



City of Grand Island

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Council Session

Item G-19

#2022-365 - Approving Sending the CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation and Review to HUD

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Amber Alvidrez, Community Development

Meeting Date: December 20, 2022

Subject: Approving Submission of the 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Community Development Block Grant Funding to HUD

Presenter(s): Amber Alvidrez, Community Development Administrator

Background

The Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report describes accomplishments and progress throughout the past fiscal year with Community Development Block Grant, Federal funding from Housing & Urban Development. All entitlement grantees are required to complete a 3, 4 or 5 year Consolidated Plan that is carried out by an Annual Action Plan, at the end of each fiscal year a Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER) must be completed.

Discussion

The Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report addresses the funds that were still in use from previous year's allocations and \$404,226 of CDBG funds that were allocated for use beginning 10/1/2021. It also identifies areas of success and barriers towards meeting the community development priority needs, and objectives stated in the 5 year Consolidated Plan through activities that were implemented during the Program year 2022 as a result of Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Accept the Community Development Block Grant 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for submittal to HUD.
2. Do not accept the Community Development Block Grant 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for submittal to HUD.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council accept the report on the Community Development Block Grant 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for submittal to HUD.

Sample Motion

Move to accept the report on the Community Development Block Grant 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for submittal to HUD.

CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

The City of Grand Island has had areas of success throughout the 2021 program year in regards to goals stated in the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan. The City continues to utilize CDBG-CV funding with community partnerships to meet recognized needs of low to moderate income households. CDBG-CV funding has been used to implement programs that aid in preventing homelessness by providing Rent mortgage and utility assistance payments, Heartland United Way was able to aid 96 households throughout this program year with the creation of their COVID response program. Heartland United Way was also able to implement a Protect GI program. Through the creation of Protect GI, CDBG-CV funds were able to aid a large amount of non-profit service providers and individuals. Protect GI provides items that relate to PPE, sanitization and disinfectant to help mitigate COVID. These items were available to the general public and organizations that provide social services to those in need. Through the Protect GI program 13781 individuals were served throughout this program year.

Another organization making great stride in aiding vulnerable populations is The YWCA who sought to use CDBG-CV funds to aid those that lost their employment or required a change in employment as a repercussion of COVID. The YWCA created the Women's empowerment Center, which welcomed anyone who lost wages due to COVID, to enroll in the program. The Women's Empowerment Center provided classes and one on one tutoring to learn digital and soft skills, financial literacy programs and in some instances job training. The Program was able to secure other funding that aiding in meet the needs of those enrolled, to provide childcare at no cost while they were in the program as well as those who completed the financial literacy courses received a small monetary amount from a local bank to start a saving account. These programs made strides in meeting the goal: Prevent Prepare and respond to COVID-19 and providing aid to vulnerable populations.

In 2020 and 2021 a significant allocation was made to a local non profit known as RAILSIDE Downtown Business Improvement District. RAILSIDE has continued to use CDBG funds to help small businesses start up or relocate to the downtown area by offering aid in the form of Rental Assistance. This has both prompted owners of buildings downtown to renovate and aided small locally owned business to occupy recently rehabbed store fronts, while expanding their businesses. Through out the 2021 program year this program was able to provide Rental assistance to 2 new business, these business received aid for up to 80% of their rent for the first 6 months of occupancy.

CAPER

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OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 09/30/2021)

Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee’s program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Cultivate Small and Emerging Businesses	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$40000	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation	Business	2	2	100%			
Cultivate Small and Emerging Businesses	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$40000	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	15	0	0.00%			
Cultivate Small and Emerging Businesses	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$40000	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	0		3	0	0.00%
Increase and Perseve Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	7	0	0.00%			
Increase and Perseve Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Buildings Demolished	Buildings	15	0	0.00%			
Increase and Perseve Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	Household Housing Unit	15	0	0.00%			

CAPER

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OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 09/30/2021)

Prepare, Prevent and Respond to Covid-19	Prevent, Prepare and respond to Covid-19	CBDG-CV-3: \$ / Public Federal: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	150	13781	9,187.33%	0	13781	
Prepare, Prevent and Respond to Covid-19	Prevent, Prepare and respond to Covid-19	CBDG-CV-3: \$ / Public Federal: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	0	96	100%	0	96	
Program Administration	Program Administration	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	1	1	100%			
Support Public Services for vulnerable population	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0		1280	0	0.00%
Support Public Services for vulnerable population	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation	Business	3	1	33%			
Support Public Services for vulnerable population	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	6	0	0.00%			
Support Public Services for vulnerable population	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Housing for Homeless added	Household Housing Unit	0	0		10	0	0.00%

Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date

CAPER

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OMB Control No: 2506-0117 (exp. 09/30/2021)

Assess how the jurisdiction’s use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

All funds provided under the CDBG program address priorities identified within the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan. No one specific activity was denoted to be a higher priority than any other activity, as all activities aim to assist low-income residents of our community and meet a national objective. Although CDBG-CV funds as a whole were prioritized over annual allocation funds to help mitigate challenges that are still seen in our community as a result of COVID.

CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

91.520(a)

	CDBG
White	128
Black or African American	58
Asian	6
American Indian or American Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
Total	193
Hispanic	6
Not Hispanic	187

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds

Narrative

CDBG funds were utilized to benefit a variety of races and ethnicities. No one race was given priority over others, all programs were operated as a first come first serve basis.

The current numbers on the table above represent the clients served through out 2021 from various activities. Although majority of the numbers recorded above are a direct result from public service activities that serve populations that are low to moderate income. The activities are being implemented by organizations who partnered with the City as subrecipients, such as the YWCA, YMCA, and Heartland United Way, Salvation Army, Central Nebraska Community Action Partnership and The Literacy Council.

CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	385,907	
Other	public - federal	0	

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

Due to many challenges that our community partners have faced as a repercussion of COVID, some planned activities did not move forward as expected. Organizations who are often sub-recipients suffered throughout the year in regards to staffing, lack of volunteers and lessening monetary donations. Due to those reasons some projects no longer had the ability to leverage resources as originally expected and could not move forward with proposed activities. Any funds that are remaining will be placed in a substantial amendment to formulate new programs and activities that will meet the needs within our community.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
Blight & Substandard Area #1	4		
Blight & Substandard Area #2			
Blight & Substandard Area #4			
Blight & Substandard Area #6			
City of Grand Island	76		
LMI Census Tracts	18		

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

The Table above represents funding that has been expended to date from the 2021 allocations and past allocations.

Leveraging

Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.

At this time the City of Grand Island does not require a local match from sub grantees although the City plans on using funds, whenever possible, to assist community groups and organizations in leveraging resources. This means the City will consider projects a priority if the CDBG funds will be used as a leverage to further secure additional funding to conduct a project on a scale much larger than would have been possible with CDBG funds alone.

The YMCA daycare scholarship program is being used to layer on top of other funding sources to lower the cost of childcare for low to moderate income families. This allows more spots for those receiving childcare subsidies.

The Women’s Empowerment Center was able to obtain other grant opportunities and funds from private donors to add incentives to their programs. Women who were enrolled and received services such as aid in job searching, job training, or interviewing skills or budgeting skills were able to receive free child care for the first 2 weeks at their new job and a prorated childcare costs until they found their childcare after entering a new Employment. The Women’s empowerment was also able to secure funding from Allstate that allowed program participants who completed budgeting skills courses at the YWCA to receive \$200 to start a savings account.

CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	96	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Total	96	0

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	96	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
Total	96	0

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.

At this time there were no projects that had outcomes in terms of building new households or rehabbing existing households. With the use of CDBG-CV funds CNCAP and Heartland United Way were both able to implement programs that aid in providing Rental and mortgage assistance to those that lost wages due to COVID. Both CNCAP and Heartland United Way programs were significant to meeting the needs within our community and continued to utilize funds to meet those needs throughout this previous program year after moratoriums were lifted and many employers no longer provided sick leave with pay. The community members still face covid difficulties and once encountered are still losing wages due to this.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

The City of Grand Island works hard to continue progressing towards the housing goals set in the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan. Although the Owner Occupied Rehabilitation programs have had slow progress, they generally are effective to meeting the the housing quality needs in our community, the City believes the speed of progress in past programs can be directly related to COVID-19 and there fore would fund programs similar in the future, Other directions the City has gone in the past is impletmenting a Purchase, Rehab, and Resell program. As this program purchases houses within the community and “rehab” them, which in turn aides not only LMI persons but can help the curb appeal of a neighborhood.

The City has yet to do so, but may in the future look at neighbor hoods who have worst case houses and target areas of LMI to do specific target area rehabilitation. With the creation of community housing groups such as the housing Improvement Partnership/BUILD GI group, and a rental needs taskforce the City hopes to build and maintain affordable housing options within Grand Island by creating partnerships between for-profit developers, landlords and non-profit housing service providers. The City does recognize that there is a need for affordable housing

and hopes that these community groups can foster growth in this area.

Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	38	0
Low-income	40	0
Moderate-income	15	0
Total	93	0

Table 7 – Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

The information provided on the table above is a direct result of those served through the 2021 program year with the use of CDBG funds. Programs that contribute to this number are listed below:

Central Nebraska Community action Partnership- GI cares, Emergency payments

Heartland United Way- COVID Community Response

CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)
Evaluate the jurisdiction’s progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

Throughout this program year, the City of Grand Island did not partake in any projects that specifically targeted homelessness. The City continues to support local area Continuum of Care (CoC) by having a staff member from the Community Development Division attend the meetings. The CoC has several local agencies that serve homeless persons. The Local CoC works as a collective group to meet and conduct case coordination to better help individuals find the services best suited for them.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City of Grand Island continues does have multiple agencies such as Hope Harbor, Crossroads Mission, and Crisis Center, who provide transitional shelter while participating in programs that promote self sufficiency.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

The City of Grand Island allocated previous funds to Hope Harbor who partnered with other services providers to implement a Project Connect Event, this acted as a one day event where homeless and near homeless were able to locate services in one location. The City of Grand Island works with the Local Continuum of Care and other Local non-profits to continue seeking financial help from other State and Federal Entities. Majority of the providers who participate in the local CoC follow the “Housing First Policy”, the group is equipped to discuss what services are needed and which agencies can help individuals after discharge from institutions.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

The City does not experience a high number of chronic homelessness compared to near homeless. The City does participate in discussion of homelessness needs through both the regional CoC and the local CoC group and has formed partnerships with community partners that aid in preventing homelessness.

CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

The City of Grand continues to support agencies such as the Hall County Housing Authority. The Hall County Housing Authority (HCHA) currently has the Public Housing Program which allows the HCHA to offer 391 apartments and scattered homes in the Hall County area at an income based rate.

The City of Grand Island continues to work with other non-profit agencies and the Hall County Housing Authority through a committee called BUILD GI which acts as a hub for housing needs.

Actions taken to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

The City of Grand Island continues to coordinate with the Continuum of Care (CoC) in order to partner with other non-profits to meet needs that are within the Community of Grand Island.

The City of Grand Island welcomes and encourages the participation of all of its citizens in the development of these plans and in the review of progress in implementing plan activities. The City particularly encourages involvement by low and moderate income households, individuals residing in areas targeted for program activities, minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as persons with disabilities. In addition, residents of public housing and other assisted housing groups are encouraged to participate. We encourage local and regional institutions and other organizations including businesses, neighborhoods associations, housing developers including the hall County Housing Authority, and Community and Faith Based organizations to become involved in the planning process.

The Hall County Housing Authority is a separate public body from the City and provides all of the services to citizens for any housing choice vouchers, Section 8 programs, and public housing. The HCHA does have a full time social worker who offers free confidential social work services to the HCHA residents, the social worker assists residents by diagnosing problems, advocating for and providing referral services to individuals and families dealing with various challenges.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

The City of Grand Island has no plans of Action in this specified area at this time.

CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)

Actions taken to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)

The City continues to seek opportunities for public input in restrictive policeis and procedures. The City of Grand Island has taken actions in the past to remove negative effects of public policies in regard to the development of affordable housing including the change of subdivision regulations to allow for narrower streets and small lots sizes, thereby reducing the cost to the developer, which could in turn foster a reduction in cost to the potential homeowners.

In regard to the CBDG funds and future plans to remove or ameliorate barriers, the City of Grand Island has partnered with other local housing agencies to form the Housing Improvement Partnership, this group works within the community to aid in the goal of obtaining affordable housing.

Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of Grand Island continues to find new ways to develop affordable housing and economic opportunities. The city continues to provide support to many organization within the community as well as organizations that are receiving CDBG funds. As the City continues to work with other organizations and the BUILD GI committee’s Partnership begins to grow, the city will have a group well suited for meeting the goals by using activities which meet national objectives and serve the needs of developing stable neighborhoods and/or addressing housing needs of income-qualifying senior citizens.

Recently the Grand Island Area EDC And BUILD GI group were able to apply for the Nebraska Rural Workforce Housing Funds and were able to Secure \$1 million with a \$1 million match allowing a 2 million dollar program that will aid in over coming the obstacles that have been seen within our community, such as the price of infill lots, and infracstructure.

Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City Of Grand Island did not directly operate any rehabilitation efforts specifcally addressing

lead based paint issues although Owner, Occupied, rehabilitation programs did take place during the past program year. For this reason, the Lead based Paint Guidelines which apply are those directly related to sub-recipients of CDBG funds. The following actions are included in the City's Community Development Policy and Procedures Document:

"At a minimum, sub-recipient is required to:

a) Notify a purchaser or lessee of the presence of any known lead-based paint and/or; lead-based paint hazards;

b) paint test surfaces to be disturbed or removed during rehabilitation for the presence of lead-based paint, or presume lead-based paint and notify the occupants of the results within 15 days of when the evaluation report is received or the presumption is made;

c) Provide each occupied dwelling unit discussed in (a) and (b) in the preceding section with the EPA-approved lead hazard information pamphlet Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home or EPA- approved equivalent;

d)Reduce Lead Hazards as required by the applicable subparts of Part 35(full description of Part 35 is available in the Community Development Policy and Procedures, it states the varying levels of requirements, in relation to the level of financial assistance provided0; and

e) Perform clearance testing, including dust testing, before re-occupancy after all but minimal ("de minimis") amounts of paint disturbances."

It should also be noted that the Community Development Policy and Procedures states that "Where regulations differ, Sub-recipients are held to the stricter of the standards."

At this point and time, the City of sees the implementation and enforcement of the above guidelines as actively attempting to reduce Lead Based Paint Hazards.

Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City continues to offer CDBG grants for Public Services to Non-profit Service providers within Grand Island. Additionally, other sectors of Grow Grand Island are working to address the needs of poverty-level families, including workforce initiatives and education initiatives. The City of Grand Island's

Emergency Management Department, Police Department and Fire Department also have various programs that support poverty-level families. It is the intent of the City to continue to support these programs in its efforts to address the poverty needs.

Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of Grand Island Continues to work closely with community partners through the local and regional Continuum of Care groups. The City continues to support agencies such as the Salvation Army, Hope Harbor, Housing Development Corporation and Hall County Housing Authority. With these Partnerships, the City Continues to make progress towards providing services to vulnerable populations. Although current progress in serving homeless or poverty stricken persons is achieved through these partnerships as each agency offers different expertise. The City has also worked closely with the Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation (GIAEDC). The GIAEDC was able to fund and complete the current Housing Study for the City the Grand Island. This allowed the City and partnering agencies to continue progress in addressing the needs of homeless and poverty stricken persons within the City of Grand Island.

Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of Grand Island continues to participate in monthly meetings with the local Continuum of Care. The City and other non-Profit partners within the CoC continue to cooperate in finding ideas to meet the housing and residential needs within the community of Grand Island. Throughout the past couple of years the City of Grand Island and other community partners have formed a working committee called BUILD GI which now has its own LLC under the Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation, this committee has housing partners from both the private and public sectors to build much needed relationships as well as to help generate funding for housing development through grants and matching funds.

Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)

In regard to furthering affordable housing, the City continues to work towards providing for a range of housing types and densities for all economic segments of the population. The City encourages equal and fair access to housing for renters and homeowners.

The City also promotes accessibility by providing affordable housing by formulating innovative policies, regulations and practices, and establishing secure funding mechanisms and targeting affordability programs toward household with income considered low to moderate income.

In order to overcome these impediments the City Of Grand Island works towards making progress on goals that were prioritized by the City in the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan, which were to increase affordable housing options within the city and provide support services for neighborhoods and vulnerable populations. Progress towards goals was made by working with local partnerships such as the continuum of care, Housing Development Corporation, Habitat for Humanity and Hall County Housing Authority.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements

The City of Grand Island executes contracts for all CDBG activities. These contracts meet the applicable program and federal requirements. The City monitors contracts for compliance with these program requirements, including general management, performance goals, financial management, data collection, reporting, eligibility determinations, non-discrimination, fair housing, affirmative marketing, Davis-Bacon labor compliance, etc.

In accordance with 24 CFR Part 85.36(e) and 84.44(b), the City will take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority firms, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

Community Development Division staff is responsible for monitoring program activities to assure timely use of the funds and compliance with HUD regulations and guidelines in implementing program activities under the programs. Basic tools used to accomplish this include, Contractual obligations of grant recipients which consists of a written document outlining what is expected of both sub-recipient and the City of Grand Island. Each Sub-recipient is required to complete quarterly reporting which includes the amount of clients/households/ business that have been served, progress to meeting national objective, as well as a brief explanation of progress and/ or lack of progress and updates. Every six months the Community Development Division will conduct an on-site monitoring for each sub-recipient in order to ensure that all compliances are being followed such as retention of files and financials are being kept according to contractual obligations

Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)

The most recent version of the Citizen Participation Plan was adopted by City Council on May 26, 2020 to include all new and additional parameters as identified in regard to becoming an Entitlement Community. The Citizen Participation Plan intends to make the community aware of CDBG projects and processes, as well as to make the pathway for becoming involved with review of CDBG funding as accessible as possible. A copy of the citizen participation plan, which includes public hearing time frames and varying methods in which the Community Development Division will make information available is accessible on the City of Grand Island's website at www.grand-island.com, under the Community Development section or available in print from the Community Development Division directly at Grand Island City Hall, 100 E. 1st Street, Grand Island, Nebraska.

Outside of the public hearing process, opportunities to comment on proposed plans and other documents are available to the general public and other persons affected by the activities of the programs. A notice will be published in the Grand Island Independent in English, with directions for translation in Spanish, providing 30 calendar days for the public to comment on the Citizen Participation Plan, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Plan Amendments and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report.

Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.

The City of Grand Island continues to focus on the objectives and goals that were outlined in the 2019-2023 Consolidated plan and 2019 Annual Action plan, at this time there are no changes.

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.

Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?

no

[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.

CR-58 – Section 3

Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance provided

The City did not have programs or activities that were considered to fall within the Section 3 guidelines.

Total Labor Hours	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Total Number of Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Total Labor Hours					
Total Section 3 Worker Hours					
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours					

Table 8 – Total Labor Hours

Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing Targeted Workers					
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding Targeted Workers.					
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).					
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).					
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.					
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment including: drafting resumes, preparing for interviews, finding job opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.					
Held one or more job fairs.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.					
Assisted residents with finding child care.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.					
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.					
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online technologies.					
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.					

Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.					
Other.					

Table 9 – Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program

Narrative

RESOLUTION 2022-365

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2015, the City of Grand Island became an Entitlement Community; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development requires multiple certifications in order to comply with the Community Development Block Grant Program requirements; and

WHEREAS, all grantees are required to report on accomplishments and progress toward Consolidated Plan goals in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) ; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Division created the required Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation and Review document to meet the requirements of the Entitlement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA that the City of Grand Island, Nebraska is hereby approves and adopts Community Development Block Grant, 2021-2022 Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report for submission to the Department of Housing and Urban Development also known as HUD; and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign such certifications on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 20, 2022.

Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
December 16, 2022	☐ City Attorney