

2020 Program Descriptions

1. **Project Clean-** Seasonal work crews are hired during the spring and summer to clean and cut vacant blighted city-owned lots, primarily in low/moderate income areas. These lots are targeted for redevelopment through the city's land reutilization program. Project Clean also includes removal of hazardous trees from City Land Bank lots and site improvements needed to remove debris and prepare the lots for redevelopment. **Community Gardens-** Funding supports the use of vacant, city-owned property as garden sites, provision of gardening supplies, and technical assistance to developers of neighborhood gardens. Produce generated is distributed among the Cleveland residents maintaining the sites and is donated to local food pantries.
2. **Demolition and Board-Up-** The Department of Building and Housing will administer a demolition program for condemned structures that pose a threat to the health/safety of Cleveland Residents.
3. **Public Service Activities-** The Department of Community Development will contract with various non-profit organizations to administer CDBG eligible public service activities for families, youth and senior adults. This includes Senior Transportation.
4. **CDC/Citywide Support-** This program provides activity grants to City-wide organizations or Community Development Corporations for CDBG eligible services, public facility activities, economic development activities and real estate development activities in strategic geographic areas and neighborhoods. The primary objective is to fund activities that stabilize existing housing, provide housing opportunities for low-income residents, and improve the quality of life in Cleveland neighborhoods. City-wide organizations or Community Development Corporations either operate programs that provide a direct benefit to low- and moderate-income residents or help support City programs that provide the direct benefit to low- and moderate-income residents.
5. **Storefront Renovation-** Financial and design assistance provided to commercial property owners and retail business owners to comprehensively rehabilitate buildings in the City of Cleveland. Improvements will only address the exterior appearance of commercial buildings and, as needed, restore the architectural integrity of the structure according to federal design standards. Where mixed use structures are involved (commercial/residential), program focus is the commercial presence of the building in the retail district. Exterior improvements will address maintenance, code and aesthetic items on the building as well as business signage that is within City codes; as well as functionally appropriate for the building. The Program does not address interior, residential code related items and does not result in decent, safe and sanitary units (DSS).
6. **Home Repair-** The Division of Neighborhood Services will provide direct assistance to low to moderate income occupants for rehabilitation, repair and maintenance of owner-occupied residential structures. Programs offered include Repair-A-Home (RAH), Senior Housing

Assistance Program (SHAP), Homeowner Rehab Gap Financing (AAH); Furnace Repair; Furnace Replacement; Hot water Tank Replacement, Tree Trimming and Gutter Program. The Division also operates the following programs for owner occupants and tenants: Lead Hazard Control Program and Healthy Home Program. Citywide Project.

7. **SHAP and CHORE-** Department of Aging provides support to the Department of Community Department's SHAP and CHORE programs in the form of applicant identification, applicant intake and associated program support with Department of Aging staff.
8. **Housing Trust Fund-** Through a competitive proposal process administered by the Department of Community Development, the Housing Trust Fund will provide a source of public capital for investment in housing development projects that will increase the supply of affordable housing units and/or assist in addressing housing related neighborhood revitalization strategies. The goals of the Housing Trust Fund program are: provide decent affordable housing to lower-income households; expand the capacity of nonprofit housing providers; strengthen the ability of organizations to provide housing, and; leverage private-sector participation. Homeownership Program.
9. **General Administration-** Direct program administration costs for staff salaries and benefits expenses, as well as direct operating expenses for federal entitlement funded employees. Also included are Indirect Costs and associated public information and planning activities.
10. **Neighborhood Development Activities-** This program provides activity grants to variety of entities for CDBG eligible services, public facility activities, economic development activities and real estate development activities in strategic geographic areas and neighborhoods. The primary objective is to fund activities that stabilize existing housing, provide housing opportunities for low-income residents, and improve the quality of life in Cleveland neighborhoods. Entities either operate programs that provide a direct benefit to low- and moderate-income residents or help support City programs that provide the direct benefit to low- and moderate-income residents. Neighborhood Development Activities are intended to ensure that funding is allocated throughout the City.
11. **Homeless Services (ESG) and Emergency Solutions-** As a result of continued high demand for shelter services, CDBG funds are used to supplement Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds. The combined ESG and CDBG homeless services funds for shelter services are allocated through a proposal process carried out in cooperation with the Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Office of Homeless Services.
12. **AIDS Related Services and AIDS Prevention-** The Department of Public Health will contract with neighborhood-based service providers in a five-county area to develop long-term comprehensive strategies and incentives to promote community awareness about AIDS, and to provide resources to address the housing needs of persons with AIDS and related diseases and their families.





