



## TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

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**To:** Honorable Mayor and Town Council

**Date:** October 23, 2012

**From:** Christopher Moore  
Housing and Community  
Development Specialist

**Item No:** 9

**Subject:** ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSOLIDATED PLAN/SECOND YEAR  
ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES FOR 2013-2014

**T.M. Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Budgeted Item:** ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Town Council approve the following list of Community Development Block Grant and HOME priorities, as established in the Strategic Plan, to be used as a guideline by the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee in making funding recommendations to the Town Council for the 2013-2014 Action Plan.

1. Preserve the Existing Housing Stock (Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation)
2. Increase Affordable Homeownership Opportunities (Down Payment Assistance)
3. Address Public Service Needs
4. Affirmatively Further Fair Housing to Ensure Equal Access to Housing Lower Income, Ethnic Minorities and Special Needs Groups (Fair Housing/Landlord-Tenant Mediation Programs)
5. Create safer, more attractive and more accessible neighborhoods and stimulate economic growth through the improvement of infrastructure
6. Expand the economic base and promote greater employment opportunities for residents
7. Provision of Public Facilities and Park Improvements

### SUMMARY:

Since the initial adoption of the first Town of Apple Valley Five-Year Consolidated Plan in 1997, the Town Council has established the practice of setting annual priorities to be used as a guideline for funding recommendations outlined in each year's Action Plan.

Due to the formation of the HOME Consortium, the priorities established now will provide direction for both CDBG as well HOME funded activities.

Pursuant to CDBG regulations, all projects must meet one of three national objectives set forth by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): (1) Benefit low and moderate income households, (2) Aid in the elimination/prevention of slum and blight, or (3) Meet an urgent need. Pursuant to HOME regulations, HOME funds are specifically focused on affordable housing activities and may be used to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership opportunities. Recommended projects for funding should be consistent with addressing the needs identified, and priority strategy developed, in each five-year Consolidated Plan.

**It is now appropriate for the Council to establish a list of priorities to be used as a guideline for funding CDBG and HOME projects during the 2013-2014 program year. Each year's Action Plan priorities should be consistent with the priorities established in the Five-Year Strategic Plan. Based upon the foregoing, staff recommends adoption of the form motion.**

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The priorities identified in the existing 2012-2016 Five-Year Consolidated Plan are summarized below:

1. Preserve the Existing Housing Stock
2. Expand the Supply of Affordable Housing
3. Assist in Reducing Housing Costs for Extremely Low- and Low- Income Households
4. Assist special needs persons with reducing housing costs and with meeting their rehabilitation needs.
5. Increase Affordable Homeownership Opportunities
6. Eliminate Blighted Conditions and Substandard Housing Through Enhanced Code Enforcement Activities and Demolition
7. Provide Shelter and Related Services to Meet the Needs of the Homeless Population and Support the Development of a Continuum of Care System on a Region-Wide Basis
8. Affirmatively Further Fair Housing to Ensure Equal Access to Housing for Lower Income, Ethnic Minorities and Special Needs Groups
9. Coordinate Public and Private Efforts to Reduce Lead-Based Paint hazards and Protect Young Children
10. Create Safer, More Attractive and More Accessible Neighborhoods and Stimulate Economic Growth Through the Improvement of Infrastructure
11. Provision of Public Facilities and Park Improvements
12. Address Public Service Needs
13. Expand The Economic Base and Promote Greater Employment Opportunities for Residents

Although the Town has made progress in meeting some of the priorities established in the current Five-Year Consolidated Plan, it is far from addressing all of the needs identified. In particular, HUD requires cities to substantially address priorities outlined in their five-year housing strategy. Existing state requirements also create a need to develop more affordable housing.

On October 3, 2012, a Consultation Meeting was held to solicit input from non-profit entities and service providers as to the housing and community development needs of our community. For your information, a copy of the identified needs is included as "Attachment A." Also on October 9, 2012, a public hearing was held to solicit input from residents of the community regarding housing and community development needs. "Attachment B" summarizes comments of the public.

The anticipated CDBG allocation for 2013-2014 is \$581,334, based upon last year's formula allocation. The estimated HOME Consortium allocation for 2013-2014 is \$513,588. Apple Valley and Victorville share in the HOME Consortium allocation and will receive an estimated \$215,476 and \$298,112 respectively. These funding estimates are based on 2012-2013 allocations and will be updated in Spring 2013 when final HUD allocations are announced. Provision of funding estimates at this time is simply for perspective of anticipated funding.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

## ***Attachment 'A'***

### ***Service Providers Consultation Meeting Survey Results Second Year Action Plan 2013-2014***

<b><i>PRIORITY NEEDS</i></b>
<i>Food Services</i>
<i>Shelter Services</i>
<i>Senior Services</i>
<i>Health Services</i>
<i>Mental Health Services</i>
<i>Handicap Services</i>
<i>Youth Services</i>
<i>Emergency Services</i>
<i>Job Training</i>
<i>Transitional Housing</i>
<i>Assisted Housing</i>
<i>Transportation Services</i>
<i>Recreation Services</i>
<i>Funeral/Cremation</i>
<i>Fair Housing</i>
<i>Financial Literacy</i>
<i>Utilities</i>
Substance Abuse Prevention
Other – Small Business Training
Other – Job Development
Other – Creation of Affordable Housing

***Attachment 'B'***

Comments from Public Hearing #1  
October 9, 2012

There were no comments made by the public at this hearing.