to fulfill the requirements of the St. Johns County Citizens Participation Plan by ensuring that the public is informed of the proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan. The public comment period is June 10, 2018 through July 17, 2018. Comments from the public are encouraged and will be accepted during this period at the Health and Human Services Department at 200 San Sebastian View, Suite 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084. A written response will be given within fifteen (15) days, to all written comments received. For additional information, please contact Greg Lulkoski at 904-827-6897.

Public Hearing: There will be a Public Hearing to present and discuss the 2018-2019 Action Plan at 4:00 PM on July 10, 2018, in the Egret Conference in the Health and Human Services Building at 200 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

Final Action: The proposed 2018-2019 Action Plan is scheduled for Board action July 17, 2018, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of County Commissioners in the County Commission Chambers, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida 32084. Prior to adopting the 2018-2019 Action Plan, St. Johns County will allow for public comment in order to obtain citizens' views and comments on the proposed Action Plan. Interested parties are encouraged to attend and participate.

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