

## CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

### Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

Highlighted in the FFY 2016-FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan, the following items were noted as either low or high priority areas:

#### **Housing Priority - (High Priority)**

There is a need to improve the quality of the housing stock in Bloomsburg, and to increase the supply of affordable, decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing for homeowners, renters, and homebuyers.

- **HS-1 Housing Rehabilitation** - Continue to rehabilitate the existing owner and renter occupied housing stock in Bloomsburg, including handicap accessibility modifications.
- **HS-2 Housing Construction/Rehabilitation** - Increase the supply of decent, safe, sound, and accessible housing that is affordable to owners and renters in both communities through new construction and rehabilitation of vacant units.
- **HS-3 Fair Housing** - Affirmatively further Fair Housing by promoting Fair Housing choices through monitoring, education, and outreach.
- **HS-4 Homeownership** - Assist LMI households in an effort to become homeowners and also provide counseling.

#### **Homeless Priority - (Low Priority)**

There is a need for housing and services for homeless persons and persons at-risk of becoming homeless as well as public education.

- **HO-1 Housing** - Support the efforts of local agencies that provide emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing.
- **HO-2 Education** - Support the efforts of local agencies educational efforts that are designed to increase awareness regarding local homelessness and change public perceptions.

**Other Special Needs Priority - (Low Priority)**

There is a need for services and facilities for the youth, elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV/AIDS, and persons with special needs.

- **SN-1 Transportation** – Support efforts to further develop public transportation access.
- **SN-2 Social Services** - Support social service programs and facilities for the youth, elderly, persons with disabilities, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV/AIDS, and persons with other special needs.

**Community Development Priority - (High Priority)**

There is a need to improve the public and community facilities, infrastructure, public services, code enforcement, public safety, clearance, and the quality of life in the Town of Bloomsburg.

- **CD-1 Community Facilities** - Improve the parks, recreational centers, trails, bikeways, and public and community facilities through rehabilitation, new construction and handicap accessibility improvements.
- **CD-2 Infrastructure** - Improve infrastructure through rehabilitation, reconstruction, and new construction of streets, sidewalks, ADA curb cut ramps, sewer, water, stormwater management, flood protection, bridges, green infrastructure, etc.
- **CD-3 Code Enforcement** - Undertake code enforcement activities to maintain the existing housing stock.
- **CD-4 Public Safety** - Improvement of crime prevention and/or the ability to respond to emergency situations.
- **CD-5 Clearance** - Remove and eliminate slum and blighting conditions.

**Economic Development Priority - (Low Priority)**

There is a need to increase employment, self-sufficiency, education, job training, technical assistance, and economic empowerment of the residents of the Town of Bloomsburg.

- **ED-1 Employment** - Undertake efforts to support SEDA-Council of Governments' (SEDA-COG) 5 Year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) where applicable.
- **ED-2 Community Revitalization** - Plan and promote the development and redevelopment of downtown districts, vacant commercial and industrial sites, and facilities.

**Administration, Planning, and Management Priority - (High Priority)**

There is a continuing need for planning, administration, management, and oversight of Federal, state, and local funded programs.

- **AM-1 Overall Coordination** - Provide program management and oversight for the successful administration of Federal, state, and local funded programs, including planning services for special studies, environmental clearance, Fair Housing, and compliance with all Federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

This Consolidated Annual Plan Performance and Evaluation Report will discuss the aspects of these various goals in greater detail throughout this document.



**Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)**

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee's program year goals.

Goal Name	Category	Outcome				
AM-1 Overall Coordination	Administration, Planning, and Management	Indicator: Other	Expected: 1	Actual: 0	Unit of Measure: Other	Percent Complete: 66.5%
CD-1 Community Facilities	Non-Housing Community Development	Indicator: Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Expected: 14855	Actual: 14855	Unit of Measure: Persons Assisted	Percent Complete: 100%
CD-2 Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	Indicator: Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Expected 14855	Actual: 0	Unit of Measure: Persons Assisted	Percent Complete: 0%

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
AM-1 - Overall Coordination	Administration, Planning & Management	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Other	Other	10	0	0.00%	1	0	66.5%
CD-1 - Community Facilities	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	14,855	14,855	100.00%	14,855	14,855	100.00%
CD-2 - Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	14,855	0	0.00%	14855	0	0.00%
CD-3 - Code Enforcement	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Housing Code Enforcement/Fo reclosed Property Care	Househ old Housing Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD-4 - Public Safety	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD-5 - Clearance	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Buildings Demolished	Building s	0	0	0	0	0	0

ED-1 - Employment	Economic Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
ED-1 - Employment	Economic Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	0	0	0	0	0	0
ED-2 - Community Revitalization	Economic Development	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
HO-1 - Housing	Homeless	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
HO-2 - Education	Homeless	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
HS-1 - Housing Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0
HS-2 - Housing Construction/ Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0
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HS-2 - Housing Construction/ Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	0	0	0	0	0	0
HS-3 - Fair Housing	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Other	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
HS-4 - Homeownership	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0
SN-1 - Transportation	Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Other	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
SN-2 - Social Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$ / CDBG - Town of Bloomsburg: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date**



**Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.**

Community Development was given a high priority designation in the FFY 2016 – FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan. Most CDBG funds for the FFY 2016 CDBG program have been allocated to address infrastructure improvements to handle flood related issues. The FFY 2016 – FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan repetitively noted that flooding is a major problem in Bloomsburg and has resulted in millions of dollars of damages over the years. Flooding is an issue in Bloomsburg that has nearly unanimous support that it is an issue that needs to be addressed.

Although housing was designated as a high priority area, CDBG funding was not allocated to this focus in FFY 2016. However, numerous other housing related activities took place during the FFY 2016 CDBG program year to address this area. Much greater attention is given to the housing focus area throughout this document.

Finally, homelessness, special needs, and economic development were all given low priority designation in the FFY 2016 – FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan. Different actions were taken with the assistance of community and governmental organizations during the FFY 2016 CDBG program year to address these different focus areas. More discussion regarding these focus areas is provided throughout this document.

## CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

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	CDBG
White	0
Black or African American	0
Asian	0
American Indian or American Native	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>
Hispanic	0
Not Hispanic	0

**Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds**

### Narrative

The Town of Bloomsburg did not fund any direct beneficiary activities for the FFY 2016 CDBG program.

The Town of Bloomsburg is not a HOME HUD entitlement. The Town of Bloomsburg does not receive HOPWA or ESG funding.

## CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

### Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	CDBG	\$479,634	\$34,946.21

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

### Narrative

Immediately below provides a status update on the various activities currently financed with CDBG funding:

- **Streater Recreation Improvements (Phase II):**  
This activity has been completed. \$8,183.21 of FFY 2016 CDBG funding was utilized for this activity.
- **Flood Mitigation Expansion (Phase II) (Sanitary Sewer):**  
No FFY 2016 or FFY 2017 funds have been expended to date. However, it is anticipated that the \$96,675.39 of FFY 2016 will be spent during spring of 2018 and exhausted by summer 2018 at the latest.

The FFY 2017 CDBG agreement was just recently received by the Town of Bloomsburg, so no funds have been expended to date. It is anticipated that these funds will be exhausted quickly during summer/fall of 2018. The larger Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion project has a total budget (including construction, engineering, easements, administration, and other related costs) that may approach an amount as high as \$17 million. Preliminary construction estimates (not including engineering, easements, administration, and other related costs) for the sewer work associated with this activity will approach \$1.25 million.

- **Flood Mitigation Expansion (Phase II) (Storm Water):**  
No FFY 2016 or FFY 2017 funds have been expended to date. However, it is anticipated that the \$96,675.40 of FFY 2016 will be spent during spring of 2018 and exhausted by summer 2018 at the latest.

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- **Administration:**  
\$26,763 in administration fees for FFY 2016 have been paid to date. Much of the administration fees paid thus far have been related to the development of the FFY 2016-FFY 2020 Consolidated

Plan and FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan, oversight of the citizen participation process, updating relevant policies and procedures, and other technical assistance.

No FFY 2017 administration funds have been paid out to date because the Town of Bloomsburg has yet to execute its grant agreement.

**Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments**

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
Borough of Berwick	55	55	Allocation amounts are pre-determined by HUD.
Town of Bloomsburg	45	45	Allocation amounts are pre-determined by HUD.

**Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments**

**Narrative**

This narrative only speaks to the Town of Bloomsburg.

**The geographic locations and the public benefit for the FFY 2016 CDBG Activities are as followed:**

- Streater Property Recreation Complex (Phase II): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Flood Mitigation Expansion (Sanitary Sewer): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Flood Mitigation Expansion (Storm Water): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Administration – Town-Wide

100% of FFY 2016 CDBG funding was allocated on a Town-Wide basis. The Town of Bloomsburg has an overall low- and moderate-income percentage of 59.65%.

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- Administration – Town-Wide

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## Leveraging

**Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.**

- **Streater Recreation Improvements (Phase II):**

\$8,183.21 of FFY 2016 CDBG funding was utilized for this activity. Additionally, this activity utilized a total of \$212,409.54 of FFY 2014 and FFY 2015 CDBG funds under the Commonwealth's CDBG program.

\$205,600 of Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources funding contributed to this activity. Finally, \$15,000 of American Youth Soccer Organization financing was used for the activity.

- **Flood Mitigation Expansion (Phase II) (Sanitary Sewer) & Flood Mitigation Expansion (Phase II) (Storm Water):**

Currently, a combined amount of \$387,187.95 of FFY 2016 and FFY 2017 CDBG funding has been allocated to the larger Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion activity. It is the intention of these funds to assist with engineering and construction costs related to these specific components of infrastructure.

Additionally, the larger Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion activity utilized a total of \$6,237.69 of FFY 2014 and FFY 2015 CDBG funds under the Commonwealth's CDBG program for early engineering costs. An amount of \$90,762.31 of CDBG-DR funding has also been expended to date for early engineering costs.

Currently, an additionally \$460,579.20 of CDBG-DR funding is available to get the activity to 40% design.

For final design, engineering, and other related costs, the following other funding sources have been pursued:

- Act 13 Flood Mitigation Program funding
  - Commonwealth of Pennsylvania source
  - \$400,000 awarded
  - Funds to be utilized for final design and construction
- FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance/Pre-Disaster Mitigation funding
  - Federal source
  - \$2.75 million requested
  - Funds to be utilized for final design, administration, and construction
- Keystone Communities Program funding
  - Commonwealth of Pennsylvania source
  - \$500,000 requested
  - Funds to be utilized for final design, administration, and construction

- Wyoming Valley Levee Raising funding
  - Federal source
  - Amount undetermined to date; pre-application submitted
  - Funds to be utilized for final design, administration, and construction
- Bloomsburg Area School District funding
  - Local source
  - All final design and construction costs on their property; anticipated to be \$3-\$3.5 million
  - Funds to be utilized for final design and construction
- Second Allocation of CDBG-DR funding
  - Federal source
  - \$10.2 million requested
  - Funds to be utilized for final design, easement acquisition, administration, and construction

## CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	0	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

**Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.**

During this Five-Year Consolidated Plan, the Town of Bloomsburg is not funding any affordable housing activities with CDBG funds. The Town of Bloomsburg will utilize HOME funds they receive from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to do housing rehabilitation activities over the Five-Year Consolidated Plan period.

The following impediments were initially identified for the Town of Bloomsburg, relating either directly or indirectly to affordable housing:

- Impediment 1: Fair Housing Education, Advocacy, Monitoring, and Enforcement
- Impediment 2: Benefit Gaps and Challenges
- Impediment 3: Housing Affordability
- Impediment 4: Housing Accessibility

Immediately below is a discussion of action taken on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg to address each impediment.

### **Impediment 1: Fair Housing Education, Advocacy, Monitoring, and Enforcement:**

SEDA-COG, on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg, annually publishes the Fair Housing Notice in the local newspaper of general circulation. Additionally, a public hearing is annually held, during which the public is asked to report any unfair housing practices. These efforts are made to inform the public about Fair Housing rights.

SEDA-COG has provided the Town of Bloomsburg with brochures about Fair Housing laws and policies. SEDA-COG's intention was to increase awareness and further inform the community of local obligations, particularly as they relate to zoning ordinances. One of the important messages is that the impacts of ordinances, rather than the ordinances themselves, be reviewed to determine if they create impediments. The brochure also examined the costs of housing for both buyers and renters, as an impediment to Fair Housing and discuss various housing financial assistance programs.

Following up to this discussed activity, in the FFY 2016 Action Plan, the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) noted that the "Town itself should review its own zoning ordinance to determine whether it creates an impediment to housing choice. FHEO further recommends the Town work collaboratively with surrounding townships to ensure the ordinances do not contain restrictions likely to have a discriminatory effect."

Based on this guidance, both the Town and SEDA-COG felt that they did not have the knowledge capacity to adequately review the Town's zoning ordinance. The Town of Bloomsburg, in collaboration with SEDA-COG, organized a training that was held on September 21, 2017, at Susquehanna University, to educate staffs on how zoning can potentially encourage discrimination. Rachel Wentworth, Executive Director of the Housing Equality Center of Pennsylvania, provided discussion on this topic.

Based on the direction provided during this training, the Town of Bloomsburg anticipates doing a more thorough review of its zoning ordinance during its collaboration with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing plan, that it is going to be obligated to complete.

The training also covered financial tools to assist with low- to moderate-income families and people with special housing needs with affordable housing. This discussion was led by Danielle Rudy, Supportive Housing Officer of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

The training was intended to include Town staff, other areas municipalities, professionals in the real estate sector, and SEDA-COG.



## **Impediment 2: Benefit Gaps and Challenges:**

Unfortunately, benefit reform that significantly affects residents in Bloomsburg needs to occur at the Federal level. Strategies that could be implemented at the local level, however, include supporting non-profit organizations, such as Agape or the United Way, the Central Susquehanna Community Foundation, and the United Way which attempt to “fill in funding gaps that exist in their communities.” The Town of Bloomsburg has, and will continue to contact non-profit organizations during the CDBG application preparation process to invite input and support projects that benefit the community.

Comment provided by FHEO for the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan noted a recommendation to apply for HOME funding to assist with “rental assistance to those renters that have a gap in their income.” The Town of Bloomsburg, during FFY 2016 program year, already had an open HOME contract focused on providing housing rehabilitation funding to homeowners. When the Town applies for additional, future HOME funding, the Town will review the aims of its HOME program during the application process.

FHEO also suggested that the Town “implement a First Time Homebuyers program, to assist renters with becoming homeowners.” The Town of Bloomsburg does not have the financial or staff capacity to implement a First Time Homebuyers program. Programs such as these are typically provided at the county level in rural settings.

However, the Columbia County Housing Authority does offer a First Time Homebuyers program for Columbia County residents. The Town of Bloomsburg is a part of Columbia County. The Town of Bloomsburg has continued to encourage residents to participate in this program to encourage additional home ownership within its municipal limits.

## **Impediment 3: Housing Affordability:**

It is the desire of the the Town of Bloomsburg to maintain their supply of available decent, safe, and affordable housing. The current housing stock is maintained through rehabilitation efforts, codes enforcement, and new construction. The Town of Bloomsburg, through Columbia County Housing Authority, also encourages homeownership opportunities for LMI households by promoting its First Time Home Buyers Program. SEDA-COG’s brochure previously discussed and examines various housing financial assistance programs.

Public housing and other facilities aimed towards income distressed populations in the Town of Bloomsburg will also continue to be administered and further developed.

As previously noted, the Town of Bloomsburg and SEDA-COG organized a training for September 21, 2017, to learn more about financing options, to assist area families with housing affordability. Attendees included municipal and private sector representatives from around the region. The Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority conducted the presentation.

Specific financing tools discussed during the training include Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority conventional and PennHOMES loan programs, and the Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement program. These financing tools are all administered by the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority.

Additionally, participating private lenders collaborate with the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority for the ACCESS Home Modification program, Purchase Improvement program, Homeowners Energy Efficiency Loan Program, Renovate and Repair program, and the PENNVEST Homeowner Septic Program.

The Town of Bloomsburg enthusiastically supports these programs offered by the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority. However, the Town of Bloomsburg does not have the knowledge, operation, or finance capacity to offer programs such as the ones mentioned above. The Town of Bloomsburg will take action to promote the use of these financing tools within its jurisdiction during the 2018 calendar year.

The Town of Bloomsburg disagrees with the comments offered by FHEO for the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan noting “without CDBG funds being allocated to these activities (rehabilitation efforts, code enforcement, and new construction) this impediment cannot be removed or ameliorated.”

As previously noted throughout the FFY 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 and FFY 2017 Annual Action Plan, the Town of Bloomsburg has and will continue to utilize HOME, Weatherization, and other grant programs to finance continued housing rehabilitation.

New housing construction, like much of the rest of the country, will continue to be primarily driven by the private sector. The Columbia County Housing Authority had also played a significant role developing new housing complexes for LMI populations, such as the recently completed Bloom Mills complex.

Finally, the Town of Bloomsburg has an active code staff which enforces the Town’s various ordinances, including the International Property Maintenance Code. The International Property Maintenance Code is the standard building maintenance code used by municipalities throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Bloomsburg’s code staff, as well as most code staffs of small to mid-sized municipalities across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, finance their community’s code enforcement efforts simply through general funds and the occasional revenues generated from enforcement.

Given the Town of Bloomsburg’s relatively small allocation of CDBG funds, \$201,534 (after administration), there simply is not enough CDBG funding to spread to the activities discussed above. These activities are important to the Bloomsburg Town Council and their constituents, however, which is why other financing tools will continue to be utilized to pursue the goals of these activities.

#### **Impediment 4: Housing Accessibility:**

The Town of Bloomsburg spent \$135,032.82 of HOME funding to provide housing rehabilitation on four homes, since the beginning of the FFY 2016 program year. Although these funds are not specifically earmarked for housing accessibility work, the Town of Bloomsburg’s HOME program has been used to assist with necessary home accessibility improvements.

Additionally, the Town of Bloomsburg, through Columbia County Housing Authority, will continue to support the building of homes that are designed to accommodate the needs of handicapped and disabled residents through its Accessible Homes Program.

The Columbia County Housing Authority will also continue to provide additional low-income residents with permanent disabilities, physical modifications to their home or apartment, through its Access Grant Program. In responses to the submission of the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan, FHEO did suggest that the

Town of Bloomsburg “should consider more impactful ways to expend CDBG funds to address the identified impediments.”

As previously noted, Town of Bloomsburg and SEDA-COG organized a training that was held on September 21, 2017, to learn more about financing options to assist area families with housing affordability. The Town of Bloomsburg will undertake efforts in calendar year 2018 to promote the use of these programs.

**Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.**

The Town of Bloomsburg enthusiastically supports the programs previously discussed, that are offered by the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority. However, the Town of Bloomsburg does not have the knowledge, operation, or finance capacity to offer programs such as the ones mentioned above.

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**Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.**

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	0
Low-income	0	0
Moderate-income	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Table 7 – Number of Households Served**

**Narrative Information**

The Town of Bloomsburg only provided funding to three projects for the FFY 2016 CDBG program, none of which provided direct assistance to homeowners. Currently, flood and other negative impacts associated with flooding, have been the Town's priority for CDBG financing assistance. HOME funding is provided to income, eligible applicants for housing rehabilitation purposes.

## **CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)**

**Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:**

### **Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs**

Beyond Violence, the Women's Center, and the Gatehouse all offer counseling programs to clients in an effort to assess their individual needs.

The Town of Bloomsburg has begun to participate in Bi-monthly Columbia County Human Service Coalition meetings, as a result of the Consolidated Planning effort. These meetings are also attended by the representatives of Beyond Violence, the Women's Center, and the Gatehouse, as well as other social service providers, to coordinate services, prevent duplication of efforts, share information, and promote networking.

The Town of Bloomsburg receives a bi-monthly update from the providers listed above during the monthly Columbia County Human Service Coalition meetings about the status of their programs.

Additionally, a Homeless Task Force does also meet monthly concerning issues related to the homeless and "at risk" homeless. This group is made up of representatives from the Columbia County Housing Authority, religious organizations, women's shelters, the Gatehouse, CMSU, Central Susquehanna Opportunities, Inc. (the county's community action agency), the United Way of Columbia County, and the US Department of Agriculture.

Currently, information updates regarding the Homeless Task Force are provided to the the Town of Bloomsburg at the meetings of the Columbia County Human Service Coalition. However, the Town of Bloomsburg has had preliminary discussion about more direct involvement with the Homeless Task Force for calendar year 2018.

### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

The Bloomsburg Town Council officially endorsed the efforts of Diana T. Myers and Associates, Inc., who applied to HUD for \$11,922,135 of funding, on behalf of the regional Continuums of Care (CoC).

The Town of Bloomsburg falls under the 33 county Eastern Pennsylvania CoC. This CoC is then broken into five (5) regional homeless advisory boards. Columbia County (and indirectly, the Town of Bloomsburg) is a member of the Central Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board (CV-RHAB).

Weston Brehm, of the Columbia County Housing and Redevelopment Authority is the county's point of contact for CV-RHAB and serves on their board. Rich Kisner, who is the Executive Director of the Columbia County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, also serves on the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Housing Committee.

The Town of Bloomsburg does not have direct representation on these boards, or how funds are expended.

The Town of Bloomsburg is not a recipient of HOPWA or ESG funding at this time. The Gatehouse facility, located in the Borough of Danville, does receive ESG funding for the purposes of providing emergency shelter and transitional housing. This facility does serve the Bloomsburg area.

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**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs**

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One tool discussed during the training was the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority’s Homeowner Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program, to help homeowners get current on their mortgage. Additionally, the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority offers a free housing counseling service to assist with mortgage delinquency, foreclosure prevention, and debt management. The Town of Bloomsburg will undertake efforts in calendar year 2018 to promote the use of these programs, and prevent homelessness.

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**Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again**

The Bloomsburg Town Council officially endorsed the efforts of Diana T. Myers and Associates, Inc., who applied to HUD for \$11,922,135 of funding, on behalf of the regional Continuums of Care (CoC).

The Town of Bloomsburg falls under the 33 county Eastern Pennsylvania CoC. This CoCare is then broken into five (5) regional homeless advisory boards. Columbia County (and indirectly, the Town of Bloomsburg) is a member of the Central Valley Regional Homeless Advisory Board (CV-RHAB).

Weston Brehm, of the Columbia County Housing and Redevelopment Authority is the county's point of contact for CV-RHAB and serves on their board. Rich Kisner, who is the Executive Director of the Columbia County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, also serves on the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's (DCED) Housing Committee.

The Town of Bloomsburg does not have direct representation on these boards, or how funds are expended.

The Town of Bloomsburg is not a recipient of HOPWA or ESG funding at this time.

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## **CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)**

### **Actions taken to address the needs of public housing**

The Town of Bloomsburg does not manage any public housing complexes. In Pennsylvania, public housing complexes are generally governed by a municipal authority, which is a separate government entity from a local, municipal government.

The Columbia County Housing Authority oversees the public housing complexes located in Columbia County, which the Town of Bloomsburg is a part of. The Columbia County Commissioners, a higher tier government entity from the Bloomsburg Town Council, is the governing board which has established the Columbia County Housing Authority.

However, the Town of Bloomsburg has begun to participate in the Bi-monthly Columbia County Human Service Coalition meetings, as a result of the Consolidated Planning effort. These meetings are also attended by the Columbia County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, as well as other social service providers, to coordinate services, prevent duplication of efforts, share information, and promote networking.

In prior email correspondence with Lori Gordner, Deputy Director of the Columbia County Housing Authority, she described the improvement needs of their public housing units as minor and able to be updated with annual Capital Funds received from HUD.

### **Actions taken to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership**

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As such, the Columbia County Housing Authority manages their own programs and provides opportunities for their residents to participate in management and encourage homeownership. The Columbia County Housing Authority maintains a website (<http://www.columbiacountyhousing.com/home.html>) to inform the public of the programs, projects, and housing opportunities that they provide. A public notice section is also located on this website to inform the public of any newsworthy developments at the Authority.

### **Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs**

The Columbia County Housing Authority currently does not have a troubled designation. Additionally, the Town of Bloomsburg does not manage any public housing authorities.



## **CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)**

**Actions taken to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)**

The following impediments were initially identified for the Town of Bloomsburg:

- Impediment 1: Fair Housing Education, Advocacy, Monitoring, and Enforcement
- Impediment 2: Benefit Gaps and Challenges
- Impediment 3: Housing Affordability
- Impediment 4: Housing Accessibility

Immediately below is a discussion of action taken on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg to address each impediment.

### **Impediment 1: Fair Housing Education, Advocacy, Monitoring, and Enforcement:**

SEDA-COG, on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg, annually publishes the Fair Housing Notice in the local newspaper of general circulation. Additionally, a public hearing is annually held during which the public is asked to report any unfair housing practices. These efforts are made to inform the public about Fair Housing rights.

SEDA-COG has provided Town of Bloomsburg with brochures about Fair Housing law and policies. SEDA-COG's intention was to increase awareness, and further inform the community of local obligations, particularly as they relate to zoning ordinances. One of the important messages is that the impacts of ordinances, rather than the ordinances themselves, be reviewed to determine if they create impediments. The brochure also examined the costs of housing for both buyers and renters as an impediment to fair housing and discuss various housing financial assistance programs.

In follow up to this discussed activity in the FFY 2016 Action Plan, the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) noted that the "Town itself should review its own zoning ordinance to determine whether it creates an impediment to housing choice. FHEO further recommends the town work collaboratively with surrounding townships to ensure the ordinances do not contain restrictions likely to have a discriminatory effect."

Based on this guidance, both the Town and SEDA-COG felt that they did not have the knowledge capacity to adequately review the Town's zoning ordinance. The Town of Bloomsburg, in collaboration with SEDA-COG, organized a training that was held on September 21, 2017, at Susquehanna University, to educate staffs on how zoning can potentially encourage discrimination. Rachel Wentworth, Executive Director of the Housing Equality Center of Pennsylvania, provided discussion on this topic.

Based on the direction provided during this training, the Town of Bloomsburg anticipates doing a more thorough review of its zoning ordinance during its collaboration with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing plan that it is going to be obligated to complete.

The training also covered financial tools to assist with low to moderate income families and people with special housing needs with affordable housing. This discussion was led by Danielle Rudy, Supportive Housing Officer of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

Attendance at the trainings were intended to include Town staff, other areas municipalities, professionals in the real estate sector, and SEDA-COG.

### **Impediment 2: Benefit Gaps and Challenges:**

Unfortunately, benefit reform that significantly affects residents in Bloomsburg needs to occur at the federal level. Strategies that could be implemented at the local level, however, include supporting non-profit organizations such as Agape or the United Way, the Central Susquehanna Community Foundation, and the United Way which attempt to “fill in funding gaps that exist in their communities.” The Town of Bloomsburg has, and will continue to contact non-profit organizations during the CDBG application preparation process to invite input and support projects that benefit the community.

Comment provided by FHEO for the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan noted a recommendation to apply for HOME funding to assist with “rental assistance to those renters that have a gap in their income.” The Town of Bloomsburg, during FFY 2016 program year, already had an open HOME contract focused on providing housing rehabilitation funding to homeowners. When the Town applies for additional, future HOME funding, the Town will review the aims of its HOME program during the application process.

FHEO also suggested that the Town “implement a First Time Homebuyers program to assist renters with becoming homeowners.” The Town of Bloomsburg does not have the financial or staff capacity to implement a First Time Homebuyers program. Programs such as these are typically provided at the county level in rural settings.

However, the Columbia County Housing Authority does offer a First Time Homebuyers program for Columbia County residents. The Town of Bloomsburg is a part of Columbia County. The Town of Bloomsburg has continued to encourage residents to participate in this program to encourage additional home ownership within its municipal limits.

### **Impediment 3: Housing Affordability:**

It is the desire of the Town of Bloomsburg to maintain their supply of available decent, safe, and affordable housing. The current housing stock is maintained through rehabilitation efforts, codes enforcement, and new construction. The Town of Bloomsburg, through Columbia County Housing Authority, also encourages homeownership opportunities for LMI households by promoting its First Time Home Buyers Program. SEDA-COG’s brochure previously discussed examines various housing financial assistance programs.

Public housing and other facilities aimed towards income distressed populations in the Town of Bloomsburg will also continue to be administered and further developed.

As previously noted, the Town of Bloomsburg and SEDA-COG organized and held a training on September 21, 2017, to learn more about financing options to assist area families with housing affordability. Attendees included municipal and private sector representatives from around the region. The Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority conducted the presentation.

Specific financing tools discussed during the training include Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority conventional and PennHOMES loan programs, and the Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement program. These financing tools are all administered by the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority.

Additionally, participating private lenders also collaborate with the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority for the ACCESS Home Modification program, Purchase Improvement program, Homeowners Energy Efficiency Loan Program, Renovate and Repair program, and the PENNVEST Homeowner Septic Program.

The Town of Bloomsburg enthusiastically supports these programs offered by the Pennsylvania Housing Financing Authority. However, the Town of Bloomsburg does not have the knowledge, operation, or finance capacity to offer programs such as the ones mentioned above. The Town of Bloomsburg will take action to promote the use of these financing tools within its jurisdiction during the 2018 calendar year.

The Town of Bloomsburg disagrees with the comments offered by FHEO for the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan noting “without CDBG funds being allocated to these activities (rehabilitation efforts, code enforcement, and new construction) this impediment cannot be removed or ameliorated.”

As previously noted throughout the FFY 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 and FFY 2017 Annual Action Plan, the Town of Bloomsburg has and will continue to utilize HOME, Weatherization, and other grant programs to finance continued housing rehabilitation.

New housing construction, like much of the rest of the country, will continue to be primarily driven by the private sector. The Columbia County Housing Authority had also played a significant role developing new housing complexes for LMI populations, such as the recently completed Bloom Mills complex.

Finally, the Town of Bloomsburg has an active code staff which enforces the Town’s various ordinances, including the International Property Maintenance Code. The International Property Maintenance Code is the standard building maintenance code used by municipalities throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Bloomsburg’s code staff, as well as most code staffs of small to mid-sized municipalities across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, finance their community’s code enforcement efforts simply through general funds and the occasional revenues generated from enforcement.

Given the Town of Bloomsburg’s relatively small allocation of CDBG funds, \$201,534 (after administration), there simply is not enough CDBG funding to spread to the activities discussed above. These activities are important to the Bloomsburg Town Council and their constituents, however, which is why other financing tools will continue to be utilized to pursue the goals of these activities.

#### **Impediment 4: Housing Accessibility:**

The Town of Bloomsburg spent \$135,032.82 of HOME funding to provide housing rehabilitation on four homes, since the beginning of the FFY 2016 program year. Although these funds are not specifically earmarked for housing accessibility work, the Town of Bloomsburg’s HOME program has been used to assist with necessary home accessibility improvements.

Additionally, the Town of Bloomsburg, through Columbia County Housing Authority, will continue to support the building of homes that are designed to accommodate the needs of handicapped and disabled residents through its Accessible Homes Program.

The Columbia County Housing Authority will also continue to provide additional low-income residents with permanent disabilities, physical modifications to their home or apartment, through its Access Grant Program. In responses to the submission of the FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan, FHEO did suggest that the Town of Bloomsburg “should consider more impactful ways to expend CDBG funds to address the identified impediments.”

As previously noted, Town of Bloomsburg and SEDA-COG organized and held a training on September 21, 2017, to learn more about financing options to assist area families with housing affordability. The Town of Bloomsburg will undertake efforts in calendar year 2018 to promote the use of these programs.

#### **Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

Please refer to discussion in the prior section.

Lack of access to transportation was also identified as a major issue in the FFY 2016-FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan, as well as FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan. During the FFY 2016 program year, the Town of Bloomsburg participated in various collaborative efforts with the United Way, other area social service providers, RabbitTransit (the region’s transportation authority utilized by seniors), and local healthcare providers on studying the issue of access to transportation access. Although transportation is acknowledged by many in the area as a challenge that the region faces, qualitative data to document this problem is lacking. Through this collaborative effort, studies are currently underway to attempt to document this problem better. As a result of the study effort, it is hoped that the competitiveness of future grant applications to address this problem, is greatly improved. The Columbia County Housing Authority has also undertaken a revolving car loan program, with some private sector financial assistance, to underemployed or unemployed area residents, in an effort to help them improve their access to employment. The Town of Bloomsburg has remained aware, and participated in efforts as needed, through its membership with the Columbia County Human Services Coalition.

#### **Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

In an effort to provide internal compliance review, SEDA-COG periodically reviews its policies and procedures utilized to operate the various aspects of the Town of Bloomsburg’s CDBG program, including policies and procedure relating to lead based paint reduction. During calendar year 2017, SEDA-COG submitted its current policies and procedures to HUD staff for review and comment. HUD has provided feedback regarding these submissions. As a result of HUD’s input, Tyler Dombroski at SEDA-COG has completed a more detailed review of SEDA-COG’s policies and procedures used on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg. SEDA-COG is currently in the process of updating its policies and procedures. Review of lead based paint policies and procedure will be a component of this discussion.

For FFY 2016, the Town of Bloomsburg did not undertake rehabilitation, tenant based rental assistance, and/or property acquisition, which was supported by the CDBG program. The Town of Bloomsburg does adhere to the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act.

### **Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

As a grantee of Community Development Block Grant funding, the Town of Bloomsburg is bound by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 3 guidelines. In order to promote local economic development, neighborhood economic improvement, and individual self-sufficiency for low- and very low-income individuals the Town of Bloomsburg has established a Section 3 Action Plan. This plan shall be binding on the Town of Bloomsburg and its contractors and subcontractors, consistent with the thresholds, definitions, and goals, described below. The Town of Bloomsburg is committed to this plan and expects its staff and contractors to achieve these goals through hiring practices or subcontracting efforts, or alternatively to clearly demonstrate a good faith effort to comply. The following are the employment and contracting goals for the Town of Bloomsburg's Section 3 Action Plan:

Employment: Thirty percent (30%) of the aggregate new hires of the grantee or contractor(s) in the fiscal year in which the contract was awarded.

Contracting: Ten percent (10%) of the total project construction cost; and at least three percent (3%) of the total dollar amount of all other (non-construction) Section 3 covered contracts to Section 3 business concerns.

The Town of Bloomsburg financed one CDBG project utilizing the FFY 2016 funds. Although the necessary actions dictated in the Section 3 Action Plan were made, the goals were not met. The Town of Bloomsburg will continue to encourage Section 3 employer and resident participation on its HUD funded projects.

The following investments were made in LMI neighborhood in an effort to reduce disinvestment and poverty:

#### **The geographic locations and the public benefit for the FFY 2016 CDBG Activities are as followed:**

- Streater Property Recreation Complex (Phase II): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Flood Mitigation Expansion (Sanitary Sewer): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Flood Mitigation Expansion (Storm Water): Town-Wide (LMA)
- Administration – Town-Wide

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**Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The Town of Bloomsburg and SEDA-COG coordinate activities among public and private agencies, and other organizations that serve the Town of Bloomsburg. Due to the relatively small population of the Town of Bloomsburg, many public and private agencies provide services on either a county or multi-county level. As a result of this administrative structure, the efforts to implement the strategies produced from the FFY 2016-FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Action Plan require cooperation across Columbia County.

**Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)**

The Town of Bloomsburg has strengthened its relationships with the Columbia County Human Service Coalition through attendance at bimonthly meetings. This action has helped to facilitate and coordinate linkages between these public/private partnerships, develop new partnership opportunities, and has helped to ensure that the goals and objectives of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan are being addressed by the various agencies.

**Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)**

Please refer to discussion in the first section of CR-35.

The Town of Bloomsburg has previously fallen under the Commonwealth's Analysis of Impediments. As such, actions taken to address these impediments have been made by communities across Pennsylvania. During June 2017, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development held a Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity training, which was attended. The Town has taken follow up actions, updating its policies and procedures, as well as Master File plans, based on this training.

The Town of Bloomsburg also anticipates collaborating with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to undertake the mandated Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing plan mandated by HUD. In September 2017, Tyler Dombroski of SEDA-COG attended a three-day training in Providence, Rhode Island, provided by HUD, to educate on the requirements and implementation of the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing plan.

## **CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230**

**Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements**

SEDA-COG's Community Development Department is contractually obligated to administer the Town of Bloomsburg's CDBG program. SEDA-COG provides grant administration, activity development, and most activity management services needed to comply with the terms of the grant. SEDA-COG's duties include monitoring the implementation of actions designed to meet the compliance requirements and goals of the Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, etc. SEDA-COG maintains records on the progress of meeting the goals and statutory/regulatory compliance of each activity unless the contractual relationship between SEDA-COG and the Town of Bloomsburg is terminated.

In an effort to provide internal compliance review, SEDA-COG periodically reviews its policies and procedures, which it is an organization that utilizes to operate the various aspects of the Town of Bloomsburg's CDBG program. During calendar year 2017, SEDA-COG submitted its current policies and procedures to HUD staff for review and comment. HUD has provided feedback regarding these submissions. As a result of HUD's input, Tyler Dombroski at SEDA-COG has done a more detailed review of SEDA-COG's policies and procedures used on behalf of the Town of Bloomsburg. SEDA-COG is currently in the process of updating its policies and procedures.

SEDA-COG also maintains a "Master File" on behalf of Town of Bloomsburg, which contains various plans which have been approved over the years by Bloomsburg's Town Council, for the complaint administration of the CDBG program. Among these approved plans is a Minority and Women's Business Enterprise Action Plan, which was most recently updated, and re-adopted in 2016. This plan is the guide for encouraging MBE/WBE participation on CDBG and HOME financed activities. SEDA-COG is also in the process of doing an extensive update to the Town's Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of Section 504 planning documents as it relates to participation in the program for persons with disabilities.

SEDA-COG's specific activity development and Annual Action Plan preparation responsibilities include citizen participation requirements, preparation of the plan, development of the Entitlement grant application, and satisfaction of Federal regulatory requirements related to application submission. Specific grant administration responsibilities include assistance in record keeping and financial management (including preparation and approval of invoice forms and IDIS draws), contract review and finalization of activity scope, activity coordination, procurement, preparation, approval, and submission of progress reports, and close-out/monitoring. Specific activity management responsibilities to be carried out on an activity-by-activity basis include Labor Standards Enforcement and completion of the required Environmental Review(s).

The Town of Bloomsburg retains control of grant funds and overall control of the financial management system through invoice approval and preparation of bank drafts. After final execution of the contract between HUD and the Town Council, SEDA-COG assists in preparing the necessary contract documents. SEDA-COG set ups, maintains, and requisitions funds through the IDIS system. The Bloomsburg Town Council, however, shall have final authority on the actual issuance of payment.

In Bloomsburg, the Town Manager shall serve as the contact person between Town Council and SEDA-COG in order to assist in the coordination of grant management activities. The Town Council may also utilize other necessary expertise, at their discretion.

Specific activities may require certain delivery services over and above activities listed. CDBG funds may be utilized to support archaeological, architectural, and/or engineering services, in addition to legal consultation.

### **Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)**

#### **Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.**

Notices were advertised in the *Press Enterprise*, the local newspaper of circulation, regarding review of the FFY 2016 CAPER in order to invite public comments. The public hearing date of December 6, 2017 was also provided in the notice. SEDA-COG also notified all of the organizations that initially participated in the consultation process, during the development of the FFY 2016-FFY 2020 Consolidated Plan and FFY 2016 Action Plan, that comments for the FFY 2016 CAPER were being accepted.

The Town of Bloomsburg conducted its 15-day public comment period for its FFY 2016 CAPER between November 26, 2017 and December 11, 2017. The Town of Bloomsburg provided a draft copy of the CAPER for public comments at the following locations:

1. Town of Bloomsburg  
301 East 2nd Street  
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
2. SEDA-COG's website:  
<http://www.sedacog.org/Pages/communitydevelopment.aspx>

Please refer to the minutes of the public hearing, which provides comment documentation for the whole 15-day period, for discussion of submitted comments.

The Town of Bloomsburg does make every effort to make all programs and activities accessible to the learning, mobility, visually, hearing, language-impaired persons, and those with limited English proficiency. Therefore, persons with a disability or limited English proficiency that require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation to participate, are invited to contact SEDA-COG to discuss how to best accommodate needs. Translators are also made available at public meetings upon advance request.

Any complaints, grievances, or comments written and submitted to SEDA-COG are addressed within 15 working days when practicable.



## **CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)**

**Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.**

The Town of Bloomsburg submitted its FFY 2016 Action Plan to HUD, proposing the utilization of CDBG funding for the following activities:

- Streater Property Recreation Complex (Phase II)
- PA Route 487 Sidewalk Installation

Immediately below is a discussion regarding why changes were made concerning each activity, if applicable.

- **Streater Property Recreation Complex (Phase II)**

This activity was completed in conjunction with FFY 2014 and FFY 2015 CDBG funding received through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, as well as the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and the American Youth Soccer Association. This activity's construction took place during the second half of 2016. FFY 2016 CDBG funding was utilized to reimburse the Town of Bloomsburg for the activity's final construction costs.

- **PA Route 487 Sidewalk Installation**

This activity was abandoned for two reasons:

1. The determination was made by HUD that the use of CDBG financing for storm water and sanitary sewer work on the larger Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion activity meet the eligible/fundable requirements of the CDBG program. Flooding is a major, reoccurring problem in Bloomsburg that has resulted in millions of dollars of damages over a 150+ year history.

The Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion activity is projected to have a budget as high as \$17 million and a significant shortfall was anticipated for the activity. The Town Council and community, through the Town's required public participation process, felt that it was imperative that CDBG funding be shifted to address the financial shortfall of the Bloomsburg Flood Mitigation Expansion activity.

2. The PA Route 487 Sidewalk Installation activity was proposed to link the community's public housing complex, which is located in an isolated area, to the larger residential portion of the community. No sidewalk link between these two areas currently exists.

Despite this proposed connection, there are numerous other missing sidewalk links, in the larger residential portion of the community, immediately near where the link to the public housing complex was proposed to be made.

These additional missing links were not originally proposed as a part of the CDBG financed PA Route 487 Sidewalk Installation activity because the service area would have changed, which in turn would have likely not met the program's LMI service area requirement.

Since this activity's abandonment, the Town of Bloomsburg has applied for funding through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to do the same sidewalk installation activity initially proposed for CDBG funding. However, the Town of Bloomsburg also plans to utilize this Pennsylvania Department of Transportation funding to address the missing sidewalk links which would have remained if CDBG financing continued to be used for the activity.

To be frank, utilizing other funding to implement this activity, besides CDBG financing, will result in a better end product for the Town of Bloomsburg, including the residents of the public housing complex. Currently, this proposed project has received a high recommendation for funding from the region's Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Metropolitan Planning Organization board.

**Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?**

N/A.

**[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.**

N/A.

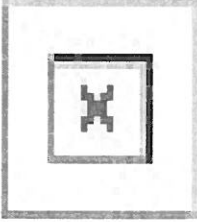
**PR26 - Activity Summary by Selected Grant**

Date Generated: 11/21/2017

Grantee: BERWICK

Grant Year: All

Total Grant Amount for 2016 Grant year = \$297,314.00													
State	Grantee Name	Grant Year	Grant Number	Activity Group	Matrix Code	National Objective	IDIS Activity	Activity Status	Amount Funded From Selected Grant	Amount Drawn From Selected Grant	% of CDBG Drawn From Selected Grant/Grant	Total CDBG Funded Amount (All Years All Sources)	Total CDBG Drawn Amount (All Years All Sources)
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Acquisition	04	SBS	12	Open	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		\$50,000.00	\$0.00
				<b>Acquisition</b>					<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Administrative And Planning	21A		10	Open	\$42,593.00	\$26,903.00		\$42,593.00	\$26,903.00
				<b>Administrative And Planning</b>					<b>\$42,593.00</b>	<b>\$26,903.00</b>	<b>9.05%</b>	<b>\$42,593.00</b>	<b>\$26,903.00</b>
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Housing	14A	LMH	11	Open	\$50,000.00	\$0.00		\$50,000.00	\$0.00
				<b>Housing</b>					<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Public Improvements	03K	LMA	13	Cancel	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Public Improvements	03K	LMA	14	Cancel	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Public Improvements	03K	LMA	15	Open	\$60,000.00	\$3,225.00		\$60,000.00	\$3,225.00
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Public Improvements	03K	LMA	16	Open	\$34,721.00	\$1,892.50		\$34,721.00	\$1,892.50
PA	BERWICK	2016	B16MC420025	Public Improvements	03K	LMA	17	Open	\$60,000.00	\$3,121.00		\$60,000.00	\$3,121.00
				<b>Public Improvements</b>					<b>\$154,721.00</b>	<b>\$8,238.50</b>	<b>2.77%</b>	<b>\$154,721.00</b>	<b>\$8,238.50</b>
				<b>Total 2016</b>					<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>11.82%</b>	<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>
				<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>11.82%</b>	<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>



**PART I: SUMMARY OF CDBG RESOURCES**

01 UNEXPENDED CDBG FUNDS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
02 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	297,314.00
03 SURPLUS URBAN RENEWAL	0.00
04 SECTION 108 GUARANTEED LOAN FUNDS	0.00
05 CURRENT YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	0.00
05a CURRENT YEAR SECTION 108 PROGRAM INCOME (FOR SI TYPE)	0.00
06 FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LINE-OF-CREDIT	0.00
06a FUNDS RETURNED TO THE LOCAL CDBG ACCOUNT	0.00
07 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL AVAILABLE	0.00
08 TOTAL AVAILABLE (SUM, LINES 01-07)	297,314.00

**PART II: SUMMARY OF CDBG EXPENDITURES**

09 DISBURSEMENTS OTHER THAN SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS AND PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	0.00
10 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL AMOUNT SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT	0.00
11 AMOUNT SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT (LINE 09 + LINE 10)	0.00
12 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	0.00
13 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR SECTION 108 REPAYMENTS	0.00
14 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL EXPENDITURES	0.00
15 TOTAL EXPENDITURES (SUM, LINES 11-14)	0.00
16 UNEXPENDED BALANCE (LINE 08 - LINE 15)	297,314.00

**PART III: LOW/MOD BENEFIT THIS REPORTING PERIOD**

17 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD HOUSING IN SPECIAL AREAS	0.00
18 EXPENDED FOR LOW/MOD MULTI-UNIT HOUSING	0.00
19 DISBURSED FOR OTHER LOW/MOD ACTIVITIES	0.00
20 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL LOW/MOD CREDIT	0.00
21 TOTAL LOW/MOD CREDIT (SUM, LINES 17-20)	0.00%
22 PERCENT LOW/MOD CREDIT (LINE 21/LINE 11)	

**LOW/MOD BENEFIT FOR MULTI-YEAR CERTIFICATIONS**

23 PROGRAM YEARS(PY) COVERED IN CERTIFICATION	PY: PY: PY:
24 CUMULATIVE NET EXPENDITURES SUBJECT TO LOW/MOD BENEFIT CALCULATION	0.00
25 CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES BENEFITTING LOW/MOD PERSONS	0.00
26 PERCENT BENEFIT TO LOW/MOD PERSONS (LINE 25/LINE 24)	0.00%

**PART IV: PUBLIC SERVICE (PS) CAP CALCULATIONS**

27 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES	0.00
28 PS UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF CURRENT PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
29 PS UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
30 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL PS OBLIGATIONS	0.00
31 TOTAL PS OBLIGATIONS (LINE 27 + LINE 28 - LINE 29 + LINE 30)	0.00
32 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	297,314.00
33 PRIOR YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	0.00
34 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL SUBJECT TO PS CAP	0.00
35 TOTAL SUBJECT TO PS CAP (SUM, LINES 32-34)	297,314.00
36 PERCENT FUNDS OBLIGATED FOR PS ACTIVITIES (LINE 31/LINE 35)	0.00%

**PART V: PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION (PA) CAP**

37 DISBURSED IN IDIS FOR PLANNING/ADMINISTRATION	0.00
38 PA UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF CURRENT PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
39 PA UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AT END OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR	0.00
40 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL PA OBLIGATIONS	0.00
41 TOTAL PA OBLIGATIONS (LINE 37 + LINE 38 - LINE 39 +LINE 40)	0.00
42 ENTITLEMENT GRANT	297,314.00
43 CURRENT YEAR PROGRAM INCOME	0.00
44 ADJUSTMENT TO COMPUTE TOTAL SUBJECT TO PA CAP	0.00
45 TOTAL SUBJECT TO PA CAP (SUM, LINES 42-44)	297,314.00
46 PERCENT FUNDS OBLIGATED FOR PA ACTIVITIES (LINE 41/LINE 45)	0.00%



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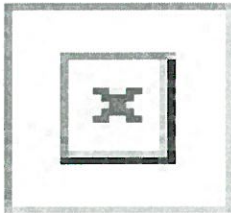
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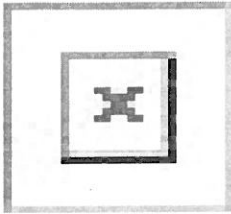
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Count of CDBG Activities with Disbursements by Activity Group & Matrix Code

Activity Group	Activity Category	Open Count	Open Activities Disbursed	Completed Count	Completed Activities Disbursed	Program Year Count	Total Activities Disbursed
Acquisition	Clearance and Demolition (04)	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
	<b>Total Acquisition</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Housing	Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
	<b>Total Housing</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Public Facilities and Improvements	Street Improvements (03K)	3	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	3	\$0.00
	<b>Total Public Facilities and Improvements</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
General Administration and Planning	General Program Administration (21A)	1	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
	<b>Total General Administration and Planning</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>



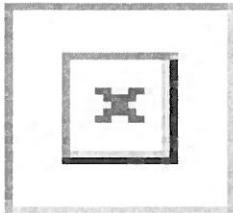
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**CDBG Sum of Actual Accomplishments by Activity Group and Accomplishment Type**

Activity Group	Matrix Code	Accomplishment Type	Open Count	Completed Count	Program Year Totals
Acquisition	Clearance and Demolition (04)	Housing Units	0	0	0
	<b>Total Acquisition</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Housing	Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)	Housing Units	0	0	0
	<b>Total Housing</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Public Facilities and Improvements	Street Improvements (03K)	Persons	0	0	0
	<b>Total Public Facilities and Improvements</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



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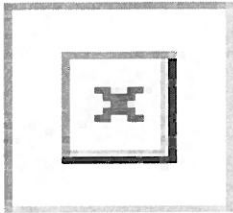
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**CDBG Beneficiaries by Racial / Ethnic Category**

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**CDBG Beneficiaries by Income Category**

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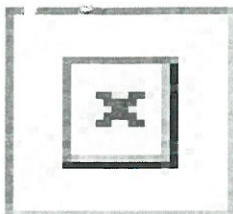
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Plan Year	IDIS Project	Project	IDIS Activity ID	Activity Name	Activity Status	Program	Funded Amount	Draw Amount	Balance					
2016	1	Homeowner Sidewalk Rehabilitation	11	Elderly Homeowner Sidewalk Rehabilitation	Open	CDBG	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>					
	2	Removal of Blighted Structures - Berwick	12	Removal of Blighted Structures	Open	CDBG	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>					
	3	6th Street Reconstruction	13	Grant Street Reconstruction	Canceled	CDBG	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>					
	4	Pearl Street Reconstruction	14	Pearl Street Reconstruction	Canceled	CDBG	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>					
	5	Administration	10	Administration - Berwick	Open	CDBG	\$42,593.00	\$26,903.00	\$15,690.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$42,593.00</b>	<b>\$26,903.00</b>	<b>\$15,690.00</b>					
	6	West 6th Street Reconstruction	15	West 6th Street Reconstruction	Open	CDBG	\$60,000.00	\$3,225.00	\$56,775.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,225.00</b>	<b>\$56,775.00</b>					
	7	West 8th Street Reconstruction	16	West 8th Street Reconstruction	Open	CDBG	\$34,721.00	\$1,892.50	\$32,828.50					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$34,721.00</b>	<b>\$1,892.50</b>	<b>\$32,828.50</b>					
	8	Pine & Chestnut Street Alley Reconstruction	17	Pine & Chestnut Street Alley Reconstruction	Open	CDBG	\$60,000.00	\$3,121.00	\$56,879.00					
		<b>Project Total</b>					<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,121.00</b>	<b>\$56,879.00</b>					
	<b>Program Total</b>					<b>CDBG</b>	<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>\$262,172.50</b>					
	<b>2016 Total</b>						<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>\$262,172.50</b>					
<b>Program Grand Total</b>						<b>CDBG</b>	<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>\$262,172.50</b>					
<b>Grand Total</b>							<b>\$297,314.00</b>	<b>\$35,141.50</b>	<b>\$262,172.50</b>					



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PGM Year: 2016  
Project: 0005 - Administration  
IDIS Activity: 10 - Administration - Berwick

Status: Open  
Location: ,

Objective:  
Outcome:  
Matrix Code: General Program Administration (21A) National Objective:

Initial Funding Date: 05/15/2017

Description:

Financing

	Fund Type	Grant Year	Grant	Funded Amount	Drawn In Program Year	Drawn Thru Program Year
CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$42,593.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$42,593.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

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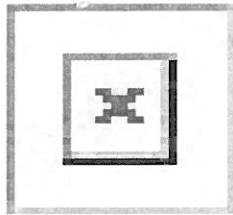
Actual Accomplishments

Number assisted:

	Owner		Renter		Total		Person	
	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic
White:					0	0		
Black/African American:					0	0		
Asian:					0	0		
American Indian/Alaskan Native:					0	0		
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander:					0	0		
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White:					0	0		
Asian White:					0	0		
Black/African American & White:					0	0		
American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American:					0	0		
Other multi-racial:					0	0		
Asian/Pacific Islander:					0	0		
Hispanic:					0	0		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Female-headed Households:					0			

Income Category:

Owner Renter Total Person



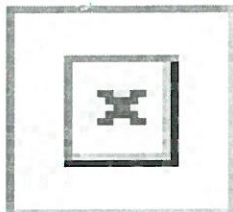
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Extremely Low			0	
Low Mod			0	
Moderate			0	
Non Low Moderate			0	
Total	0	0	0	0
Percent Low/Mod				

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016  
**Project:** 0001 - Homeowner Sidewalk Rehabilitation  
**IDIS Activity:** 11 - Elderly Homeowner Sidewalk Rehabilitation

**Status:** Open  
**Location:** 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments  
**Outcome:** Sustainability  
**Matrix Code:** Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)

**National Objective:** LMH

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/15/2017

**Description:**

CDBG Funds will be used to replace sidewalks for income eligible low- to moderate-income elderly households (based on the Columbia County Section 8 Income Limits).

**Financing**

	Fund Type	Grant Year	Grant	Funded Amount	Drawn In Program Year	Drawn Thru Program Year
CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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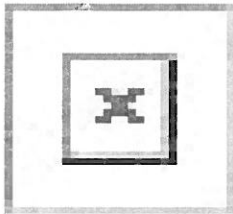
**Proposed Accomplishments**

Housing Units : 12

**Actual Accomplishments**

*Number assisted:*

	Owner		Renter		Total		Person	
	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic	Total	Hispanic
White:	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
Black/African American:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asian:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asian White:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black/African American & White:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other multi-racial:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asian/Pacific Islander:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Female-headed Households:	0		0		0			



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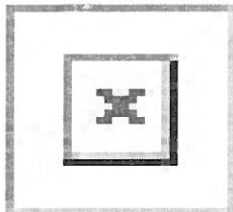
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	Owner	Renter	Total	Person
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Low Mod	0	0	0	0
Moderate	0	0	0	0
Non Low Moderate	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Percent Low/Mod				

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0002 - Removal of Blighted Structures - Berwick

**IDIS Activity:** 12 - Removal of Blighted Structures

**Status:** Open

**Location:** 1800 N Market St 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Clearance and Demolition (04)

**National Objective:** SBS

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/15/2017

**Description:**

CDBG funds have been allocated to remove slumblight on a spot basis.

**Financing**

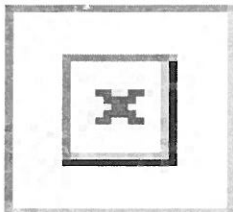
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CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Proposed Accomplishments**

Housing Units : 5

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0003 - 6th Street Reconstruction

**IDIS Activity:** 13 - Grant Street Reconstruction

**Status:** Canceled 5/19/2017 12:00:00 AM

**Location:** 1800 N Market St 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Street Improvements (03K)

**National Objective:** LMA

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/15/2017

**Description:**

CDBG Funds will be used to reconstruct Grant Street from West 3rd to Woodin Street.

**Financing**

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**Proposed Accomplishments**

People (General) : 895

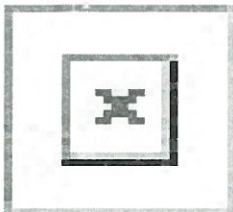
Total Population in Service Area: 895

Census Tract Percent Low / Mod: 76.54

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0004 - Pearl Street Reconstruction

**IDIS Activity:** 14 - Pearl Street Reconstruction

**Status:** Canceled 5/19/2017 12:00:00 AM

**Location:** 1800 N Market St 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Street Improvements (03K)

**National Objective:** LMA

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/15/2017

**Description:**

CDBG Funds will be used to reconstruct Pearl Street from Jessup Street to Chestnut Street.

**Financing**

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**Proposed Accomplishments**

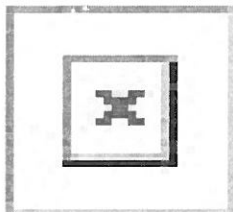
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Total Population in Service Area: 980

Census Tract Percent Low / Mod: 58.16

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0007 - West 8th Street Reconstruction

**IDIS Activity:** 16 - West 8th Street Reconstruction

**Status:** Open

**Location:** 1800 N Market St 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Street Improvements (03K)

**National Objective:** LMA

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/19/2017

**Description:**

CDBG funding will be used to reconstruct West 8th Street

**Financing**

	Fund Type	Grant Year	Grant	Funded Amount	Drawn In Program Year	Drawn Thru Program Year
CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$34,721.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$34,721.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Proposed Accomplishments**

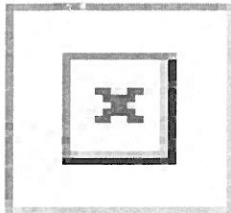
People (General) : 895

Total Population in Service Area: 895

Census Tract Percent Low / Mod: 76.54

**Annual Accomplishments**

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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0008 - Pine & Chestnut Street Alley Reconstruction

**IDIS Activity:** 17 - Pine & Chestnut Street Alley Reconstruction

**Status:** Open

**Location:** 1800 N Market St 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Street Improvements (03K)

**National Objective:** LMA

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/19/2017

**Description:**

**Financing**

	Fund Type	Grant Year	Grant	Funded Amount	Drawn In Program Year	Drawn Thru Program Year
CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Proposed Accomplishments**

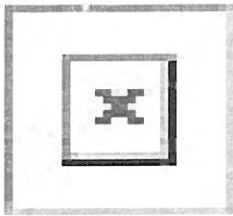
People (General) : 24

Total Population in Service Area: 24

Census Tract Percent Low / Mod: 70.80

**Annual Accomplishments**

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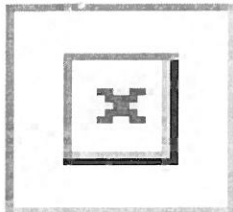


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<b>Total Funded Amount:</b>	<b>\$297,314.00</b>
<b>Total Drawn Thru Program Year:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total Drawn In Program Year:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>



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**PGM Year:** 2016

**Project:** 0006 - West 6th Street Reconstruction

**IDIS Activity:** 15 - West 6th Street Reconstruction

**Status:** Open

**Location:** 1800 N Market St Berwick, PA 18603-1300

**Objective:** Create suitable living environments

**Outcome:** Sustainability

**Matrix Code:** Street Improvements (03K)

**National Objective:** LMA

**Initial Funding Date:** 05/19/2017

**Description:**

CDBG funds will be used to reconstruct West 6th Street

**Financing**

	Fund Type	Grant Year	Grant	Funded Amount	Drawn In Program Year	Drawn Thru Program Year
CDBG	EN	2016	B16MC420025	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Proposed Accomplishments**

People (General) : 895

Total Population in Service Area: 895

Census Tract Percent Low / Mod: 76.54

**Annual Accomplishments**

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Plan IDIS Year Project	Project Title and Description	Program
2016 1	Homeowner Sidewalk Rehabilitation	CDBG funds will be used to replace sidewalks for income eligible low- to moderate-income households (based on the Columbia County Section 8 Income Limits).
2	Removal of Blighted Structures - Berwick	CDBG funds have been allocated to remove of slum and blight on a spot basis.
3	6th Street Reconstruction	CDBG funds will be used to reconstruct 6th Street.
4	Pearl Street Reconstruction	The national objective is Low/Mod Area Benefit (LMA). CDBG The matrix code is 03K, Street Improvements.
5	Administration	General administrative costs, including staff salaries/benefits, consulting services, preparation of application, annual action plans, environmental review record, CAPERs, advertising, audit, special studies, planning and management.
6	West 6th Street Reconstruction	CDBG funds will be used to reconstruct West 6th Street from North Vine Street and North Mulberry Street.
7	West 8th Street Reconstruction	CDBG funds will be used to reconstruct West 8th Street from North Vine Street and North Mulberry Street.
8	Pine & Chestnut Street Alley Reconstruction	CDBG

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Project Estimate	Project Committed Amount	Amount Drawn Thru Report Year	Amount Available to Draw	Amount Drawn in Report Year
\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00
\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00
\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$129,721.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$42,593.00	\$42,593.00	\$0.00	\$42,593.00	\$0.00
\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00
\$34,721.00	\$34,721.00	\$0.00	\$34,721.00	\$0.00
\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$0.00