



Notice of Public Hearing 2022 Annual Action Plan

The City of Wichita Falls will conduct a Public Hearing to solicit comments on housing and community needs to develop the City of Wichita Falls (City) 2022 Action Plan. The forum will be held on Thursday July 14, 2022 at 3:00 PM in the 3rd Floor Conference Room located in Room 301-A of Memorial Auditorium, 1300 7th Street, Wichita Falls, TX. This opportunity is for public comment to solicit citizen opinion on community development and housing needs related to the Program Year (PY) 2022 Annual Action Plan. The PY 2022 Annual Action Plan of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan is a document that outlines a unified and strategic vision for providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, expanded economic opportunities for primarily low to moderate income persons, and that serves as a basis for annual funding allocations.

The City expects to receive from HUD formula allocation funding in the amount of \$1,203,986 in Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) funding and \$449,845 in HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funding based on the percent of total program funds allocated to the City last year as compared to this upcoming year. Both CDBG and HOME Program funds are entitlement amounts to the City of Wichita Falls from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). Program Year 2022 begins on October 1, 2022 and ends September 30, 2023. This Public Forum seeks input and participation from the local community with particular emphasis on serving persons of low and moderate incomes. Interested parties are encouraged to attend and provide comment on housing and community development needs during the Public Forum. Public comments are welcome.

The City Council Subcommittee on Outside Agencies met with organizations seeking to request funds for the upcoming fiscal year on May 26, 2022. From those meetings, the subcommittee developed the following funding proposals to present to the public and to the full City Council.

CDBG Program

Outside Agencies – Public Services: Child Care, Inc. \$126,418 for child care subsidies; Senior Citizens Services of North Texas \$54,179 for Meals on Wheels services; Outside Agencies – Rehabilitation/Construction/Other Projects: Christmas in Action \$100,000 for elderly/disabled home repair; City Projects: Minor Repair Program \$213,000 and Emergency Repair Program \$167,000 for single-family, owner-occupied home repairs; Grant Administration, \$240,797; Program Delivery Costs, \$30,000; Code Demolition & Clearance, \$177,592 for removal of hazardous structures; Code Administration, \$80,000 for code enforcement activities and operations; Parks/MLK Center \$65,000 for building security and rehabilitation improvements; and Traffic \$50,000 for installation of audible pedestrian signals.

HOME Program

First-Time Homebuyers Program, \$307,384; CHDO Set-Aside, \$67,477 for development of new single-family homes; Grant Administration, \$44,984; CHDO Affordable Housing Program, \$30,000 for acquisition assistance.

Another opportunity for public comment is scheduled for July 19, 2022 8:30 AM to be held before the City Council of Wichita Falls, Texas in the Council Chambers at Memorial Auditorium, 1300 7th Street, Wichita Falls, TX. Memorial Auditorium is handicapped accessible from the building's front entrance on Seventh Street. Other persons with special needs requiring accommodations should contact the Neighborhood Resources Division at 761-7448 at least 72 hours before the meeting.

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CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at Memorial Auditorium, Wichita Falls, Texas on the 29th day of June, 2022 at 4:15 o'clock [a.m.] [p.m.]

City Clerk