

# Fiscal Year 2023 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) City of Columbus Annual Action Plan Summary

#### Introduction

The City of Columbus Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section, solicited project proposals for the use of Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant funding in the summer of 2022.

The City receives annual allocations from HUD for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), which has a 15% public service cap<sup>1</sup> and a 20% administration cap<sup>2</sup>, the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program, the HOME Partnership (HOME) program which funds affordable housing opportunities and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program which provides homelessness prevention and shelter assistance.

This summary of the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan outlines projects the Grants Management Section received from both internal and external applicants, and is considering for inclusion in the City's submission of FY 2023 Annual Action Plan to HUD. The projects are expansions of existing programing and new programing to serve low-to-moderate income Columbus residents. Expenditures must be consistent with community needs, priorities and strategies stated in the City's HUD 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

Projects are listed in the grant sections below under a City of Columbus Strategic Plan Goal which are identified in the City's HUD 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The Strategic Plan Goals are:

- 1.) Preserve and expand affordable housing
- 2.) Program Management, capacity building and/or admin
- 3.) Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions
- 4.) Provide housing for special needs populations
- 5.) Provide homebuyer education and other counseling
- 6.) Ensure equal access to housing
- 7.) Foster business expansions in areas of need
- 8.) Foster development of skills for residents in need
- 9.) Provide educational/recreational youth programs
- 10.) Improve health outcomes
- 11.) Provide housing and services for persons with HIV
- 12.) Increase access to housing and emergency shelter
- 13.) Public facilities/Infrastructure improvements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Public Service is defined in 24 CFR Part 570.201 (e) as services including but not limited to those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, fair housing counseling, energy conservation, welfare, homebuyer downpayment assistance, or recreational needs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Administrative cost is defined in 24 CFR Part 570.206 and is related to the planning and execution of community development activities.

#### **FY 2023 HUD Allocations**

In September 2022, Grants Management estimated the below budgets to be the total grant awards for each HUD grant allocation for 2023.

FY 2023 Program	Budget
Community Development Block Grant	\$7,500,000
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	\$2,275,000
HOME Investment Partnership	\$5,650,000
Emergency Solutions Grant	\$600,000

#### Citizen Participation Process for the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan

During each year of the City's HUD Annual Action Plan development process, the City follows its Citizen Participation Plan which is approved within the City's HUD 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The section below outlines the efforts made to date by the City to engage with the public throughout the development of the City's FY 2023 Annual Action Plan.

#### **CDBG Workshops**

The Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management section hosted a public workshop on May 19th at 4:00 PM to announce the opening of the FY 2023 CDBG grant application and assist prospective applicants in understanding the CDBG program and refining their project ideas. The meeting was held at 141 N. Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, in the conference room located on the bottom level of the City of Columbus' parking garage. The meeting was advertised through social media and email.

The Grants Management Section also hosted four public workshops at local libraries to allow prospective applicants who were unable to attend the downtown workshop opportunities to receive the same information, and to allow applicants who needed assistance with their applications to ask questions and receive support in person. These workshops were held at the following times and locations:

June 1, 2022 at 1 PM at the Columbus Metropolitan Library Parsons Branch – 1113 Parsons Ave June 2, 2022 at 1 PM at the Columbus Metropolitan Library Hilltop Branch – 511 S Hague Ave June 7, 2022 at 9 AM at the Columbus Metropolitan Library Barnett Branch – 3434 E Livingston Ave June 10, 2022 at 9 AM at the Columbus Metropolitan Library Karl Road Branch – 5590 Karl Rd

#### First Public Comment Period

The City of Columbus started a fifteen (15) day public comment period on October 9th, 2022 when a notice was published in the Columbus Dispatch and this HUD Annual Action Plan Summary was made available on the City's Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management webpage. This document provides an overview of every project proposed for FY 23 CDBG, HOME, HOPWA and ESG. The Grants Management section will accept comments through October 24, 2022, 5:00 PM.

# First Public Meeting

The Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management section will host a public meeting on October 18th, 2022 at 5:30 PM. Each project proposed for inclusion in the FY 2023 Annual Action Plan will be shared and available for discussion. The meeting will be held at 141 N. Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, in the conference room located on the bottom level of the City of Columbus' parking garage. The meeting will be advertised through social media, email, and a legal advertisement in the Columbus Dispatch newspaper, which was published on October 9th, 2022.

## **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

The total FY 2023 CDBG budget for eligible activities is \$9,424,480.84. The total budget is made up of the FY 2023 allocation from HUD awarded to the City, the City's prior year Returned Funds, Revolving Loan Fund, and Program Income generated from HUD funded programs. The table below notes each funding resources' total dollar amount contributing to the whole FY 2023 CDBG budget. Proposed projects are listed according to the strategic goal that they address.

Funding Resources	Budget
2023 CDBG Entitlement Budget	\$7,500,000
CDBG Return of Funds to Local Account	\$1,174,480.84
Revolving Loan Fund	\$448,000
2022 CDBG Program Income	\$302,000

#### Goal: Provide Educational / Recreational Youth Programing

- 1.) Columbus Recreation and Parks Department (CRPD) Capital Kids
  - CDBG Budget: \$631,580
  - The CRPD Capital Kids program for Columbus youth incorporates trained staff, state of the art technology, high expectations and high performance standards designed to gauge students' academic achievement and to also provide participants with a safe place to learn and play when school is out.
- 2.) Columbus Recreation and Parks Department (CRPD) Fitness Camps
  - CDBG Budget: \$91,860
  - CRPD provides a camp for children ages 6 to 14 years that operates during the summer & winter when school is not in session. The program is designed to especially benefit the children of working parents. As part of the program, the School's Out camp offers a day long, well supervised camp that allows children to take part in a variety of recreational, educational, cultural and physical fitness activities in a safe and secure environment.
- 3.) Leadership Through Golf
  - CDBG Budget: \$142,419
  - The Leadership Through Golf program uses golf as a tool to help develop skills in our youth. The program will: provide golf programming in each of the 28 community centers with a minimum of 2 programs per location; employ at least 24 youth in the golf section for summer 2023; work with CRPD's Community Recreation and Therapeutic Recreation to provide 30 site visits to one of the six golf courses for free programming; and enter into a partnership with CCS.

- 4.) All THAT Teens Hopeful About Tomorrow All THAT Center of Excellence
  - CDBG Budget: \$674,520.00
  - This project will upgrade their "outdated, neglected" facility to create an engaging safe environment for LMI teens and their families. The redevelopment will allow ALL THAT to expand their current education and employment services and social, emotional (SEL) programming.
- 5.) Columbus Literacy Council MARVEL\*US
  - CDBG Budget: \$366,200
  - MARVEL\*US is an academic enrichment program for low-income youth ages 5-13. The curriculum uses evidence-based research to support academic achievement and the DESSA to promote Social Emotional well-being and fewer absences and disciplinary incidents. They hope to serve 140 students in the Groveport area.
- 6.) Columbus Housing Partnership, Inc., dba Homeport Expanding Out of School Opportunities for Low Income Children
  - CDBG Budget: \$250,000.00
  - Homeport currently hosts out of school programs at seven of their 42 communities. Support is requested to add two communities and one new staff person to help in implementation and administrative needs. These two new communities will support 100 youth.
- 7.) Community Development for All People Youth Development Programs
  - CDBG Budget: \$50,000
  - CD4AP will use The Children's Defense Fund (CDF) Freedom Schools Program model, a summer literacy enrichment program designed to serve children and young adults (ages 5-13) in communities on the margins, to provide youth programming to 150 LMI students during the critical out-of-school time hours for 42 weeks of the calendar year.
- 8.) Pneuma Outreach Ministries The Fly House Youth Mentor Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$15,500
  - Pneuma Outreach Ministries will be partnering with a qualified residential treatment program Group Home that provides 24-hour care services to male youth ranging from the ages of 12-18. The program will focus on five areas: life coaching, sports/physical activities, community service, personal/spiritual development, and career readiness.
- 9.) Remember Us Urban Scouts INC The Urban Scouts Clubhouse
  - CDBG Budget: \$750,000
  - RUUS has a need for training, office, and storage space. RUUS has requested funding to construct the Urban Scouts Clubhouse to house all program activities, training,

nonprofit space for partners, and event space for the community. RUUS provides specialized training for youth 13 - 18 years old in the Linden area.

- 10.) Seven Baskets Community Development Corp Various Columbus Mideast, Columbus Southwest
  - CDBG Budget: \$61,232
  - The School Partnership project proposes expanding Seven Baskets' presence in three Columbus City Schools' elementary schools: Lindbergh, Scottwood, Shady Lane. Program activities include: tutoring and mentoring; an afterschool program; nutritional assistance via a weekend food bag; and assistance with school supplies and weather-appropriate attire on as-needed basis for students.
- 11.) MY Project USA Investing in Refugee and Immigrant Youth Empowerment
  - CDBG Budget: \$867,000
  - Acquisition of the facility at 3275 Sullivant Ave., current home to its Youth Empowerment Center and other programming. The agency currently offers academic, leadership and recreational programming to protect and empower at-risk refugee and immigrant children, teens and their families.

#### Goal: Public facilities / infrastructure improvements

- 1.) Hilltop Smart Lighting Phase One
  - CDBG Budget: \$1,516,032
  - The project will replace outdated lighting infrastructure and implement Smart Lighting in the Hilltop neighborhood generally bounded by I-70 on the north and east, Wilson Road on the west, and Briggs Road on the south. Planned construction activities are the replacement of approximately 3,500 existing HPS lights with LED lights and connection to a central control system.
- 2.) 2023 Neighborhood Curb Ramp Improvements
  - CDBG Budget: \$1,100,000
  - DPS will design and construct ADA compliant curb ramps at approximately 60 intersection locations eligible for CDBG funding where there are no ramps or ramps not compliant with ADA standards.
- 3.) 2023 Neighborhood Sidewalk Gaps Improvements
  - CDBG Budget: \$550,000
  - DPS will design and construct sidewalk necessary to fill in the gaps in the sidewalk network in approximately 34 locations eligible for CDBG funding.

- 4.) 2023 Neighborhood Sidewalk Replacements
  - CDBG Budget: \$150,000
  - DPS will design and construct the replacement of concrete sidewalk damaged by City tree roots at locations eligible for CDBG funding. There are an estimated 46 sidewalk locations to be serviced.
- 5.) Columbus Park and Tree Canopy Improvements Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$1,896,800
  - This funding allows Recreation and Parks to carry out major park improvements at 6 parks primarily benefitting lower-income neighborhoods. Parks sites are: Mifflin Park-2471 Agler Road, 43230; Karns Park-1284 South Ohio Avenue,43206; Tuttle Park-240 West Oakland Avenue, 43201; Southwood Mileusnich Park-181 Southwood Avenue, 43207; Carriage Place Park-4900 Sawmill Road, 43235; and Parkridge Park-3460 Morse Road. The park improvements are centered on the full replacement of the existing playgrounds at 4 parks, site furnishing replacement and a shelter renovation, and the milling and resurfacing of basketball courts, walking paths and tennis courts and site restoration at 3 park locations.
- 6.) Reeb Avenue Center Kitchenette and Boilers Replacement
  - CDBG Funding Requested: \$102,000
  - This funding would cover a full renovation of the Reeb Avenue Canter's kitchenette area. The area is currently used as part of the center's charitable food services. The heating and cooling in the facility require replacement of boilers.
- 7.) Columbus Historical Society The Columbus Heritage Center
  - CDBG Budget: \$2,160,000
  - The Columbus Historical Society wants to purchase the building on 550 West Broad and clear the property, minus the two large healthy trees, and create roughly 27,700 sq. ft. of greenspace. This will create a consolidated campus that will focus on Columbus history and offer related educational programming. Eventual plans include moving their Sullivant Land Office to the property along with another historic Franklinton building.
- 8.) Franklinton Gardens (DBA Franklinton Farms) The Taproot Market and Operations Project
  - CDBG Budget: \$1,107,604.46
  - Franklinton Gardens is requesting funding for infrastructure and construction of a new building for permanent operations space and local fresh market to serve the Franklinton community.
- 9.) Terriseta Calloway / Jonathan Robinson Grace, A Fresh Market
  - CDBG Budget: \$560,000
  - Phase one of project includes rehabilitation and partial demolition of 1132 East Long Street. Once complete, a grocery market & kitchen will occupy the first floor of the

building. The second floor will be leased separately. Phase two will include grocery store build-out and purchasing the neighboring parcel to expand the square footage of the retail grocery space.

- 10.) Maroon Arts Group Acquisition of the York Mason Building
  - CDBG Budget: \$1,500,000
  - Maroon Arts Group's acquisition of the York Mason Building a historical staple in the underserved, majority Black King-Lincoln/Bronzeville neighborhood ensures the venue's preservation during a time where much of King-Lincoln/Bronzeville's history has experienced erasure by gentrification. The site will host events and performances, house local arts organizations, connect the community, and empower talented artists, designers, and performers by providing them with much-needed economic and educational opportunities.

#### Goal: Preserve and expand affordable housing

- 1.) City of Columbus Chores Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$250,000
  - The Chores program serves senior and disabled homeowners at 80% AMI and below with minor home repairs up to \$2,000 per unit. In doing this work, these homeowners are able to remain safely in their homes.
- 2.) City of Columbus Roof Replacement Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$677,568
  - This program assists LMI homeowners with repairs that constitute a critical condition, and when such condition is not corrected, could cause the homeowner to vacate their home.
- 3.) Cultivate Community Development Corporation Comprehensive Household Assistance Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$428,000.00
  - This project is an expansion of their Comprehensive Household Assistance Program which has existed since 2019. The program assists those in the Columbus Milo-Grogan neighborhood with rent
  - and utility assistance, transportation assistance, food aid, out-of-state birth certificates, repairs for homeowners, appliance repair or replacement, snow removal, yard work, and referrals to other organizations in the community as appropriate.
- 4.) Franklinton Development Association Westside Rehabs
  - CDBG budget: \$500,000
  - Project includes the rehabilitation of 2 units of housing in the Hilltop and/or potentially Franklinton neighborhood(s) to provide affordable housing to benefit LMI households.

- 5.) Franklinton Rising East Side Apartments
  - CDBG Budget: \$96,192
  - Franklinton Rising is requesting funding for Phase 1 of their affordable housing and workforce development project on the East Side of Columbus. Phase 1 includes planning, permitting, and trainer training. Phase 2 would take place in 2024 and involve the construction of a multi-unit affordable housing apartment complex utilizing Franklinton Rising's construction workforce training program.
- 6.) Habitat for Humanity MidOhio Roof Repair Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$360,000
  - Will operate a roof repair program to serve 31 LMI households throughout Columbus.
- 7.) Rebuilding Together Central Ohio, dba Modcon Living Tool Library Home Ownership Sustainability Program (HOSP)
  - CDBG Budget: \$86,500
  - This project will allow LMI households in the City of Columbus to borrow quality tools at no charge to maintain their homes. The measurable outputs of the project will include;
  - 1) Increased HOSP membership; 2) Increased loans to HOSP members; and 3) increased HOSP members served through the purchase of new tools.
- 8.) Renew Homes Ohio Low-income home ownership maintenance and preservation program
  - CDBG Budget: \$300,000
  - Funding will be used to assist in start-up costs of the organization and program. Their goal is to provide 30-50 low-income homeowners with free maintenance services in the following categories: lawn care, tree removal, gutter/soffit maintenance, exterior paint, HVAC repair, minor roof repair, and plumbing.
- 9.) Somali Community Link Emergency Rental Assistance
  - CDBG Budget: \$710,600
  - They will provide rental assistance for all the rear payments and add three months in advance. The rent assistance will cover January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

#### Goal: Ensure equal access to housing

- 1.) City of Columbus Fair Housing
  - CDBG Budget: \$150,000
  - The City will contract with local civil rights organizations and other qualified organizations to provide education, marketing and outreach, and collect and investigate complaints of housing discrimination.

## Goal: Foster development of skills for residents in need

- 1.) A Step in the Right Direction SRD Community Center
  - CDBG Budget: \$326,256.00
  - This project will have five significant steps: securing the location, recruitment, program & community outreach, and implementation. The center itself will provide education, housing, and employment resources to residents in the Hilltop community.
- 2.) City of Refuge GoodLife Foundation The GoodLife Skilled Trades Training Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$305,129
  - The training program, being offered in partnership with the National Skilled Trades Training Network, provides instruction leading to certified pre-apprenticeship status in a chosen skilled trade area. The program is focused on entry-level positions with the objective of giving graduates an advantage over the non-certified at-large labor pool.
- 3.) Columbus Fashion Initiative d/b/a Columbus Fashion Alliance CFA Workforce Development + Education Programs
  - CDBG Budget: \$546,000
  - This project will serve 50 young adults ages 16-24 and 100 adults in 2023. Youth will participate in one or both of the following: 1. Fashion Club during the academic year--an 8 hour/week program offering exposure to fashion and retail careers and 2.) Summer Immersion Capstones: 8-week immersive mentorship and skills training sessions hosted in collaboration with local and national retail and fashion brands and employers who partner with CFA.
- 4.) Community Development for All People South End Cafe
  - CDBG Budget: \$50,000
  - This funding will support the operations of a social enterprise called the South End Café located at 1951 Parsons Ave. The Café plans to provide employment and job training for those on the South Side of Columbus (at least 51% of jobs will be available to LMI persons), access to affordable and healthy food, and a community gather space.
- 5.) Franklinton Development Association Financial Life-skills Program
  - CDBG Budget: \$123,082
  - The program is broken up into six classes that review the participants' relationship with money, budgeting, banking, credit, loans, debt management, job-training, entrepreneurship, taxes and insurance. CDBG funding would expand the program to serve an additional 90 people. 90% of their total participants are from the Westside of Columbus, including the Franklinton and Hilltop neighborhoods.

- 6.) Franklinton Gardens (DBA Franklinton Farms) Cornerstone Workforce Development Garden
  - CDBG Budget: \$30,250
  - Acquisition of parcel 894-896 and 900-902 W Rich St. for permanent use as a Workforce Development learning site (run by Education Program Staff), annually supporting 8-12 young people through two seasons of their Urban Farming Apprenticeship program.
- 7.) Godman Guild Association State-of-the-art Workforce Development Center in Downtown Columbus
  - CDBG Budget: \$450,000
  - The Workforce Development Center will house their T.E.E.N. (Teen Education and Employment Network) program and Workforce Development programs for opportunity youth and adults. It's a 35,000 square facility that will be completely renovated to fit the needs of the programs.
- 8.) Pyramid Community Development Corporation Pyramid-SMARTech
  - CDBG Budget: \$400,534
  - Pyramid CDC's project is to occupy a 2,400 square foot multi-use retail location to design, operate and manage a Computer Electronics and Accessories Social Enterprise location for programming. This location will offer IT and Small Business Internship opportunities for individuals to gain real-work experiences by working in this retail location and administration office.
- 9.) Sanctuary Collective DBA Sanctuary Night Sanctuary on Sullivant
  - CDBG Budget: \$479,777
  - Sanctuary Night provides vulnerable women a place to rest, eat, connect, and get desired resources. This funding will go to personnel and supply costs to increase capacity and services.
- 10.) Southside Hope Community Development Corporation Hope Community Center
  - CDBG Budget: \$175,000
  - This project involves renovation of a 4,200 square foot non-profit facility at Wesley Church of Hope, United Methodist. The center will support creating opportunities for homeownership, financial literacy education, promoting long-term residency, and increasing neighborhood pride for residents in the Marion-Franklin area. Renovations include replacing aging HVAC system, updates to classrooms, an office, large meeting space, and kitchen to host and serve 360+ residents annually.

## Goal: Foster business expansions in areas of need

- 1.) Aventi Enterprises, LLC Aventi Loan Fund
  - CDBG Budget: \$156,187
  - Aventi Enterprises will provide a minimum of twelve (12) loans to small businesses with a maximum of \$25,000 per loan in 2023. They expect approximately 25 borrowers to apply to the loan fund. They will also provide 1600 hours of technical assistance to borrowers and non-borrowers. It is estimated that consultants will provide 125 150 hours of consulting per month.
- 2.) Economic and Community Development Institute Minority Contractors Resource Center (MCRC)
  - CDBG Budget: \$500,000
  - The MCRC will continue to provide minority-owned and low-income business with industry-specific training, one-on-one technical assistance, access to markets and bid opportunities, and access to working capital through ECDI's responsible loan products.
- 3.) Zora's House Weinland Park Facility Improvements
  - CDBG Budget: \$742,000
  - Zora's House requests CDBG funding for furniture, fixtures, and equipment for their community hub. Zora's House aims to expand and build a new 10,000 square foot community hub to serve as a center for leadership, innovation, and an economic empowerment engine for Black, Indigenous, AAPI, Latina, and other WOC.

## Goal: Ensure safe and sanitary property conditions

- 1.) Legal Aid Society of Columbus Housing Conditions Project
  - CDBG Budget: \$100,000
  - The Legal Aid Society requests that the Department of Finance and Management award CDBG funding for a public service project to assist low-to-moderate income renters in Columbus. The objective of the project is to improve conditions of low-income housing stock in Columbus by using legal tools to encourage landlords to invest in the maintenance of their rental properties. The project's goal is to assist 250 tenant families and investigate the improvement of at least 250 rental units in one year.

#### Goal: Program management, capacity building and / or administration:

- 1.) Department of Finance and Management Grants Management Administration
  - CDBG Budget: \$400,000
  - Grants Management Section staffing and contracting in the Department of Finance and Management for administration of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grant.

## Goal: Provide homebuyer education and other counseling:

- 1.) City of Columbus Housing Counseling
  - CDBG Budget: \$120,000
  - The City will contract with HUD approved housing counseling agencies to provide homebuyer and homeowner counseling to include pre-purchase counseling, tenant counseling and foreclosure prevention. HOME funded homeownership purchasers are required by regulation to have pre-purchase counseling.

## Goal: Improve health outcomes:

- 1.) Refuge, Inc Balcony Code Enforcement 1601 Sullivant Ave.
  - CDBG Budget: \$468,837
  - 1601 Sullivant Ave houses all men in The Refuge's 13-month alcohol and drug addiction recovery program. This project will repair the property's balconies deemed unsafe by the City of Columbus. The program serves roughly 100 men each year.
- 2.) Refuge, Inc Ryan Ave. Building
  - CDBG Budget: \$545,114.43
  - The project will provide the first step toward construction of a new residential facility to house

men for The Refuge residential drug and alcohol recovery program. The new facility will allow the expansion of the program to serve about 50 more individuals.

#### Goal: Increase access to housing and emergency shelter:

- 1.) Our Brother's Keeper
  - CDBG Budget: \$300,000
  - Our Brother's Keeper owns the mixed used building at 2918 E. 5th Avenue which the organization would like to rehab for efficiency, single and two bedroom temporary, transitional housing for low income persons. The units will target newly homeless individuals and persons exiting the justice system.

## Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

The total FY 2023 HOPWA budget for eligible activities is \$2,275,000. The total budget is the FY 2023 allocation from HUD. The estimate listed below is based on the previous year's allocation.

<b>Funding Resources</b>	Budget	
2023 HOPWA Entitlement	\$2,275,000	
Budget		

#### Goal: Provide Housing and Services for Persons with AIDS

- 1.) Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
  - HOPWA Budget: \$1,149,560
  - Funding will be used for Tenant Based Rental Assistance for those who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless.
- 2.) Permanent Housing Placement (PHP)
  - HOPWA Budget: \$73,948
  - Funding will be used for Permanent Housing Placement to assist eligible households to secure stable housing.
- 3.) Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility (STRMU) assistance
  - HOPWA Budget: \$377,642
  - Funding will be used to prevent homelessness of individuals and families by helping them remain in their own dwellings and increasing their access to supportive services.
- 4.) HOPWA Support Services
  - HOPWA Budget: \$471,716
  - Funding will be used to provide supportive services such as case management, housing counseling, and resource identification.

#### Goal: Program Management, Capacity Building and / or Administration

- 1.) HOPWA Administration
  - HOPWA Budget: \$68,250
  - Staffing and other costs for HOPWA grant administration.

## **HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)**

The total FY 2023 HOME budget for eligible activities is \$5,650,000. The total budget is made up of the FY 2023 allocation from HUD awarded to the City and program income generated from HOME funded programs. The table below notes each funding resources total dollar amount contributing to the whole FY 2023 HOME budget.

Funding Resources	Budget
2023 HOME Entitlement Budget	\$5,000,000
2022 HOME Program Income	\$650,000

## Goal: Preserve and Expand Access to Affordable Housing

- 1.) Community Housing Development Organization Set Aside
  - HOME Budget: \$750,000
  - Required set aside of 15% of HOME fund allocation for awards to city certified CHDOs.
- 2.) Rental Housing Development
  - HOME Budget: \$3,420,000
  - Providing gap financing for new construction and substantial renovation rental projects.
- 3.) Downpayment Assistance
  - HOME Budget: \$135,000
  - Up to \$7,500 for downpayment and closing costs for low or moderate income homebuyers.
- 4.) Homeowner Housing Development
  - HOME Budget: \$375,000
  - HOME funds will be utilized for the development and affordability assistance for new homeowner housing units.
- 5.) Rebuilding Lives Tenant Based Rental Assistance
  - HOME Budget: \$325,000
  - Tenant Based Rental Assistance for those who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless.
- 6.) Community Housing Development Organization Operating Support
  - HOME Budget: \$200,000
  - Operating support provided to the Community Housing Development Organizations by the Community Development Collaborative.

# Goal: Program Management, Capacity Building and / or Administration

- 1.) Department of Development Housing Division Staff
  - HOME Budget: \$400,000
  - Housing Division staffing in the Department of Development for administration of HOME Investment Partnership funded programs.
- 2.) Community Development Collaborative Operating Support (Administration)
  - HOME Budget: \$45,000
  - Community Development Collaborative funding for administration of CHDO operating support.

#### **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**

The total FY 2023 ESG budget for eligible activities is \$600,000. The total budget is made up of the FY 2023 allocation from HUD awarded to the City.

## Goal: Increase Access to Housing and Emergency Shelter

- 1.) Emergency Solutions Grants Programs
- a. ESG Budget: \$600,000
  - b. Emergency shelters provide access to beds for men and women in Columbus and Franklin County. Beyond providing a secure and clean place to sleep, shelter programs provide access to basic services such as showers, meals, healthcare and material assistance, along with supportive services, referrals to additional supportive services as needed, and crisis assistance. Shelter programs have resource centers that provide internet access, telephones, employment leads, job training resources and other community resources. ESG-funded Direct Housing programs provide services and financial assistance to families exiting emergency shelter programs into their own homes, with the goal of long-term stabilization.