

**2013-14**

**Community Development Block Grant**

**Annual Action Plan  
Amendment #1**

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**September 2, 2013**



## I. INTRODUCTION

The 2013-14 Action Plan is a one-year plan to address housing and community development needs in the City of Lodi, with a particular focus on the needs of low-income households. This is the fifth year of the implementation of the five-year Consolidated Plan. Both the Consolidated Plan and the Action Plan are implemented by the Neighborhood Services Division in the Community Development Department.

The 2013-14 Annual Action Plan was adopted on May 1, 2013, based upon an estimated annual allocation of \$597,871 from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Subsequent to that adoption and submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), we received formal notification that our actual annual allocation amount was \$649,980. The additional \$52,109 received for 2013-14 has been temporarily documented as project contingency funds for cost overruns as permitted under 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)(i), and will be allocated to specific projects/services through this Action Plan amendment.

Upon the close out of 2012-13 CDBG projects and services, the City has identified two projects and three public services which have funding available for reallocation. The two projects have been completed and had costs that were lower than anticipated, leaving a balance available for reallocation. The three public services were not able to use their entire allocation by June 30, 2013. Those remaining funds from both projects and services will need to be reallocated to either new or existing projects. The total available for reallocation is \$60,286.

That reallocation amount, together with the additional \$52,109 received for 2013-14, provides a total of \$112,395 for distribution through this Action Plan amendment process.

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The Action Plan amendment is available for public review during a 30-day public comment period from September 2, 2013 to October 2, 2013. A public notice announcing its availability was published in the *Lodi News-Sentinel* on August 30, 2013. A public hearing on the Amendment will be held on October 2, 2013, at the Lodi City Council meeting.

## II. REALLOCATED FUNDS

The following projects and services are being considered for reallocation to new or existing projects:

Project Number	Project/Public Service Name	Balance for Transfer
12-03	Hale Park Court Resurfacing	\$41,770
12-05	Graffiti Abatement	\$14,211
12-07	Fair Housing	\$1,225
12-08	Spay/Neuter Program	\$1,959
12-10	Window Replacement – Lodi House	\$1,122
		<b>\$60,286</b>

The following fund balance is being considered for allocation to eligible 2013-14 projects and/or services:

Project Number	Project/Public Service Name	Balance for Transfer
13-99	Additional 2013-14 CDBG Funding	\$52,109

## III. ACTIVITY CHANGES

The City has identified new and existing activities to which it will commit the additional 2013-14 CDBG funding and the reallocated 2012-13 CDBG funding. In order to commit a substantial amount of funding to existing activities, or to create new activities, the City must amend the 2013-14 Annual Action Plan.

A description of the activities and proposed funding follows:

### ***PUBLIC FACILITIES***

**Hutchins Street Square - South Entrance ADA**, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services  
Improvements necessary to remove barriers to accessibility by permanently disabled persons by providing accessible paths of travel into and within an existing facility.

Output: One public facility improvement completed.

Outcome Category: Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments.

Goals Addressed: CD-1

Funding: \$75,000 – 2013-14 CDBG

\$26,792 – Additional 2013-14 CDBG  
\$101,792 – NEW TOTAL

**Grape Bowl ADA Accessibility Project**, Public Works Dept.

The Public Works Department has already completed work to remove barriers to accessibility by permanently disabled persons by providing accessible paths of travel into and within an existing facility. This work included creating an at-grade entrance to the field's west end, new ticket booth and concession stands, and restroom upgrades, new ADA seating and accessible ramps to those seating areas. These additional funds will add a ramp that is necessary for permanently disabled persons to access lower tier ADA seating that was not anticipated in the original scope of work.

Output: Public facility improvement.

Outcome Category: Accessibility for the purpose of providing a suitable living environment.

Goals Addressed: CD-6

Funding: \$485,000 – Existing 2012-13 CDBG  
\$60,286 – Reallocated 2012-13 CDBG  
\$545,286 – NEW TOTAL

**Hutchins Street Square – ADA Pool Chair Lift**, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

Improvements necessary remove barriers to accessibility by permanently disabled persons by providing a chair lift at the public pool.

Output: One public facility improvement completed.

Outcome Category: Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments.

Goals Addressed: CD-1

Funding: \$7,500 – Additional 2013-14 CDBG  
\$7,500 TOTAL

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## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

### **Spay/Neuter Program, LPD - Animal Services**

Sterilization for Feral cats trapped and released within the CDBG Target Area, as well as both friendly cats and pit-bull dogs from low income households.

Output: 150 persons assisted (low-income households)  
150 cats neutered (low-income areas)

Outcome Category: Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments.

Goals Addressed: CD-1, CD-3

Funding: \$20,000 – 2013-14 CDBG  
\$5,997 – Additional 2013-14 CDBG  
\$25,997 – NEW TOTAL

### **Hunger Relief Programs, Second Harvest**

Funding for the operation of the Food Assistance Program, the Senior Brown Bag Program, and the Food 4 Thought Program. Funding will allow Second Harvest Food Bank to purchase foods that are not typically donated to the food bank (e.g., meat and dairy products).

Output: 6,943 persons assisted.

Outcome Category: Accessibility for the purpose of creating suitable living environments.

Goals Addressed: CD-3

Funding: \$8,180 – 2013-14 CDBG  
\$1,820 – Additional 2013-14 CDBG  
\$10,000 – NEW TOTAL

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **Small Business Assistance, Small Business Development Center (SBDC) – San Joaquin Delta College**

Funding will allow SBDC to provide free business consulting services to existing and prospective low-income Lodi small business owners in such areas as start up feasibility assessment, business planning, marketing, financial management and seeking financing. Funding will also allow SBDC to provide monthly small business start up workshops to provide prospective business owners information and guidance on understanding regulatory requirements.

Output: 10 micro-enterprises assisted

Outcome Category: Support economic development and employment opportunities in the City's CDBG target areas.

Goals Addressed: CD-2

Funding:       \$0 – 2013-14 CDBG  
                  \$10,000 – Additional 2013-14 CDBG  
                  \$10,000 – NEW TOTAL

## **IV. REVISED OBJECTIVES/OUTCOMES**

### **OBJECTIVES**

With the adoption of the Annual Action Plan, the City identified the following key objectives for the 2013-14 funding period:

- Improve the ability of elderly and disabled residents to access their homes, the City's public facilities, and City streets and sidewalks.
- Increase the supply of affordable housing.
- Improve the condition of the City's housing stock.
- Improve public facilities benefiting low-income areas and targeted low-income populations.
- Remove blighting influences in low-income areas.
- Support community organizations to make improvements to their facilities.
- Assist community-based organizations to provide fair housing and basic needs programs to target-income residents.

With the additional 2013-14 CDBG funding, the following objective will be added to the Annual Action Plan:

- Support economic development and employment opportunities with the goal of developing small businesses and improving living conditions for low-income households.

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## **OUTCOMES**

With the adoption of the Annual Action Plan, the City identified the following outcomes for the 2013-14 funding period:

### **Housing**

The City will fund the weatherization of the Housing Authority's six-unit apartment complex in Lodi.

### **Public Facilities**

Barriers to the disabled and elderly will be removed as part of public facility, parks and right-of-way improvement projects. Public facility and parks improvements will also benefit low-income areas and target populations (elderly, homeless and disabled), and remove blighting influences.

### **Public Services**

Public service programs will reduce blight, reduce hazards to health and safety, and meet basic human needs.

With the additional 2013-14 CDBG funding, the following outcome will be added to the Annual Action Plan:

### **Economic Development – Micro-Enterprise Assistance**

Economic development activities will foster the development of small businesses owned by low-income persons.