

What is the HUD Consolidated Plan

The Columbus, GA Five-Year Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) is mandated by federal law and regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order for the City to receive federal funding for affordable housing and community development initiatives benefitting primarily low- and moderate-income persons. This HUD Con Plan consolidates into a single document the planning and application requirements for the following federal programs:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)

What is the HUD Consolidated Planning Process

- The City's HUD Consolidated Plan provides data on trends and conditions related to Columbus' current and future affordable housing and community development needs. The analysis of this data has been used to establish priorities, strategies, and actions that the City will undertake to address these needs over the next five years.
- Annually, the City will develop a HUD Action Plan in which it will describe the planned investment of federal resources to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

 Annually, the City will aggregate beneficiaries and expenditures to report on accomplishments and progress toward HUD Consolidated Plan goals in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

What is the HUD Consolidated Plan's Purpose

The purpose of the Columbus Consolidated Government's HUDConsolidated Plan is to:

- Assess the City's affordable housing and community development needs
- Analyze the City's housing markets
- Articulate the City's priorities, goals, and strategies to address identified needs, and
- Describe the actions the City will take to implement strategies for affordable housing and community development.

The HUD Consolidated Plan components are:

- Executive Summary
- The Process
- Needs Assessment
- Market Analysis
- Strategic Plan
- Action Plan

Executive Summary-ES

The Executive Summary provides an overview of the HUD Consolidated Plan. It summarizes the needs of the community, drawn conclusions, and identifies our course of action in a complete but brief synopsis.

- Introduction
- Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Needs Assessment Overview
- Evaluation of past performance

The Process-PR

The **Process** acutely identifies how the Columbus Consolidated Government conducted the HUD Consolidated Planning process. It includes all parties and institutions who have participated in its development.

- Stakeholder Interviews
- Public Needs Hearing
- Neighborhood Public Needs Meetings
- Web-based Citizen Survey
- Consolidated Plan Public Comment Period

Needs Assessment

The **Needs Assessment** is based on an analysis of housing problems across the Columbus Consolidated Government by income level among renters, owners, and households with special needs.

Needs Assessment Components

- NA-10 Housing Needs Assessment
- NA-15 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Problems
- NA-20 Disproportionately Greater Need: Severe Housing Problems
- NA-25 Disproportionately Greater Need: Housing Cost Burdens
- NA-30 Disproportionately Greater Need: Discussion
- NA-35 Public Housing
- NA-40 Homeless Needs Assessment
- NA-45 Non-Homeless Special Needs Assessment
- NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs

Market Analysis

The Market Analysis identifies the need to preserve existing affordable housing opportunities while advancing efforts to create a diverse supply of additional affordable units. It identifies

Market Analysis Components

- MA-10 Number of Housing Units
- MA-15 Housing Market Analysis: Cost of Housing
- MA-20 Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing
- MA-25 Public and Assisted Housing
- MA-30 Homeless Facilities and Services
- MA-35 Special Needs Facilities and Services
- MA-40 Barriers to Affordable Housing
- MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets

Strategic Plan

The **Strategic Plan** is based on an analysis of housing problems across the Columbus Consolidated Government by income level among renters, owners, and households with special needs.

Strategic Plan Components

- SP-10 Geographic Priorities
- SP-25 Priority Needs
- SP-30 Influence of Market Conditions
- SP-35 Anticipated Resources
- SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure
- SP-45 Goals Summary
- SP-50 Public Housing Accessibility and Involvement
- SP-55 Barriers to affordable housing
- SP-60 Homelessness Strategy
- SP-65 Lead based paint Hazards
- SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy
- SP-8o Monitoring

Action Plan

The **Action Plan** provides strategies and investments of resources to address housing and community development needs as well as barriers to fair housing

Strategic Plan Components

- AP-15 Expected Resources
- AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives
- AP-35 Projects
- AP-38 Project Summary
- AP-50 Geographic Distribution
- AP-55 Affordable Housing
- AP-60 Public Housing
- AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities
- AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing
- AP-85 Other Actions
- AP-90 Program Specific Requirements

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)

CAPER

The **CAPER** reports on accomplishments and progress toward Consolidated Plan goals.

CAPER Components

- CR-o5 Goals and Outcomes
- CR-10 Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted
- CR-15 Resources and Investments
- CR-20 Affordable Housing
- CR-25 Homeless and Other Special Needs
- CR-30 Public Housing
- CR-35 Other Actions
- CR-40 Monitoring
- CR-45 CDBG
- CR-50 HOME

