

**PROPOSED 2023-2024 CD YEAR 49 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**A SUMMARY OF THE CITY OF WATERBURY CONSOLIDATED HOUSING AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 2023-2024 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN/ USE OF FUNDS
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023**

The City of Waterbury has prepared the City's proposed CD YR 49 (2023-2024) Annual Action Plan. Notice is hereby given that the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) will hold a Public Hearing and public comment period for the proposed plan. This action is undertaken in compliance with federal regulations 24 CFR 91. The Annual Action Plan delineates proposed activities to be funded under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program, and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program.

The CD YR 49 (2023-2024) Annual Action Plan identifies how this year's funds will be used. HUD notified the City of its allocations for the upcoming program year on February 28, 2023. The 2023-2024 CD YR 49 allocations are as follows: \$2,133,069 (CDBG), \$186,749 (ESG), and \$979,755 (HOME). Program income is anticipated to be \$2,500 for HOME and \$14,000 for CDBG. The proposed CD YR 49 (2023-2024) Annual Action Plan is listed below.

A thirty (30) day public comment period will commence on March 31, 2023, and will end May 1, 2023. Drafts of the proposed plan will be available for public review at the Silas Bronson Library, 267 Grand Street; the City Clerk's Office, 235 Grand Street; and the Office of Community Development, 235 Grand Street. The Plan is also available on the City of Waterbury website at www.waterburyct.org/services/community-development.

Written comments regarding the draft plan may be submitted to the attention of Christopher Bandecchi, Community Development Director, Office of Community Development, City Hall, 235 Grand Street, Room C-29 Waterbury, CT 06702; or by email to cbandecchi@waterburyct.org.

Second Public Hearing: Notice is hereby given that the CAC will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 5:30 PM for the purpose of receiving public input on the proposed plan. The hearing will be located at City Hall, Veterans Memorial Hall, 2nd Floor, 235 Grand Street. The facility is handicapped accessible. The City will provide interpreters and assistance for non-English speaking, hearing-impaired, or disabled residents upon receiving a request at least four (4) days prior to this hearing date. Contact Nancy Allen at 203-346-3810 ext. 7274 or by email at nallen@waterburyct.org. All interested person(s) are encouraged to participate.

Proposed 2023-2024 Annual Action Plan:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$2,133,069

Administration & Planning - \$426,613

Administration (235 Grand Street): \$426,613 - Allocation of 20% CDBG funds to provide for program administration.

Social Service Programs - \$319,960

Catholic Charities (965 South Main St.): \$5,000- Funds salaries, building facility, and case management at Waterbury Family Center.

Center for Human Development (690 East Main St.): \$50,000 – Funds coordinators salary to support the Hospitality Center.

Community Partners in Action (77-79 Bishop St.): \$30,000 - Funds case management and other services for Waterbury Reentry Welcome Center (RWC).

Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries (770 East Main St.): \$60,000 - Funds food, supplies, utilities, and salaries at soup kitchen and food pantry.

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Waterbury, Inc. (267 Grand St.): \$5,000 - Funds salaries and expenses of the literacy program.

Manufacturing Alliance Service Corp. (173 Interstate Lane): \$59,350 – Funds teachers salaries and expenses for CNC Entry Level Operator program.

Safe Haven (29 Central Ave.): \$9,000 - Funds utilities and insurance to support services for abused women/children.

Salvation Army (74 Central Ave.): \$10,000 - Funds for emergency food pantry case worker salary and food at the Family Service Food Pantry.

Shakespeare Productions, Inc. (117 Bank St.): \$10,000 - Funds acting intensive scholarship program.

Waterbury Senior Shuttle (83 Bank St.): \$63,610 - Funds transportation costs for seniors.

Waterbury Youth Service Systems (83 Prospect St.): \$9,000 - Funds truancy program salaries for case management for youth who are truant.

WOW-NRZ Association, Inc. (308 Walnut St.): \$9,000 - Funds operating expenses of afterschool and summer program at the Community Learning Center.

Improvement Projects - \$1,386,496

Park Improvements – Martin Luther King Park (467 North Main Street): \$436,496 – Funds will be used to carry out various proposed improvements within the park, including the replacement of walkways to improve accessibility; and the replacement of lighting in the basketball court area and walkways. **Program Income of \$14,000, if realized, will also be added.**

Park Improvements – Chase Park (150 Sunnyside Avenue): \$950,000 – Funds will be used to carry out various proposed improvements within the park. Improvements may include: the replacement of Chase Park House roof; reconstruction of the four tennis courts; reconstruction of the basketball court; rehab of interior walkways, lower parking lot, and retaining wall; rehab of lower basketball court; and replacement and upgrade of lighting at basketball and tennis courts.

Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) - \$186,749

Administration (235 Grand Street): \$14,006 - Allocation of 7.5% of ESG funds for program administration.

Safe Haven (29 Central Ave.): \$20,400 – Funds shelter operations for victims of domestic violence.

Salvation Army (74 Central Ave.): \$49,094 - \$9,800 to fund shelter operations; \$27,894 to fund salaries and direct financial assistance related to homelessness prevention services; and \$10,400 to fund salaries and direct financial assistance related to rapid re-housing services.

St. Vincent DePaul (114 Benedict St.): \$104,249 - \$81,849 to fund shelter operations; \$22,400 for direct financial assistance related to rapid re-housing services.

HOME Program – \$979,755

HOME Funds will benefit low and moderate households, targeted as determined by the City. HOME allocations include the following:

Administration: \$97,975 (10%) - funds will be used for administration.

CHDO Set-aside: \$146,964 (15%) - funds will be used for CHDO housing development.

Housing Related Activities: \$734,816 - funds will be used for housing activities. **An estimated \$2,500 in program income, if realized, will be put back into the program.**

R-A March 29, 2023