



**City of New Albany, Indiana
Community Development Block Grant
FY2023 One-Year Action Plan Summary
New Albany Redevelopment Commission**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is funded and administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), with the objectives of benefitting low- to moderate-income persons or areas and eliminating and/or preventing slums or blight. The City of New Albany receives funding from the CDBG Program annually, and puts the funds to work in the community in many ways. The use of the funds follows strategies that are outlined in the City's FY2020-2024 Consolidated Community Development Plan.

The City of New Albany's Fiscal Year 2023 estimated allocation is \$680,919. Proposed projects' budgets will be proportionately increased or decreased (if allowable) from the estimated funding levels to match the actual allocation amount once determined by the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Descriptions of proposed projects and activities to be undertaken are listed below:

Housing Programs

Housing Rehabilitation (Emergency Repair Program) \$125,000: Minor (emergency) repairs/rehabilitation for low- and moderate-income (80% AMI) homeowners in the City's Target Areas (preferred) including furnace and water heater installation, plumbing and electrical repairs, roof replacement, windows, etc., and other repairs meant to sustain the property.

Concentrated Code Enforcement \$68,685: The Concentrated Code Enforcement Officer's salary and overhead costs associated with the enforcement of City & State housing and building codes will be funded through an effort to arrest the decline of distressed areas within the City's CDBG Target Areas where improvements are being made.

Public Improvements & Public Facilities

Public Park(s) in the CDBG Target Area \$300,000: The public facility or improvement will be used for a purpose that benefits of which are available to all the residents in a particular area that is primarily residential, and at least 51% of those residents are L/M income persons.

Public Services

YMCA Building Assets \$20,000: A before and after school childcare program providing a structured caring environment with mentors that assist with homework, character development and motor activity.

Open Door Youth Services \$9,827: After school program for elementary aged youth that focuses on character development, early delinquency and abuse prevention education utilizing a curriculum-based support group program.

New Albany Parks Youth Enrichment \$30,000: A program facilitated by the NA Parks Department that is meant to improve social skills and overall behavior of youth 5-17 years of age through weekly group workshops, cultural and field trip experiences.

Clothe a Teen Program \$10,000: The Clothe a Teen Program provides middle and high school students (& elementary if in need in the same family) with purchasing new back to school appropriate clothing to begin the school year.

New Albany Housing Authority \$20,000: The Youth Engagement and Middle School Program works toward eliminating generational poverty by investing in elementary and middle school student residents, while partnering with local non-profit organizations. Programming for 1st to 5th graders includes homework help, hard skills building, and fun games and activities. Programming for 6th to 8th graders includes hands on STEM and art/creative expression activities, healthy habit and soft skill building, as well as helping pre-teens and teens navigate the importance of self-care and boundary building.

Special Economic Development Activities

New Albany Housing Authority Fellowship Program \$21,407: The program will support diverse professionals in developing real estate development, financing, and community development skills. The program will expose Fellows to develop real estate experience, learn about the development sector, repositioning public housing, and comprehensive community development. A fundamental goal of the Fellowship is to provide each Fellow with a realistic and comprehensive experience of the real estate and community/economic development field.

Planning and Administration

General Administration, Planning & Fair Housing \$76,000: Implementation of the FY2023 CDBG One-Year Action Plan including but not limited to staff time, office supplies, advertising, & other related costs associated with the CDBG Program such as consulting services for general administration and planning. An estimated \$1,000 is set aside to further Fair Housing education or planning activities.

Based on the foregoing, the Department of Redevelopment estimates that 99% of the estimated amount will be used for activities that will benefit low–and moderate-income persons. This excludes program funds to be expended for program planning and administration.

Persons wishing to view a copy of the entire DRAFT Plan may do so at City Hall, 142 E. Main Street, Suite 212 or on the City's website at www.cityofnewalbany.com.

Submit written comments to the Director at cjohnson@cityofnewalbany.com or to the Department of Redevelopment, Room 212, City Hall, 142 E. Main Street, New Albany, Indiana 47150 through 2:30 p.m., May 3rd, 2023.

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