Attachment 3

2025-2029 CDBG 5-year Consolidated Plan Needs Assessment Results Summary

Outreach Efforts for the Needs Assessment Process to Develop the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan:

- Consolidated Plan Survey open October 1, 2024 November 15, 2024 in English, Spanish and Armenian (blank survey)
- Survey was posted on City website and notices in the newspaper
- Flyer with survey QR code was posted at City libraries and parks, including low-mod, and was distributed to non-profits
- Outreach meeting with non-profits held Oct 16, 2024
- Outreach meeting with City department held Oct 22, 2024
- Community meetings held Nov. 12 at 1pm and Nov. 14 at 6pm via zoom
- Social media campaign via PIO office with information on community meetings and survey

Below is a summary of the results of the community outreach Needs Assessment process for the 2025-2029 CDBG 5-year consolidated plan.

1. <u>Community Outreach and Stakeholder Meetings</u>

Overwhelmingly, the top needs identified during the outreach meetings were:

- Homelessness
- Affordable housing

2. <u>Needs Assessment Survey</u>

Quantitative Results:

The survey included 7 categories. Each category contained subcategories in which respondents were asked to rank based on the level of importance - high importance, moderate importance or low importance.

Below is the list of categories and the top 2 subcategories within each category that scored the highest on "high importance".

Housing

- Affordable Sr. Rental Housing
- Affordable Family Rental Housing

Infrastructure

- Street/Alley Improvements
- Water/Sewer Treatment

Neighborhood Services

- Tree Planting
- Trash and Debris Removal

Community Services

- Youth Activities
- Mental Health Services

Businesses and Jobs

- Job Creation and Retention Programs
- Employment Training and Career Counseling

Community Facilities

- Libraries
- Fire Stations and Equipment

Special Needs Services

- Domestic Violence Services and Counseling
- Neglected/Abused Children Services

Respondents were not asked to rank each category against each other.

Survey results are shown below.

Qualitative Results:

72 participants provided comments. The top 3 priorities identified are:

- Infrastructure/community improvements including streets, tree planting and community clean up
- Affordable Housing
- Homelessness

Therefore, in conjunction with research and analysis conducted by the Consolidated Plan consultants, the top three priorities identified for the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan are:

- 1. Expand and Improve Affordable Housing Options
- 2. Support and Strengthen Homeless Services and Housing
- 3. Improve Quality of Life through Neighborhood Revitalization