

**TOWN OF
APPLE VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

AGENDA MATTER

Subject Item:

ESTABLISHMENT OF CONSOLIDATED PLAN PRIORITIES

Summary Statement:

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, (2) Aid in the elimination/prevention of slum and blight, and (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 new list of priorities to be used as a guideline for funding CDBG and HOME projects during the 2010-2011 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.

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 2010-2011 Action Plan.

1. Preserve the Existing Housing Stock (Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation)
2. Increase Affordable Homeownership Opportunities
3. Assist low-income individuals and families in reducing utility costs (Energy Efficiency Programs)
4. Expand the Supply of Affordable Housing
5. Address Public Service Needs
6. Affirmatively Further Fair Housing to Ensure Equal Access to Housing Lower Income, Ethnic Minorities and Special Needs Groups (Fair Housing Program)

Proposed by: Assistant Town Manager, Econ & Community Dev. **Item Number:** _____

T.M. Approval: _____ **Budgeted Item** **Yes** **No** **N/A**

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The priorities identified in the existing 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 of Extremely Low- and Low- Income Households
4. Increase Affordable Homeownership Opportunities
5. Eliminate Blighted Conditions and Substandard Housing Through Enhanced Code Enforcement Activities and Demolition
6. 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
7. Assist Special Needs Persons with Reducing Housing Costs and with Meeting Their Rehabilitation Needs
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 September 17, 2009, 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."

The anticipated CDBG allocation for 2010-2011 is \$640,161. The estimated HOME Consortium allocation for 2010-2011 is \$695,537. Of that amount, Apple Valley and Victorville will receive an estimated \$289,135 and \$406,402 respectively.

Attachment A

Consolidated Plan Victor Valley/High Desert Regional Consultation Meeting Housing and Community Development Needs Thursday, September 17, 2009

Needs Identified by Non-Profit Entities and Service Providers

Housing Needs:

Affordable housing
Make foreclosed homes available to non-profits to house homeless individuals and families
Energy efficiency programs for residential properties
Transitional housing for youth and foster care children/rape victims

Community Needs

Affordable after-school care
Facility for rape victims in the High Desert (Victims are taken to Redlands or Fontana)
Additional facilities for victims of domestic violence
Drug prevention programs
Rent assistance programs
Workforce development/education
Job creation
Park and recreation services
Establish more food banks
Food banks need financial assistance
Clothing centers for low income and homeless
Educational services for families
Facilities/programs for fostered teens
Business attraction/industrial business attraction
San Bernardino County Library Literacy Program needs tutors in Adelanto
Women's shelter in Phelan
Aids Project needs facilities to house patients
Additional homeless shelters
Certified First Response Training Programs
Community-based orchestra

Public service agencies need to coordinate and expand services
 Create services directory
 Spread awareness about the 211 referral system administered by the United Way
One stop shop in the high desert—bring more social services to the high desert to eliminate the need to travel to San Bernardino
Increased obesity rates in children
 More sidewalks
 Walking trails
 Bike paths
Transportation
 Need more frequent services

Need services to San Bernardino
Need funding for low income individuals as some cannot pay for bus passes.



**Community and Housing Needs
Consultation Meeting Survey Results
Fourth-Year Action Plan 2010/2011**

PRIORITY NEED LEVEL	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW
1.			
<i>Senior Services</i>	4	2	0
<i>Youth Services</i>	4	1	1
2.			
<i>Food Services</i>	3	0	1
<i>Emergency Services</i>	3	1	2
<i>Mental Health Services</i>	3	1	0
<i>Shelter Services</i>	3	1	0
<i>Assisted Housing</i>	3	0	1
3.			
<i>Recreation Services</i>	2	0	2
4.			
<i>Health Services</i>	1	4	0
<i>Handicap Services</i>	1	2	0
<i>Transportation Services</i>	1	0	3
<i>Adult Literacy</i>	1	0	0
<i>Drug Abuse Prevention</i>	1	0	0
<i>Transitional Housing</i>	1	0	1
<i>Job Training</i>	1	2	1