

**CITY OF MANSFIELD, OHIO**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT/HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM FUNDS**  
**PY 2023 ACTION PLAN**  
**OBJECTIVES AND PROJECTED USE OF PROGRAM FUNDS YEAR 2023**

The primary objective of the Community Development Program is the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

**OBJECTIVES OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974**

1. The elimination of slums and blight, the prevention of blighting influences and the deterioration of property, neighborhood, and community facilities of importance to the welfare of the community;
2. The elimination of conditions which are detrimental to the health, safety, and public welfare through code enforcement, demolition, interim rehabilitation assistance, and related activities;
3. The conservation and expansion of the nation's housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for all persons, but principally those of low and moderate income;
4. The expansion and improvement of the quantity and quality of community services, which are essential for sound Community and Housing Support and for the development of viable urban communities;
5. A more rational utilization of land and other natural resources and the better arrangement of residential, commercial, industrial, recreational, and other needed activity centers;
6. The reduction of the isolation of income groups within communities and geographical areas, the promotion of an increase in the diversity and vitality of neighborhoods through the spatial de-concentration of housing opportunities for persons of lower income, and the revitalization of deteriorating or deteriorated neighborhoods;
7. The restoration and preservation of properties of special value for historic, architectural, or esthetic reasons;
8. The alleviation of physical and economic distress through the stimulation of private investment and community revitalization in areas with population out-migration or a stagnating or declining tax base; and
9. The conservation of the nation's scarce energy resources, improvement of energy efficiency, and the provision of alternative and renewable energy sources of supply.

Local Mansfield Objectives are the Strategic Goals of the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan: Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing; Improve & Expand Neighborhood Facilities; Homelessness Prevention; Revitalize Neighborhoods; Provide Needed Public Services; Increase Economic Opportunities; and Planning & Program Administration.

**2023 CDBG FUNDS ACTIVITIES: Based on \$849,252.00 for 2023, and remaining prior years funding**

**1: GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF CDBG PROGRAM (20%)**

\$169,850.40: To administer all CDBG programs. Cost will be related to planning, overall program management, staff implementation and related costs required for coordination, monitoring, and reporting, fair housing/consulting. Objectives:1-9. Census Tract:City-Wide

**2: CITY WIDE HOMEOWNER EMERGENCY REPAIR remaining prior years funds.**

Estimated \$428,750.00 : To rehabilitate housing to correct health, safety, energy deficiencies, and to improve blight. National Objective:LMI benefit. Objectives:1,2,3,& 7. Census Tract:City-Wide

**3: WEST END TARGET AREA**

\$589,011.80 **2023 and prior year remaining:** Direct funds to activities within this neighborhood for revitalization. The Target Area is quite large in scope so the intention is to focus on the main corridors of the neighborhood. Objectives:1-9. Census Tracts: 5;6;31

**4: RICHLAND COUNTY TRANSIT DIAL A RIDE 5.34%**

\$45,379.26: Funds to leverage additional matching funds from other local agencies, State/Federal agencies, to continue operating public bus transportation ridership program and continue the established fixed route for low to moderate income persons. National Objective:LMI benefit. Objectives:4,6,& 8 Census Tract:City-Wide

**5: NORTH END COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT COLLABORATIVE INC. (NECIC) 3.14%**

\$26,929.27: Coordination of raising Richland Community Garden Network and Community Garden Grant Program. National Objective:Elimination of slums and blight and LMI benefit. Objectives:1,2,& 4. Census Tracts:6,7,16,31

**6: MANSFIELD METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY EMERGENCY MONTHLY HOUSING PAYMENTS 4.17%**

\$35,379.27: Emergency monthly housing payments up to 3-months of assistance for a total payment of no more than \$1,500 to eligible families for foreclosure prevention and emergency rental payment, as well as security and utility deposits. National Objective:LMI benefit. Objective:4. Census Tract: City-Wide

**7: Targeted Code Enforcement 1.18%**

\$10,000.00; To provide targeted code enforcement in Census Tract 5, which is the area including and immediately surrounding the West- End Target Area Improvements. National Objective: LMA, Objective: 1, 2; Census Tract: 5

**8:City of Mansfield Parks- Summer Fun 2.36%**

\$20,000.00; To provide area children with summer activities in City of Mansfield Parks located in low/moderate income census tracts. National Objective: LMA; Objective; 4; Census Tracts: 7, 5

**9: Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund**

Estimated \$125,000 (all Revolving Loan Income); To provide financial assistance to businesses within the City of Mansfield for the purpose of Job creation and retention. National Objective: LMJ , Objective: Economic Opportunities, Census Tract: City-Wide

***TOTAL FISCAL YEAR 2023 FUNDING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT \$849,252.00 Program Income remaining Estimate Total \$100,000 Remaining Prior Years funding Estimated \$1,225,000.00***

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**2023 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAM FUNDS ACTIVITIES: \$386,242**

**1: ADMINISTRATION OF HOME PROGRAM (10%)**

\$38,624.20: To administer reasonable costs of overall program management, coordination, monitoring, evaluation and ensuring compliance with program requirements. Objectives:1-9. Census Tract:City-Wide

**2: COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (CHDO)(15%) plus prior years allocations**

\$57,936.30 (Undesignated set-aside) PLUS \$207,108.75 prior years: These funds are allocated to an approved CHDO for implementation of HOME eligible units within jurisdiction administered by the CHDO. National Objective:LMI benefit. Objectives:1-9. Census Tract:City-Wide

**3: Down Payment Assistance**

\$133,342.88: To provide down payment assistance to low/mod income homebuyers in the City of Mansfield. National Objective : LMH; Objectives 3; Census Tract: City-Wide

**4: Homebuyer Development**

\$283,342.88; To create up to 5 homebuyer properties.  
National Objective- LMH; Objective- 3; Census Tract: City-Wide

**5:Rental Development**

\$133,342.88; To create up to 3 affordable rental units  
National Objective- LMH; Objective- 3; Census Tract: City-Wide

**6: CITY WIDE HOME REHABILITATION**

\$162,036.16 To assist homeowners to bring property up to Residential Rehabilitation Standards and City of Mansfield Building Code. National Objective:LMI benefit. Objectives:1,2,3,6,& 7. Census Tract:City-Wide

***TOTAL FISCAL YEAR 2023 FUNDING HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS Funding- \$386,242.00 CHDO prior years \$207,108.75 Prior Years EN Estimated \$422,443.28***

Prior to the publication of this statement, the activities for Fiscal Year 2023 have been reviewed by the City Administration, Mayor, Community Development Department, and approved by Mansfield City Council 23-031 & 23-032. In addition, the City held two neighborhood meetings and a public hearing to solicit input from the general public on suggested uses of Community Development Block Grant / HOME funds. In the event that relocation of individuals, families or businesses becomes necessary in connection with any aforementioned activities, the City of Mansfield shall follow the guidelines of the Uniform Relocation and Property Acquisition Act as amended. The City's Community Development Department will provide relocation services, including counseling, referrals, and where necessary financial assistance.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the CDBG Program (24 CFR 570.301), this Community Development Block Grant / HOME Investment Partnership Program funds / PY 2023 Action Plan is available for public inspection at the office of Permitting and Development and the City's website: <https://ci.mansfield.oh.us/community-development/> , 30 North Diamond Street, Mansfield, OH, 44902 during regular business hours (7:30AM – 4:00PM).

The City's Action Plan will be submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development on or about May 15, 2023 for review and approval, pending allocation releases and HUD waivers, which could allow the plan to be submitted up to 60 past that date. Action Plan comments in writing must be received before 4:00PM, May 15, 2023, at the Permitting and Development Office 3rd Floor of the Municipal Building, 30 North Diamond Street, Mansfield, OH 44902.