

APPENDIX L

PUBLIC NOTICE OF 2005-2009 CONSOLIDATED PLAN



HEARING NOTICE

SUMMARY of 2005-2009 CLARK COUNTY/VANCOUVER CONSOLIDATED HOUSING and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROPOSED STATEMENT of OBJECTIVES and USE of FUNDS for CLARK COUNTY FY 2005 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM and HOME PROGRAM

Citizens' comments are welcomed and encouraged for the draft of the 2005-2009 Clark County/Vancouver Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan including the 2005 Action Plan. Copies of the draft plan are available between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday, at the Clark County Department of Community Services (DCS), 1610 'C' Street, Suite 201, Vancouver, WA, or by calling Peter Munroe at DCS, (360) 397-2130. A copy of the 2005-2009 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan including the 2005 Action Plan is available for review at all Clark County public libraries and on the Clark County web page at <http://www.clark.wa.gov/cdbg/documents.html>. Comments about the draft plan should be directed to Peter Munroe and may be submitted in writing to the Department of Community Services, P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666, by e-mail to pete.munroe@clark.wa.gov, or by calling the telephone number above. Comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 16, 2005.

A public hearing will be held May 10, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Hearing Room, Sixth Floor, Public Services Building, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA to receive and review public comment on the draft 2005-2009 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan and the proposed use of 2005 CDBG and HOME funds. Additional information may be obtained from the CDBG/HOME Program, Department of Community Services, P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666, phone (360) 397-2130, TDD (360) 397-6032 or the web site: <http://www.clark.wa.gov/cdbg/>. The Public Services Building is fully handicapped accessible. To request auxiliary aids, contact the Clark County ADA Office Voice (360) 397-2025, TTY (360) 397-2445, or Email: ada@clark.wa.gov.

SUMMARY of 2005-2009 CLARK COUNTY/VANCOUVER CONSOLIDATED HOUSING and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Consolidated Plan combines the planning and reporting processes for two federal community planning and development programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME). The funds are received by the county directly from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The plan contains five-year objectives for addressing the County's community development, housing, and homeless needs. The objectives are:

Establishing and Maintaining a Suitable Living Environment and Economic Opportunities

1. Support improvements to facilities owned and/or operated by nonprofits, including acquisition, rehabilitation, and accessibility improvements that provide services to low-income, elderly and special needs persons.
2. Revitalize and enhance low-income neighborhoods and communities by improving their physical and social character including infrastructure, streets, and sidewalk improvements, parks and other community improvements.
3. Support economic development by providing opportunities for low-income, unemployed and disadvantaged people through the promotion of a diverse economic base of family wage jobs.

Ensure Decent Affordable Housing

1. Increase the supply of housing affordable to renter households earning 60 percent or less of area median income (AMI). Insofar as possible, projects should serve households within a range of incomes below 60 percent of AMI and provide a range of unit sizes.
2. Promote homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income households including persons with disabilities and first-time homebuyers earning less than 80 percent of the area median income.
3. Create additional housing options and opportunities for self-sufficiency for low-income elderly persons and persons with disabilities or special needs.
4. When cost effective, preserve existing affordable housing units threatened with loss due to condition, location, expiring federal contracts, redevelopment efforts, or other situations. Includes reduction/ elimination of lead-based paint hazards.
5. Maintain and support the capacity of local non-profit housing organizations.
6. Plan for and support fair housing strategies and initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing and increase access to housing and housing programs.

Provide Services to End Homelessness

1. Maintain and enhance services and facilities that serve the needs of homeless individuals and families.
2. Support agencies that provide services for people who are at risk of becoming homeless.

2005 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

Funds for the Clark County CDBG Program are made available through Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. The sum of \$1,670,316 is anticipated to be available for the 2005 program year. This sum consists of \$1,506,815 from the 2005 Entitlement, \$90,000 from reprogrammed funds and \$73,501 from anticipated program income.

The 2005 CDBG funds will be used for activities benefiting low-and moderate-income persons.

1. **Clark County Public Pedestrian Connections on NE 23rd Avenue and NE 104th Street.** Funds for the construction of approximately 600 feet of walkway along the west side of NE 23rd Avenue from NE 99th Street to Sara J. Anderson Elementary School and construction of two sections of sidewalk on the south side of NE 104th Street completing the connection between Hwy 99 and Sara J. Anderson Elementary School. This project was provided pre-award costs, which will have no effect on recipient's eligibility for future grants. Total CDBG budget: \$200,000 from 2005 Entitlement.
2. **Washougal 25th, 28th, and F Streets Improvements.** Funds for the engineering and construction of sidewalks and curb ramps on 25th Street from "G" to "E" Street, on "F" Street from 25th to 28th Street, and on 28th Street from "G" to "H" Street. Total CDBG Budget: \$107,300 from 2005 Entitlement.
3. **Yacolt Jones Street Sidewalk.** Funds for the engineering and construction of sidewalks, curb ramps and a storm water control system along the south side of Jones Street between the town limits to the east and Johnson Avenue to the west. This award is made entirely from re-programmed funds and the 2005 entitlement. This project was provided pre-award costs, which will have no effect on the town's eligibility for future grants. Total CDBG Budget: \$241,700 (\$70,000 from reprogrammed funds and \$171,700 from 2005 entitlement).
4. **Camas NE 38th Avenue Improvements.** Funds for the construction of street improvements on NE 38th Avenue between Everett and Franklin Streets. The project consists of the construction of new curbs and sidewalks and the installation of three streetlights. The project shall also include water and storm water improvements. Total CDBG Budget: \$122,719 from 2005 entitlement.
5. **Clark County Housing Rehabilitation Program.** This program provides low-interest loans to homeowners throughout the County to rehabilitate or make small emergency repairs to single-family, owner-occupied homes. Seven households are projected to be served. Total CDBG budget: \$150,000 (\$108,799 from 2005 Entitlement and \$41,201 from Program Income)
6. **Share Wise Moves Transitional Housing.** Funds will be used to support the staffing of a tenant-based housing counselor and case manager for Share's Wise Moves transitional housing program. The goal of the program is to transition families from shelters into permanent housing through the use of rental subsidies and on-going case management. Total CDBG Budget: \$32,300 from Program Income.
7. **Inland Empire Residential Resources Men's Recovery House.** Funds will be used to purchase a home to be used as transitional housing for up to seven men in recovery from drug and alcohol abuse who are waiting for in-patient treatment openings. Total CDBG Budget: \$20,000 from reprogrammed funds.
8. **Mental Health Northwest Wellness Project.** Funds for the acquisition of a facility at 317 East 39th Street, Vancouver to provide mental health services to low-income adults. Total CDBG Budget: \$200,000 from 2005 Entitlement.
9. **Clark County Historical Society Historical Museum Improvements.** Funds to make the Clark County Historical Museum accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Specific improvements include the construction of an elevator, construction of a 16th Street entrance and walkway and restroom accessibility improvements. Total CDBG Budget: \$150,100 from 2005 Entitlement.
10. **Unlimited Choices Adapt-A-Home.** Funds for small grants to low-income elderly and persons with physical disabilities or mobility problems to make their house or apartment accessible. Thirty households are projected to be served. Total CDBG Budget: \$86,834 from 2005 Entitlement.
11. **Council for the Homeless 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness.** Funds for the development of a comprehensive community-wide plan to end chronic homelessness and address family homelessness. Total CDBG Budget: \$17,000 from 2005 Entitlement.
12. **Project Management of CDBG Projects.** Funds will be used for the direct coordination and management of CDBG projects. Total CDBG Budget: \$59,000 from 2005 Entitlement.
13. **Clark County CDBG Program General Program Administration.** Funds for the overall management and coordination of the CDBG program by Clark County. Total CDBG Budget \$283,363 from 2005 Entitlement.

2005 Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Program

Funds for the Clark County HOME Program are made available through Title II (Home Investment Partnerships Act) of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The sum of \$2,097,488 will be available to the Clark County HOME Consortium for the 2005 program year. This consists of \$1,454,869 from the 2005 Entitlement, \$58,066 of American Dream Down Payments Initiative funds, \$479,289 in reprogrammed funds, and \$105,264 in anticipated program income. There is an additional \$533,300 available in HB 2060 (Document Recording Surcharge) funds.

FY 2005 HOME funds will be used for activities benefiting low-income persons.

1. **Vancouver Housing Authority Mill Creek Apartments.** Design and construction of 50 one, two, and three-bedroom apartments, and a community building for families with an income at or below 50% of the area median income. The location is 518 NW 12th Avenue, Battle Ground. Total Budget: \$478,500 from HB 2060 funds.
2. **Vancouver Housing Authority Mill Creek Senior Estates.** Design and construction of 28 one-bedroom apartments for senior citizens with an income at or below 50% of the area median income. The location is 520 NW 12th Avenue, Battle Ground. Total Budget: \$503,500 (\$448,700 from reprogrammed HOME funds and \$54,800 from HB 2060 funds).
3. **YW Housing Aurora Place Apartments.** Design and construction of 25 one, two, and three-bedroom apartments for families with an income at or below 30% of the area median income. The location is 8205 NE Fourth Plain Road, Vancouver. Total HOME Budget: \$737,500 (\$706,911 from 2005 Entitlement (CHDO set-a-side) and \$30,589 from reprogrammed funds).
4. **Columbia Non-Profit Housing First Home Loan Program.** Funds for financial assistance for approximately 15 first time homebuyers with incomes at or below 80% of area median income. Project will include pre- and post-purchase counseling and homebuyer seminars through the Community Housing Resource Center. Total HOME Budget: \$358,066 (includes \$194,736 from 2005 Entitlement, \$58,066 from 2005 ADDI funds, and \$105,264 from Program Income).
5. **Share - Aspire Tenant Based Rental Assistance.** Funds will be used to provide tenant-based rental assistance for approximately 39 people who are at or below 50% of area median income. The tenants will receive case management services and can stay in the program for up to 24 months. Total HOME Budget: \$287,500 from 2005 Entitlement
6. **Affordable Community Environments CHDO Operations.** Operating funds for a Community Housing Development Organization. Total HOME Budget: \$24,245 from 2005 Entitlement.
7. **Columbia Non-Profit Housing CHDO Operations.** Operating funds for a Community Housing Development Organization. Total HOME Budget: \$24,245 from 2005 Entitlement.
8. **YW Housing CHDO Operations.** Operating funds for a Community Housing Development Organization. Total HOME Budget: \$24,245 from 2005 Entitlement.
9. **Project Management of HOME Projects.** Funds will be used for the direct coordination and management of the HOME Program and for the direct coordination and management of individual HOME projects. Total HOME Budget: \$47,500.
10. **Clark County HOME Program General Program Administration.** Funds for the overall management and coordination of the HOME program by Clark County. Total HOME budget: \$145,487 from 2005 Entitlement.

2004 Action Plan Changes

HOME Program

Cancel Project:

Evergreen Habitat for Humanity Patten Park. Funds for the construction of infrastructure for approximately eight homes built for households with incomes at or below 60% of the area median income. The houses will be built on a 1.6-acre parcel of land located at 7017 NE 98th Avenue, Vancouver. Total HOME Budget: \$426,000 from the 2004 Entitlement. Funds reprogrammed to 2005 projects.