



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG)

**City of Fond du Lac
City-County Government Center
160 S. Macy Street, Meeting Room A
Wednesday, January 08, 2025, 5:00 P.M.**

The City of Fond du Lac will conduct a public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and request for funding. The public is invited to attend to learn about the CDBG Program, to provide input on the Program Year (PY) 2025 Annual Action Plan and review the list of proposed projects and funding recommendations.

Public Hearing Agenda:

Review and approve the Annual Action Plan and the list of estimated allocations to proposed projects for PY 2025

a.	Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Loans (1-4 Unit Structures)	\$ 220,000.00
b.	Renter Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Loans (1-4 Unit Structures)	\$ -
c.	Rehabilitation Program Administration	\$ 55,000.00
d.	Homestead Opportunity Program	\$ 85,000.00
e.	Blight Elimination	\$ 51,000.00
f.	Public Facilities	\$ 63,000.00
g.	Public Services	\$ 70,000.00
j.	Warming Shelter	\$ 20,000.00
l.	Undesignated	\$ 18,000.00
m.	Administration	\$ 118,000.00
Total		\$ 700,000.00

The PY2025 appropriation for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has not been determined. If the actual allocation amount is less than the City's estimate, the proposed activities budgets for the PY2025 Annual Action Plan for the City of Fond du Lac will be proportionally decreased from the estimated funding levels to match actual allocation amounts. If the actual allocation amount exceeds the City's estimate, the City will increase the Homestead Opportunity, Public Facilities and Blight Elimination activity budgets based upon the amount of additional funding.

Residents of the City of Fond du Lac are encouraged to attend, especially residents with low to moderate incomes. The non-English speaking public is encouraged to attend and, if needed, request translation services at least 3 days prior to the meeting by calling (920)-322-3440.

Tenemos servicios disponible de interprete gratuito. Favor de llamar al 920-322-3440 para asistencia. Muaj txhais lus pab dawb. Hu rau peb tus xov tooj 920-322-3440.

The meeting room is accessible to the disabled.

Persons needing additional accessibility accommodations should contact the Community Development Department at (920)-322-3440.

All residents are invited to attend this and future public hearings concerning potential projects. Persons wishing to inspect the Citizen Participation Plan and the CDBG records can visit the Community Development Department, City-County Government Center, 160 South Macy Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin 54935, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Community Development Department is accessible to the disabled. The Citizen Participation Plan, the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Plan are also available on the City's Website at www.fdl.wi.gov.

Questions regarding the CDBG activities and the City's Citizen Participation Plan can be directed to the Community Development Department at 920-322-3440.

The City of Fond du Lac is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Encourages Equal Housing Opportunity

CITY OF FOND DU LAC – Memorandum

Department of Community Development

Date: December 31, 2024

To: Redevelopment Authority

From: Dyann Benson, Community Development Director

Re: PY2025 Annual Action Plan – Public Hearing

1) Background

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the adopted Citizen Participation Plan require two public hearings each year to gain citizen input on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The first public hearing occurred in November to identify needs within the community.

The second public hearing is to approve the proposed Annual Action Plan based upon the identification of needs within the community from the PY2022-2026 Consolidated Plan and the November public hearing. The public notice to approve the proposed PY2025 Annual Action Plan was published in the FDL Reporter on Sunday, December 22, 2024. In addition, the notice was posted on the City's web site and email notification was sent to various community partners who have expressed interest in the CDBG program.

2) PY2025 Funds Available

The City of Fond du Lac's Program Year 2025 (April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026) allocation is estimated to be \$500,000. Entitlement funds will be budgeted with program income (approximately \$200,000) from revolving loan funds for a projected budget of \$700,000.

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3) Proposed Projects for PY2025

The proposed projects for PY2025 are shown in the detailed allocation of funds. Staff is proposing continuation of the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program; Homestead Opportunity Program; Blight Elimination; Boys & Girls Club; Homeless Shelter and Warming Shelter Assistance.

Funding levels for PY2025 for Public Service activities remain at the same levels as PY2024.

The Boys & Girls Club will be altering the direction of their funding to support their new Life and Workforce Readiness Programs.

4) National Objectives and Eligible CDBG Activities

All CDBG assisted activities must be eligible as specifically defined in the regulations AND meet one of three following National Objectives. The activity must either:

- a. Benefit low- and moderate-income individuals;
- b. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
- c. Meet a need having a particular urgency in the community.

CDBG funds may be used for activities which include, but are not limited to:

- acquisition of real property;
- relocation and demolition;
- rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures;
- construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes;
- public services, within certain limits;
- activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources; and
- provision of assistance to profit-motivated businesses to carry out economic development and job creation/retention activities.

The City of Fond Du Lac continues to strive to undertake projects in a balance of the categories listed above, to achieve the greatest benefit to the City and its residents.

5) Community Development Needs Identified by Staff and the Public for FY2025

Based on input received from meetings with community groups and staff analysis, the following needs have been identified:

- a) Continuance of the City's housing rehabilitation programs with an emphasis on central area neighborhoods and particularly those having a concentration of 51% or more LMI households.

- b) Acquisition and demolition of blighted properties within neighborhoods having a concentration of low-moderate income persons and/or other real estate suitable for affordable housing development.
- c) Improved home ownership opportunities for minority and other disadvantaged households through funding of the Homestead Opportunity Program.
- d) Support of low-and-moderate income individuals and individuals at-risk for homelessness and who face barriers due to poverty through funding to non-profit organizations, such as Boys & Girls Club
- e) Support for services to homeless individuals through the Solutions Center/St Vincent De Paul St Katherine Drexel Center and the warming shelter operated by Holy Family. Funding support covers utility and other building related costs so other funding can be directed to the clients receiving services.

6) Recommendation

Staff is recommending approval of the proposed PY2025 Annual Action Plan. Comments will be received by staff for 30 days after the public hearing.