



The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) is a federal program that is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CDBG funds are provided to states and units of local government. As an entitlement community, the City of Taylor is authorized to fund eligible activities that meet national and local goals/objectives. The broad national objectives are as follows:

- Activities benefiting low/moderate-income persons
- Activities which aid in preventing or eliminating slums or blight
- Activities meeting community development needs that have a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources do not exist to meet such needs.

In preparation of the City's 2011-2016 Consolidated Plan the City of Taylor has created specific goals and objectives to meet various priority needs within the community:

Public Facilities and Infrastructure Needs

GOAL 1: Enhance the living environment for persons in low and moderate income areas through public improvement activities and elimination of blight.

Objectives:

1. Augment existing recreation facilities and equipment and create fitness trails and biking paths, to serve the disabled.
2. Actively participate in the Greenways Path Initiative and Complete Streets Initiative.
3. Improve pedestrian access to the park and continually augment the amenities and activities provided there.
4. Pursue continued improvement of water mains throughout the City's water distribution system and increase normal operating pressures to improve fire suppression systems.
5. Inventory existing road conditions and properly plan for maintenance, improvement or reconstruction as necessary.
6. Help to improve the public transportation system through transit shelters, expanded routes and schedules, as well as creation of inter-modal pathways.
7. Aggressively pursue grants to construct critical pathway connections and public amenities.
8. Improve entrance points using unified landscaping, public art, signage and streetscape amenities.
9. Develop facilities such as a community kitchen, farmers market or community farms where residents can participate and learn about healthy living.
10. Continue to improve facilities that focus on the advancement, health and safety of the senior citizen population

Public Services Needs

GOAL 2: Promote access to improved public service programs, including, but not limited to, those addressing homelessness, recreational services, youth/children, health/safety, increased self-sufficiency, mental illness, and disabilities.

Objectives:

1. Support programs that assist senior citizen population, frail/elderly and disabled.

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2. Support programs that provide basic needs assistance to non-homeless special needs population.
3. Support the expansion and improvement of affordable health facilities.
4. Provide and expand social and recreational services and facilities, including but not limited to, youth and individuals with disabilities.
5. Support agencies that offer meal and/or food bank services for persons and families of low income.
6. Encourage and support programs that diminish crime.
7. Reduce slum and blight conditions by enhanced Code Enforcement in low and moderate income areas.

Economic Development Needs

GOAL 3: Support programs that create economic opportunities throughout the City with special emphasis given to areas of low and moderate income.

Objectives:

1. Continue to participate in regional Aerotropolis Initiative.
2. Expand or enhance existing relationships with local financial institutions.
3. Support job training/educational programs for youth.

Housing Needs

GOAL 4: To improve availability and accessibility of affordable housing to persons of low and moderate income throughout the City of Taylor.

Objectives:

1. Offer rehabilitation and emergency repair programs for low and moderate income home owners.
2. Encourage the improvement of ADA accessibility to affordable residential units.
3. Encourage senior housing, providing a full continuum of care, in mixed-use areas near commercial nodes or retail and service centers.
4. Assist qualified low and moderate income households to become homeowners through supporting agencies that provide financial assistance and counseling.
5. Support agencies that provide mortgage assistance and housing counseling programs for low and moderate income persons to prevent foreclosures and to preserve affordable housing stock.

Homeless Needs

GOAL 5: Help to prevent and reduce homelessness within the City of Taylor.

Objectives:

1. Funds and support programs that offer shelter facilities and emergency shelter beds for the homeless.
2. Assist agencies that engage in homeless prevention programs.
3. Support programs that provide counseling to mentally and/or physically disabled homeless persons.

The 2011-2012 Annual Action Plan directs funds exclusively toward meeting the national objective of benefiting low/moderate-income persons.

The City of Taylor expects to have an estimated \$700,000 available during the 2011-12 Federal fiscal year. These proposed activities are listed on the following page:

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CDBG ACTIVITIES 2011-2012	BUDGET (\$)
PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS	
Sidewalk Improvements Funds to repair and replace sidewalks throughout low and moderate income areas. (outside the 100-Year Floodplain)	200,000
REHABILITATION SERVICES PROJECTS	
Home Repair Program The Home Repair Program funds a zero percent deferred loan to low and moderate income individuals in order to perform emergency repairs and home rehabilitation.	350,000
PUBLIC SERVICES PROJECTS*	
Taylor Teen Health Center Support for the Taylor Teen Health Center which provides health care, counseling, STD/HIV testing and counseling, and student services.	6,000
Gleaners Food Bank Food distribution to Taylor Residents in need.	6,000
Fish and Loaves Support for fish and loaves which provides food assistance to Taylor residents.	6,000
Senior Alliance Support for the Senior Alliance Area Agency on Aging. This service primarily addresses the needs of persons age 60 and older. Services are also available to caregivers and adults with disabilities.	6,000
Taylor Recreation Department	16,000
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	
General Administration/Planning	110,000
TOTAL \$700,000	

NOTES:

**Public Services activities are subject to 15 percent Cap.*

20% of funds (allocation + program income) may be used for planning and administrative services.

Additional program income dollars will be used to fund CDBG eligible activities.

A public hearing will be held for the purpose of receiving suggestions, proposals and ideas from interested citizens concerning the proposed use of Federal Housing and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

The public hearing will take place on April 5 2011 @ 7:00 P.M. at the City of Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 23555 Goddard Road, Taylor, Michigan 48180.

The City is making available to the general public this draft summary of the Action Plan 2011-2012. This copy is available for examination and comment for a 30 day period, March 28, 2011 through April 26, 2011, until 4:00 P.M. Copies of the document will be available for review at the following locations:

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- Community Development Department, 23555 Goddard, Taylor, MI 48180
- Taylor Community Library, 12303 Pardee Road, Taylor, MI
- City of Taylor website at, www.cityoftaylor.com

Comments from the public are welcome and may be submitted to the Community Development Department, 23555 Goddard, Taylor, MI 48180.

For those interested citizens who are unable to attend the public hearing, please submit written views and proposals to the Community Development Department at 23555 Goddard, Taylor, MI 48180. All comments must be received by 4:00 P.M. on April 26, 2009.