

City of Auburn

Community Development Block Grant 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan



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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Auburn completed a 5-year Strategic Plan for the 2020-2024 program years that focuses on issues related to housing, homeless, community development (including facilities/public improvement), economic development and non-homeless public services. This Annual Action Plan is the third program year of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Strategic Plan and provides the framework for the 2022-2023 CDBG program year funds.

Two types of programming have been identified by the City of Auburn for CDBG funds – programs that will directly benefit low to moderate income residents and targeted neighborhood investments which will focus on particular low to moderate income neighborhoods based on current data provided by the 2015 American Community Survey (ACS).

Community Development Block Grant Funds have greatly impacted our community by rehabilitating houses for low to moderate income residents through the Home Repair Assistance Program and the Acquisition Rehab Program, providing down payment assistance for home owners of low to moderate income, demolishing blighting structures through Clearance activities, improving neighborhood walkability with sidewalk replacement, enhancing low to moderate income area parks, utilizing 15% annually of entitlement funds for the purpose of funding human service agencies, and providing funding opportunities to promote and enhance the local economy.

The City is committed to using these funds to assist and improve the lives of the low to moderate income individual/family living in the City of Auburn. More specifically, the City will continue to utilize CDBG funds to improve and promote homeownership, home repair, public improvements, public services, and economic development.

This Annual Action Plan will further identify programs that will meet the needs of our community. Community needs were identified in the 5-year Strategic Plan but are expanded on annually through community engagement including, but not limited to, meetings and public hearings.

The City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development is the coordinator of the Strategic Plan as well as Annual Action Plans. The Office of Planning and Economic Development will monitor the success of the program and manage the funding of the Community Development Block Grant from the office of Housing and Urban Development.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The goals and outcomes identified in the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan are based on the 2020-2024 Strategic Plan, which describes how federal funds and other resources will be deployed and what actions will be taken to address community development over the next five years. This year, the following goals will be addressed. They are prioritized based on the community engagement process for the 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan.

1. Public Services
2. Public Infrastructure
3. Public Facilities
4. Economic Development
5. Residential Rehab
6. Direct Assistance to Homebuyers
7. Substantial Rehab
8. Clearance
9. Special Development
10. Administration

3. Evaluation of past performance

In order to provide a context for this Consolidated Plan, the City reviewed its PY 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPER). The CAPER lists the City's accomplishments in relationship to goals and priorities established in the previous Consolidated Plan. Below are the accomplishments listed in the PY 2020 CAPER Report.

Housing Rehabilitation

- Single-Unit Residential allowed for 10 Households to be assisted. Multi-Unit Residential allowed for 2 Households to be assisted this program year

Remove the blighting influence of dilapidated structures

- Funds removed 2 dilapidated structures, 13 Wallace Av and 63-65 Orchard St

Encourage new homeowners for existing residential buildings

- The Mortgage Assistance Program provided 3 homebuyers with closing cost assistance.

Provide necessary public services

- CDBG funds assisted 8 non-profits to provide services to 1,157 City of Auburn residents.

Support neighborhood revitalization efforts to improve public facilities and infrastructure, especially in targeted areas.

- Improved 2 parks and playgrounds, finalized construction plans for 1 park
- Replaced sidewalks along Perrine Av and North Division St

Expand employment opportunities for City residents.

- Closed on one SBAP loan that will create jobs for persons of low to moderate income
- Covid Business relief grants were given to 64 small businesses in the City of Auburn. These businesses are being monitored for job retention

Improve program management and administration

- Community organizations received training and capacity building.
- Homeless Task Force and Human Service Coalition was improved through increased coordination efforts and training.

The City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development continues to improve program management and administration by staying informed through HUD circulars and bulletin updates and through virtual trainings provided by the HUD Buffalo team.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Federal regulations require the City to provide for citizen participation in the preparation of the Annual Action Plan. Although a regulation, the City values this as a tool for understanding the true needs of the community. COVID-19 changed the method that the City traditionally conducts citizen participation. It was necessary to change some in-person meetings to virtual public meetings via Zoom due to the increase of COVID cases. The City hosted one virtual public meeting, one in-person public meeting and two in person public hearings to solicit comments and participation from the public. These meetings were advertised in The Citizen (local newspaper), posted on the City’s webpage, Facebook, and Twitter accounts, and emailed to community organizations.

An in person public meeting was held October 19, 2021 from 2pm to 3pm at City Hall Council Chambers to discuss the CDBG program. A virtual public meeting was held on October 25, 2021 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm via Zoom. This meeting was designed to allow community members to comment on a presentational overview of the CDBG program. During the presentation, questions were asked to generate discussion among audience members. A public hearing was held on December 9, 2021 from 3pm-4pm in the City Council Chambers on the preparation of the CDBG 2022 Annual Action Plan. Staff members Tiffany Beebee and Renee Jensen were in attendance (No hearing minutes were recorded due to zero public in attendance). An additional public hearing was held on January 27, 2022 at 5 pm at City Council in City Hall Council Chambers.

The in person public meeting and hearings were conducted in a handicap accessible location. Times and locations of meetings varied in trying to accommodate work schedules and capture as many members of the public as possible. All meeting notices identified that the meetings were accessible to people with disabilities and that a language interpreter or materials offered in an alternate format could be present if notice was given to the Office of Planning and Economic Development ten days in advance.

A survey was located on the City's webpage and also distributed to varying agencies in the City. A total of 224 surveys were submitted. The data was summarized and used to prepare the plan.

5. Summary of public comments

All comments can be found in the Appendix.

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

All comments relevant to the Community Development Block Grant were taken into consideration in preparing the PY 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan. Comments deemed not relevant were passed on to the appropriate departments. All comments can be found in Appendix

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	AUBURN	Office of Planning & Economic Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Community Development Block Grant Agreements are with the City of Auburn. The Mayor is authorized by City Council resolution each year to execute the grant agreement. The Office of Planning & Economic Development (OPED) is responsible for the development of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, and annual CAPER’s. OPED is also responsible for oversight of the program and managing sub-recipients and contractors.

Within City government, the OPED is able to draw on the expertise of other departments to help deliver programs and see the delivery of identified outcomes. The Engineering Department assists with the public infrastructure and demolition projects. The Department of Public Works assists with park improvements as well as the City’s demolition projects. The Code Enforcement Office oversees the City’s building codes and zoning. The Comptroller and Treasurer’s office assists with the accounting of the CDBG Program. Further the City works with a variety of community based organizations to assist with the delivery of programs and services

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

1. Introduction

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))

The City regularly meets with stakeholders including affordable housing providers, homeless assistance providers, economic development agency, community organizations, and health and human services providers to discuss priorities within our community.

During the months of November and December 2021, City staff met with Home Headquarters and Home Fund, local non-profit community and housing development agencies via phone conference. Discussion topics included housing and community development needs for low to moderate income individuals and neighborhoods in the City of Auburn. Home Fund provides Section 8 vouchers in the City of Auburn and Cayuga County and prioritizes homeless individuals/families in Cayuga County. Action items that were outlined in the meeting include:

- Lead paint in rental units, especially units with young children.
- Home Repair program will continue
- Mortgage Assistance will continue
- The need for a rental rehab program and re-programming CV funds for rental units
- Acquisition rehab program will continue.

On January 6th City staff met with Habitat for Humanity to discuss housing needs in the City of Auburn. Habitat for Humanity projects build or renovate houses in partnership with low-income families and sell the houses to the people at no profit and no interest. The Community Development Block Grant program supports affordable housing programs and the City of Auburn and Habitat for Humanity identified the following activities as priorities:

Priorities discussed include:

- An Acquisition Program for habitat properties
- A Mortgage Assistance program for habitat participants

The City of Auburn works closely with ARISE. The agency works with individuals and families with Independent living skills for persons with disabilities. ARISE advocated for the home access program, which provides accessibility to individuals with disabilities in their homes. There is currently a waiting list for this program.

Beyond the preparation for this Annual Action Plan, the Office of Planning and Economic Development staff meets regularly with housing providers, Homeless providers, Cayuga County Department of Social

Services, and local Service providers and discuss community needs. This year, Affordable housing has been highlighted as a priority need in our community. This year, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program became available to Cayuga County residents. In December 2021, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program received 755 applications from Cayuga County landlords and tenants. Of the 755 applications, 231 have been processed into arrears payments. The 231 payments average \$4,367 for a total of \$1,458,587. There were 334 payments for prospective rents (up to 3 months) averaging \$2,114 for a total of \$488,526. Therefore the payment total at the end of December 2021 was \$1,955,814.

There remains a continued backlog in application processing and we have been contacted by public housing providers/landlords indicating there are dozens of tenants at potential eviction risk. Many cases are pending in Housing Court and the eviction moratorium ended January 15, 2022.

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.

The Housing and Homeless Coalition of Central New York (HHC) NY-505 CoC acts as the Continuum of Care (CoC) Lead and United Way of Central New York is the Collaborative Applicant. The CoC lead is responsible for the coordination and oversight of the CoC planning efforts, and has the authority to certify and submit the CoC homeless assistance funding application. In March 2015, the Syracuse/Onondaga County CoC and Oswego County merged. In May 2016, Auburn/Cayuga County CoC NY-502 merged with CoC NY-505 thus creating a more regional CoC.

The major responsibilities of the CoC lead are to operate the CoC, to develop a strategic planning process that works toward the goal of ending homelessness in Central New York, and to coordinate the application process for the HUD Continuum of Care Program Competition.

The City of Auburn communicates with the HHC of CNY on a regular basis. City staff is an active member on the Housing and Homeless Coalition of CNY Advisory Board, Planning and Advocacy Committee, and the Performance Evaluation Committee. Additionally, City staff is the chair of the local Cayuga County/City of Auburn Homeless Task Force.

This year, HHC CNY Executive Director, Megan Stuart, served on the CDBG application Review Committee for funding Human Service Agencies. By working together, efforts in the Cayuga County and our CoC region will continue to successfully reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and the length of time people are homeless, as well as eliminate future episodes of 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 City of Auburn does not receive ESG funds. However, the City of Auburn staff works closely with the HHC CNY on updating and developing procedures for the CoC. The HHC of CNY operates and administers HMIS. All CoC funded agencies, and Cayuga County Department of Social Services, enter homeless data into HMIS.

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

The City of Auburn consulted with a number of local groups and agencies regarding the preparation of this Annual Action Plan. Local Human Service Agencies that serve low to moderate income persons, senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, youth, and homeless. The City consulted with the Cayuga County Department of Social Services and housing providers Homsite, Auburn Housing Authority, and Habitat for Humanity.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

There were not any agencies or organizations intentionally not consulted.

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?
COC 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness	Housing and Homeless Coalition of CNY	Homelessness in our community

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

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**

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)
10.19.21	In Person Public Meeting	Community-wide	25 people	Please see attached public comments in appendix.	All comments accepted	
10.25.21	Virtual Public Meeting	Community-wide	6 people	Please see attached public comments in appendix.	All comments accepted	
11.23.21	Online Survey	Community-wide	224 responses	Please see attached public comments in appendix.	All comments accepted	
12.5.21	In person Public Hearing	Community-wide	0	Not applicable. No public attendance or comments received.	Not applicable. No public attendance or comments received.	
1.27.22	In person Public Hearing	Community-wide	TBD	Please see attached public comments in appendix	All comments accepted	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

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

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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: \$		
CDBG	Federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development, Housing, Public Improvements, Public Services	\$889,803	\$96,952	\$144,100	\$1,130,855	\$1,917,397	The expected amount available for the remainder of the Consolidated Plan is based on two years of the annual allocation amount and an estimate of program income over the next 2 years based on current loans. This could change due to fluctuations in the entitlement amount as well as the amount of program income.

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

The City of Auburn has been successful in securing NYS Downtown Revitalization Initiative funds and was awarded 10 million dollars to support a number of projects in our downtown area including the creation of a public plaza in the heart of downtown. 1-7 State Street was a vacant lot that was abandoned for more than 10 years. With CDBG, the City was able to conduct Environmental testing as well as design plans that were completed in 2018. In 2020, the City secured \$1 million dollars of DRI funding to further 1-7 State Street's development into a public plaza, which was based on community input. Additional funding for the project include a \$178,000 grant from the private foundation, the Emerson Foundation and local funding through City Bond.

The City of Auburn also had significant feedback from the community on the need for youth recreation in the City of Auburn, specifically recreation opportunities that engage youth ages 12-18 years of age. In 2020, community members emphasized the need for a skatepark at Casey Park. The City will be leveraging a recently awarded NYS Environmental Protection Fund grant in the amount of \$250,000 for the construction of a concrete skate park at Casey Park.

Human Service agencies are also very effective at leveraging local, State and foundation funding to operate programs that serve the City's low to moderate income population. Local Housing Development Agency, Homsite, secured funding from NYS for the acquisition Rehab program, a program that CDBG supports. Additionally, Home HeadQuarters was just awarded federal funding from HUD to address health hazards in rental and owner occupied homes including radon, lead, and asthma triggers. HUD awarded nearly \$104.7 million to 60 non-profit organizations, and state and local government agencies located in 29 states to protect children and families from home health hazards. Home HeadQuarters was one of the nonprofits to be awarded these funds for Cayuga County.

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

The City of Auburn is committed to providing quality recreational opportunities and greenspaces within neighborhoods. Neighborhood parks are crucial to quality of life within a City; therefore public park improvements will include an assessment of the park including historical usage and community involvement. Playground and park improvements will be focused in US HUD CDBG designated low to moderate income areas. For the 5 Year Consolidated Plan the following public parks and playgrounds, located in the corresponding Census Tracts, will be improved as funding allows:

Casey Park- Census Tract 413

Wall Street Park and Playground – Census Tract 421

Discussion

The City of Auburn will be constructing a concrete skate park at Casey Park and will also begin Wall Street Park. Wall Street Park may be limited to planning phases. This will be determined by budget.

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 Services	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Non-Housing Community Development	\$130,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 378 Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 48 Persons Assisted
2	Public Infrastructure	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Non-Housing Community Development	\$215,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 855 Persons Assisted
3	Public Facilities	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Non-Housing Community Development	\$300,000	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 24,980 Persons Assisted
4	Economic Development	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Economic Development	\$236,085	Jobs created/retained: 2 Jobs Businesses Assisted: 5
5	Residential Rehab	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Affordable Housing Community Development	\$321,082	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 17 Household Housing Units
6	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Community Development	\$24,000	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 6 Households Assisted
7	Substantial Rehab	2020	2024	Affordable Housing		Community Development	\$34,100	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 2 Household Housing Units
8	Clearance	2020	2024	Community Development		Non-Housing Community Development	\$20,000	Buildings Demolished: 1 Building
9	Special Development	2020	2024	Affordable Housing			\$47,084	1 Project

10	Admin	2021	2022	Administration		Administration/Planning	\$156,503	Other: 0 Other
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Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	Public services for persons of low to moderate income of both special needs and non-special needs.
2	Goal Name	Public Infrastructure
	Goal Description	Public infrastructure improvements such as sidewalks, curbs, and street trees to neighborhoods that is low to moderate income according to ACS data.
3	Goal Name	Public Facilities
	Goal Description	Improvements and new construction of parks, trails, playgrounds, and other public facilities.
4	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	The Small Business Assistance Program provides gap financing to small businesses in the City of Auburn. As a result, jobs are created or retained for low to moderate income persons. The Microenterprise Program will also provide funding to microenterprise businesses after completion of the required courses.
5	Goal Name	Residential Rehab
	Goal Description	Residential Rehab includes the Home Access Program, which serves low to moderate income persons, the Home Repair Assistance Program and Housing Programs Delivery. These programs are available city-wide for households that meet HUD’s low to moderate income guidelines.
6	Goal Name	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers

	Goal Description	Assisting first time homebuyers in the City of Auburn with closing costs. This program will be administered by Homsite Fund, Inc and it's affiliate Home Headquarters.
7	Goal Name	Substantial Rehab
	Goal Description	Substantial Rehab of units for low to moderate income households that revitalizes a neighborhood. The City has partnered with Homsite Fund, Inc. and Home Headquarters to purchase and renovate homes. These homes will then be sold to income eligible homebuyers. The City is also discussing a partnership with Habitat for Humanity to provide acquisition funding for a rehab project.
8	Goal Name	Clearance
	Goal Description	Funding for clearance, demolition, and brownfield remediation in low to moderate income areas.
9	Goal Name	Special Development
	Goal Description	RLF
10	Goal Name	Admin
	Goal Description	Administration costs for the CDBG program, Human Services Coalition, CNY Fair Housing, and the landlord and tenant training conducted by Community Health. A goal outcome indicator of "0" is entered under other as the funds are used to administer the program.

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Public Services
2	Sidewalk Improvements
3	Street Tree Program
4	Park, Playground and Public Facility Improvements
5	Economic Development
6	Home Repair Assistance Program
7	Home Access Program
8	Mortgage Assistance Program
9	Special Development
10	Distressed Property Program
11	Admin

Table 7 - Project Information

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

The Office of Planning and Economic Development considered all public comments submitted during the public hearings, meetings, surveys, and public comment period. The above are a result of the public participation process for the PY 2022 Annual Action Plan and are meant to meet the community's needs. The greatest obstacle to meeting all of the community's underserved needs continues to be limited financial resources with which to finance programs and projects.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	\$130,000
	Description	<p>Public Service Agency Programs are designed to serve low to moderate income persons in the City of Auburn. Activities are City-wide. Funded this year includes the following:</p> <p>Aurora of CNY - \$8,000.00</p> <p>Boyle Senior Center - \$10,000.00</p> <p>Cayuga Counseling - \$12,500.00</p> <p>Community Action Programs - \$15,000.00</p> <p>Rescue Mission - \$7,500.00</p> <p>Booker T. Washington Center, Afterschool Program - \$8,500.00</p>

		ARISE Sib Shops - \$4,000.00 Legal Aid, Services for Domestic Violence - \$9,500.00 Scat Van - \$11,000.00 Chapel House - \$15,000.00 Gavras Center: \$12,000.00 Sleep in Heavenly Peace: \$5,000.00 Catholic Charities: \$4,500.00 BOCES Health Train: \$7,500.00
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Target Date	4/1/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	378 persons of low to moderate income will benefit from public services.
Location Description	City-wide as this is a direct benefit program
Planned Activities	<p>This year includes the following activities for City of Auburn residents:</p> <p>Aurora of CNY- assistive aids for seniors</p> <p>Boyle Senior Center- recreational, social and health programming for seniors</p> <p>Cayuga Counseling services for youth and their families</p> <p>Community Action Programs-rental assistance and security deposit assistance to remain or secure safe, affordable housing and prevent homelessness.</p> <p>Rescue Mission – youth programming</p> <p>Booker T. Washington Center- summer youth programming</p> <p>ARISE Sibs Shops – support group for youth who have siblings that have a disability</p> <p>Legal Aid of Mid NY- services for victims of Domestic Violence</p> <p>Gavras Center- child care coordinator</p>

		<p>Scat Van – transportation for seniors and disabled individuals</p> <p>Chapel House – case management for Chapel House clients. Chapel House is the only homeless shelter in Auburn and Cayuga County</p> <p>Sleep in Heavenly Peace- production and distribution of beds for low to moderate income youth in the City of Auburn</p> <p>BOCES Health Train- training program in the health care field. Individuals are of low to moderate income and the program partners with nursing homes and health care facilities such as Loretto for paring trained individuals with jobs.</p> <p>Catholic Charities- rental assistance</p>
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2	Project Name	Sidewalk Improvements
	Target Area	Census Tract 413
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	\$165,000
	Description	The City of Auburn will continue to implement a sidewalk replacement program in income eligible neighborhoods. The purpose of this program is to ensure that all residents, regardless of their ability, are provided with a safe and accessible pedestrian network of sidewalks within the City. In consultation with the City's Department of Engineering Services, sidewalks that are in poor condition will be replaced in the areas identified. All sidewalks will be reviewed and replaced in a comprehensive manner to ensure an interconnected network of sidewalks. Curbing will also be installed when cited by Engineering as a need. Sidewalks and curbs as needed will be installed along Case Av, Chase St, and Pulaski Street as funding allows. Street trees will also be planted where appropriate as part of this program along newly installed sidewalk or curbing either through the CDBG or City programs.
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	855 persons of low to moderate income will benefit from the sidewalk program.
	Location Description	Case Ave, Chase St, Pulaski St, Seymour Street section

	Planned Activities	Sidewalk & Curb replacement, street trees as needed
3	Project Name	Street Tree Program
	Target Area	Income eligible block groups starting in CT 413
	Goals Supported	Public Infrastructure
	Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
	Funding	\$50,000
	Description	Streets trees will be planted in eligible areas in a comprehensive basis based on the City's Community Forest Management Plan
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	855 persons of low to moderate income
	Location Description	Eligible block groups in Census Tract 413 and then move to other eligible block groups as needed.
Planned Activities	City staff will be referring to the City of Auburn's Community Management Forest Plan and will be planting street trees in a comprehensive effort in income eligible block groups in the City of Auburn.	
4	Project Name	Parks, Playground and Public Facility Improvements
	Target Area	City wide

Goals Supported	Public Facilities
Needs Addressed	Non-Housing Community Development
Funding	\$300,000
Description	<p>Neighborhood parks, playgrounds and public facilities are vital to a City's quality of life and the City of Auburn is committed to providing quality green spaces within City neighborhoods. The City completed a Parks Master Plan in June 2016, which provides information and makes recommendations on park improvements. The Office of Planning and Economic Development in coordination with the Department of Public Works and the Department of Engineering Services will work together to complete park and playground improvements or to create a new park specific to the neighborhood needs and priorities. Depending on the park or playground, improvements may include the installation of new playground equipment, replacing broken or unsafe equipment, rehabbing sports courts, and installing lighting, pathways, landscaping, etc. The parks and playgrounds targeted for improvements are located in low to moderate income neighborhoods or service areas. The Consolidated Plan established a general priority list based on Census Tracts. The City intends to address the following parks and playgrounds during this Action Plan as funding allows: Casey Park Skate Park and Wall Street Park & Playground. The Casey Park State Park is currently in the design phase and is estimated that it will benefit the entire City of Auburn. Construction will begin in 2022. Wall Street Park & Playground will enter the beginning project phases and we are hopeful to complete the design.</p>
Target Date	4/1/2022
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 24,980 persons of low to moderate income will benefit from public facility improvements.

	Location Description	150 N Division Street, 152 Wall Street
	Planned Activities	Casey Park Skate Park, Wall Street Park & Playground
5	Project Name	Economic Development
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	\$236,085
	Description	The Office of Planning and Economic Development continues to make available the Small Business Assistance Program to support new business development and business retention/expansion. The overall business assistance strategy requires a pool of flexible funding that can be used to meet the needs of larger economic development projects that may develop at any time. This is accomplished through the continuation of the Special Development Projects (described in a later section). The SBAP provides a revolving loan fund that utilizes the revolving loan fund income as an ongoing funding source. This program line capitalizes the program at the anticipated levels required for the coming program year. The funding allocation will utilize revolving loan fund income (as opposed to Entitlement Funding) for the capitalization. Repayments from this loan program will be put back into a revolving loan fund and utilized for economic development activities. The SBAP will continue to offer flexible gap financing to small businesses and developers. The City has successfully administered the SBAP for nearly 20 years and the program often plays a catalyst role in the business community. Working cooperatively with local lending institutions, the City supports economic activity that would otherwise

		<p>not occur without SBAP subordinate lending. SBAP loans are used to create or retain jobs with a required focus on job creation for low and/or moderate income individuals. Loan funds may be used for permanent working capital, inventory, property acquisition, and/or the purchase of machinery and equipment. Cayuga Economic Development Agency (CEDA), the local one-stop economic development agency for Cayuga County, currently delivers the Small Business Assistance Program including the responsibilities outlined above and is working to develop new guidelines for the program to make it more palatable. A microenterprise program will offer \$5,000 grants to 5 businesses. After initial application, a series of trainings and seminars must be completed within 6 to 12 months including credit counseling, and programs offered by CEDA, SCORE, and the Onondaga Small Business Development Center. There will be a focus on educating businesses on becoming WBE, MBE, VOSB, and DBE certified.</p>
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	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that two jobs will be created for persons of low to moderate income and that five businesses will be assisted.
	Location Description	City-wide as this is a direct benefit program.
	Planned Activities	SBAP, Microenterprise Program
6	Project Name	Home Repair Assistance Program (HRAP)
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Residential Rehab
	Needs Addressed	Community Development
	Funding	\$296,082
	Description	HRAP will continue to focus on the rehabilitation of existing housing stock for occupancy by low and moderate income persons. The program will address urgent repair matters such as roof repair/replacement, furnaces, sewer/water lines, electrical/plumbing, accessibility modifications, and health and safety matters. Other priorities of the program will be exterior improvements for city beautification, energy efficiency (partner with the Weatherization program at Cayuga-Seneca Community Action Agency when possible), and partner with Healthy Neighborhoods and Lead Education at the County Health Department regarding lead abatement in homes with children under 6. The City recently certified Homsite as a CBDO, which allows them to manage a revolving loan fund.

		<p>Homsite would continue to use their revolving loan fund to make additional loans meeting the same criteria. The loan will be a combination sliding scale for payback at a low interest rate for homeowners with a deferred loan as well. While this program is designed for homeowners, the City is committed to addressing lead paint as well. In rental units where lead paint has been deemed a hazard, the home repair assistance program will step in to assist with rehabilitation. For homes owned by a landlord, the sliding scale will not be implemented and it will be 100% loan based.</p>
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	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	A minimum of ten households of low to moderate income will benefit from the Home Repair Assistance Program.
	Location Description	City-wide as this is a direct benefit program.
	Planned Activities	
7	Project Name	Home Access Program (HAP)
	Target Area	City wide
	Goals Supported	Residential Rehab
	Needs Addressed	Community Development
	Funding	\$25,000
	Description	The Home Access Program provides ramps and/or accessibility modifications for physically disabled low and moderate income persons living in the City of Auburn. The City of Auburn will contract with the local Independent Living Center, ARISE, as a Sub recipient to implement the program. This program will benefit seven units.
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the	Seven households of low to moderate income will benefit from the Home Access Program.

	proposed activities	
	Location Description	This program will take place city-wide as it is a direct benefit program.
	Planned Activities	There is a current waiting list for this program.
8	Project Name	Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP)
	Target Area	City wide
	Goals Supported	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing
	Funding	\$24,000
	Description	MAP will be used to assist first-time homebuyers with a grant of \$4,000 for down payment or closing cost assistance for income qualified, first time homebuyers of an owner-occupied single-family, two-family, or three-family home. Participants must have participated in a certified homebuyers class or training and provide a certificate of completion. This program will benefit 6 households
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This program will benefit 6 households of low to moderate income.
	Location Description	City-wide as it is a direct benefit program.

	Planned Activities	
9	Project Name	Special Development
	Target Area	Census Tract 421 Census Tract 418 Census Tract 413, Block Group 4 Census Tract 413, Block Group 1 Census Tract 417, Block Group 1
	Goals Supported	Substantial Rehab Business Lending Public Facilities Affordable Housing Community Development Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Economic Development Community Development
	Funding	\$47,084
	Description	Special Development Loan funding is through available Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) and available to respond to priority projects.
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	None at this time

	Location Description	City-wide
	Planned Activities	None at this time
10	Project Name	Distressed Property Program
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Substantial Rehab Clearance
	Needs Addressed	Community Development
	Funding	\$54,100
	Description	The Office of Planning and Economic Development will provide funding for clearance and substantial rehab related activities. The Distressed Property Program will identify underutilized property in the City of Auburn and will be concentrated in low to mod income areas. If a property is not located in a low to mod area, it will be reviewed to determine if it meets the elimination of slums and blight and if we will still be benefitting 70% low to mod income persons during the program year. Combined with Housing Special Development Project funding and Home Repair Assistance Program funds, this fund will allow for the substantial rehabilitation and/or the demolition of housing that is deteriorating a neighborhood and that if not for this program the neighborhood could be faced with declining assessed values and depressed self-image. The City of Auburn has partnered with Homsite on an acquisition rehab grant to acquire and rehab 7 properties and sell them to a new homeowner over the span of two years. When appropriate the City of Auburn will work with Home HeadQuarters, Homsite, and/or the City's Department of Engineering Services to implement this program. The City is also discussing the possibility of partnering with

		Habitat for Humanity on their acquisition rehab program for income-eligible homeowners.
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	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2 households of low to moderate income will benefit from the Distressed Property Program.
	Location Description	City-wide for acquisition rehab as it is a direct benefit program. If a clearance activity occurs, this will happen in an eligible census block group area.
	Planned Activities	
11	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	City-wide
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Administration/Planning
	Funding	\$156,503
	Description	City of Auburn staff salaries are reimbursed for work directly related to administering CDBG projects and programs.
	Target Date	4/1/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	NA
	Location Description	NA

	Planned Activities	Admin, landlord/tenant training, fair housing, homeless task force admin, coordination
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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

Geographic Distribution

All area-wide projects will be located in either areas of low to moderate income or low to moderate service areas. The City will be targeting eligible areas as funding allows.

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City of Auburn is over fifty-one percent low to moderate income and is considered an “old” city needing improvements across the City in housing conditions, infrastructure including sewer/water lines and sidewalks, and refurbishing parks. The City of Auburn will allocate resources in eligible areas where there are priority needs identified by the community.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

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

Table 8 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	
The Production of New Units	
Rehab of Existing Units	17
Acquisition of Existing Units	1
Total	

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

Discussion

The Home Repair Assistance Program is estimated to rehab 10 homes during PY 2022. The Home Access Program is estimated to complete 7 minor repairs to homes during PY 2022.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

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

The Housing Authority applied in the Summer of 2020 for funding through the New York State Unified Funding Round and was successful in obtaining the funds needed to complete the redevelopment of the final remaining 62 units at Melone Village. Renovations will be similar to those completed to date on other portions of the property and will include the creation of additional handicapped-accessible and audio/visual-equipped units. This third and final phase of redevelopment will also include the conversion of some three and two-bedroom units to two and one-bedroom units to better meet the community's demand for one-bedroom units at the 50% AMI target. Construction began Spring of 2021 and will continue through July 1, 2023.

The Housing Authority is prepared to apply during the Summer of 2022 for funding through the New York State Unified Funding Round to redevelop its remaining 50 units of Federal public housing at the Olympia Terrace apartment complex. The Housing Authority has applied for and received permission to privatize these units through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD) . The property will remain affordable, as it will receive permanent Section 8 rental assistance that will be administered by the Housing Authority.

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

Two of the seven seats on the Auburn Housing Authority's Board are reserved for tenants residing in the Housing Authority's public housing complexes. Tenants are elected every 2 years, and one seat is currently occupied. The Housing Authority is working to find another tenant who is willing to run for the vacant seat. Tenant commissioners play an integral role in policy formulation. Auburn Housing Authority has surveyed tenants regarding needed improvements at both public housing complexes, and the improvements that the Housing Authority plan to make directly reflect the priorities noted in the surveys. While developing the Auburn Housing Authority's Five-Year Plan, tenants are consulted for feedback, comments and/or concerns.

Auburn Housing Authority works closely with Cayuga County Homsite and Home Headquarters to ensure that tenants are aware of their homeownership programs. Auburn Housing Authority frequently distributes marketing materials to their tenants, and has allowed Cayuga County Homsite and Home Headquarters to hold informational sessions/trainings on site.

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

The PHA is not designated as troubled and is rated as a high performer.

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

Introduction

The City of Auburn is an active member of the Housing and Homeless Coalition (HHC) of CNY Continuum of Care (CoC)-NY 505. The Housing and Homeless Coalition 10 year Plan to end Homelessness is currently being updated. In 2021, the HHC secured a consultant to guide the HHC through the strategic planning process and assist in preparing the 10 year plan to end homelessness. Many of the goals and actions within the current 10 year plan to end homelessness are outlined in this section.

Goal 1 Increase Leadership, Collaboration and Civic engagement thorough out the CoC.

Through education and outreach with businesses, nonprofits and faith based organizations as well as involving citizens with firsthand experience the CoC will collaborate and focus efforts to prevent homelessness.

- Attendance at the HHC meetings. The City of Auburn is an active member of the HHC. Renee Jensen, City of Auburn and Chair of the local Homeless Task Force, attends the Advisory Board Meetings, the Planning & Advocacy committee meetings, as well as the Performance Selection Committee meetings. The City of Auburn also collaborates with the HHC to organize the annual Point in Time (PIT) Count in Cayuga County.
- HMIS Reporting. All Cayuga County CoC funded agencies including Chapel House and Cayuga Action Programs report in HMIS. Cayuga County DSS also reports in HMIS.

The Target outcome is to reduce overall homelessness within our CoC by 90%

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

In 2021, the City of Auburn utilized CDBG –CV 3 funding to partially fund a homeless outreach coordinator position. This position is the County’s only hired street outreach that meets with individuals and families face to face in hotels, homeless camps or homes to assist them with their individual needs. The position has been successful in assisting families and individuals with paper work to secure public assistance, section 8, rental assistance, employment and assisting in COVID-19 vaccination appointments. This position is funded through September 2022 with CDBG-CV funding.

Additionally, the county’s only homeless shelter, Chapel House, uses the housing 1st model, which ensure that all clients can access services related to their individual homeless situation and housing need.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

In Cayuga County, the HHC-CNY, City of Auburn, and Cayuga County have been collaborating to find ways to serve the homeless population in our county. The following goals outlined in the 10 year plan

have been bulleted below. The HHC, City of Auburn and Cayuga County will continue to address these goals to assist the housing needs of the homeless community in 2022.

- Determine opportunities to utilize mainstream resources to provide housing stabilization assistance to clients who are homeless or at high risk of homelessness

The Covid pandemic has emphasized the need for stable permanent housing that is affordable and are within our community. Many renters and homeowners have faced rental arrears due to increasing costs of food, unexpected job loss, additional health related expenses. The arrears have put residents at risk in losing their homes. Programs such as CDBG Homeless intervention and prevention program provided by local non profit Community Action Programs, and Catholic Charities Rental Assistance program has assisted more than 40 families with rental arrears. However, the programs are limited in assistance and often times help with a month or two of back rent, and do not help homeowners with foreclosure.

In Cayuga County, the only emergency shelter is Chapel House, a 19 bed shelter for men. The Community Development Block Grant supports a case management position at the shelter that assists clients with successfully securing and maintaining permanent housing. Additionally, Chapel House receives CoC funding for a rapid rehousing program and a permanent supportive housing program. Chapel house also has an active contract with Cayuga County and is able to assist single women and men who are in the hotel. However, the current hotel numbers for singles (89 as of December 2021) are overwhelming and the Grant Ave facility is only able to serve 18 individuals.

Families are also housed in hotels. Hotels are an expensive alternative for housing and are unsupervised. Often times this can lead to unsafe conditions. Cayuga County does have an contract with Rescue Mission and Community Action Programs that are able to assist with families in hotels. Unfortunately the number of families living in hotels is so high that these agencies are not able to assist all families.

- Ensure that homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing strategies are coordinated with Education for Homeless Children and Youth.

Auburn Enlarged City School District has a homeless youth coordinator that works closely with Cayuga Counseling and Booker T Washington Center's newly created homeless youth coordinator.

The runaway homeless youth committee is chaired by Cayuga Counseling. Local agencies attend quarterly meetings and coordinate to address youth needs.

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

Local homeless and housing providers have made great strides over the past 10 year to rapidly rehouse homeless individuals to safe affordable housing. The HHC CNY provides CoC funding to Onondaga, Oswego and Cayuga Counties for homeless housing projects. In Cayuga County, Chapel House receives \$228,519 for permanent supportive housing and requested \$146,081 in CoC funding to expand the program this year. This program has a case manager that works with homeless individuals in securing permanent housing. The individual is responsible for 30% of their income towards rent and Chapel house pays the remaining portion of the rent under a one year lease agreement. Case management continues with the client for the year in with the goal to keep stably house chronically homeless individuals. The permanent Supportive housing project serves 16 homeless individuals and the expansion project will serve an additional 10 individuals in 2022 (if funding is secured through HUD). Additionally, Chapel House uses the housing 1st model, which ensure that all clients can access services related to their individual homeless situation and housing need.

Community Action Programs (CAP) receives \$155,867 for a Rapid Rehousing program that supports 16 units. CAP uses the housing 1st model and assists individuals with obtaining services that will provide clients with the tools to be successful in securing and maintaining permanent housing.

The Covid-19 pandemic has made it difficult for securing housing and therefore many agencies are finding it difficult to shorten the time of stay in emergency shelter or hotels.

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.

The Homeless Task Force collaborates with Police, Cayuga County jail, homeless and human service providers. The collaboration between agencies has promoted communication among agencies when discharge policies are being drafted. Moving forward in 2022 some of the goals that will be looked at through the 10 year plan will include•

- Improve outreach to homeless assistance providers and collaborations across government and with community nonprofits. This can be achieved with our outreach coordinator position, especially if that position is expanded into 2 full time positions.
- Advance health and housing stability for people experiencing homelessness who have frequent contact with hospitals and criminal justice

- Develop and disseminate best practices on helping people with histories of homelessness and barriers to employment enter the workforce, including strategies that take into consideration transportation, child care, child support, domestic violence, criminal justice history, and disabling conditions.
- Collaborate with jobs programs to ensure that job development and training strategies focus attention on people who are experiencing or most at risk of homelessness.

The City of Auburn partnered with BOCES Health Train program, which provides training to individuals entering the workforce, more specifically in the health care field. Majority of participants are low to moderate income and often face barriers that are sometimes addressed through the use of Volunteer Lawyer project or services available through other agencies. The Employment Pathways program offered through CAP also provides real paid work experience to low to moderate income and homeless individuals. This program was supported with CDBG-CV funding as was CAP's transportation program that provides transportation to and from work and medical appointments. Client's that do not have transportation are able to utilize the program, and have successfully remained employed and addressed health concerns.

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

Introduction:

Contributing factors to affordable housing and residential investment identified in the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing include the following:

- Discriminatory patterns in lending
- Access to low poverty areas
- Access to labor market engagement
- Moderate to high levels of segregation
- Insufficient affordable housing in a range of unit sizes
- Black renter households have disproportionate rates of housing problems
- Insufficient accessible affordable housing
- Location of public housing units tend to have lower levels of access to opportunity
- Lack of fair housing infrastructure
- Insufficient fair housing education
- Insufficient understand of credit

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

Strategies to remove barriers to affordable housing include:

- Promoting fair housing education through an annual workshop or series of public forums
- Provide annual outreach, education, and financial literacy related to credit for prospective homebuyers. Promote the homebuyers education course required for the Mortgage Assistance Program.
- Review development standards for accessible housing and inclusionary policies for accessible housing units; continue recommending appropriate amendments each year
- Locate any future publically supported housing units in high opportunity areas. Review the location of publically supported housing units annual.
- Research opportunities for increased funding options annually for publically supported housing.
- Review zoning for areas with restrictions to housing development, including minimum lot requirements.; make appropriate amendments yearly
- Work with code enforcement to ensure that code violations can easily be reported
- Continue using CDBG to fund housing rehabilitation for homeowner and rental housing. Goal of 50 residential units over five years.

- Explore opportunities annually for redevelopment or rehabilitation of residential properties in high opportunity areas and utilize the City's joint program with Homsite Fund Inc for acquisition rehabilitation.
- Continue to promote homeownership, especially in high opportunity areas with the City's Mortgage Assistance Program that includes financial assistance to eligible homebuyers using CDBG funds. Goal of 35 households over five years.
- Review opportunities annually to increase funding sources for additional low-income housing in high opportunity areas.

Discussion:

The City successfully held landlord and tenant workshops on July 12th & 13th, 2021.

Then tenant workshop covered fair housing, housing assistance, how to apply for Section 8, and the Homsite Home Buyer Program. It also included a panel discussion with local agencies around resources and programs for covid impacted tenants, including the Rental Assistance Program. Flyers were shared on social media. A total of 10 tenants attended.

The landlord workshop covered accessibility, weatherization, Homsite Home Repair, housing assistance, Section 8 housing, and fair housing. It also included a panel discussion with local agencies around resources and programs for covid impacted landlords including the Rental Assistance Program. Flyers were shared on social media and with the Cayuga County landlord association. A total of 13 landlords attended.

These workshops are currently being planned for 2022.

Home Headquarters launched a recent initiative for January and February 2021 that is free homebuyer education classes for Cayuga County residents, including Auburn. This will also promote the City's Mortgage Assistance Program for the upcoming program year.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The greatest obstacle that the city faces to address all needs is the limited community development dollars available from federal, state, local, and private sources. To address this, the City is proactive seeking leveraging dollars and combining funds from various sources in order to achieve project goals and address community needs.

Another obstacle the City is facing is the continuing and unknown effects from Covid-19 and the unknown effect of the NYS eviction moratorium ending on January 15, 2022. The City has addressed many community needs due to Covid-19 through the CV1 and CV3 funding. The City is currently working on addressing community needs with the American Rescue Plan Act funding it has been allocated.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to collaborate with local housing and community development agencies to foster and maintain affordable housing. The City has taken a comprehensive approach in revitalizing neighborhoods with existing housing through the CDBG Home Repair program, Mortgage Assistance Program, the Acquisition Rehab under the Distressed Property Program as well as by partnering with local Housing Corporation, Homsite, the Syracuse based housing corporation Home Headquarters, and the local Habitat for Humanity chapter.

Unfortunately COVID continues to place planning a block blitz on hold. The City will begin collaborating with local agencies and partners in the Community after COVID-19 is under control. The idea of the block blitz would be to make a large impact on a distressed neighborhood with minor improvements such as repairing porches, painting, landscaping, etc.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City will continue to fund the Home Repair Assistance Program and will test each property for lead-based paint hazards to comply with lead based paint regulations issued under Sections 1012 and 1013 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, which is Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992. The City will continue to work with the Cayuga County Health Department and Homsite Fund, Inc on lead based paint hazards in homes. A City Councilor and a representative from the Office of Planning and Economic Development regularly meet with the Cayuga County Lead Advisory Task Force, to work on partnerships and collaboration around lead-based paint issues. The Health Department has expressed concern over recent data that shows increased instances of lead poisoning in children, which has resulted in required chelation in a couple of cases. The health department also has an increased number of cases to manage due to new state mandates. The City is committed to providing assistance to this task force as members look for ways to combine resources and experience to address this issue. The Lead Advisory Task Force continues to explore funding sources

for the abatement of lead. The City of Auburn and Cayuga County recently supported Home Headquarters application to HUD for the Home Health and Safety Hazards grant. HUD awarded Home Headquarters one million dollars to address health and safety hazards including lead in Cayuga and Onondaga County homes.

The City also continues to fund the Community Health Network tenant/landlord workshops addresses lead based paint as one of the topics and is exploring the possibility of hosting a soilSHOP event during the workshops to test samples of soils for lead.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City will continue to pursue an improvement in the local economy and employment opportunities. This includes workforce development and business development for the creation of low to moderate income jobs. In PY 2020, the City funded two workforce development programs to train individuals with the necessary skills to work with business in our community that have been affected by COVID.

CDBG-CV 3 provided funds to support the Cayuga Onondaga County BOCES Health train program. This program has seen an increased need for trained health care professionals in our community. Majority of the students participating in Healthtrain are low to moderate income City of Auburn residents. Additionally, one of the health care partners of Healthtrain, Commons on St Anthony, is within walking distance from Auburn Housing Authority's Melone Village and Rescue Mission's Merriman Circle neighborhood. The close proximity to housing complexes and its location on the bus route provides access to those that face transportation difficulties. This program will be implemented January 2021-January 2022. The program will also be receiving PY 2022 funding with the program to be implemented July 2022 to June 2023.

CDBG-CV3 provided funds to Cayuga Action Programs of Cayuga/Seneca for the Employment Pathways program. This program provides training and paid internship opportunities to local businesses affected by COVID-19. This program assists in the reduction of poverty-level families by giving training individuals and linking their skill set with local businesses that are seeking employees. Participants are low to moderate income residents and transportation is provided. This program will run January 2021-January 2022.

The City and Cayuga Economic Development Agency has developed a Micro-enterprise Business Grant Program to assist persons of low to moderate income to start and succeed in a small business. This program was developed during PY 2020 and has completed two funding cycles thus far. It has successfully seen the growth in newly established businesses and the City is looking forward to seeing new and viable start-up businesses with the most recent round of funding.

The City is committed to working together with local partners in the community to determine the needs of local businesses and to develop a workforce development programs to meet those needs.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City Planning Department has recently hired a planner. This position fills a position that has been vacant for the past year and a half. This staff person will be able to support CDBG on a project level basis. The City plans to continue to hire an intern to assist senior level planning staff with CDBG during the summer and winter break. The intern reports to senior level staff in regards to CDBG and assists in monitoring of CDBG projects, procurement for CDBG projects, and assists with other CDBG related tasks as directed.

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

The City of Auburn will continue to be involved in the Housing and Homeless Coalition of CNY NY-505 Continuum of Care as well as the City of Auburn/Cayuga County Homeless Task Force. The City will continue to assist in the coordination of public and private housing and social service agencies.

Additionally, The City supports, with CDBG funds, Catalyst Cayuga, to bring together human service providers, public and private organizations, and individuals to address the needs of the community through inter-agency coordination, information sharing and collaboration.

The City also attends and participates in Community Network Meetings. The Community Network meetings are held every other month for about one hour and provide Cayuga County social service agencies and public housing agencies an opportunity to network, share information and coordinate on programs.

Interfaith Works hosted Immigration Roundtables this fall. The roundtable discussions brought service providers and local agencies together to discuss the best way to serve immigrants and New Americans in our community. City staff actively engaged in this discussion with much needed information sharing amongst participants.

Discussion:

Program Specific Requirements

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

Introduction:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(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	\$96,952
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	
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	
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.	
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	
Total Program Income	\$96,952

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
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Appendix

CITY OF AUBURN

Community Development Block Grant Program

2022 Annual Action Plan Budget - DRAFT

	Anticipated 2022 PY Ent.	Prior Entitlement Funds	2022 Revolving Loan Fund	Available RLF	Total	
Housing & Neighborhood Programming						
H1	Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP)	\$ 24,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,000
H2	Home Repair Assistance Program (HRAP)	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ 33,080	\$ 163,002	\$ 256,082
H3	Home Access Program (HAP)	\$ 25,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000
H4	Distressed Property Program	\$ 30,000	\$ 24,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,100
H5	Housing Programs Delivery	\$ 40,000		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000
H6	Sidewalks Replacement Program	\$ 165,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 165,000
H7	Streetscape Program		\$ 50,000			\$ 50,000
H8	Public Facilities/Park and Playground Improver	\$ 290,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300,000
Total Housing & Neighborhood Improvement		\$ 574,000	\$ 144,100	\$ 33,080	\$ 163,002	\$ 914,182
Public Services						
P1	Aurora of CNY	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000
P2	Boyle Senior Center	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
P3	Cayuga Counseling	\$ 12,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,500
P4	Community Action Programs Cayuga/Seneca	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000
P5	Rescue Mission	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,500
P6	Booker T. Washington	\$ 8,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,500
P7	ARISE	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000
P8	Legal Aid	\$ 9,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,500
P9	Sleep in Heavenly Peace	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000
P10	Scat Van	\$ 11,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,000
P11	Catholic Charities	\$ 4,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,500
P12	Gavras Center	\$ 12,000				\$ 12,000
P12	Chapel House	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000
P13	BOCES Health Train	\$ 7,500				\$ 7,500
Total CD Support Services		\$ 130,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,000
Business Assistance						
E1	Small Business Assistance Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,971	\$ 157,814	\$ 206,785
E2	Micro Enterprise Program	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 25,000
E3	Economic Development Program Delivery	\$ 4,300		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,300
Total Economic Development		\$ 29,300	\$ -	\$ 48,971	\$ 157,814	\$ 236,085
Special Development Loans						
S1	Special Development Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,567	\$ 35,517	\$ 47,084
Total Special Development Projects		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,567	\$ 35,517	\$ 47,084
Administration						
A1	Planning and Administration	\$ 141,503		\$ -		\$ 141,503
A2	Human Services Coalition	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000
A3	Community Health - Tenant/Landlord	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000
A4	CNY Fair Housing	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000
Total Planning and Administration		\$ 156,503	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156,503
TOTAL ALL PROGRAMS		\$ 889,803	\$ 144,100	\$ 93,618	\$ 356,333	\$ 1,483,854

Any increases to the PY2022 allocation will increase the Public Facilities/Park & Playground budget line. If there is a decrease in the PY2022 allocation, staff will review each budget line and adjust accordingly based on projects planned. If the increase or decrease is 20% or greater, a public comment period will be opened and City Council will be asked to approve the proposed changes.

City of Auburn: Community Development Block Grant Program
 PY2022 Action Plan: Amendments to Prior Years Action Plans

The purpose of this amendment is to provide the public with notice of the proposed change. Approval for this change is anticipated to be obtained as a component of the approval of the 2022 Annual Action Plan. The following summarizes the changes necessary to make the funds available:

Account #	Amount	To Project	Comments
CD8668 2100 2016	\$ 117.11	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8669 2180 2016	\$ 8,400.00	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8671 2200 2016	\$ 81.95	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8672 2210 2016	\$ 1.66	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8686 2330 2016	\$ 0.16	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8669 2180 2017	\$ 3,000.00	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD 8669 3010 2017	\$ 1,800.00	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8671 2200 2017	\$ 4.00	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8668 2100 2018	\$ 36,595.12	Street Tree Program	Unexpended funds
CD8668 2100 2018	\$ 5,675.34	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds
CD8669 2108 2018	\$ 478.83	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds
CD8671 2200 2018	\$ 30.20	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds
CD8672 2210 2018	\$ 30.50	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds
CD8686 2330 2018	\$ 329.05	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds
CD8669 2180 2019	\$ 3,456.08	Public Facility/Park Imp.	Unexpended funds

LEGENDS OF AUBURN

Thanking some great Auburn coaches

ORMIE KING

Special to The Citizen

Today's story comes to us from my son, Jeff King, as he fondly recalls many of the great football coaches in Auburn. No matter what sport you played for the Auburn Maroons, I know many of you will be able to relate to today's story.

Although injuries and COVID have taken their toll on our football team this year, Auburn is scheduled to have one last game this season at ESM on Thursday, Oct. 21, and a win may place them in the sectionals. We'll be rooting for you guys!

Thanks, Jeff, and to all of our terrific coaches, past and present, for being GREAT Legends of Auburn and for the positive impact you had on so many young lives!

I share this story in honor of the great football Coaches I had during my years of playing the game, and for the gentlemen I was lucky enough to play the game with. It's the greatest team sport there is, and when you put it all together and everyone is in sync on a Friday night under the lights at Holland Stadium, in front of the city you play for, and you walk away with a win, and walk up those stairs to the locker room and the people in your hometown are slapping you on your helmet and shoulder pads, screaming at you 'great job!' ...it's a feeling I can't justify with words, but it's special, folks!

So to my Pop Warner Coaches, Tony Musso, Coach Crarry, and the late great Big John Humphrey, thank you for introducing us to the game and instilling the fundamentals and the beginning of our love for the game. To my freshman coaches, Coach Steve Snow and Joe Mushock, thank you for helping us to the next level and starting the process of picking our future positions where we would be able to display whatever gifts that God had blessed us with and define us as players. To my JV coaches, Tony Locastro and Tom Blair, for allowing us to become a team. We had all played together for a period of time before we fell into your guys laps, and we had that one beautiful season in 1982. That was probably the most fun year I ever had playing the game. It all came together that year: eight wins and one loss only. We played Henninger the same day the varsity team played them, and tied to win the CNY championship. That game still makes me angry, but it was without a doubt, a great year. Thanks for making the game fun!!

Last but not least, varsity coaches, the late great Legendary Bob Adams, also Greg Behuniak and Tom

Around Auburn for Oct. 17, 2021

Happy 95th birthday to Clara Walsh

Happy birthday to:

- Mary Warter
- Carole Pettigrass
- R.J. Beck
- Chris Ockenfels
- Dr. Michele Tabone
- Klara Riestler
- Carol Leonard
- Mitch Fanning
- Dana Skinner
- Shannon Rhodes
- Ellen Wilson
- Julie McGinn
- Jim Lent
- Ann Marie Leonard

- Tony Musso
- Diana Gardener
- NeeNee Bennett
- Ann Landers
- Sue Scarceletta
- Jerry Wetherby
- Paul Strohm
- John Rocco III
- Ruth Defendorf Beach
- Chris Luziani
- Mary Ann Balloni
- Peter Rusicka
- Tim Delaney
- Giano Ruscio
- Bill Marventano
- Mary Riordan
- Amelia and James Musso (twins)

Our condolences to the families of:

- Paul J. Cool
- Elizabeth "Liz" Ferrara Ferlenda
- Gregory J. Shutter
- Sandra Bligh
- Samantha Jetty
- Julia A. Henderson
- Sandra C. Reardon
- Darriel L. (Smith) Windshauer
- Gregory Duane Saville
- Terry Michael Stockton
- Leonard "Leon" Miller
- John Douglas "Jack" Kirch
- LeRoy Hollier
- Donald J. Prudom

Happy anniversary to:

- Karen and George Spinelli
- JoAnne and Eric Lepak
- Beth and Frank Petrosino

Get well soon wishes to Kathy Kushyk

Our condolences to the families of:

- Rita Verdibello
- Thomas "Tom" Michael Keeney

and get well announcements (best if you can get them to me at least a week prior to the occasion). Thanks!

Today's thought: Do you remember the TV show "The Honeymooners"? Did Alice ever get to the moon? — John Noz

Just a reminder to all you folks out there: I would be happy to showcase your faded photos, and/or share a story on you, your family, your friend, or any other local legend you know! Send me your story (800 words or less) and a few photos to ormieking@gmail.com, or mail them to me at 5 Wilbur Ave. in Auburn. And I'm always happy to add in your birthday, anniversary

Also, try as I might, I don't always realize when someone on this list has passed on. Please let me know if you notice a name that needs to be removed, or if one of your loved ones has passed on and you would like their name removed. Please include their birth date. Thank you very much for your help! — Ormie (ormieking@gmail.com)

REMEMBER NOW - LOVE LIFE - CHEAT DEATH - LAUGH OFTEN!



Varsity Coaches
Jeff Ianiri, Bob Adams, Greg Behuniak, Tom Navarro

Navarro. (I always loved having a few beers with you, Coach, later on in life when we would see each other out!) To the late great Nick Guerrena, trainer/ equipment manager, thank you for keeping us protected and healthy and for teaching your son to kick the ball like a mule. Last but certainly not least, Coach Jeff Ianiri!

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Community Meeting

Community Development Block Grant

In Person Meeting:	Virtual Meeting:
October 19, 2021	October 25, 2021
2:00-3:00pm	6:30-7:30pm
City Council Chambers	Zoom: register by emailing
24 South Street, Auburn	rjensen@auburnny.gov

Meeting Topic:

The City of Auburn is looking for community input on distributing federal Community Development Block Grant funds to help low to moderate income city residents and areas. Please stop in to share your thoughts and ideas.

Can't make a meeting? Fill out the survey:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AuburnCDBG2022>

Questions? Contact Office of Planning and Economic Development at 315-255-4115 or email rjensen@auburnny.gov



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All meeting locations are held in an accessible location. Requests for accommodations may be made with advanced notice of at least three work days prior to the meeting by calling (315) 255-4100 or e-mailing disabilityaccess@auburnny.gov.

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City of Auburn, Plan. & Economic Devel. -Legals
Tiffany Beebee
24 SOUTH STREET
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Sworn to before me, this 13 day of Dec, 2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE: City of Auburn Community Development Block Grant Program 2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Public Hearing The City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development is preparing the proposed Third Annual Action Plan (FY 2022) for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the period of April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. The Office of Planning and Economic Development will hold a public hearing on the preparation of the CDBG 2022 Annual Action Plan on December 9, 2021 at 3:00-4:00 pm in City Council Chamber, 24 South Street, Auburn, NY. The meeting location is held in an accessible location. Requests for accommodations may be made with advanced notice prior to the meeting by calling (315) 255-4100 or e-mailing disabilityaccess@auburnny.gov. Please contact the Office of Planning and Economic Development at 315-253-3513 if you have any questions.
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ORDER NUMBER 66136

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City of Auburn
Community Development Block
Grant Program
Proposed PY 2022 Annual Action
Plan

Date: January 5, 2022

City of Auburn

Memorial City Hall

24 South Street

Auburn, New York 13021

Jeff Dygert

City Manager

315-255-4146

TO ALL INTERESTED AGEN- CIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

The City of Auburn Office of Planning and Economic Development is preparing the proposed Third Annual Action Plan (PY 2022) for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the period of April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023. The Office of Planning and Economic Development will accept comments on the Proposed Plan for a 30 day period beginning January 5, 2022 and ending on February 3, 2022.

Based on prior year funding, the City is anticipating an allocation of approximately \$889,803.00 in Entitlement funding for PY 2022. In accordance with the City of Auburn's Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, the following is a summary of programming for the 2022-2023 Proposed Action Plan:

Housing & Neighborhood Programming including but not limited to the Mortgage Assistance Program, Home Repair Assistance Program (HRAP), Home Access Program (HAP), Distressed Property Program, Housing Programs Delivery, Public Infrastructure including Sidewalk Replacement Program and Street Trees, and Neighborhood Park, Playground & Public Facilities Improvements

Public Services: Funding to not-for-profit housing and human service agencies to provide needed services to low- and moderate-income residents of the City.

Business Assistance including but not limited to loans through the Small Business Assistance Program, Microenterprise Program, and Business Assistance Program Delivery.

Special Development Projects including Special Development Projects and Loans

Administration and Planning: Funding for delivery of the CDBG program including administration and reporting, coordination of homeless services, community outreach and agency coordination, and planning activities.

Copies of the Proposed Plan are available at the Office of Planning and Economic Development, Memorial City Hall, 24 South Street, Auburn, NY; on the City website; or by calling the Office of Planning and Economic Development at 315-255-4115.

Public Hearing

A Public Hearing on the Proposed Plan will be held before the Auburn City Council on Thursday, January 27th, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Comments on the plan are welcomed at the public hearing.

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City of Auburn
Community Development Block Grant Program
October 19, 2021

Name	Address/Affiliation	How did you hear about tonight's meeting?
Kathryn Dennis	United Way of Cayuga County	email
MICHAEL LONG	Boyle Center Senior Housing	word of mouth.
Julie Howard	Boyle Center (Program Direc.)	email
ERICA Ryan	Cay. Co. HomeSite	email
Danielle Rodgers	Cay, CO. HomeSite	email
Tracy Myers	CHAPEL HOUSE	email
Kim Dunn	Chapel House	email
Shari Weiss	Cayuga County Health Network	club
Olau Mack	Chapel House	email
Dennis Jannoy	BTW	email
Brandon Wakeham	BTW	email
Sara Douglass	ARISE / Catalyst Cayuga	email
Grace Caruz	InterFaith Works of CNY	email

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30 Chase St

Sharon Owen

Peter Dohr

Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes 134 E Genesee St.

Danielle Cornwell

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Katrina Jones

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Arlene Ryan

36 Onondaga St — neighborhood rep — email

Rev. Paris Price

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CDBG Community Meeting 2022 Funding Year Meeting Minutes

10/19/2021

City Hall Council Chambers, 24 South Street

2:00- 3:00pm

Staff: Renee Jensen, Senior Planner; and Tiffany Beebee, Senior Planner

Attendees: See attached.

Meeting:

Renee Jensen welcomed everyone and started the presentation. The presentation provided an overview of the CDBG program. During the presentation questions were asked to generate discussion among audience members.

Question: Please share the top three needs that you are currently seeing in our community that low to moderate income person are facing.

- Priority needs from attending community members include:
 - Workforce Development – huge need. People are scared to re-enter the workforce.
 - Affordable Housing
 - Homeless services which include affordable housing, workforce development, mental health resources to combat homelessness.
 - Available housing – homeless issue is units are not available or if they are available, the units are astronomically priced. Need to determine how to work with landlords.
 - Mental health – huge need for youth, families, and individuals with trying to “get back to normal”
 - Transportation – difficulty with transportation if low/mod income
 - Childcare services – 14 certified childcare providers pre-pandemic, now only 3-4 certified providers currently. This is causing huge waitlists and also creates a barrier for people to go back to work.
 - Accessible housing – lack of accessible housing in the City
 - Substance abuse

Question: Please share what housing programs you see as most beneficial and why?

- Incentive landlords to open rental units back up, program that will assist landlords with tenant damages, Home access program- making homes more accessible, aging in place program- making homes accessible for senior to remain in their homes, Eviction prevention program, landlord rehab program. 1st Time Homebuyer Program also deemed beneficial.

Question: What low to moderate income areas, specifically neighborhoods and streets, would benefit from infrastructure and parks improvement projects.

- Chase street and Owasco Street
 - Chase Street continues to experience flooding issues due to the sidewalk conditions and lack of curbing
 - Owasco Street has been deemed unsafe by many parents whose children walk to school. The school cannot issue bus passes to everyone.

In regards to small business and economic development, the participants provided feedback that workforce development was a priority need in our community.

Arlene Ryan, Orchard Street Neighborhood Association requested that the flower pots for the neighborhood be replaced.

The meeting concluded at 3:00pm

CDBG Community Meeting 2022 Funding Year Meeting Minutes

10/25/2021
Zoom
6:30- 7:30pm

Staff: Renee Jensen, Senior Planner; and Tiffany Beebee, Senior Planner

Attendees: Evelyn Noden, Cayuga Counseling; Gary Mann Auburn, Rescue Mission; Betsy Lombardi, Legal Aid Society of Mid NY; Crystal Cosentino, Home Headquarters and Homsite; David DeFrancis, Aurora of CNY; Tracy Adams, Cayuga Onondaga BOCES

Meeting:

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Question: Please share the top three needs that you are currently seeing in our community that low to moderate income person are facing.

- Priority needs from attending community members include:
 - Assistance for Victims of Domestic Violence
 - Mental Health, especially for youth
 - Workforce Development
 - Affordable Housing

Question: Please share what housing programs you see as most beneficial and why?

- Foreclosure prevention program. When moratorium is lifted municipal and bank foreclosures will greatly increase.

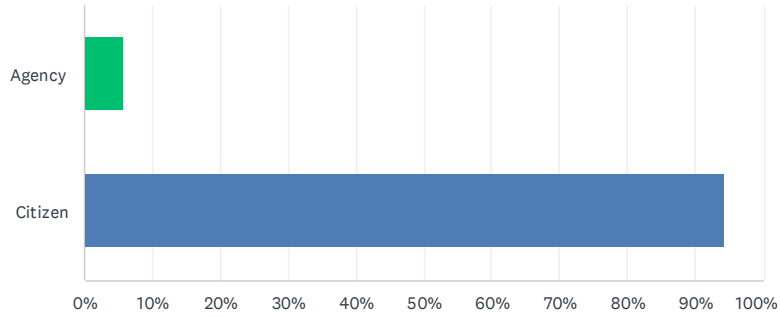
Question: What low to moderate income areas, specifically neighborhoods and streets, would benefit from infrastructure and parks improvement projects.

- No specific feedback was provided

The meeting concluded at 7:20pm

Q1 Are you completing this survey on behalf of an agency or as a citizen?

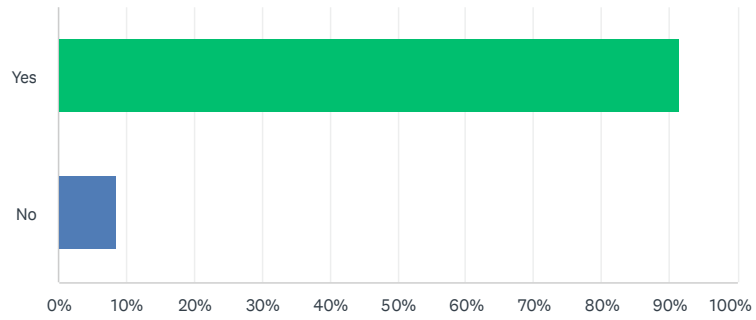
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Agency	5.80%	13
Citizen	94.20%	211
TOTAL		224

Q2 Do you reside in the City of Auburn?

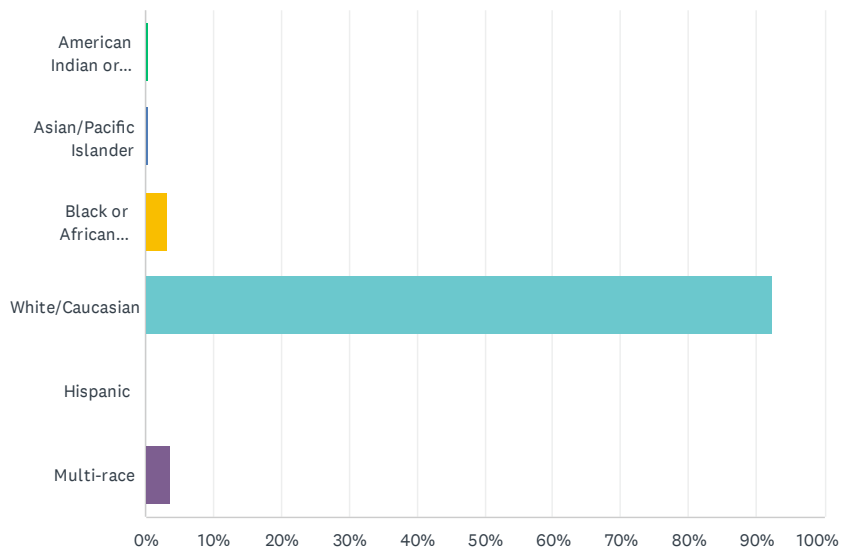
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	91.52%	205
No	8.48%	19
TOTAL		224

Q3 Which race/ethnicity describes you? Please choose only one.

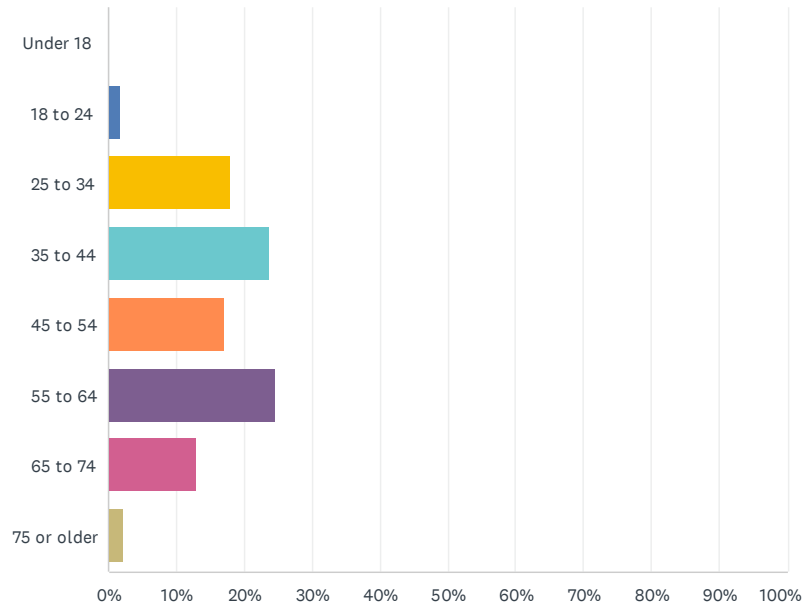
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.45%	1
Asian/Pacific Islander	0.45%	1
Black or African American	3.13%	7
White/Caucasian	92.41%	207
Hispanic	0.00%	0
Multi-race	3.57%	8
TOTAL		224

Q4 What is your age?

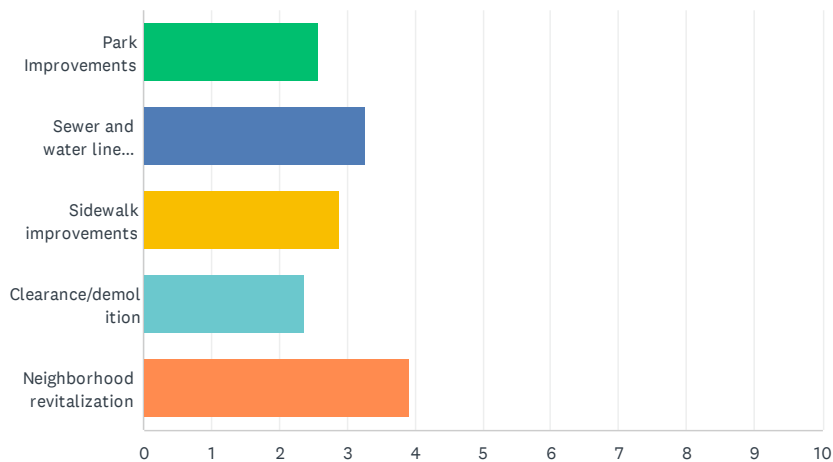
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.00%	0
18 to 24	1.79%	4
25 to 34	17.86%	40
35 to 44	23.66%	53
45 to 54	16.96%	38
55 to 64	24.55%	55
65 to 74	12.95%	29
75 or older	2.23%	5
TOTAL		224

Q5 Please rank the following activities, 1 being the highest priority.

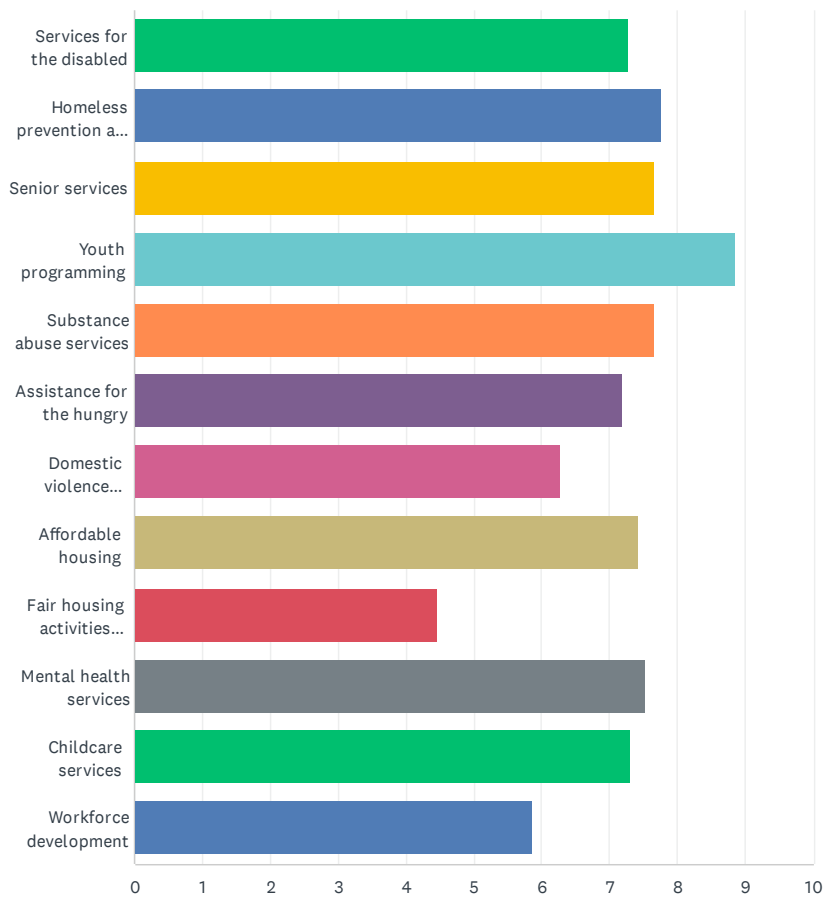
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	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Park Improvements	11.68% 25	16.82% 36	17.29% 37	27.57% 59	26.64% 57	214	2.59
Sewer and water line replacement	25.70% 55	18.69% 40	23.83% 51	20.56% 44	11.21% 24	214	3.27
Sidewalk improvements	9.63% 21	25.23% 55	26.61% 58	20.64% 45	17.89% 39	218	2.88
Clearance/demolition	7.41% 16	18.06% 39	16.20% 35	20.83% 45	37.50% 81	216	2.37
Neighborhood revitalization	46.61% 103	21.27% 47	16.29% 36	9.05% 20	6.79% 15	221	3.92

Q6 Please choose five (5) of the following program activities that you feel are most important for the City of Auburn residents of low to moderate income. Please rank by numbering 1-5, number 1 being highest priority:

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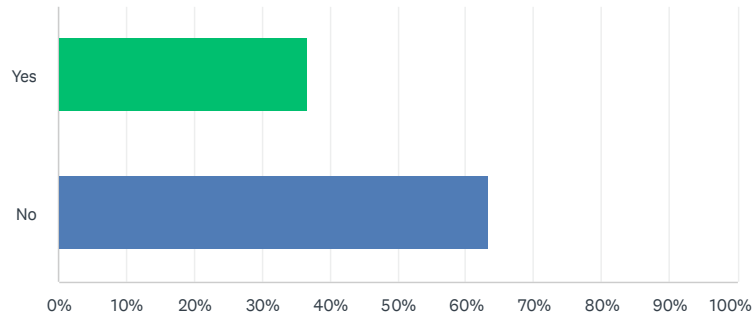


City of Auburn

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Services for the disabled	9.47% 16	7.10% 12	9.47% 16	9.47% 16	15.98% 27	11.24% 19	8.88% 15	10.06% 17	5.33% 9	2.37% 4	5.92% 10	4.73% 8	
Homeless prevention and assistance	12.28% 21	13.45% 23	12.28% 21	9.36% 16	12.28% 21	6.43% 11	6.43% 11	7.02% 12	8.19% 14	4.68% 8	2.92% 5	4.68% 8	
Senior services	11.56% 20	6.94% 12	13.87% 24	13.87% 24	9.83% 17	14.45% 25	4.62% 8	5.20% 9	7.51% 13	2.31% 4	6.36% 11	3.47% 6	
Youth programming	22.58% 42	16.67% 31	11.29% 21	12.90% 24	10.22% 19	4.30% 8	5.91% 11	4.30% 8	4.30% 8	2.15% 4	4.30% 8	1.08% 2	
Substance abuse services	7.43% 13	11.43% 20	12.57% 22	14.86% 26	16.57% 29	6.86% 12	4.57% 8	7.43% 13	4.00% 7	6.29% 11	3.43% 6	4.57% 8	
Assistance for the hungry	5.68% 10	6.25% 11	9.66% 17	13.07% 23	16.48% 29	11.36% 20	7.95% 14	8.52% 15	9.66% 17	6.82% 12	2.27% 4	2.27% 4	
Domestic violence programs	1.76% 3	5.88% 10	7.06% 12	8.82% 15	7.65% 13	11.18% 19	21.18% 36	8.82% 15	10.00% 17	6.47% 11	10.00% 17	1.18% 2	
Affordable housing	15.22% 28	13.59% 25	7.61% 14	7.61% 14	8.15% 15	1.63% 3	10.33% 19	13.59% 25	3.80% 7	10.33% 19	5.43% 10	2.72% 5	
Fair housing activities (renter and landlord rights/education)	1.32% 2	1.99% 3	3.31% 5	5.96% 9	5.96% 9	4.64% 7	5.96% 9	9.27% 14	19.21% 29	10.60% 16	18.54% 28	13.25% 20	
Mental health services	9.42% 18	16.75% 32	11.52% 22	7.85% 15	13.09% 25	7.33% 14	2.62% 5	4.71% 9	5.76% 11	12.04% 23	6.28% 12	2.62% 5	
Childcare services	12.70% 24	16.93% 32	13.23% 25	11.64% 22	3.70% 7	2.65% 5	3.17% 6	2.12% 4	5.29% 10	8.47% 16	12.17% 23	7.94% 15	
Workforce development	14.12% 25	5.65% 10	12.43% 22	9.60% 17	4.52% 8	2.26% 4	2.26% 4	1.69% 3	1.13% 2	7.34% 13	4.52% 8	34.46% 61	

Q7 Are you or someone you know who is of low to moderate income interested in a program for home repairs? Anyone interested in home repairs can contact Homsite Fund, Inc at 315-253-8451 to learn about currently available programs.

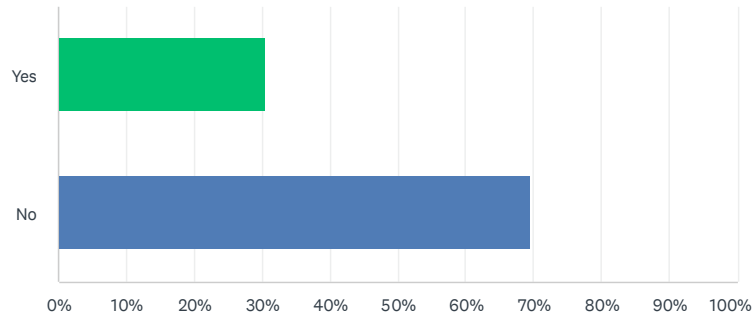
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	36.73%	83
No	63.27%	143
TOTAL		226

**Q8 Are you or someone you know who is of low to moderate income interested in a 1st Time Homebuyers Program to assist with closing costs?
Anyone interested in closing cost assistance can contact Homsite Fund Inc, at 315-253-8451 to learn about currently available programs.**

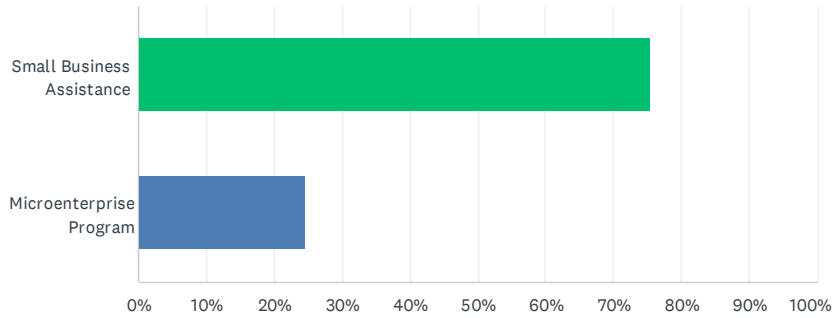
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	30.53%	69
No	69.47%	157
TOTAL		226

Q9 Are you or someone you know interested in Economic Development?
 Please mark programs you are interested in. If you are interested in learning more about currently available economic development programs, please contact CEDA at 315-252-3500.

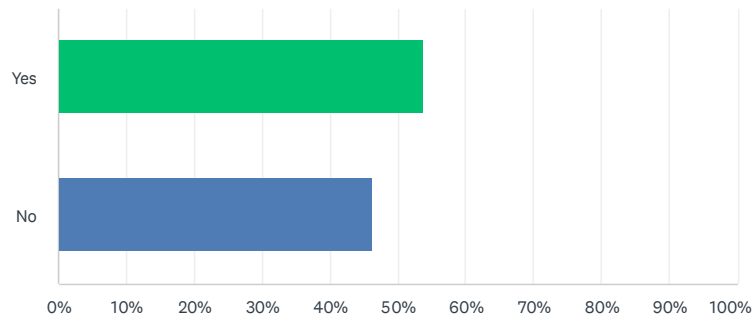
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Small Business Assistance	75.49%	77
Microenterprise Program	24.51%	25
TOTAL		102

Q10 Do you consider Auburn easily maneuverable to a person with a disability?

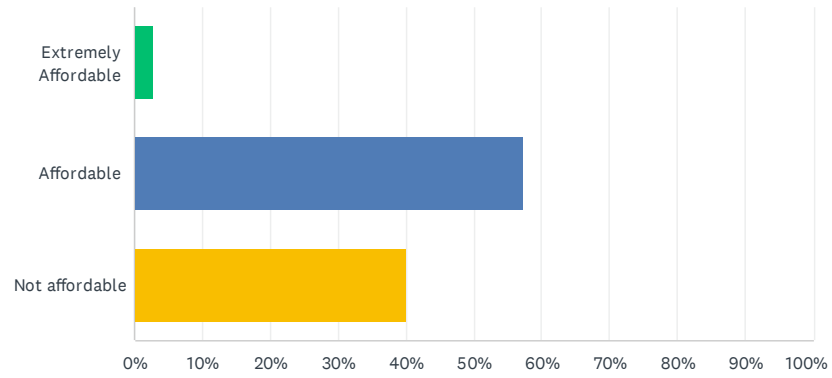
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53.77%	114
No	46.23%	98
TOTAL		212

Q11 How affordable is housing in the City of Auburn?

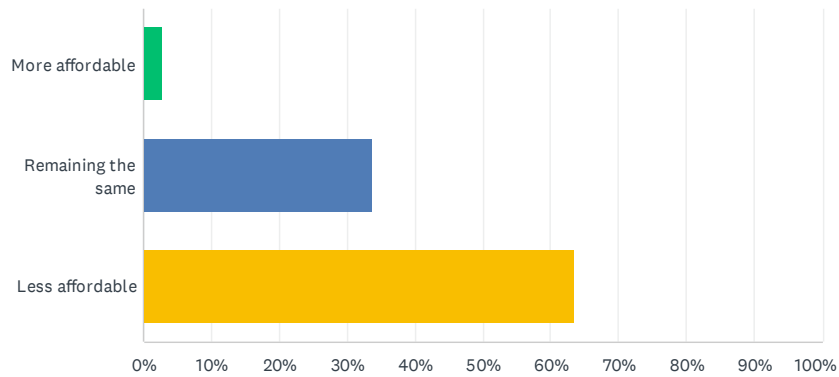
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Extremely Affordable	2.67% 6
Affordable	57.33% 129
Not affordable	40.00% 90
TOTAL	225

Q12 Do you think housing in Auburn is becoming more affordable, less affordable, or remaining the same?

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More affordable	2.67% 6
Remaining the same	33.78% 76
Less affordable	63.56% 143
TOTAL	225

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More patrol of neighborhoods and crack down on the extremely high drug problem	11/18/2021 5:32 PM
2	Childcare providers that accept infants.	11/18/2021 10:04 AM
3	A woman's homeless shelter	11/18/2021 9:28 AM
4	See snow removal for seniors or persons over 65, physically disabled or otherwise impaired for lifting heavy or wet snow, and other combinations.	11/16/2021 12:55 PM
5	DPW	11/16/2021 8:45 AM
6	I'm not sure	11/14/2021 8:26 PM
7	Substance abuse, workplace training, childcare services, public transit	11/14/2021 10:43 AM
8	Youth programs	11/13/2021 6:50 PM
9	scat van	11/13/2021 6:30 PM
10	I don't know, to be honest.	11/13/2021 5:45 PM
11	More activities for youth.	11/13/2021 3:13 PM
12	Sidewalk and lack of curbs	11/13/2021 11:59 AM
13	More affordable housing, there just isn't enough since covid	11/12/2021 7:11 PM
14	Need more funding for sidewalks that need to be repaired or installed in parts of the City. South end of Orchard Avenue does not have sidewalks. Washington Street and Orchard Street need repairs. Woodlawn Ave and Parker Street need repairs.	11/12/2021 9:46 AM
15	Child care	11/11/2021 10:10 PM
16	Youth work/intern programs.	11/11/2021 7:37 PM
17	The Auburn Enlarged City School District.	11/11/2021 7:13 AM
18	Youth programs!	11/11/2021 6:47 AM
19	Not sure	11/11/2021 5:52 AM
20	The city needs to better control the cat population. Cats should need licenses and rules like dogs. There needs to be more housing that does not have income limits.	11/11/2021 2:24 AM
21	Youth/elementary school programs. More for children to go and do and stay out of trouble.	11/10/2021 10:42 PM
22	Jobs & youth activities	11/10/2021 7:12 PM
23	Youth programs for ALL children not necessarily targeting a specific group.	11/10/2021 7:07 PM
24	Cayuga Centers offers the best community based mental health services and should be granted more funding. Cayuga Counseling Services is horrible to the people they serve	11/10/2021 2:42 PM
25	No	11/10/2021 2:27 PM
26	Not sure	11/9/2021 9:54 PM
27	Mental Health is extremely underfunded. I very happy to see tree replanting. I hope it continues.	11/9/2021 9:31 PM
28	Youth/Daycare/After School Care	11/9/2021 8:35 PM

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29	Youth programs - bring back park directors and structured activities at our local neighborhood parks	11/9/2021 8:31 PM
30	Aid for homeless citizens.	11/9/2021 2:45 PM
31	Housing assistance or vouchers. Homesite and rental management are on power trips and think they can treat people unfairly and get away with it! Such as taking things away during covid and not caring about people! There should be fair housing people they have to answer to!!	11/8/2021 11:28 PM
32	Yes, I haven't seen many minority grants being distributed.	11/8/2021 12:57 PM
33	Youth programs	11/8/2021 12:25 PM
34	Missing all the senior activities that used to be at Schwartz towers that ended before CoVid.	11/7/2021 8:57 AM
35	There is a ton of renters assistance, but not to homeowners living in the home they own and struggling to make ends meet.	11/6/2021 7:51 PM
36	Public transportation	11/6/2021 7:28 PM
37	Affordable childcare for moderate income families. The poverty level is set way too low to provide any assistance.	11/6/2021 5:40 PM
38	I would like to see more partnership between municipal agencies and private nonprofits like Habitat for Humanity to make neighborhood revitalization projects more frequent and successful.	11/6/2021 8:43 AM
39	Programs for individuals with developmental disabilities, domestic violence shelters and programs,	11/5/2021 9:56 PM
40	Mental health services and services for youth activities	11/5/2021 5:10 PM
41	Live entertainment	11/5/2021 3:33 PM
42	Mental health services	11/5/2021 7:00 AM
43	Transportation	11/4/2021 3:48 PM
44	Public transit	11/4/2021 3:32 PM
45	Affordable housing for people with pets	11/4/2021 7:30 AM
46	It seems that homelessness is becoming a bigger problem in our town. I also think we need more outlets for youth activities, especially in the winter	11/4/2021 5:07 AM
47	Catch and release spay and neuter program in the Orchard St / James St / Church St region.	11/3/2021 11:28 PM
48	Mental health services for all age groups are grossly underfunded everywhere, including Auburn.	11/3/2021 8:51 PM
49	Mental health clinic needs better management. I went there wouldn't make appt. You have sit and wait til someone available to talk to. Next I have chronic health issues. Plus very intense anxiety problems. I can't sit for an hour or more. So... maybe more ppl to work to get ppl in to talk, reduce the costs of a visit. I was told \$75. Now ppl are struggling with finances. I can't afford to go there to see a therapist to get meds. That needs a closer look because there are ppl that have mental health issues. I would gladly love to give my name (Cindy Green) . Due to covid coming about & for this long anxiety & depression us increasing.	11/3/2021 7:22 PM
50	In my opinion part of revitalization in downtown would be to continue down to the outlet in the area of the police station and use the area and water like a City Walk, build around the water	11/3/2021 5:45 PM
51	More for teens, and seniors	11/3/2021 2:51 PM
52	Definitely Youth services and substance abuse and mental health	11/3/2021 9:17 AM
53	Revitalization of green spaces	11/3/2021 3:43 AM
54	Wild animal assistance, funding for a TNR program.	11/3/2021 12:10 AM
55	Not enough homeless shelters. Nothing for kids to do	11/2/2021 9:36 PM
56	Na	11/1/2021 10:43 PM

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57	More programs for children at playgrounds such as Arts, sports and theatrics.	11/1/2021 8:36 AM
58	Older people	10/31/2021 5:46 PM
59	Homeless aid & care	10/30/2021 11:40 PM
60	1. Summer recreation programs for youth 2. Youth programs	10/30/2021 9:15 PM
61	Unknown	10/30/2021 6:30 AM
62	I wish there were programs to help families become home owners. When people own their own homes they can put their money into making it better and not counting it as a loss. I'd think that the more homes in a neighborhood that were owned by the people that lived in them as opposed to landlords would mean better neighborhoods. Caring about property value and pride in one's ownership.	10/29/2021 10:06 PM
63	Most people don't even know there's these grants. I live in the north end, people are struggling and the houses are deteriorating. These are 100+ year houses, they require alot of maintenance. Slum lords come in and just destroy our neighborhood! Get it together, do better with codes and stopping this mess you've allowed to go on. THE CITY is to blame for the mess we are in! Just do better, walk in these neighborhoods, knock on doors without your photographer getting that picture of you doing "good". You are destroying us with rentals, unity houses, section 8, homeless shelters, and now drug shelters. Keep inviting them in, they will come! We will all leave!	10/29/2021 9:20 PM
64	Apartment rent is outrageous for young workers, young families.	10/29/2021 7:49 PM
65	Street reconstruction	10/29/2021 4:56 AM
66	Child care	10/28/2021 9:58 PM
67	Sidewalks around the city are not good	10/28/2021 9:26 PM
68	Mental health. Help the middle class, we're out here trying, stop giving things to people who refuse to work	10/28/2021 8:30 PM
69	We don't do enough to keep our younger generations interested in the community. We don't offer enough jobs for those coming back after college and we are not up to date with the times.	10/28/2021 4:09 PM
70	Mental health, Cayuga counseling, Savar and one north are all crazy over booked and over worked, people need help and it takes two months just to see a therapist. People are killing themselves left and right, losing jobs, homes being ripped apart due to mental health	10/28/2021 10:53 AM
71	universal childcare	10/28/2021 10:44 AM
72	Programs that help transition unemployed to available jobs. specifically make the connection between the employers and the unemployed and help them develop the necessary skills to become a good employee	10/28/2021 10:38 AM
73	Auburn needs more police	10/28/2021 10:20 AM
74	Youth programs	10/28/2021 6:53 AM
75	Daycare	10/28/2021 6:45 AM
76	Mental health!!!! Domestic violence!!!!	10/28/2021 2:53 AM
77	Senior advocacy Job retraining Lower college cost Or loan forgiveness to students	10/27/2021 10:54 PM
78	I think the distribution of funds could be better, and the funds could be used better. For example the school tax is astronomical and driving people out of the city, meanwhile the schools are not good quality and the teachers are not compensated appropriately. There's a serious lack of mental health support to the point that it's dangerous and people are falling through the cracks. The drug problem in this city is raging and more rehabilitative support is needed there too	10/27/2021 9:59 PM
79	Underfunded community policing	10/27/2021 9:59 PM
80	Unfunded which would be the section 8 housing	10/27/2021 9:39 PM
81	Youth	10/27/2021 8:42 PM

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82	Public transportation	10/27/2021 8:32 PM
83	Youth workforce programs and youth volunteer programs	10/27/2021 8:28 PM
84	Park/ tree maintenance	10/27/2021 7:52 PM
85	Places for our youth to go to, instead of roaming the streets.	10/27/2021 7:11 PM
86	Housing for homelessness	10/27/2021 6:12 PM
87	community policing	10/27/2021 6:00 PM
88	Mental health needs more doctors and or therapists	10/27/2021 5:56 PM
89	Neighborhood association that funds and supports private property beautification. This will build pride in auburn homes and encourage investment	10/27/2021 5:04 PM
90	Arts and culture	10/27/2021 4:10 PM
91	Programs for developmentally disabled youth & adults.	10/27/2021 3:38 PM
92	People seem to have little understanding in what services are the city's responsibility and what are the County's or State's. Seems like City officials get blamed for things they have no control over.	10/27/2021 2:32 PM
93	day care	10/27/2021 2:26 PM
94	Mental Health	10/27/2021 1:58 PM
95	Since I am unaware of any programs available I would say that it's lacking in program awareness	10/27/2021 12:50 PM
96	The youth, young families, and elderly need to be serviced with programs that make our city an attractive place to live and move to.	10/27/2021 12:23 PM
97	Police, DSS	10/27/2021 11:53 AM
98	Mental health availability, homelessness/housing assistance, emergency services-i.e. food, shelter, transportation, childcare availability.	10/20/2021 3:18 PM
99	Drug houses and unliveable houses need to be addressed; a list is good but not getting anywhere; most drug houses are unliveable and should be condemned and torn down or sold at auction; landlords don't seem to care as long as get social services to pay	10/19/2021 1:48 PM
100	MH services in conjunction, or in specific instances in place of, law enforcement. Public transportation. Any service that meets the real human needs of Auburn residents. Childcare, UPK, Community College. Look to the Senate Budget Reconciliation bill's priorities currently being held up to find a laundry list of underfunded/neglected services and programs nationwide. Obviously not the sole responsibility of Auburn to solve these problems but the list is long and Auburn could play a more significant role in bringing funding/attention to these areas, especially with the isolated opportunity to aggressively address this list with federal funds (cares act, ARPA, potential federal infrastructure/budget reconciliation bills). I'm sure different factions are vying to get their hands on that money but there is a real, unique opportunity to lay the foundation for a better future. It is the government's responsibility to foster such possibilities for its citizens.	10/19/2021 1:31 PM
101	tuition assistance and education	10/19/2021 12:40 PM
102	Parks need to be Cleaned and Open !!	10/19/2021 10:36 AM
103	mental crisis & health services. a program to have them part of APD to deescalate and help the person in crisis get the help they need and not end up in jail or worse.	10/19/2021 9:24 AM
104	I don't know.	10/18/2021 10:09 AM
105	adult education services	10/18/2021 9:45 AM
106	Childcare	10/15/2021 11:03 AM
107	Liter pickup, tree replacements, stump removal, sidewalk maintenance	10/13/2021 10:24 PM
108	MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES!!!	10/13/2021 2:59 PM

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109	If we had more youth services and programs that interested and inspired our younger generations, then we would see more community inspired and motivated young adults	10/12/2021 2:07 PM
110	Landlord rental assistance	10/11/2021 11:33 PM
111	Youth activity after school , job training,	10/10/2021 10:40 PM
112	Programs for teens	10/10/2021 1:38 PM
113	Mental heathy and youth programsl	10/9/2021 10:44 PM
114	Youth/mental health	10/8/2021 10:27 PM
115	Homeless Shelter is needed	10/8/2021 9:16 PM
116	Assistance for homeowners (not landlords!) in low income neighborhoods. Street beautification in low income neighborhoods. Tree-lined streets in the east side but none on the west end Trashy abandoned houses need to go Landlords MUST be accountable for those they make money off of. They obtain grants and special loans, WHY!? Gang Crime in Syr is out of control. Bow long before it bleeds into auburn? Skipping Skaneateles of course because they haven't allowed decay and neglect and the entire community has pride in their town. Take a cue.	10/8/2021 7:22 PM
117	ldk	10/8/2021 6:36 PM
118	Youth programs	10/8/2021 5:47 PM
119	Minority Economic Development.	10/8/2021 5:41 PM
120	accessibility to low-cost Internet Access for low-income families and individuals.	10/8/2021 4:10 PM
121	business incentives	10/8/2021 3:59 PM
122	Buy cameras to cut down on speeding in school zones. Major safety issue!	10/8/2021 3:57 PM
123	You need to offer supervised activities in the parks organized basketball, craft activities they need to have bathroom facilities I am currently visiting in Washington State and all the local parks offer toilet facilities one even has a syringe container attached to the bathroom wall which by the way is actually used because we all know that unfortunately these areas are frequented at night by people that have drug problems	10/8/2021 3:11 PM
124	Recreation for children	10/8/2021 3:01 PM
125	We need more affordable senior 65 and over housing developments	10/8/2021 2:29 PM
126	There needs to be some type of programs for teens. They need a place to hang out that they'd be comfortable in, but would have some adult supervision. It needs to run both after school and after dark.	10/8/2021 2:17 PM
127	Parks and rec needs to bring back playground programs. Bathrooms needed at the parks. Police need more help.	10/8/2021 10:18 AM
128	Consider bringing back the Parks and Rec supervised playground program in the summer.	10/8/2021 9:21 AM
129	Neighborhood developing, we cut trees down, but don't replace them. Is the city even a tree city USA anymore ? Can curbing be added places ? I believe just curbing and trees does numbers for neighborhoods.	10/8/2021 9:06 AM
130	Youth/family programs and education	10/8/2021 8:57 AM
131	Homeless programs	10/7/2021 3:03 PM
132	Feeding people, housing people, helping people at their need level	10/7/2021 1:30 PM
133	Transportation Programs	10/4/2021 11:55 AM
134	Childcare	10/1/2021 1:56 PM

From: Contact form at Auburn NY <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 10:21 AM

To: Councilor Jimmy Giannettino

Subject: [Auburn NY] New sidewalk for Tuxill Sq. (no side walk at all (Sent by Salvatore Manitta, sal.manitta@itt.com))

Hello jgiannettino,

Salvatore Manitta (sal.manitta@itt.com) has sent you a message via your contact form (<https://www.auburnny.gov/user/33/contact>) at Auburn NY.

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Message:

Hello, Sir:

I am asking for the city to create a sidewalk for the dead end portion of Tuxill Square. There is no sidewalk at all on my side of the street. (Kind of a half assed side walk / off street parking system on the other side). If you come check it out, you will see what am talking about.

Children are playing in the street.

I hope the big federal money comes through and that Auburn gets some of that. Perhaps that can be used to fund the new sidewalk.

A new side walk sure would do wonders for the appearance of that part of the street. People that visit, say "this is one crappy looking street". Especially when the check out the Bartolotta Lofts (apartments). Sad part is, that it's only two blocks from city hall.

Please look into it tell and me what you think. This part of the street could use a little Auburn city loving.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Salvatore Manitta

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