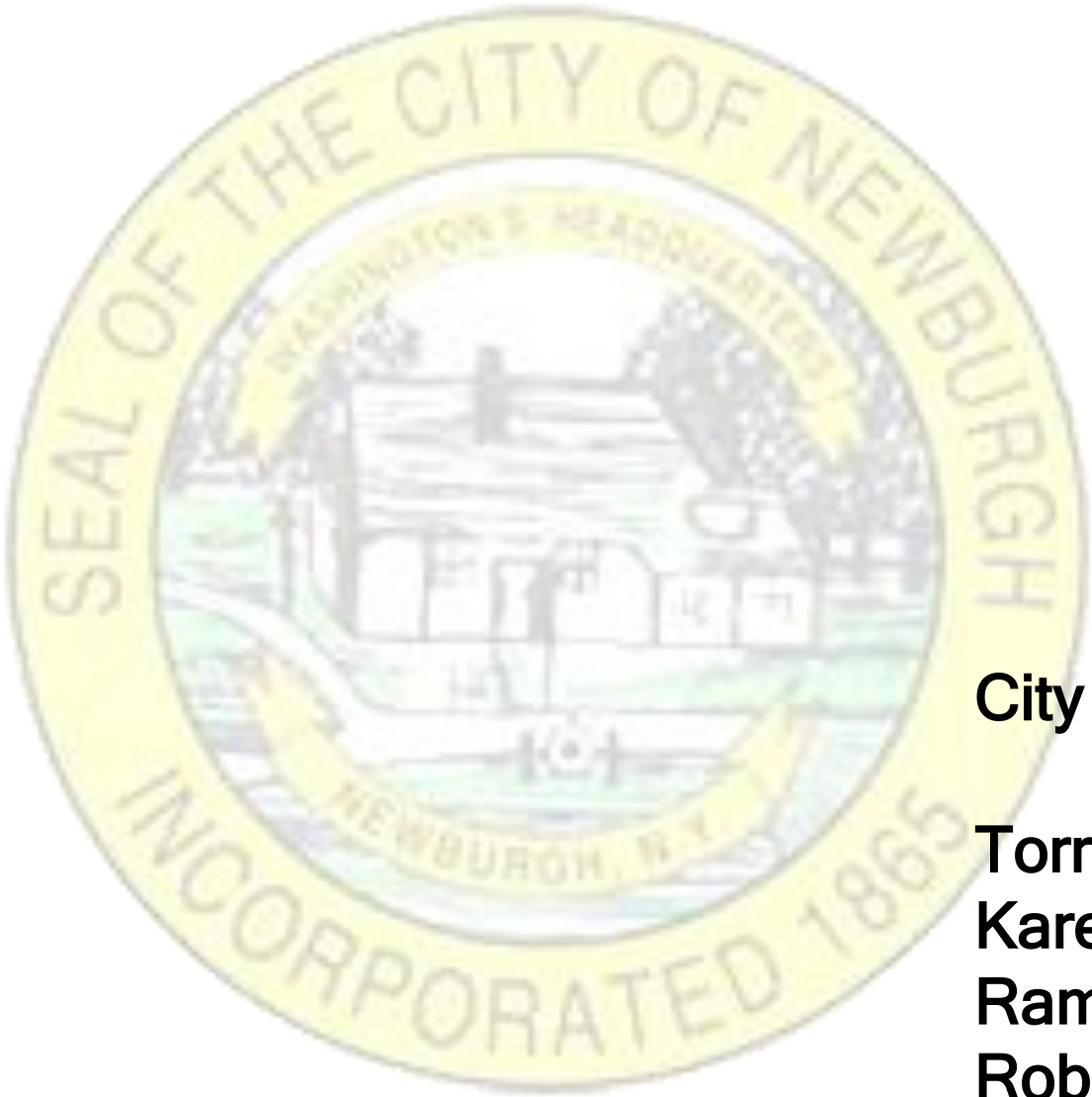




Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) FY2021 Annual Action Plan

**Department of Planning &
Development
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City of Newburgh Community Development Goals - Refresher

- Economic Development without Displacement.
- Enhance outreach and communications with the community.
- Support a climate that values diversity, rewards independence, nourishes creativity, and brings all of us together.

Successful community building requires reestablishing trust, which takes time, patience, outreach and communication.



“CDBG” - Brief Primer



- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - Administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Allocated to local and state governments on a formula basis.
- The City of Newburgh is under the Orange County Consortium (Orange County, City of Newburgh, City of Middletown).
- The City of Newburgh is required to prepare and submit a **Consolidated Plan** that establishes goals for the use of CDBG funds. The new City of Newburgh Consolidated Plan: **FY2020-FY2024**
- Projects **MUST** be consistent with national priorities for CDBG:
 - Activities that benefit low- and moderate-income people;
 - The prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
 - Community development activities to address an urgent threat to health or safety.



Proposed FY2021 CDBG Projects/Funding

Priority Need Addressed	Project Name	Proposed Activities (Examples)	Project Funding
Projects Funded through Entitlement Grant			
Housing	Housing	In Rem Property Program: To continue funding the salaries/benefits of 3 City of Newburgh Employees. Also fund materials needed to maintain foreclosed properties, such as snow shovels, weed wackers, locks/keys.	\$245,000.00
	Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to cover Closing Costs for first-time homebuyers through HUD approved Housing Counseling Program. Also includes program delivery cost.	\$30,000.00
	Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to support an "Anti-Displacement Housing Stability Initiative" through City of Newburgh Housing Partner.	\$80,000.00
Infrastructure Improvements	Infrastructure Improvements	To continue funding Curb Ramp & Sidewalk Improvements project.	\$275,000.00
Economic Development	Economic Development	Funding for business assistance such as Business Façade and Signage grants, Microenterprise Business Assistance, Workforce Training.	\$75,000.00
Quality of Life Improvements	Neighborhood Services	Public Service Activity, Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Summer Film Festival, National Night Out	\$10,000.00
Administration	Administration	Program Administration, Staff Salary and Benefits, language translation services, program operating costs (including mailings), program trainings/conference.	\$130,000.00
Proposed Total FY2021 Allocation			\$845,000.00



Contingency Funding

If the actual annual allocation amount exceeds the proposed estimate, the project budgets will increase by:

	Priority Need Addressed	Project Name	Proposed Activities (Examples)	% Project increase, if HUD allocation greater than proposed (approx.)
Projects Funded through Entitlement Grant	Housing	Housing	In Rem Property Program: To continue funding the salaries/benefits of 3 City of Newburgh Employees. Also fund materials needed to maintain foreclosed properties, such as snow shovels, weed wackers, locks/keys.	No Increase
		Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to cover Closing Costs for first-time homebuyers through HUD approved Housing Counseling Program. Also includes program delivery cost.	10%
		Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to support an "Anti-Displacement Housing Stability Initiative" through City of Newburgh Housing Partner.	30%
	Infrastructure Improvements	Infrastructure Improvements	To continue funding Curb Ramp & Sidewalk Improvements project.	10%
	Economic Development	Economic Development	Funding for business assistance such as Business Façade and Signage grants, Microenterprise Business Assistance, Workforce Training.	No Increase
	Quality of Life Improvements	Neighborhood Services	Public Service Activity, Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Summer Film Festival, National Night Out	No Increase
	Administration	Administration	Program Administration, Staff Salary and Benefits, language translation services, program operating costs (including mailings), program trainings/conference.	No Increase
	Proposed Total FY2021 Allocation			

Contingency Funding

If the actual annual allocation amount is less than the proposed estimate, the project budgets will decrease by:

	Priority Need Addressed	Project Name	Proposed Activities (Examples)	Project Funding	% Project decrease, if HUD allocation less than proposed (approx.)
Projects Funded through Entitlement Grant	Housing	Housing	In Rem Property Program: To continue funding the salaries/benefits of 3 City of Newburgh Employees. Also fund materials needed to maintain foreclosed properties, such as snow shovels, weed wackers, locks/keys.	\$245,000.00	No Decrease
		Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to cover Closing Costs for first-time homebuyers through HUD approved Housing Counseling Program. Also includes program delivery cost.	\$30,000.00	10%
		Housing	Public Service Activity Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Funding to support an "Anti-Displacement Housing Stability Initiative" through City of Newburgh Housing Partner.	\$80,000.00	No Decrease
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	Economic Development	Economic Development	Funding for business assistance such as Business Façade and Signage grants, Microenterprise Business Assistance, Workforce Training.	\$75,000.00	No Decrease
	Quality of Life Improvements	Neighborhood Services	Public Service Activity, Subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap, Summer Film Festival, National Night Out	\$10,000.00	10%
	Administration	Administration	Program Administration, Staff Salary and Benefits, language translation services, program operating costs (including mailings), program trainings/conference.	\$130,000.00	No Decrease
	Proposed Total FY2021 Allocation				\$845,000.00

Project: Housing

Proposed Activities:

- In Rem Property Program
- First Time Home Buyers Closing Cost Assistance
- Anti-Displacement/Housing Stability Initiative Assistance



Proposed Housing Activity: In Rem Property Program

Budget: \$245,000.00

Description:

- Activity staffed by 2 full-time Department of Public Works employees and 1 employee of the Planning & Development Department dedicated to the in rem program.
- Provides maintenance and security of vacant properties. Keeps properties habitable, neighborhoods looking good, maintains/increases property values.



Proposed Housing Activity: First Time Home Buyers Closing Cost Assistance

Budget: \$30,000.00

Description:

- Funding to cover Closing Costs for first-time homebuyers who have completed a HUD approved Housing Counseling Program in the City of Newburgh. Also includes program administration cost.

**Important: Public Service Activity subject to 15%
Annual Allocation Cap.**



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OPPORTUNITY

Proposed Housing Activity: Anti-Displacement/ Housing Stability Initiative

Budget: \$80,000.00

Description:

- Funding to support an "Anti-Displacement Housing Stability Initiative" through City of Newburgh Housing Partner.

**Important: Public Service Activity subject to 15% of
Annual Allocation Cap.**



Proposed Infrastructure Improvements

Activity: Curb Ramp and Sidewalk

Upgrades

Budget: \$275,000.00

Description:

- Funding to continue funding Curb Ramp & Sidewalk Improvements project.

Proposed Economic Development Activity:

Business Assistance

Budget: \$75,000.00

Description:

- Funding for business assistance such as Business Façade and Signage grants, Microenterprise Business Assistance, Workforce Training.



Proposed Quality of Life Activity: (Need proposed activity information)

Budget: \$10,000.00

Description:

- 2021 Summer Film Festival
- National Night Out

Important: If Public Service Activity, subject to 15% Annual Allocation Cap.



Proposed Activity: Administration

Budget: \$130,000.00

Description:

- Funding for program administration, staff salary and benefits, language translation services, program operating costs (including mailings), program trainings/conference.

FY2021 CDBG AAP Timeline



FY 2021 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS TIMELINE

