# **Grantee: Columbus, OH**

**Grant:** B-08-MN-39-0005

# July 1, 2021 thru September 30, 2021 Performance

**Grant Number: Obligation Date:** Award Date:

B-08-MN-39-0005

**Contract End Date: Review by HUD: Grantee Name:** Reviewed and Approved

Columbus, OH

**Grant Award Amount: Grant Status: QPR Contact:** 

\$22,845,495.00

No QPR Contact Found

**LOCCS Authorized Amount: Estimated PI/RL Funds:** 

\$22,845,495,00 \$2,400,000.00

**Total Budget:** \$25,245,495.00

**Disasters:** 

**Declaration Number** 

NSP

#### **Narratives**

#### **Areas of Greatest Need:**

Summary needs data identifying the geographic areas of greatest need in the grantee's jurisdiction - In the analysis of data related to the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) application, the City of Columbus (Columbus) examined data published by HUD under the NSP program and data provided at the local level by Columbus Staff and other local entities. As required under Section 2301(c)(2) of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act (HERA), the data is focused on three areas: 1. areas with the greatest percentage of home foreclosures, 2. areas with the highest percentage of homes financed by a subprime mortgage related loan, and 3. areas identified as likely to face a significant rise in the rate of home foreclosures. The data suggests a consistent pattern of areas most affected by foreclosures and the amount of vacant housing. HUD Data HUD provided each jurisdiction receiving a NSP allocation data to suggest which areas currently experience foreclosure related problems and areas that may experience foreclosure related problems in the future. Each dataset is based either at the Census Block Group or Census Tract level and draws upon data from several sources that are used to predict whether or not a neighborhood has a high or low risk for foreclosed and abandoned homes. Map One illustrates which Census Block Groups within the City of Columbus scored the highest (worst) risk score for foreclosure and abandonment—a score of 10 of a scale between 1 and 10. Map Two shows which Census Block Groups within the City of Columbus have a high predicted "underlying problem foreclosure rate" based on data from the previous 18 months. The data sources used to compute the risk scores for each of these two maps are the same data sources used by HUD to determine allocations to each jurisdiction Census Block Groups with 51% or more of the population with 120% or less Area Median Income are shown on Map Three. Local Data - A local non-profit research center, Community Research Partners (CRP) has performed extensive research on foreclosure filings and properties sold at the Franklin County Sheriff's Sale within the City of Columbus. Map Four illustrates those areas within the City with the greatest numbers of foreclosure filings per square mile, between January, 2007 and March, 2008. A measurement of density (as opposed to percentage) highlights areas with a mass of properties under foreclosure. Map Five highlights areas with the greatest density of properties subject to Sheriff's Sale between January, 2005 and March, 2008. The Areas with the highest density of mortgages with high interest rates are shown on Map Six (data originates from Real Quest June, 2008). The City of Columbus Department of Development tracks properties with vacant structures. As of October, 2008 the Vacant Housing list contained over 4,600 residential properties, excluding those that were momentarily vacant (for sale, for rent, etc.). Typically, these properties have been vacant for more than 6 months. Conclusions - The above described maps illustrate a large number of foreclosures and vacant structures in the center city neighborhoods around downtown. Map Seven combines the two HUD Datasets and the City Vacant Housing List. The areas colored brown represent those with a "foreclosure and abandonment" risk score of 10and an "underlying problem foreclosure rate" of 12.05%, the 75th percentile for t

#### Areas of Greatest Need:

he City. The map contains points representing vacant structures, generally suggesting a strong relationship between these three datasets. This data highlights the areas of Columbus in which the City will focus the majority of its NSP resources. The city will undertake additional research on this data and complete a market analysis to determine what eligible activities are best suited for each area. The original application and the above described maps can be found at: http://finance.columbus.gov/con

#### **Distribution and and Uses of Funds:**

Foreclosed and vacant properties exist throughout the City, with pockets of abandoned and vacant properties affecting most Columbus neighborhoods - even neighborhoods that are otherwise stable. In fact, many areas outside the ones identified on Map 7, have high "abandonment and foreclosure" risk scores and many vacant properties. For this reason, the City will utilize its Land Banking efforts, such as demolition, property maintenance, and select acquisition, in an extended area. Map Three illustrates census block groups that qualify for NSP assisted Land Banking efforts. Although most Land Banking efforts



will be focused on the areas of greatest need, the City anticipates some of these activities to occur throughout qualifying areas of the City, as defined in Map 3.

In general, the data examined by City Staff exhibits a concentrated pattern of home foreclosures, Sheriff Sales, and subprime mortgages in the neighborhoods around downtown Columbus and surrounding areas. These areas also contain a high number of structures on the City's Vacant Structures list. This is not to say vacant and foreclosed properties are confined strictly to these areas, but rather these areas have the highest concentration of foreclosures, vacant properties, mortgages with high interest rates, and evidence of this trend to continue (high vacancy rate, high predicted underlying problem foreclosure rate). The majority of NSP funds will focus on these areas, such as those areas highlighted on Map Seven. NSP funds will be used for the acquisition of abandoned and foreclosed properties, demolition of blighted structures, and the rehabilitation and redevelopment of vacant properties. Fortunately, several dedicated not-for-profit organizations work to revitalize these areas and they, along with for profit development organizations, will help the City in these efforts. As the City prepares to distribute the NSP funds, it will study what types of activities should occur and where (such as identifying the areas are most suitable for homeownership projects), determine what other resources can be leveraged, and create a fair and open process by which the funds are distributed.

#### **Definitions and Descriptions:**

Low Income Targeting:

**Acquisition and Relocation:** 

#### **Public Comment:**

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	\$0.00	\$25,105,509.49
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$25,105,509.49
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$25,105,509.49
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$25,105,509.49
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$22,341,497.09
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$2,764,012.40
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$3,109,730.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$25,105,509.95
<b>HUD Identified Most Impacted and Distressed</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Funds Expended		
Overall	This Period	To Date
City of Columbus1	\$ 0.00	\$ 21,326,096.71
City of Columbus2	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,779,413.24

### **Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets**

Requirement	Target	Projected	Actual
Overall Benefit Percentage	99.99%	.00%	.00%
Minimum Non Federal Match	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Overall Benefit Amount	\$24,495,504.83	\$.00	\$.00
Limit on Public Services	\$3,426,824.25	\$527,173.65	\$527,173.65
Limit on Admin/Planning	\$2,284,549.50	\$747,540.37	\$747,540.37



Limit on Admin	\$.00	\$636,766.78	\$636,766.78
Most Impacted and Distressed	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Progress towards LH25 Requirement	\$6,311,373.75		\$6,942,092.86

# **Overall Progress Narrative:**

Reconciliation of units for NSP 1 was delayed in favor of completing reconciliation of NSP 2, and COVID-19. Projects are currently being evaluated by our Housing Division to resume progress during the remainder of 2021, and in to 2022.

# **Project Summary**

Project #, Project Title	This Report	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
9999, Restricted Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ADF-C, (C)Land Banking; Acquisition & Demolition Fund	\$0.00	\$4,101,161.24	\$4,015,933.49
ADF-D, (D)Demolish; Acquisition & Demolition Fund	\$0.00	\$1,475,361.74	\$1,398,794.23
ADMIN-ADC, (B,C,D,E); Activity Delivery Costs	\$0.00	\$2,083,231.94	\$1,817,660.64
ADMIN-P&A, 10% Planning & Admin Cap	\$0.00	\$749,097.12	\$679,273.95
NSF-GS-E, (E)Redevelop; NSF-Guts to Studs Program	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NSF-HO-E, (E)Redevelop; NSF-Homeownership	\$0.00	\$10,374,486.74	\$8,508,003.05
NSF-RO-E, (E) Rental Over 50% AMI	\$0.00	\$543,369.15	\$399,806.57
SetAside-HO-B, (B) Purchase & Rehab; 25% SetAside for	\$0.00	\$999,800.22	\$906,484.63
SetAside-RO-B, (B) Purchase & Rehab; 25% SetAside for	\$0.00	\$4,918,986.85	\$4,615,540.53

# **Monitoring, Audit, and Technical Assistance**

Event Type	This Report Period	To Date
Monitoring, Audits, and Technical Assistance	0	50
Monitoring Visits	0	17
Audit Visits	0	0
Technical Assistance Visits	0	23
Monitoring/Technical Assistance Visits	0	10
Report/Letter Issued	0	28

