HUD Program Year 2015-2021 Substantial Amendment to Annual Action Plans (Reprogramming)

HUD Entitlement Funds

The City of Columbus receives funds annually from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program.

CDBG is the principal Federal program providing localities with grants to improve the physical, economic, and social conditions in their communities.

HUD Entitlement Funds Requirements

HUD requirements include:

Five-year Consolidated Plan - Identified needs, strategies to meet needs, and sets goals

Annual Action Plan - Specific projects to be funded

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COVID-19 Impact on CDBG Timeliness

Supply Chain Disruption
Supplier Inventory Shortage

Contractor Availability

Staffing

The Great Resignation

Technical Capacity Defecit

CDBG Timely Performance (Plan Wisely)

Solicit and select projects and activities that demonstrate not only need, but also readiness to proceed and partner capacity to implement and has other funding commitments in place.

CDBG Timely Performance (Project Implementation and Spending)

Develop expenditure schedules, review them monthly or quarterly with partners and follow up on discrepancies

Identify partners who may be at risk for low performance early on and keep an eye on their progress. If issues arise, provide technical assistance as soon as possible

HUD Action Plan Substantial Amendment

Substantial Amendments, which require City Council approval: (a) Change in the use of CDBG funds from one eligible activity to another;

Questions?

