

**City of Taunton  
and  
The Greater Attleboro/Taunton HOME Consortium (GATHC)**

**Draft HUD Annual Action Plan (HOME and CDBG)  
Program Year (PY) 2018**

In accordance with U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations as an entitlement community under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Lead Entity for the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, on behalf of the Greater Attleboro/Taunton HOME Consortium (GATHC), the City of Taunton is required to prepare an Annual Action Plan that is consistent with the City's and the GATHC's Five Year Consolidated Plan.

The Annual Action Plan explains how the City of Taunton and the HOME Consortium will invest program funds during PY 2018 to address needs identified in the Consolidated Plan and through public hearings.

**Estimated CDBG Program PY 2018: \$751,093** (estimated \$726,750 CDBG award + \$17,523 est. program income +\$7,000 reprogrammable funds)

The goal of the CDBG program is to develop viable neighborhoods by providing affordable and decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate-income residents of Taunton. Proposed uses of the funds include:

Public Services - \$114,385

Housing Rehabilitation (Emergency Repair) - \$43,187

Neighborhood Revitalization/Whittenton - \$200,000

Facade Program - \$9,000

Public Facilities (Boy's Club Improvements) - \$43,000

Section 108 Loan Repayments (2) - \$162,952

Environmental Remediation RLF (Loan Repayment) - \$29,750

Planning & Administration (20% cap) - \$148,819

**TOTAL Estimated CDBG PY 2018 - \$751,093**

**Estimated HOME Program PY 2018: \$1,368,226** (estimated \$513,309 HOME award + \$13,334 estimated program income + \$154,408 from prior year (s) unspent CHDO funds + \$487,175 estimated reprogrammable funds + \$200,000 unspent redirected funds).

HOME funds are used for the rehabilitation and acquisition of affordable housing units, as well as Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) development projects and program administration for the GATHC communities of Attleboro, Berkley, Carver, Dighton, Freetown, Lakeville, Mansfield, Middleborough, North Attleboro, Norton, Plainville, Raynham, Seekonk and Taunton. Proposed uses of the funds include:

Consortium Region Housing Rehabilitation - \$534,157

Down Payment/Closing Cost Assistance - \$100,000

Union Block Development Project - \$250,000

15% CHDO Affordable Housing Reserve - \$76,996

Redirected Funds for Future Project - \$200,000

Prior Years Unspent CHDO Reserve - \$154,409

Consortium Administration (10% cap) - \$52,664

**TOTAL Estimated HOME PY2018 - \$1,368,226**

**Availability of Draft Plan:** This public notice summarizes the Draft PY 2018 Action Plan. Copies of the complete Draft Action Plan will be available for public review for 30 days beginning April 12, 2018 – May 12, 2018 at the following locations:

- Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD), 45 School Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Taunton MA
- City Clerk's Office, (Temporary) Taunton City Hall, 141 Oak Street, Taunton MA
- City of Taunton Website – OECD link

**Contingency Provision:** Since final PY18 awards/allocations have not been established, the above disclosed distribution of funding may change based on the final award amounts. If the CDBG or HOME entitlement funding varies from the above, the difference in funding will be adjusted to the relevant CDBG or HOME Housing Rehabilitation line item.

Written comments concerning the Draft PY 2018 Action Plan are encouraged and may be submitted at any time during the comment period to: Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD), 45 School Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Taunton MA 02780. A summary of the comments will appear as an Appendix to the Final PY 2018 Action Plan to be submitted to HUD by May 15, 2018

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Ferreira, Assistant Executive Director, OECD, 508-821-1030.