

City of Plantation



Fiscal Year 2020 – 2024 Consolidated Plan

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Executive Summary

ES-05 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – 24 CFR 91.200(C), 91.220(B)

INTRODUCTION

Every five years, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the creation of a Consolidated Plan to assist the City of Plantation (City) in determining community needs and further provide a community-wide dialogue regarding affordable housing and community development priorities. This document is the Consolidated Plan for the City for Fiscal Years (FY) 2020 to 2024. It also includes the Annual Action Plan which serves as the City's official application to HUD for the Community Development Block Grant Funds.

CDBG is a flexible funding source that can be used for both housing and non-housing activities, including neighborhood revitalization, workforce and economic development, community and nonprofit facilities, and infrastructure and public services in low-moderate income communities. The City anticipates approximately \$2,169,188 in CDBG funds for the Consolidated Plan period.

The FY 2020 – 2024 Consolidated Plan is the strategic plan for allocating and leveraging the CDBG entitlement grant. It utilizes qualitative and quantitative data gathered through citizen participation, market analysis, and an assessment of need to identify the highest priority needs in which to direct entitlement dollars. The following goals were approved to meet these high-priority needs (in no particular order or ranking):

GOAL 1 Increase and preserve affordable rental and homeowner housing to improve access to housing opportunities that reflect community needs, including but not limited to, opportunities in close proximity to transit, employment, and community services.

GOAL 2 Enhance the City's economic stability by investing in inclusive economic growth initiatives that develop and strengthen small businesses and support local entrepreneurs.

GOAL 3 Foster individual and household resiliency by investing in employment and workforce development programs and improving access to job opportunities.

GOAL 4 Support the development of vibrant, equitable, and adaptable neighborhoods by investing in public facilities and critical infrastructure.

GOAL 5 Assist individuals and families to gain stable housing after experiencing homelessness or a housing crisis by providing appropriate housing and service solutions grounded in best practices.

GOAL 6 Invest in community services that promote equity and serve vulnerable populations.



SUMMARY OF THE OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES IDENTIFIED IN THE PLAN NEEDS ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

The City of Plantation has developed its strategic plan based on an analysis of the data presented in this plan and via community participation and consultation process. Through these efforts, the City has identified the following priority needs:

- ◆ Public Services & Quality of Life Improvements
- ◆ Preserve & Develop Affordable Housing
- ◆ Grow and Strengthen Small Business

EVALUATION OF PAST PERFORMANCE

The City is responsible for ensuring compliance with all rules and regulations associated with the CDBG grant programs. The City's Annual Action Plans and Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports (CAPERs) provide details on projects and programs completed by the City over the past five years. The City recognizes that the evaluation of past performance is critical to ensuring the City is implementing activities effectively and those activities align with the City's overall strategies and goals.

The FY 2016/2017 Action Plan furthered the goals of the Consolidated Plan, focusing on the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program. Funding was made available for the improvement of pedestrian lighting along a street in the income eligible neighborhood of Park East. The plan also included public service programs, and allowed funding for administration.

The FY 2017/2018 Action Plan furthered the goals of the Consolidated Plan, focusing on the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program. The plan also included public service programs, and allowed funding for administration.

The FY 2018/2019 Action Plan furthered the goals of the Consolidated Plan, focusing on the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation and Down Payment Assistance Programs. The plan also included public service programs, and allowed funding for administration.

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SUMMARY OF CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PROCESS AND CONSULTATION PROCESS

The City of Plantation encourages citizen participation and actively encourages citizens, particularly low and moderate-income households and those with special needs, to participate in the planning and development of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan (AAP). The City of Plantation works to ensure community stakeholders and citizens have adequate opportunities to participate in this planning process.

The City's efforts to allow for participation in the development of the Consolidated Plan and first-year Annual Action Plan include a Public Hearing and a Public Comment Review Period. Written comments could be returned to the Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Department at 401 NW 70 Terrace, Plantation, FL 33317.

A summary of citizen outreach efforts is described in PR-15 Citizen Participation Process.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

A summary of comments can be viewed in the PR-15 Citizen Participation Process. All comments were accepted.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS OR VIEWS NOT ACCEPTED AND THE REASONS FOR NOT ACCEPTING THEM

All comments were accepted.

SUMMARY

Through data analysis, the City is able to make a complete assessment of the needs in the community. Primary data sources for the Consolidated Plan include: 2018 American Community Survey, 2014-2018 American

Community Survey (ACS) 5- Year Estimates, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD). Data analysis is supplemented by GIS maps to provide geographical visualization of the data.