

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The Town of Cheektowaga will receive \$956,973 in Community Development Block Grant funding for the PY 2025 per HUD's final announcement of funding. This amount is a decrease of \$15,478.00 from the 2024 program year. The Town is also expecting to receive approximately \$427,512 in program income from previous years' rehabilitation and economic development activities. The Amherst, Cheektowaga, Tonawanda HOME Consortium will receive \$838,599.85 in 2025 HOME Investment Partnerships Grant funding, with \$501,579.95 allocated to the Town of Cheektowaga. This number is larger than the past due to the fact that in 2024, the Town of Cheektowaga provided funds to the Town of Tonawanda towards an affordable multi-family housing project, that is now being repaid via their 2025 HOME entitlement allocation. In addition, an additional \$200,000 is expected to be earned in program income from previous HOME rehabilitation, homebuyer, and

acquisition/rehabilitation activities. These additional funds will be utilized in the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program.

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	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	956,973.00	427,512.00	0.00	1,384,485.00	5,537,940.00	

Table 18 - 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 Town of Cheektowaga has been regularly utilizing grant funds from the New York State Affordable Housing Corporation, including a \$450,000 award in 2023 to be provided to residents in qualified neighborhoods in the form of a 60% grant and 40% loan utilizing HOME and CDBG funds, and are instrumental in allowing homeowners to have additional rehab work completed through the program without taking on additional loan funds. In addition, these funds serve as a source of the required 25% local Match for HOME funds for the Amherst-Cheektowaga-Tonawanda Consortium.

With the intention of expanding affordable housing opportunities in the Town of Cheektowaga, the Office of Community Development works in collaboration with the Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation (BENLIC) and University District Community Development

Association, Inc. (UDCDA) as a HUD Community Development Housing Organization (CHDO).

Program income derived from previous CHDO projects is utilized on new acquisition/rehab/new construction/resale projects. The numbers are getting more challenging on these projects, even with collaborations, so the Town continues to seek out other funding partners.

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

No publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction will be used to address identified needs.

Discussion

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Improve Housing Stock	2025	2029	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	Town Wide	Residential Housing Rehabilitation Weatherization Assistance	CDBG: \$431,206.00	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 65 Household Housing Unit
2	Neighborhood Revitalization	2025	2029	Affordable Housing Non-Housing Community Development	Clinton	Public Infrastructure Public Facilities	CDBG: \$445,343.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6980 Persons Assisted
3	Reduce the Risk of Homelessness	2025	2029	Affordable Housing Homeless	Town Wide	Housing Counseling	CDBG: \$17,700.00	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 120 Households Assisted
4	Affirmatively Further Fair Housing	2025	2029	Affordable Housing Public Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs	Town Wide	Fair Housing Counseling	CDBG: \$14,750.00	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 90 Households Assisted
5	Support Community Service Needs	2025	2029	Non-Housing Community Development	Town Wide	Public Services	CDBG: \$155,580.00	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 23050 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
6	Economic Development	2025	2029	Non-Housing Community Development	Town Wide	Economic Development	CDBG: \$42,010.00	Jobs created/retained: 5 Jobs

Table 19 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Improve Housing Stock
	Goal Description	<p>The program will improve the housing stock through the rehabilitation of owner-occupied 1-4 family units and reduction of lead-based paint hazards to benefit low- and moderate-income households by providing low-cost loans. Approval is based on income, owner-occupancy, payment of property taxes, and sufficient equity. Rehabilitation activities include interior and exterior system replacement, code violations, lead-based paint and asbestos remediation, and accessibility improvements. A separate Mobile Home Rehabilitation Program for roofing, windows, and accessibility improvements.</p> <p>Additionally, an Emergency Program will provide for the repair or replacement of certain elements of a housing unit in emergency situations that impair the health and safety of the residents. The purpose of the loan is restricted to the cited emergency condition and the whole house must otherwise be in a habitable condition, defined as free from health and safety dangers.</p> <p>Finally, grants of up to \$1,200 will be provided to owner-occupants for Sump Pump related components including, but not limited to installation of proper sump crock, pump, discharge, and code-mandated electrical and smoke/co detection devices.</p> <p>The Town will contract with a non-profit to provide energy audits for Town and Village residents. Any inefficiency identified in the audit may be eligible for grant funded work items such as insulation, caulking, or newer energy-efficient furnace, hot water tank, and windows.</p>

2	Goal Name	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Goal Description	<p>This program addresses vacant, substandard homes in low-moderate income neighborhoods. The homes will be acquired and subsequently rehabilitated, or demolished and rebuilt, and as an end use, sold to income eligible first-time homebuyers.</p> <p>There is a high demand for replacing aging infrastructure in Town, as well as both Villages. CDBG funds will be utilized to support full road reconstruction projects, in the form of sewer replacement, road resurfacing, and/or sidewalk and curb replacement.</p> <p>The Town and Villages have several aging public facilities in need of renovation and/or replacement.</p>
3	Goal Name	Reduce the Risk of Homelessness
	Goal Description	The Town contracts with HUD-certified housing counseling agencies to provide one-on-one counseling with low-moderate income eligible residents with housing issues, credit/financial issues, apartment searches, tenant-landlord issues, fair housing issues, etc.
4	Goal Name	Affirmatively Further Fair Housing
	Goal Description	Ensure access to fair, safe, and affordable housing for all residents and strive to prevent discrimination in housing and the workplace. This will be achieved by providing fair housing counseling services including, but not limited to education and enforcement action for fair housing and landlord tenant disputes, and reporting perceived discrimination in housing and employment.

5	Goal Name	Support Community Service Needs
	Goal Description	<p>The Town will utilize its resources to support Senior Services in both the Village of Depew and Town-wide. In addition, resources will support several youth programs, including the Boys and Girls Club structured after school program and financial aid for the Town of Cheektowaga Summer Day Camp Program as well as the Girl Scouts of WNY Summer Camp Program.</p> <p>The Police Foot Patrol Program offers residents in low-moderate neighborhoods the goals of building trust between citizens and their police officers, creating positive interactions between Officers and young people, increasing the legitimacy of the Officers in the minds of the residents, and improving the quality of life in the designated neighborhoods.</p> <p>Finally, resources support a domestic violence advocate, housed at the Cheektowaga Police Department. The advocate will counsel victims of domestic violence, help them develop strategies to protect themselves from the offender, assist the victim in obtaining safe shelter, long-term counseling, and civil legal assistance.</p>
6	Goal Name	Economic Development
	Goal Description	The Town will provide low-interest loans to facilitate expansion and/or retention of businesses in Town, for the purpose of fostering and promoting economic development, and creating and preserving job opportunities for our residents.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The proposed projects for the estimated allocation of 2025 CDBG and HOME funds has been determined through citizen participation, community outreach, Town departments, neighborhood organizations, and non-profit agencies requests for funding based upon the goals and objectives of the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.

#	Project Name
1	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
2	Environmental Hazard Testing
3	Weatherization
4	Sump Pump Grant
5	Rehabilitation Activity Delivery Costs
6	Housing Counseling
7	Financial Aid for Summer Camp
8	Teen Club
9	Police Foot Patrols
10	Senior Citizen Van Driver
11	Domestic Violence Counseling
12	Village of Depew - Senior Center Operations & Programming
13	Boys & Girls Club
14	Fair Housing Education & Counseling
15	Sidewalk & Curb Replacement - S. Rossler Avenue
16	Curb Replacement - Willowlawn Parkway
17	Curb Replacement - Meadowbrook Parkway
18	Cedargrove Park - Resurface Tennis Court
19	Winston/Vegola Park - Replace Fencing
20	Village of Depew - Sidewalk Replacement
21	Village of Sloan - Firehall Bathroom ADA Compliance
22	Economic Development
23	Program Administration

Table 20 – Project Information

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

The 2025 projects meet the criteria set forth by the Town in its five-year Consolidated Plan and the needs identified in the priorities of the plan.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Improve Housing Stock
	Needs Addressed	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
	Funding	CDBG: \$184,964.00
	Description	Low-interest and no-interest repayment loans, as well as deferred, interest free loans to income qualified low-moderate income homeowners to undertake necessary repairs to their homes including accessibility and emergency concerns. Housing rehabilitation will be accomplished with entitlement funds and revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 35 households will benefit from this program.
	Location Description	Town-Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
2	Planned Activities	Housing Rehabilitation for needed repairs to bring properties to code and provide safe, secure housing units.
	Project Name	Environmental Hazard Testing
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Improve Housing Stock

	Needs Addressed	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
	Funding	CDBG: \$11,250.00
	Description	Lead-based paint risk assessment/evaluation and asbestos testing for CDBG and HOME rehabilitation activities and clearance testing after repairs.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 35 Low- to moderate-income households will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 14I The Town contracts with a qualified environmental firm prior to rehabilitation to conduct a risk assessment to determine lead-based paint hazards and conducts a clearance test at the completion of the project to ensure elimination of all lead hazards.
3	Project Name	Weatherization
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Improve Housing Stock
	Needs Addressed	Weatherization Assistance
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000.00
	Description	The Town will contract with a non-profit to provide energy audits for Town and Village residents. Any inefficiency identified in the audit may be eligible for grant funded work items such as insulation, caulking, or newer energy-efficient furnace, hot water tank, and windows.
	Target Date	3/31/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 30 Low- to moderate-income households will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 14F Housing Rehabilitation for needed repairs to improve energy efficiency in housing units.
4	Project Name	Sump Pump Grant
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Improve Housing Stock
	Needs Addressed	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000.00
	Description	Provide grants of up to \$1,200 to owner occupants to provide funding for installation of proper sump crock, pump, discharge, and code mandated electrical and smoke/co detection devices.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 8 households will benefit from this program.
	Location Description	Town-wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	Housing Rehabilitation to prevent sewage back up and storm overflow.
5	Project Name	Rehabilitation Activity Delivery Costs
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Improve Housing Stock

	Needs Addressed	Residential Housing Rehabilitation
	Funding	CDBG: \$184,992.00
	Description	Administration staff costs, fringe benefits, supplies and equipment, training, etc. associated with program delivery and implementation of the residential housing rehabilitation program.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 35 low- to moderate-income households will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	Staff coordinates every aspect of housing rehabilitation program with homeowners.
6	Project Name	Housing Counseling
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Reduce the Risk of Homelessness
	Needs Addressed	Housing Counseling
	Funding	CDBG: \$17,700.00
	Description	The Town contracts with a HUD certified housing counseling agency to provide housing counseling and financial education. Foreclosure Prevention Counseling decreases the incidence of vacant buildings, and stops the erosion of property values. Post-Purchase Counseling addresses safety, energy efficiency, and long-term affordability issues, while Home Equity Conversion Mortgage Counseling helps seniors understand how they can use their home's equity to age in place.
	Target Date	3/31/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 120 households will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05U
7	Project Name	Financial Aid for Summer Camp
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$24,900.00
	Description	The Town of Cheektowaga Youth and Recreation Department offers a Summer Day Camp Program, which provides structured recreational activity for youth ages 4-12 throughout the summer season. In addition, the Girl Scouts of WNY are looking for financial assistance for their Summer Camp Program, which provides outdoor education, and therapeutic recreation. Such activities teach new skills, create lasting friendships, and foster positive mental health. CDBG revolving loan funds in the amount of \$20,000 will provide tuition assistance for both programs to low-moderate income residents.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 26 children will be provided tuition assistance to attend camp.
	Location Description	Town-Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05L Town SDC Financial Aid \$20,000 05Z Girl Scouts of WNY \$5,000

8	Project Name	Teen Club
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,000.00
	Description	The Town of Cheektowaga Youth and Recreation Department offers a Teen Club Summer Camp Program, which provides structured recreational activity for teens ages 13- 15 throughout the summer season. Through our program, tuition assistance is offered to low-moderate income residents. This project will be accomplished with \$3,000 of revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Approximately 3 teens will be provided tuition assistance to attend camp.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05D
9	Project Name	Police Foot Patrols
	Target Area	Cedargrove Heights Walden Avenue Pine Hill/Genesee St. Clinton Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services

	Funding	CDBG: \$30,500.00
	Description	The Cheektowaga Police will address quality of life issues and neighborhood concerns through a combination of foot, bicycle and motorcycle patrols. Additionally, there will be several traffic checkpoints conducted throughout the program.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 22,596 people will benefit in census tracts: 100.01(1), 100.02(1 & 3), 101.02(1, 2, & 3), 101.03(3), 103(1 & 2), 104(1 & 2), 105(2), 106(2), 108.08(2), 109.01(1), 109.02(1, 2, & 4), 110(1 & 2)
	Location Description	HUD low-moderate income neighborhoods in Town
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05i
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	Project Name	Senior Citizen Van Driver
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$6,680.00
	Description	Van service will be provided for seniors with no other means of transportation to attend the Senior Center for activities, lunch, case management services, and special events.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated 75 seniors will benefit from this service.
	Location Description	Town-Wide

	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05a
11	Project Name	Domestic Violence Counseling
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$19,500.00
	Description	Provide a Domestic Violence Advocate at Cheektowaga Police and Town Court building, to provide advocacy, counseling, and assistance to domestic violence victims in the Town of Cheektowaga. This Advocate assists with the primary needs of domestic violence survivors, including safety planning, information/support, legal advocacy, support with child needs, and support with economic needs. The Advocate also assists victims of domestic violence with completing applications to the Office of Victim Services (OVS), which offers monetary relief to victims of crime and their families by offering reimbursement for crime-related expenses, as well as serving as a liaison between the court and the police and providing necessary referrals, based on individual needs, to community partners.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 people will benefit from this service.
	Location Description	Town-Wide and the Village of Sloan.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05g
12	Project Name	Village of Depew - Senior Center Operations & Programming
	Target Area	Depew
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs

	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$49,000.00
	Description	Funding will pay for the cost of operating the Senior Center and providing recreation and van services for Village residents. Costs may include wages, fringe benefits, utility costs, and recreation supplies and equipment. The purpose of this project is to provide enrichment and social contacts among seniors, and link them to the appropriate agencies and service providers.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 150 seniors will receive assistance under this program.
	Location Description	Village of Depew
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05a
13	Project Name	Boys & Girls Club
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Support Community Service Needs
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$22,000.00
	Description	Funding will be provided for operating expenses for the Boys & Girls Club housed at the Alexander Community Center. This after-school program is a safe haven providing recreational activities and support for youth ranging from 7 to 13 years of age. This activity will be accomplished with \$22,000 of revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 100 people will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-Wide
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05L
14	Project Name	Fair Housing Education & Counseling
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Affirmatively Further Fair Housing
	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing Counseling
	Funding	CDBG: \$14,750.00
	Description	The Town will partner with a local not-for profit to provide comprehensive fair housing services and landlord/tenant paralegal counseling. In addition, counseling, investigation, and mediation services will be provided relating to housing discrimination complaints.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 90 households will be assisted.
	Location Description	Town-Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 05J
15	Project Name	Sidewalk & Curb Replacement - S. Rossler Avenue
	Target Area	Clinton
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization

	Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,060.00
	Description	Installation of concrete curbs and sidewalks in conjunction with the Town sponsored full depth road reconstruction project. This activity will be accomplished with \$100,060 of revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,189 Persons will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Census Tract 110 Block Group 2
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03K
16	Project Name	Curb Replacement - Willowlawn Parkway
	Target Area	Clinton
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$100,800.00
	Description	There is a high demand for replacing aging infrastructure in the Town of Cheektowaga. Replacement of curbs in low to moderate areas of the Town in conjunction with street reconstruction by Town employees and private contractors.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,189 persons will benefit from this activity.

	Location Description	Census Tract 110 Block Group 2
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03K
17	Project Name	Curb Replacement - Meadowbrook Parkway
	Target Area	Clinton
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$102,900.00
	Description	There is a high demand for replacing aging infrastructure in the Town of Cheektowaga. Replacement of curbs in low to moderate areas of the Town in conjunction with street reconstruction by Town employees and private contractors.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	Approximately 1,189 persons will benefit from this activity.
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03K
18	Project Name	Cedargrove Park - Resurface Tennis Court
	Target Area	Cedargrove Heights
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$19,500.00

	Description	The Tennis Court is the only piece of Cedargrove Park that was not replaced as part of the complete park overhaul, as a result it is in desperate need of resurfacing due to several trip hazards.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,863 persons will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Census Tract 101.02 Block Group 3
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03F
19	Project Name	Winston/Vegola Park - Replace Fencing
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$34,583.00
	Description	The Town has several aging public facilities in need of renovation and/or replacement. Several components of the Winton/Vegola Park are included in the category, however due to limited resources, CDBG funds will address the severely deteriorated fencing around the tennis court.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,352 persons will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Census Tract 101.02 Block Group 1
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03F

20	Project Name	Village of Depew - Sidewalk Replacement
	Target Area	Depew
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$51,000.00
	Description	There is a high demand for replacing aging infrastructure in the Village of Depew. Funds will be used for sidewalk replacement in low to moderate areas of the Village.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that approximately 1,038 people will benefit from this activity.
	Location Description	Census Tract 98 Block Group 1
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 03L Replacement of existing sidewalks in low to moderate areas of the Village of Depew utilizing private contractors.
21	Project Name	Village of Sloan - Firehall Bathroom ADA Compliance
	Target Area	Sloan
	Goals Supported	Neighborhood Revitalization
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$37,500.00

	Description	There is a high demand for replacing and improving aging community facilities in the Village of Sloan. The restrooms at the firehall are original to the building built in 1964, and do not meet federal guidelines for ADA compliance. CDBG funds will be used to bring such facilities into compliance.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	It is estimated approximately 1,538 people will benefit from this activity
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 030
22	Project Name	Economic Development
	Target Area	Town Wide
	Goals Supported	Economic Development
	Needs Addressed	Economic Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$42,010.00
	Description	The Town will provide low-interest loans to assist businesses that promise to hire low-moderate income workers, training them if necessary to fulfill the requirements of the position. This activity is funded with revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated 5 Low-Mod Jobs will be created/retained.
	Location Description	Town Wide, Villages of Depew (west of Transit Road) and Sloan

	Planned Activities	Provide financial assistance to small and medium-sized businesses locating, relocating, or expanding into the Town.
23	Project Name	Program Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	CDBG: \$276,896.00
	Description	Program administration includes staff costs, fringe benefits, supplies and equipment, training, audit costs, etc. associated with planning, oversight, reporting, and implementation of mandated HUD programs. In 2025 this activity will be accomplished with CDBG entitlement funds, as well as anticipated CDBG program income of \$60,000, and \$25,502 of anticipated CEDC revolving loan funds.
	Target Date	3/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	N/A
	Planned Activities	HUD Matrix Code: 21a

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

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

The Town of Cheektowaga encompasses approximately 70 square miles with the City of Buffalo adjacent on its west side, West Seneca on the south, Depew/Lancaster Transit Road on the east, and the Town of Amherst on the north. The highest concentration of minority households can be found in the northwestern quadrant of Town, while low-mod households are now scattered throughout the Town, unlike in the past when low-mod households and minority concentration overlapped. It is believed the increase in aging population in the Town has contributed to the scattered pockets of low-mod households. As a result, projects such as Housing Rehabilitation are offered town-wide, while other public infrastructure projects may be concentrated in designated low-mod areas of Town, where the infrastructure is much older.

The table below show the geographic distribution of funds. However, because the largest portion of funds are allocated to the housing rehabilitation program, which is available town-wide, and can occur in the targeted areas below, actual percentages for funds expended may increase.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Cedargrove Heights	2
Walden Avenue	0
Pine Hill/Genesee St.	0
Depew	11
Sloan	4
Clinton	21
Town Wide	62

Table 21 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The Town of Cheektowaga is under a DEC consent order to mitigate sanitary sewer overflows. In addition, the neighborhood chosen for infrastructure improvements has also had significant issues with flooding. As a result, the Town Engineering Department proposes performing full-depth road reconstruction projects including new storm drainage, concrete curbing, coupled with tear-out and replacement of existing roadways to control runoff and improve drainage. CDBG funds will be utilized in

conjunction with Town funds to execute these projects.

Discussion

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

The Town of Cheektowaga recognizes that housing programs by themselves will not eliminate or reduce poverty. Subsidized programs such as those targeted in the Consolidated Plan can free up cash resources for living necessities, but these programs alone cannot raise a household above the poverty level.

The Town of Cheektowaga also understands the importance of coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies and has developed the Annual Plan through consultation and cooperation with such agencies. In doing so, the Town continues its working relationship with numerous social and housing service providers, which serves as a foundation for coordination and cooperation in the implementation of the Annual Action Plan. Acknowledging that each agency plays a specific role in providing different types of services, the Town will adhere to a policy of encouraging on-going communication, referrals, and exchange of information among these agencies. Such a policy will allow the Town to serve as a catalyst to help ensure that the full range of appropriate resources are made known and available to service agencies in order to provide a thorough and complete approach to meeting priority housing, social, and health needs of low-income persons.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The Town of Cheektowaga is aware of a sizable need for affordable rental housing in the Town that cannot be addressed with limited CDBG and HOME grant dollars. As a result, the Town participates in the Erie County PHA Consortium as a community member. The Consortium, lead by the Town of Amherst, contracts with Belmont Housing Resources for WNY to administer the Section 8 Renters Assistance Program in Erie County.

The growth of businesses and jobs is vital to the success of a community as well. The Cheektowaga Economic Development Corp. (CEDC) has assisted businesses to grow, expand, and provide new jobs to lower income area residents by providing working capital loans from a revolving loan fund established with prior years' CDBG funds.

In addition, Workforce Buffalo and Erie 1 BOCES provide leadership in promoting the economic vitality of our region, by supporting job growth and ensuring that those that are unemployed, under-employed, and dislocated have the education, skills, and workforce preparation to meet employer's needs. Employment opportunities may also be available for Community Development projects under the Section 3 requirement. Section 3 provides for preference to be given to a contractor who meets requirements for Section 3 certification by agreeing to hire low-income Town residents for that project. The Town advises contractors working on projects in excess of \$200,000, funded with CDBG and HOME funds, to post any job opening in the area of work and with agencies serving low-income families.

In response to increased interest rates, the Town of Cheektowaga offers low- or no-interest loans to

low-moderate income persons to make house improvements, with affordable monthly payments, or the potential for repayment upon sale of the house. This option allows eligible homeowners to address necessary housing issues, while reducing the burden a traditional bank loan might put on the household.

The Town of Cheektowaga Youth & Recreation and Senior Services departments provide community services to both young and old in the Town. From sports and skating at the Town's recreation facilities, community activities at Town parks, volunteer opportunities, and social development for youth, these Departments seek to enrich the lives of Town residents. Counseling programs and linkages to other services are available to connect families and seniors to agencies that can assist in all areas of life.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The Town of Cheektowaga will continue to undertake housing rehabilitation and acquisition/rehabilitation/resale projects to foster and maintain the affordable housing stock in Town. In addition, Cheektowaga funds and coordinates with agencies that provide housing and financial counseling, foreclosure prevention, landlord-tenant education, housing services, youth services, senior services, and services for victims of domestic violence with the goal of increasing residents overall quality of life.

Beginning in FY 2019, the Amherst-Cheektowaga-Tonawanda (ACT) HOME Consortium established our own HOME Value Limits as outlined in 24 CFR §92.254 (a)(2)(iii) to establish a new HOME Value Limit for 1-unit existing structures. Over the last several years there has been a tremendous increase in housing values in the Towns of Amherst, Cheektowaga, and Tonawanda. As a result, the Consortium has had difficulty utilizing HOME Investment Partnership funding for our Homeowner Rehabilitation Programs and Acquisition/Rehabilitation/Resale projects and in keeping the housing units under the established value limits, even in lower-income areas.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The Town of Cheektowaga has taken numerous steps toward the elimination of lead-based paint hazards including, but not limited to educating rehabilitation loan recipients on the dangers of lead-based paint hazards through the distribution of federally approved literature. The Town actions are supported by programming provided through the Erie County Department of Health, including:

Erie County Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program: The Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program and the Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Initiative are county-wide programs available in all areas of Erie County. These programs provide information and tools for families, homeowners, and property owners to aid in the prevention of children from being exposed to dangerous lead hazards. Activities are focused in neighborhoods that have been identified as "Communities of Concern" and "Areas of High Risk" where children are at highest risk for lead poisoning. Lead Primary carries out activities in 1 thorough 4 unit family homes (built before 1978) in zip codes identified by the NYS Dept. of Health as "Communities of Concern" for lead poisoning. Sometimes neighborhoods in

these zip codes are identified to receive a concentrated intervention. These neighborhoods are called “Areas of High Risk” and are designated as such by the Erie County Commissioner of Health, based upon established NYS guidelines. Each home in the “area of high risk” receives an exterior inspection, and in some cases, an interior inspection and a lead education visit for the occupant. Repairs, utilizing lead safe work practices, must be made to any identified lead hazards. Lead Primary also works with Community Partners to make houses lead safe.

Home Renovation, Repair, and Painting Training: Contractors who perform renovation, repairs, and painting in pre-1978 housing must be certified and must take special precautions around paint that may contain lead. Under the strict EPA Renovation, Repair, and Painting rule, special certification is required for all home improvement work in housing built before 1978 and in ANY child occupied facility. This rule is intended to ensure that any activity that disturbs paint in older housing is performed using lead-safe work practices. Erie County provides free Lead-Safe Work Practices training for homeowners. In these classes you will learn how to work safely around lead when remodeling, repairing, or painting your home. This training is for any homeowner who lives in owner occupied/non-rental pre-1978 property who is performing repairs, renovations, or remodeling themselves. Any homeowner who lives in owner occupied/non-rental pre-1978 property and is planning to hire a contractor can learn about the federal requirements for contractors to perform work in a lead safe manner. Any occupant who lives in pre-1978 housing can learn about the requirements for property managers and landlords to perform work on their rental units in a lead safe manner. The Erie County Lead-Safe Work Practices training does not meet EPA RRP requirements for professional contractors or property owners/managers working on rental property. While regular cleaning, painting, and maintenance of existing painted surfaces can be sufficient to keep homes lead safe, the tools required to perform these processes can be expensive. Under Erie County’s Lead Safe Tool Borrowing Program, individuals who complete the 6-hour Lead-Safe Work Practices trainings are eligible for a free 1-year membership in The Tool Library, a nonprofit tool-lending library that is partnering with the ECDOH to provide families access to tools needed to protect themselves from lead exposure and maintain affordable, safe housing.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The Town of Cheektowaga applies a well-rounded approach to distributing CDBG funds. While supporting housing programs is extremely important for residents’ quality of life, it has been determined that public services are equally as essential. Poor mental health can impair one’s capacity for making decisions, including, but not limited to financial decisions. Financial hardships can also cause mental health issues, such as stress and anxiety. By supporting all aspects of one’s well-being, the overall hope is to reduce jurisdictional poverty rates.

The Cheektowaga Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) takes on a well-rounded mission of facilitating the expansion and retention of businesses in the Town, with the goal of fostering and

promoting economic development to create and preserve employment opportunities for our residents.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Town of Cheektowaga Office of Community Development will continue to actively participate in the Cheektowaga Community Collaborative, and aim towards recruiting additional agencies with the goal of knowledge being power when it comes to helping our residents in need.

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

The Town of Cheektowaga understands the importance of coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies and have developed this Plan through consultation and cooperation with such agencies. In doing so, the Town continues to participate in the Cheektowaga Community Collaborative, which was created to connect the Town's Offices of Community & Economic Development, Youth & Recreation, and Senior Services with individuals, non-profit organizations, local schools, and colleges to help understand and address the needs of the citizens in the Town.

Discussion

Emphasis will continue to be placed on the Cheektowaga Community Collaborative, which is a partnership of the community, governmental departments, and social service providers for the underserved. This collaborative provides a strong foundation for Town residents by working together and sharing information from all involved to deliver and connect persons of need to all available services.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

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

Other CDBG Requirements

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

Discussion

Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources

1	Data Source Name 2011-2015 ACS
	List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.
	Provide a brief summary of the data set.
	What was the purpose for developing this data set?
	Provide the year (and optionally month, or month and day) for when the data was collected.
	Briefly describe the methodology for the data collection.
	Describe the total population from which the sample was taken.
	Describe the demographics of the respondents or characteristics of the unit of measure, and the number of respondents or units surveyed.