

**2008 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
FOR THE
CITY OF PATERSON**

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- 1. Certifications**
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SF 424

The SF 424 is part of the CPMP Annual Action Plan. SF 424 form fields are included in this document. Grantee information is linked from the 1CPMP.xls document of the CPMP tool.

SF 424

Complete the fillable fields (blue cells) in the table below. The other items are pre-filled with values from the Grantee Information Worksheet.

Date Submitted	Applicant Identifier	Type of Submission	
Date Received by state	State Identifier	Application	Pre-application
Date Received by HUD	Federal Identifier	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Construction
		<input type="checkbox"/> Non Construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Non Construction
Applicant Information			
City of Paterson		ENJ342466 Paterson	
125 Ellison Street		Organizational DUNS: 067484063	
2nd Floor		Organizational Unit:	
Paterson	New Jersey	Department of Community Development	
07505	USA		
Employer Identification Number (EIN):		Passaic County	
69-022008		Project start date: 07/08	
Applicant Type:		Specify Other Type if necessary:	
Local Government: City			
Program Funding		U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers; Descriptive Title of Applicant Project(s); Areas Affected by Project(s) (cities, Counties, localities etc.); Estimated Funding			
Community Development Block Grant		14.218 Entitlement Grant	
CDBG Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by CDBG Project(s): City of Paterson	
CDBG Grant Amount \$ 2,851,175	Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		Additional State Funds Leveraged	
Locally Leveraged Funds		Grantee Funds Leveraged	
Anticipated Program Income: \$200,000		Other (Describe) Reprogrammed unused prior year funds	
Total Funds Leveraged for CDBG-based Project(s)			
Home Investment Partnerships Program		14.239 HOME	
HOME Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by HOME Project(s) City of Paterson	
HOME Grant Amount \$1,770,553	\$Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
\$Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		\$Additional State Funds Leveraged	
\$Locally Leveraged Funds		\$Grantee Funds Leveraged	
\$Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	

Total Funds Leveraged for HOME-based Project(s)			
Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS		14.241 HOPWA	
HOPWA Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by HOPWA Project(s): Passaic County, Bergen County, City of Paterson	
HOPWA Grant Amount: \$1,286,736	Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		Additional State Funds Leveraged	
Locally Leveraged Funds		Grantee Funds Leveraged	
Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	
Total Funds Leveraged for HOPWA-based Project(s)			
Emergency Shelter Grants Program		14.231 ESG	
ESG Project Titles		Description of Areas Affected by ESG Project(s)	
ESG Grant Amount: \$126,574	Additional HUD Grant(s) Leveraged	Describe	
Additional Federal Funds Leveraged		Additional State Funds Leveraged	
Locally Leveraged Funds \$126,574 Matching funds		Grantee Funds Leveraged	
Anticipated Program Income		Other (Describe)	
Total Funds Leveraged for ESG-based Project(s) \$126,574			
Congressional Districts of:		Is application subject to review by state Executive Order 12372 Process?	
Applicant Districts 8th	Project Districts 8th		
Is the applicant delinquent on any federal debt? If "Yes" please include an additional document explaining the situation.		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	This application was made available to the state EO 12372 process for review on DATE
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Program is not covered by EO 12372
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	Program has not been selected by the state for review
Person to be contacted regarding this application			
Gary		Melchiano	
Acting Director, Community Development			
gmelchiano@patcity.com	TEL: (973) 321-1212	Fax: (973) 321-1268	
Signature of Authorized Representative: MAYOR		Date Signed	

Executive Summary

Program Year 3 Action Plan Executive Summary:

The City of Paterson prepared a Consolidated Plan (CP) for Housing and Community Development Programs at the direction of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Fiscal Years 2005-2009. The City prepared the Consolidated Plan in order to strategically implement Federal programs that fund housing, community and economic development activities within the City. HUD intends that communities develop a comprehensive vision that encompasses affordable housing, adequate infrastructure, fair housing, enhancement of civic design, vigorous economic development combined with human development and a continuum of care for helping the homeless.

Each year the City prepares an Annual Action Plan detailing how the resources made available will be used to implement the goals outlined in the five year plan. FY 2008, which runs July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, is the third plan of the five-year cycle.

The City of Paterson will receive funds through all four programs covered by this Consolidated Plan process: CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA. Funds received for 2008 will be as follows:

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG):	\$2,851,175
HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME):	\$1,770,553
Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG):	\$ 126,574
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA):	<u>\$1,286,736</u>
Total Grant Amount:	\$6,035,038

In addition, the City expects to generate approximately \$200,175 in program income through the CDBG program.

Activities to be Undertaken:

	ACTIVITY	RECIPIENT	TYPE OF BENEFICIARY	LOCATION/ DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
	Administration		N/a		
1	CDBG	Paterson Dept. of Community Development	(note: funding includes Program income \$40,000)	125 Ellison Street	\$600,270
2	Fair Housing	Paterson Task Force		9 Colt Street	\$ 10,000
CDBG					
Housing and Neighborhood Improvement					
14	Code Enforcement	Division of Community Improvement	Low-mod census tracts in Wards 1, 4 and 5	Code inspections conducted in strategy area	\$245,000
16	Habitat for Humanity	Habitat for Humanity	Homebuyers	Salaries and operating costs to increase housing production	\$ 96,249
Public Services					
38	Homeless Services	NJ CDC	65 Birch Street	Birch St. Supportive Housing Project	\$ 50,000
	Homeless Services	Eva's Village	Homeless persons; 393 Main St.	Out-patient clinic services expansion	\$ 51,850
	Subtotal Homeless Services				\$101,850
3	Recreation	Dept. of Recreation	Youth, City-wide	City parks summer rec program	\$ 60,000
5	Neighborhood Assistance	Neighborhood Assistance Office	Low-mod income persons; city-wide	City-wide Referral to services for City residents	\$ 50,000
7	Lead-based Paint testing	Dept. of Health	Low-mod income children	City-wide Testing for Elevated Blood Lead Level in young children	\$ 30,000
9	Foreclosure & Homeownership Counseling	Paterson Housing Authority	Homebuyers	60 Van Houten Individual and group seminars on homebuying and expanded to include foreclosure	\$ 48,700

	ACTIVITY	RECIPIENT	TYPE OF BENEFICIARY	LOCATION/ DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
10	Senior Services Center	Grandparents Relatives Resource Center	Low-mod income persons	8 Manor Rd. Comprehensive support services to care-givers	\$ 61,000
6	Youth Services	Medical Mission for Children	Low- mod income youth	35 Getty Ave. Theater productions for children	\$ 25,000
	Youth Services	SSV Mirror Image	Low income youth	110 Danforth Ave. After school program	\$ 47,030
	Youth Services	Paterson Family Success Center	Low income youth	185 Carroll St. Increase number of youth served	\$ 31,225
	Youth services	Jump Start	Low income youth	150 Park Ave. Arts and film youth recreation	\$ 25,000
	Youth Services	Mr. G's	Low income youth	128 Ward St. YMCA Friday program	\$ 25,000
	Youth Services	YMCA	Low income youth	128 Ward St. LEAP – Leadership program - 22 youth	\$ 15,000
	Subtotal Youth Services				
18	Education Services	Oasis	Low income women	329 Main Street English as a Second Language	\$39,257
SUBTOTAL Public Services					559,062
% of grant plus prior year program income:					18.32%
none	Unallocated		Contingency	To be Determined	\$50,000

	ACTIVITY	RECIPIENT	TYPE OF BENEFICIARY	LOCATION/ DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Public Facilities*					
41	Transitional Housing	Family Life Center		185 Carroll St. Housing for ex-offender	\$ 100,000
35	Fire Stations	Ambulance – Getty Ave.		Ambulance Garage 124 Getty Ave.	\$ 225,000
34	Park Improvements	(note: Funding includes Program Income \$160,000)		Presidential Ave. riverfront	\$ 200,000
				Horse Barns – Eastside Park	\$ 300,000
		Riverview Towers	Low income residents of area	125 Presidential Ave. Playground improvements –	\$ 45,000
	Subtotal: Park Improvements				\$ 545,000
36	Public Facilities: Library			430 Main St. South Paterson – HVAC	\$ 100,000
33	Street Improvements	City of Paterson	City-wide	Locations to be determined	\$ 520,769
TOTAL CDBG				\$2,851,175 + \$200,175 pi =	\$3,051,350
* funds added to each line item to cover Delivery costs incurred by the City Dept. of Community Development and engineering costs					

	ACTIVITY	RECIPIENT	TYPE OF BENEFICIARY	LOCATION/ DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
	HOME				1,770,553
198	Admin				\$177,055
22	CHDO set-aside	To be determined	Low income homebuyer or renter		\$265,583
20	First-time Homebuyer	Paterson	Low income homebuyer		\$ 510,000
21	Construction or rehab to create new housing	To be determined	Low income homebuyers or renters		\$ 817,915
	ESG				\$126,574
30	Administration				\$ 6,328.70
32	Prevention (30%)	Hispanic Multi-Purpose Service Center	Individuals and Families facing housing crisis	Hispanic Multi-purpose Service Center	\$ 37,972.20
34	Shelter Operations and Maintenance		Homeless individuals and families		\$ 82,273.10
		EVA'S VILLAGE		WOMEN/CHILDREN SHELTER: 14,773.10 - WOMEN'S OVERNIGHT SHELTER: \$15,000.00	
		ST. PETER'S		- TRANSITIONAL SHELTER: \$7,500.00	
		PATERSON TASK FORCE		- HILLTOP HTS HOMELESS SHELTER \$15,000.00	
		ST. PAUL'S CDC		- MEN SHELTER: \$10,000.00	
		STRENGTHEN OUR SISTERS		SHELTER: \$20,000.00	

	HOPWA				1,286,736
24	Administration	Paterson Dept. of Human Services			\$ 38,602
25		Project Sponsors 7%			\$ 87,369
Passaic County					
	Tenant Based Housing Vouchers	(Amount includes sponsor admin)	Persons with HIV/AIDS		\$ 786,324
TOTAL PASSAIC CO.					\$ 786,324
Bergen County					
	Tenant Based Housing Vouchers	(Amount includes sponsor admin)	Persons with HIV/AIDS		\$ 461,810
TOTAL BERGEN CO.					\$ 461,810

Outcome Performance Measures

The ability to clearly demonstrate program results at a national level is having serious consequences on program budgets. In response, HUD has developed an outcomes performance measurement system to collect information on outcomes of activities and to aggregate that information at the local and national level. The outcomes that HUD is tracking include:

- Availability/accessibility
 - Availability is related to making services, infrastructure, housing, or shelter available or accessible to individual residents/beneficiaries.
- Affordability
 - Affordability may include the creation or maintenance of affordable housing, basic infrastructure hook-ups or services such as transportation or day care.
- Sustainability: Promoting livable or viable communities
 - Sustainability is specifically tied to activities that are meant to ensure that a particular geographic area as a whole (neighborhood, downtown, etc) remains viable. It is targeted at supporting a specific physical location.

Each outcome is paired with an objective :

- Create a suitable living environment
 - This objective relates to activities that are intended to address a wide range of issues faced by LMI persons from physical problems with their environment such as poor quality infrastructure to social issues such as crime prevention, literacy or elderly health services.
- Provide decent affordable housing
 - This objective focuses on housing programs where the purpose of the program is to meet individual family or community needs and not programs where housing is an element of a larger effort since they would be more appropriately reported under suitable living environment.
- Create economic opportunities
 - This objective applies to the types of activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization or job creation.

The objectives, outcomes, and output indicators will be combined to produce outcome narratives that will be comprehensive and will demonstrate the benefits that result from the expenditure of these federal funds. EXAMPLES:

- 500 persons have new access to water/sewer improvements for the purpose of creating a suitable living environment.
- 75 new labor jobs have been created for the economic purpose of community sustainability. 35 persons were previously unemployed.
- 300 elderly persons have affordable rental housing.

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PRIORITY	PROJECT	OUTCOME MEASURE	OBJECTIVE	OUTPUT INDICATOR
Housing/Neighborhood improvements	Code Enforcement	Availability/ Accessibility	Provide decent affordable housing.	1,888 housing units
	Habitat for Humanity	Affordability	Provide decent affordable housing.	20 housing units
	CHDO set-aside	Affordability	Provide decent affordable housing.	5 housing units
	First-time Homebuyer	Affordability	Provide decent affordable housing.	15 housing units
	Construction or rehab to create new housing	Affordability	Provide decent affordable housing.	15 housing units
	HOPWA- Rental Assistance	Affordability	Provide decent affordable housing.	89 households
Public Services	Dept. of Recreation	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	300 youth
	Neighborhood Assistance Office	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	5,000 persons
	Dept. of Health – lead testing program	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	1500 persons
	Paterson Housing Authority – foreclosure counseling	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	125 homeowners; 25 foreclosure
	Grandparents Relatives Resource Center	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	1,000 persons
	Medical Mission for Children	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	25,000 persons
	SSV Mirror Image	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	60 persons
	Paterson Family Success Center	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	30 persons
	Jump Start	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	60 youths
	Mr. G's	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	50 youths
	YMCA	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	30 youths
	Eva's Village – medical clinic	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	4,000 persons
	NJCDC – Birch Street Transitional Living – Life skills	Availability/ Accessibility	Provide decent affordable housing.	15 persons
	Oasis – English as a second language	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	100 persons
	Homeless Prevention	Availability/ Accessibility	Provide decent affordable housing.	57 households
	Shelter Operations and Maintenance	Availability/ Accessibility	Provide decent affordable housing.	1,091 persons

Priority	Project	OUTCOME MEASURE	OBJECTIVE	OUTPUT INDICATOR
Public Facilities	Riverview Towers Park improvements	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	City-wide 145,409 persons
	Transitional Housing facility for ex-offenders	Availability/ Accessibility	Provide decent affordable housing.	20 persons
	Ambulance building– Getty Ave.	Availability/ accessibility	Create a suitable living environment	CT 1820,1821, 1822, 1829 11,329 persons
	Park Improvements	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	City-wide 145,409 persons
	Library Rehabilitation	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	28,808 persons
	Street improvements	sustainability	Create a suitable living environment	City-wide 145,409 persons

Evaluation of Past Performance:

The City of Paterson will complete the 2007 fiscal year on June 30, 2008. The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) will be available by September 15, 2008 for public inspection. The City of Paterson has continued to address issues related to federal program compliance and timely expenditures. The public services monitoring system was revamped to ensure compliance by subrecipients. The City is in the process of hiring an engineering firm to work with non-profits on physical improvement activities to ensure that bidding and contract management are in compliance with federal requirements as well.

HOME commitments continue to be a concern. Several projects are in the pipeline. Funds will be shifted to housing rehabilitation.

ESG funding has been slow to be committed this year. HUD required that the agreement be redrafted to comply with federal requirements. Funding is now being released to the homeless providers.

HOPWA funds are being disbursed to the designated agencies. Cleanup of prior year balances has been completed.

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Resources:

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In addition, the City expects to generate approximately \$200,175 in program income from the sale of land that generated repayment of liens placed on properties as a result of demolitions paid for from the CDBG program.

Other Resources:

Funding from the federal programs are leveraged with private and city funding. For CDBG, the Horse Barns historic renovation received funding from the state historic preservation fund in the amount of \$175,000. Each non-profit agency provides funding for their specific project for which CDBG funds are leveraged.

For HOME, a match for the HOME program is not required. However, each development bring financing from a variety of sources including tax credits and state funds. The City utilizes RCA funding for housing support as well as HOME funds.

The Emergency Shelter grantees each raise at least a 1:1 match for the federal funds from private sources. Although some other state and federal grants are used a match, the majority of the match is usually from private donations.

Geographic Distribution

The federal grants programs generally target the residents of the City of Paterson. The exception to this is the HOPWA program which reaches a broader constituency and serves the residents of both Passaic and Bergen Counties.

Many of the activities to be undertaken by the City are targeted in the City's First, Fourth and Fifth Wards. These are the areas with the highest concentration of lower income households and therefore services and improvements are targeted in these areas. The Census Tracts in these areas include: 2 to 5, 7 to 11, 13 to 18, 20 to 23, 28 and 29. The following Table and Map depicts the low income census tracts in the City and the location of projects planned in 2008. All but Census Tracts 1 and 26 are considered lower income with more than 51% of residents having incomes under 51% of the Area Median Family Income.

TABLE: Low/Moderate Income by Census Tract

TRACT	LOWMOD	LOWMODUNIV	LOWMODPCT
1	3144	6852	45.88%
2	7018	10277	68.29%
3	4626	6899	67.05%
4	1926	2214	86.99%
5	833	1150	72.43%
6	2722	4406	61.78%
7	2637	3447	76.50%
8	1994	2746	72.61%
9	2899	3782	76.65%
10	3359	4977	67.49%
11	3904	6770	57.67%
12	3012	4283	70.32%
13	3876	5307	73.04%
14	2464	3144	78.37%
15	2473	2994	82.60%
17	2379	2845	83.62%
18	2339	2624	89.14%
19	2702	4413	61.23%
20	1594	2079	76.67%
21	2329	3394	68.62%
22	2689	3103	86.66%
23	6511	7899	82.43%
24	3722	5772	64.48%
25	3752	7188	52.20%
26	2681	5590	47.96%
27	4449	6716	66.24%
28	2729	3237	84.31%
29	2173	2753	78.93%
30	5636	7757	72.66%
31	5257	8345	63.00%
32	2202	2446	90.02%

The City is racially and ethnically diverse. The City of Paterson is 50% Latino of all races, and 33% White, 33% Black, 23% Asian, less than 1% American Indian/Alaskan Native, and 31% "Other or combination or races". The Non-White population exceeds 50% in all Census Tracts except 1, 19, 20, and 30.

TABLE: Non-White and Latino Population by Census Tract

	%Non-white	% Latino
CT 1801	38.82%	38.88%
CT 1802	58.93%	54.68%
CT 1803	65.19%	58.53%
CT 1804	90.84%	18.78%
CT 1805	84.65%	28.76%
CT 1806	70.29%	44.63%
CT 1807	79.44%	36.39%
CT 1808	86.44%	42.87%
CT 1809	70.72%	74.19%
CT 1810	58.66%	66.95%
CT 1811	72.70%	55.49%
CT 1812	88.94%	33.75%
CT 1813	87.65%	28.42%
CT 1814	92.62%	22.31%
CT 1815	90.68%	22.50%
CT 1817.02	78.75%	70.36%
CT 1818	66.19%	54.74%
CT 1819	40.60%	44.90%
CT 1820	49.64%	81.53%
CT 1821	55.04%	66.44%
CT 1822	73.25%	72.40%
CT 1823	79.43%	68.95%
CT 1824	81.48%	46.95%
CT 1825	74.01%	27.16%
CT 1826	82.76%	29.06%
CT 1827	56.80%	77.48%
CT 1828	54.99%	71.14%
CT 1829	62.28%	66.43%
CT 1830	42.22%	45.79%
CT 1831	52.79%	48.24%
CT 1832	74.71%	39.37%

Insert Map showing project locations.

Obstacles to Meeting Underserved Needs

In the Five Year Consolidated Plan, the needs of very low income renters and elderly persons were identified as having underserved needs. In 2005, the City committed HOME funds to construct an elderly housing development. Further, the City is reviewing and underwriting a funding request to replace public housing that will be lost with the demolition of the Alexander Hamilton Public Housing Project, a 498 unit apartment complex. The major obstacle to meeting these needs is housing subsidy to create affordable housing units in a real estate market that continues to escalate values.

Managing the Process

1. Lead Agency: The City of Paterson, Department of Community Development continues to be the lead agency for administering the programs covered by the consolidated plan. The Department works with other entities in the administration of specific programs. The Division of Housing administers the HOME and ESG Programs and the Department of Human Services administers the HOPWA program. Each program collaborates with a variety of non-profit provider agencies as well as the private sector. HOPWA Funds are allocated by a committee composed of service providers as well.
2. Planning Process: The 2008 Action Plan was prepared by the City of Paterson, Department of Community Development following consultation with the many departments of the City and non-profit agencies that participate in the program. A public hearing was held to solicit input for the plan and applications for funding were solicited during several time periods.

The following agencies participated in the Consolidated Plan process:

1. HOPWA Committee:
 - Township of Wayne - Mary Ann Orapello
 - City of Clifton - Sam DeGrose
 - City of Passaic - Tom Fischetti
 - City of Paterson - Catherine Correa
 - Bergen County - Victor Graziano
 - Bergen County - Angela Drakes
2. ESG Participants:
 - St. Paul's CDC – Cliff Schneider
 - Eva's Village – Sister Gloria Perez
 - Paterson YMCA – Larry Gutlerner
 - Strengthening Our Sisters - Sandra Ramos
 - Hispanic Center – Maria Magda
 - St. Peter's Church – Greta Ontel
 - Paterson Task Force – Monica Piccirillo

3. Public Hearing Participants:

February 19, 2008:

1. Thomas Verghese – Catholic Family Community Services
2. Douglas Black – Oasis
3. Amos Moscrip – Paterson Task Force
4. Joe Grier – Positive Impact/ Joe Grier Boxing Academy
5. Charles Thompson – Paterson Girl’s Athletics
6. Scott Lissa – Medical Missions for Children
7. Pedro Negrón – CUMAC/ECHO
8. Barbara Niziol – Eva’s Village
9. Cate Leonard – Paterson Habitat for Humanity
10. Ron Tuff – Paterson Task Force
11. Luisa Torres – Hispanic Multi-purpose Center
12. Gwen Levine – Paterson Youth Photography
13. Nicole Mandarano - NENJLS

April 9, 2008:

1. Amos, Moscrip, Paterson Task Force
2. Robert Guarasci, NJCDC
3. Andre Sayegh, Paterson Alliance
4. Scott Pringle, NJ Legal Services
5. Regina Bracey, Mr. G’s Kids

4. Coordination: During 2008 the City of Paterson will continue to work with the committees representing various constituencies to determine service and housing needs. The City will become engaged in the Continuum of Care Planning process as well.

Citizen Participation

A. Summary

The Planning process for the Consolidated Plan began in February when the City requested Public Service applications. A consultant was hired in January to help facilitate the Consolidated Plan process and provide technical assistance. A public hearing was held on February 19, 2008 to receive input from the community on the needs that could be addressed with the federal funds. A notice of the hearing was placed in the Herald News and the Bergen Record. The meeting was chaired by Gary Melchiano, Director and attended by: Karen Parish, Mullin and Lonergan Associates, Inc. (consultant); Montaha Deeb (CDBG); Yesenia Torrez (CDBG Program Monitor); John Carluccio (ESG and HOME Monitor) and Catherine Correa (HOPWA).

The public, and specifically service and housing agencies, were notified that CDBG and ESG applications for public services, and facilities funding as well as ESG funding would be accepted through March 7th. This notification was provided by email as well as advertised in the newspaper. HOME funding would continue to be accepted on a rolling basis.

A second public hearing was held on April 9 to discuss the list of activities that were recommended for funding from the FY 2008 grant.

The Draft Action Plan was available on public display from April 1st through May 2, 2008. Announcement of its availability was made in the local newspapers and on the City's web site.

B. Citizen Comments on the Plan:

There were no Comments received on the Plan.

C. Outreach: The advertisement for the Annual Plan was made available in local newspapers in several language including Arabic and Spanish. By placing the Annual Plan on the web, it became more accessible to persons with disabilities.

Training was held on preparing the CDBG application for non-profit agencies that would be seeking funds. Approximately 25 agencies participated in the training. During this session, CDBG requirements for low mod income beneficiaries, documentation of client eligibility, reporting requirements, financial management and other programmatic requirements were reviewed.

D. Comments not Accepted -

There were no comments received therefore none were not accepted.

Institutional Structure

The Department of Community Development again hired a consultant to provide technical assistance and training to enhance the staff capacity to administer the federal programs. In carrying out the activities, the Department maintains close links to the housing and service agencies.

The Department maintains an on-going relationship with the Paterson Housing Authority wherein the two offices cooperate together on housing and development activities and projects. The ESG committee, which meets biannually, discusses issues and concerns facing recipients of emergency assistance. Department staff participate in the Passaic County CEAS committee, the planning agency for the Continuum of Care.

The Department of Human Services administers the HOPWA Funds along with the Ryan White Care Act funds. A Planning council oversees these activities. No changes in administration are expected during 2008.

Monitoring

The Department's Program monitors are responsible for the on-going administration and oversight of program activities. Quarterly progress reports, on-site monitoring and on-going oversight of payment requests are used to monitor and ensure that funded activities are on track to deliver the services for which they are contracted. Each agency receiving funds enters into an agreement that specifies the outcomes to be achieved and the time frame for completing the activity.

During 2008, agencies that are funded or carrying forward funding from prior years will continue to be monitored. HOME assisted rental units will be monitored at their designated intervals for required low-mod income occupancy and compliance with building and housing codes. The City will follow the guidance found in the Subrecipient Monitoring Plan to ensure continued program compliance.

Performance of the City in meeting the goals and objectives of CP will be monitored.

The City will monitor its compliance with timeliness of expenditures under CDBG in compliance with its workout plan as provided to HUD. HOME funds will also be monitored for timeliness.

Lead-based Paint

The City undertakes several actions and expanded blood lead level testing of young children in 2007. The Department of Health, Child Lead Section is responsible for responding to situations where there is a child with an elevated blood lead level. Funding for remediation of a home is available through a Healthy Homes Lead Based Paint Program. The Department is part of a coalition of community-based organizations, local churches and city agencies administering this program. During 2007, 18 housing units were abated.

In 2008, the expanded level the testing of young children first funded in FY 2008 will be continued. This service began operation in January 2008.

Through the PRIDE Program and other HOME funded activities, lead-based paint is addressed through the course of rehabilitation as required by HUD. In 2008, safe work practices will be employed and lead-hazards will be addressed in homes that receive rehabilitation assistance.

HOUSING

Specific Housing Objectives

The Specific objectives outline in the Five Year Plan for 2005-2009 and the 2008 Actions to address these objectives are described in the tables below. This table identifies the specific federal funds to be utilized. In the Project tables, further information about leverage sources of funding is provided.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY

Objective	Program	Activity	Proposed Five Year Accomplishment	Proposed 2008 Activities
Increase the supply of affordable housing through retention of existing stock to ensure preservation of neighborhoods	HOME	Paterson PRIDE	25 homes to be rehabilitated in 1 st , 4 th and 5 th Wards	No new budget for FY 2008; pi from HOME to be reprogrammed – 15 units to be completed
	CDBG	Code Enforcement	Increase Code Enforcement in 1 st , 4 th and 5 th Wards	\$245,000 budget to provide inspections.
	CDBG	Rehabilitation of Existing Homes	Rehabilitate housing occupied by lower income families	Funding for Habitat for Humanity \$96,249
	CDBG	Foreclosure Prevention	Funding will be utilized to offer foreclosure prevention counseling. This is a new activity	Paterson Housing Authority \$48,700
Assist First-time home buyers in the purchase of affordable housing	HOME	First-time Homebuyers and First-time Homebuyers Plus	50 First-time homebuyers	\$ 510,000 allocated to assist up to 16 homebuyers
	CDBG	Home buyer Education	Contract with Housing Authority to provide 2 seminars per year and follow-up services	\$ 50,000 allocated to provide education to 20 households
Assist Renters in obtaining Safe and Decent Housing	CDBG	Relocation	60 families or individuals relocated	Continued expenditure of prior program funds; 10 families or individuals to be relocated

	ESG	Prevention	Support 250 beds annually	ESG funds to support shelters providing 250 beds.
Increase the supply of affordable housing through new construction	HOME	HOME Assistance	At least 10 additional owner occupied homes constructed	\$817,915 Specific projects to be identified throughout the year. Funds are expected to create 15 housing units
Increase the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of existing structures	HOME	HOME Assistance	5 rental units through conversion or adaptive reuse of buildings	

Table 3B is attached.

Public Housing Needs

The Paterson Housing Authority administers a total of nine public housing developments, of which three are family developments and six are senior citizen developments. A total of 1,510 units are provided. The Paterson Housing Authority was seeking HOPE VI funding to demolish the Alexander Hamilton Development. Although not approved, plans for this site continue to be developed. The 498 units at this location will be removed and replaced with a mix of rental and homeownership units.

The waiting list for the FY 2007 Housing Authority plan shows 660 families are on the public housing waiting list and 177 on the Section 8 waiting list. The majority (75%) are very low income and a majority (83%) are seeking 1 bedroom units. Elderly represent 45% of the waiting list while persons with disabilities represent 44%.

TABLE 3B ANNUAL HOUSING COMPLETION GOALS					
ANNUAL AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING GOALS (SEC. 215)	Annual Expected Number Completed	Resources used during the period			
		CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA
Acquisition of existing units		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Production of new units	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Rehabilitation of existing units		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rental Assistance	89	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Total Sec. 215 Rental Goals	99	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ANNUAL AFFORDABLE OWNER HOUSING GOALS (SEC. 215)					
Acquisition of existing units		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Production of new units	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Rehabilitation of existing units	35	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Homebuyer Assistance	16	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Sec. 215 Owner Goals	61	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ANNUAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING GOALS (SEC. 215)					
Homeless	250	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Homeless		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Needs		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Sec. 215 Affordable Housing	250	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ANNUAL HOUSING GOALS					
Annual Rental Housing Goal	99	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Annual Owner Housing Goal	61	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Annual Housing Goal	160	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For the purpose of identification of annual goals, an assisted household is one that will receive benefits through the investment of Federal funds, either alone or in conjunction with the investment of other public or private funds.					

1. The City is seeking to address the need for additional public housing, and specifically the replacement of units lost to the inventory by underwriting and funding the development of new affordable rental housing. Such funding may come from RCA or other non-federal sources.

In addition, the City is working with the Authority to create new homeownership opportunities. The Division of Housing administers the First-time Homebuyer to help low income families become homeowners and the Paterson Housing Authority for the City of Paterson provides homeownership counseling to these same recipients.

2. Paterson Housing Authority is not considered "troubled" by HUD.

Barriers to Affordable Housing

In Paterson there are numerous barriers to the development of affordable housing. The Five Year Plan identified taxes, zoning and increasing land value. The strategy to address the high rate of property taxation in New Jersey is to utilize the redevelopment planning process. An increase in the property tax base of the City will reduce property taxation for all.

In 2006, a new Zoning ordinance was completed. This Ordinance corrects problems endemic to the former plan that presented numerous obstacles to development.

To address the increasing cost of land that make affordable housing difficult to develop, the City works with developers to subsidize the projects to create affordable units for lower income people. The City utilizes City-owned property as development sites to reduce the cost of site acquisition.

HOME/ADDI

The City is no longer a recipient of ADDI funding.

1. The HOME Funds that the City utilizes and the form of investment conform to 92.205(b).
2. Recapture/Resale:
The City utilizes HOME funds to create new affordable housing for sale to lower income buyers and to assist low income families purchase homes. The City will utilize **resale provisions** when providing funding to lower income homebuyers. This is a change from prior years when the terms of repayment were specified instead of the mechanism for ensuring compliance with the term of affordability.

The City of Paterson has elected to implement the "Resale Restriction" on all HOME Homebuyer subsidy provided to income eligible beneficiaries.

The City will determine the appropriate funding level to establish the affordability period of the Resale restriction. In the event there is direct subsidy provided to the individual homeowner, the City will base the affordability period on that calculation, if there is no direct subsidy provided to the homeowner, the City will use the total amount of HOME investment to establish the affordability period.

The City recognizes the need to encumber the property with a deed restriction identifying this restriction. Only another low income (80% of AMI or less income level) can purchase this property during the period of affordability. Without any other subsidy provided to this subsequent homeowner, they would be responsible for fulfilling the remaining period of the affordability initially established.

The City will need to provide guidance on the level by which the initial owner will gain any return on this investment if sold during the affordability period. The sales price for this property is limited and affordable to a household whose income is less than 80% of the AMI, if sold during the affordability period.

The City of Paterson is in the process of addressing the resale provision used as the means to keep affordable housing in the City. The concern is two fold. We are amending procedures to address a 'Fair Return' to anyone who sells to another low income household and have determined that the homeowner should receive no less than their own funds invested in the property (i.e.; down payment, capital improvements-with receipts) as a return on the equity in that property. A worksheet is being written to address this calculation.

The second component relates to resale and the City amending the contract to require the owner to notify the City when foreclosure may be eminent. When this occurs the City will determine if funds are available to purchase the property by First-Right-of – Refusal.

3. The City will not refinance debt of multi-family housing receiving HOME assistance.
4. The City is not a recipient of ADDI funding in 2008.
5. Affirmatively Further Fair Housing - 5 or more units HOME assisted.

HOME funding will be made available in conformity with the nondiscrimination and equal opportunity requirements specified in statutes and regulations (24 CFR 92.35 1 (b)). The City of Paterson has procedures and requirements that require developers of housing to affirmatively market all HOME housing with five or more units through the provision of information regarding the availability of units that are vacant after construction or rehabilitation or that later becomes vacant. Affirmative marketing steps, together with good faith efforts to provide information, attract eligible persons from all racial, ethnic, and gender groups in the housing market area to the available housing. The City has established the procedures, requirements and assessment criteria for marketing units in the HOME Program that are appropriate to accomplish affirmative marketing objectives. The City will provide for the annual assessment of the affirmative marketing program to determine that the policy is followed along with

good faith efforts to ensure that procedures, requirements, objectives and, as necessary, corrective actions have been taken. The following affirmative marketing policy has been incorporated into the HOME Program design documents.

Specifically, for each owner/sponsor, the affirmative marketing requirements and procedures include:

1. Advertising at least 120 days prior to rent up in local newspapers including those in other languages and utilizing the grantees affirmative marketing policy (such as the use of the Equal Opportunity logo type or slogan in press releases and written communications to fair housing and other groups).
2. Requirements that each owner must provide an opportunity for applicants to receive counseling on such topics as budget, credit, lease and foreclosure.
3. Providing copies of all marketing material to a listing of local agencies and offices where interested applicants may have access to the material.

5. Minority outreach

The procurement policies of the City of Paterson provide for the maximum involvement of vendors of all services and goods. The City undertakes to expand the list of Minority and women owned businesses who provide goods and services to the City by regular outreach and communication with the local business community. Ads are run on the community cable channel to promote the Paterson PRIDE and City procurement in general.

HOMELESS

Specific Homeless Prevention Strategies

1. Sources of Funds: The City of Paterson expects to receive ESG Funds in the amount of \$126,574.00 and a minimum of \$37,972.00 will be used for Prevention Strategies. The Passaic Continuum of Care (CoC) will apply for the pro-rata amount for renewal and new proposals in 2008. ESG funds are matched by each recipient of funds through a variety of private funding sources, FEMA Funds and Emergency Assistance Funds.
2. Homelessness Objectives: The Five Year Plan established objectives as shown on the next table. The Passaic Continuum of Care has developed a Plan to End Homelessness that the City has endorsed. The City will utilize resources to the extent feasible in support of this Plan.

HOMELESS STRATEGY

Objective	Program	Activity	Proposed Five Year Accomplishment	Proposed 2008 Activities
Homeless Prevention Services	ESG	Hispanic Center	Assist 75 families and individuals prevent homelessness through housing counseling, legal services, and health services	Hispanic Center provides emergency housing assistance
Existing Shelter Operations and Maintenance	ESG		Continue to support existing 250 shelter beds	Various agencies provide shelter and services to the homeless.
Expand Homeless Facilities:	ESG CDBG		<p><u>Homeless individuals</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Creation of 88 beds in Emergency Shelters ▪ Creation of 88 beds in Transitional Housing ▪ Creation of 188 beds in Permanent Supportive Housing 	Expanded primary medical care for homeless persons will be provided by Eva's Village and funding in 2008. Transitional housing for ex-offenders will be constructed.

			<p><u>Homeless families</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Creation of 94 beds in Emergency Shelters ▪ Creation of 94 beds in Transitional Housing ▪ Creation of 188 beds in Permanent Supportive Housing 	
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Obstacles to these goals include the funding necessary to carry out activities, particularly expansion of services and increasing number of beds.

3. Chronic Homelessness: H.O.P.E in Passaic County, the Plan to End Homelessness, identifies the following strategies for Chronic Homelessness: First some system and policy changes need to be addressed to affect the larger landscape of the county. It was also decided that 600 units of permanent, affordable and supportive housing need to be created in order to end chronic homelessness and that steps would need to be taken to address the safety net that is in place in order to prevent homelessness and shorten the length of time that individuals spend homeless. Finally steps will be taken in order to implement the plan and insure its relevance as we move forward.

Barriers to the creation of the 600 units cited in the plan include: Lack of funding, lack of capacity of non-profit developers, lack of incentives for for-profit developers to house low income, especially the chronic homeless and lack of affordable land and public policies to utilize the land to support housing for chronically homeless persons.

During 2008, the City will work with the Passaic CoC to identify specific work items that will reduce or remove these barriers. Through the funding being provided to NJCDC, life skills positions in the Permanent Supportive Housing Program will be funded. This will provide a match for McKinney funding received.

4. Homeless Prevention: ESG funds are provided to the Hispanic Center who offers a comprehensive array of services to address emergency housing needs.

5. Discharge Coordination. The Plan to End Homelessness addresses the need to work with the state agencies to develop better means to house persons leaving institutional settings. The City will work with the CoC to develop strategies to address these goals.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Specific Community Development Objectives

The City's high priority non-housing community development needs and plans for 2008 are identified on the Community Development Strategies Table.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

Objective	Program	Activity	Proposed Five Year Accomplishment	Proposed 2008 Activities
Create Low- and Moderate- Income jobs by:				
1. Adaptive Reuse of Existing Buildings	CDBG	Redevelopment through site clearance and assembly	Provide funds to reutilize obsolete commercial and industrial sites	Demolition vacant sites on-going with prior year funds.
2. Empower residents to prepare for and maintain jobs through skill development	CDBG	Job Training	Provide funding to support job training assistance to 100 unemployed and underemployed residents	Oasis will provide English as a Second Language \$39,257 and a City-funded job training center is being planned.
Sustain the Community through comprehensive and integrated delivery of Social Services and Facilities				
1. Fostering partnerships and linkages	CDBG	Child Care Services	500 Children Assisted	No activity proposed in 2008
			Paterson Family Success Center After-school Care	\$31,255
			SSV Mirror Image After-school Care	\$47,030
			Lambda Upsilon Careers Economic	\$10,000
	CDBG	Neighborhood Assistance Office	1,000 persons referred to services	Neighborhood Center funding \$50,000
	CDBG	Grandparents Relatives Resource Center	Comprehensive support services to care-givers	Grandparents Relatives Resource Center \$61,000

2. Juvenile Recreation programs	CDBG	Division of Recreation	Increase services to 1,000 youth	Summer youth camp: \$25,000
	CDBG	Medical Missions for Children	Provide programming for hospitalized children	\$25,000
		Jump Start	Youth Arts program	\$25,000
		Mr. G's	Friday evening programs	\$25,000
3. Increase the quality of Community Life	CDBG	Parks and Recreation	Provide two new recreation spaces	A new playground is planned
	CDBG	Street improvements	Fund one new street improvement	Street improvements program funded in 2008
	CDBG	Fire Safety Equipment	Support acquisition of new equipment	No equipment but building rehabilitation is planned in 2008.
	CDBG	Public Library	Provide funds for improvements to existing library and remove architectural barriers	Rehabilitation of South Paterson Library

Anti-Poverty Strategy

The Department of Community Development will undertake activities and programs that will aid in assisting families at or below the poverty line during FY 2008. These programs are aimed at improving school attendance and performance, stabilizing families and providing safety net services. The activities that the city will undertake were outlined in the previous section and include:

- After-School childcare
- Youth Recreation and Leadership building programs
- Neighborhood Assistance Office provides comprehensive delivery of social services
- Grandparent's Resource Center – assistance in connecting to mainstream resources
- Division of Recreation - Summer Youth Program
- Oasis – English as a Second Language
- NJCDC – homeless services
- Eva's Village – primary medical care for homeless
- Economic Development - although no longer funded through federal funds, the City continues to provide assistance to businesses seeking to expand or locate in the City. These businesses provide jobs for lower income residents.

Non-Homeless Special Needs

Specific Non-Homeless Special Needs Objectives

The Five Year Plan identified elderly and disabled as special needs populations with High Priority. During 2008, HOME funds will be available to expand housing opportunities for these populations. During 2007, the construction of a 100 unit senior housing project on Ellison Street in the 5th Ward by the Paterson Housing Authority received HOME funding approval. This project is expected to be completed in 2008.

A major obstacle to meeting the housing needs of special populations continues to be the escalating values of land. More redevelopment and marginal lands are being developed as a result. These processes take longer and have a higher cost associated with the projects.

Federal State and local resources may be used to leverage HOME or CDBG funds used in the creation of housing:

Funding Opportunities for Housing for Persons with Special Needs

Funding Source	Agency	Target population
Ryan White	Department of Human Resources	Persons with HIV/AIDS
Section 811	U.S. Department of HUD	Persons with Disabilities
Balanced Housing	NJDCA	Housing
Regional Contribution Agreements:	COAH	Housing
• Township of Wayne		
• Township of Paterson		
• Township of Saddle Brook		
• Borough of Hawthorne		
Low Income Tax Credits	NJHMFA	Housing
Urban Home Ownership Recovery Program (UHORP)	NHHMFA	Housing
CEAS Continuum of Care	Passaic County	Homeless
County of Passaic Board of Social Services	Passaic County	Social Services

Victims of Domestic Violence

The Violence Against Women's Act of 2005 amended the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act and now requires jurisdictions receiving funds from HUD to consider the housing needs of persons who have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking. In Paterson, assistance is to victims of domestic violence is provided by the Passaic County Women's Center. Since 1986, the PCWC has had a mandate as the only shelter in the county exclusively serving battered women and their children; PCWC has expanded its services to include a variety of programs addressing the complex problems of both domestic violence and sexual assault.

PCWC is open and operational 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Services are accessed through the 24-hour hotline, either directly by clients or through referral sources. The domestic violence program provides emergency shelter for women and their children as well as full spectrum of ancillary support services. Any woman who is physically and mentally able to care for herself and her children in a congregate living environment and who is homeless as a result of domestic violence or sexual assault is eligible for PCWC shelter services. Though the center serves primarily mothers and their minor children, single battered women without children are also eligible.

Extensive services are available to any adult resident of Passaic County, whether or not they are in need of shelter. These services include individual and group counseling and case management. A full time Legal Advocate is located at the Family Court, and her work there has increased the Center's capacity to reach domestic violence victims who might not otherwise have sought help. A full time children's advocate addresses the educational requirements and emotional needs of the children living in shelter. In concert with members of an extensive network of domestic violence programs throughout the state, PCWC can assist clients who choose to relocate to escape further violence. If space is not available within the PCWC shelter, the staff will advocate on behalf of the client within the network of shelter providers, and forge the necessary linkages.

The sexual assault program staff provides crisis intervention, emotional support, information and referral services through the 24 hour hotline, companionship during medical attention and criminal justice procedures, and support groups for survivors, as well as outreach and community education.

The problem of sexual violence is addressed through a broad range of activities, including direct services and education prevention programs aimed at reducing the incidents of sexual assault in Passaic County. Services are free and confidential.

Through our housing programs, we will inform developers of their responsibilities under the VAWA to not penalize women who are victims of domestic violence, date rape or stalking in the in the decision to rent, sell or lease of housing or to continue or terminate a lease.

Housing for Persons with AIDS

The Bergen/Passaic HOPWA Grant will be administered by the City of Paterson Department of Human Services. The grant covers the two counties, Passaic and Bergen, and the Cities of Paterson, Passaic, and Clifton and the Township of Wayne.

During 2008, funding will be used for Tenant Based Rental Vouchers in both Bergen and Passaic County. The funding division is based on the prevalence of cases of Persons living with HIV/AIDS as reported to the NJ Department of Health. Bergen County represents 37% of Persons living with HIV/AIDS and Passaic County represents 63%. The funding allocation was determined by the Regional HOPWA Committee based on the prevalence of HIV status and ranking and priority of services by the Committee.

Barriers:

There continue to persist the discrimination based on the HIV/AIDS condition that prevents persons and families living with HIV/AIDS from obtaining housing. Also, despite to the longer life expectancy, the episodic nature of disability as well as the side-effects of the drug cocktails, obtaining and maintaining employment and housing are barriers.

Trend data:

It is increasingly difficult to meet the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS. The cost of housing is rising dramatically. Medical care costs and availability are not keeping up with demand.

No further studies or evaluations are expected to be completed in 2008.

HOPWA Specific Objectives

Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness: The Bergen/Passaic HOPWA Grant has been utilized to prevent homelessness by providing a wide variety of housing assistance. Emergency assistance to prevent homelessness includes short-term rent, utilities, mortgage payments and the cost to move into a new place.

Tenant-based Rental Assistance: HOPWA funds will also be used to secure permanent housing for persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

For 2008, funds will be used for tenant-based rental assistance. During 2008, it is expected that prior year funding will continue to be available for a full range of services.

CDBG Specific Narrative

The Action Plan describes the activities that the City of Paterson will undertake with its FY 2008 CDBG Entitlement.

The City does not anticipate that it will have any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan.

The City of Paterson will not have any income from float-funded activities nor will it seek to address any activities as an “urgent need”.

The Annual Plan shows that 100 % of funds will be used for activities that benefit low to moderate income people.

Certifications

(previously submitted)

CPMP FORMS

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND TABLES

(Previously submitted)

Evidence of Public Participation

(previously submitted)