

City of Lima

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Consolidated Plan, 2010-14

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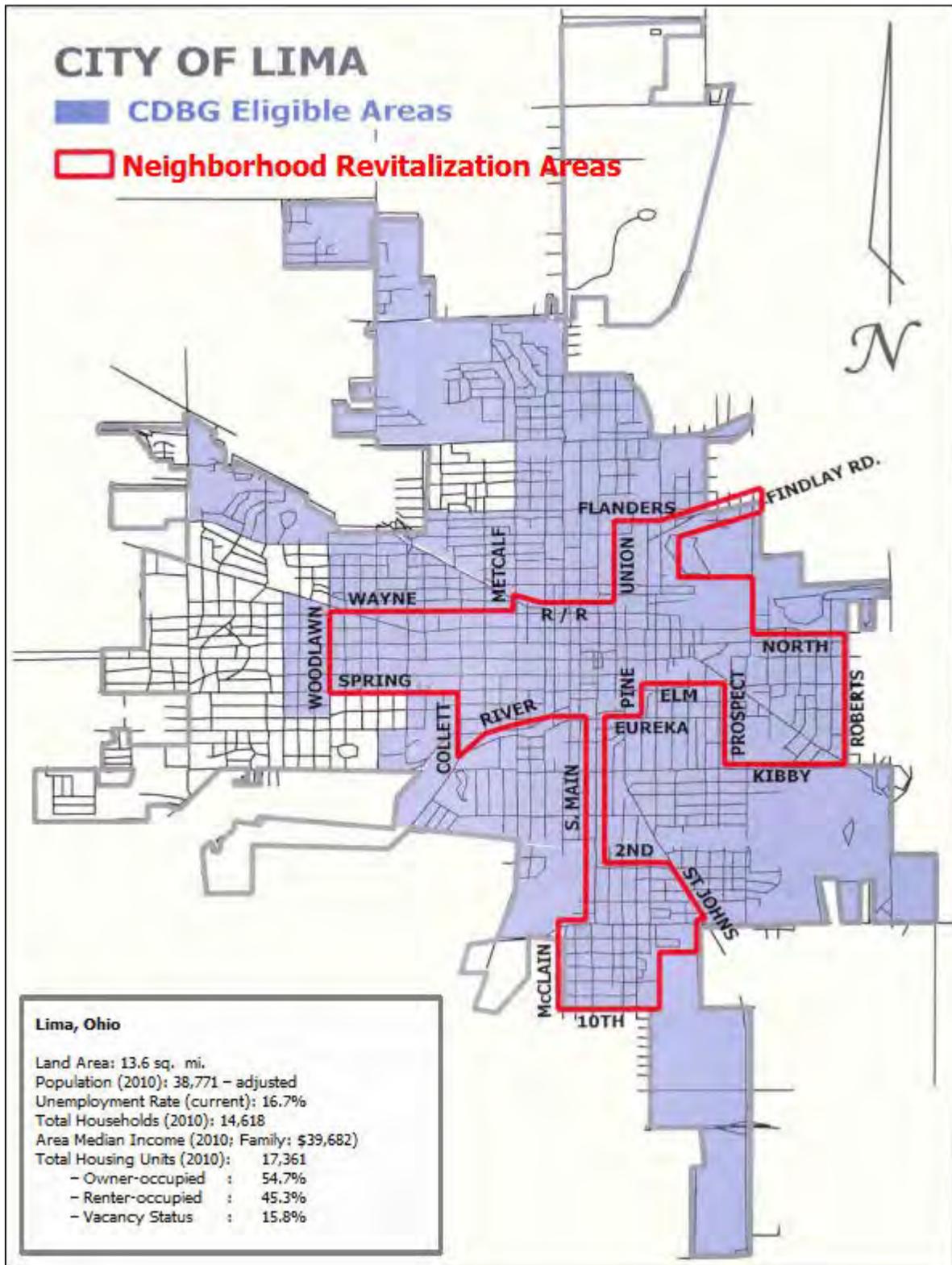


Figure 1. CDBG-eligible areas (shaded) and Neighborhood Revitalization Areas (enclosure)

A. Introduction

Every year, the City of Lima receives federal grants from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) in the form of CDBG and HOME funds –

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) is a formula-based program aimed at developing viable urban communities through the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for persons of low- and moderate-income (LMI).
- HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) is also a formula-based program which aims to improve the quality and expand the supply of decent, safe and affordable housing for very low- and low-income persons.

To qualify for such grants local governments prepare a Consolidated Plan which identifies the housing and community development needs of its low- and moderate-income residents over a period of years. In September 2015 the City of Lima completed its fifth 5-Year Consolidated Plan (ConPlan). The ConPlan outlined strategies to achieve decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities principally for the benefit of low- and moderate-income persons in Lima. The Consolidated Plan is updated every year through an Annual Action Plan, detailing the activities to be undertaken and resources to be used to achieve the goals and objectives of the 5-Year Plan each year.

The CAPER (Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report) reports on the accomplishments of each Annual Action Plan. It provides a concise reference, comparing anticipated work with actual performance.

Beginning 2006, the Office and Management and Budget and HUD adopted new reporting requirements for projects receiving federal funds. The aim was to rationalize and standardize measures for outcome and to facilitate the generation and reporting of accomplishment data (Federal Register Notice of Mar. 7/06).

This CAPER focuses on Program Year October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 – the fifth year of the current 5-Year Consolidated Plan. In addition to summary descriptions of each funded activity, the CAPER includes maps and brief narratives highlighting other aspects of the CDBG and HOME Programs.

Throughout the program year, the city also continued to implement its action plans on two other major grants under Stimulus and Recovery programs of the federal government. These were the Neighborhood Stabilization Program which was completed on March 1st, 2013 and Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing Program, completed on October 15th, 2012. Although these programs are deemed part of the CDBG system of grants, their respective program performance and accomplishments are reported in different systems from the CAPER. This CAPER Report was made available for a 15-day public review and comment period beginning November 10 up to November 25, 2015. The CAPER was uploaded to City of Lima Website and copies were placed at the Lima Public Library and the Department of Community Development (DCD) in the Lima Municipal Center for this purpose.

B. Program Resources and Accomplishments

For Program Year 2014-2015, the City of Lima received a total of \$1,250,020 in entitlement grants. These entitlement funds, combined the remainder of prior year's allocations (\$1,089,808), reprogrammed funds from previous year (\$0) and program income generated from activities implemented this program year (\$120,000), resulted in total financial resources for the period Oct. 1, 2014 to Sept. 30, 2015 amounting to \$2,459,828. Following is a breakdown of the budget by source of funds:

Source of Funds	Entitlement (report yr.)	Reprog'd Funds (prev. yr.)	Ending Balance (prev. yr.)	Est. Program Inc. (report yr.)	Total Funds (report yr.)
CDBG	\$ 982,436	\$ 0	\$ 663,187	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,665,623
HOME	\$ 267,584	\$ 0	\$426,621	\$ 100,000	\$ 794,205
TOTALS	\$ 1,250,020	\$ 0	\$ 1,089,808	\$ 120,000	\$ 2,459,828

Pages 8 to 24 summarize how the CDBG-HOME monies were allocated among various projects under housing, community development, economic development, and general administration. The summaries also show the expenditures and the balances per project at the end of the program year. A brief description of each project is supplied along with the year's goal (where applicable) and accomplishments. Special notations are also supplied to explain differences between targets and accomplishments as well as to highlight significant features of the project.

A financial summary of all projects is shown as Table 1 (page 25). Table 4 (page 35) itemizes the revenues received from income-generating projects.

For this reporting period:

- 289 households (with at least 674 persons) benefitted from city housing and housing-related programs, 12 LMI households became new homeowners.
- 2,563 housing units and properties benefitted from property code enforcement efforts
- 8,945 persons benefitted from improvements on public infrastructure, summer recreation for children, and crime awareness projects
- 14 persons benefitted from basic training on manufacturing processes at Rhodes State College with an additional 2 received certification at Bradfield Center and Worth Center at no cost to the program.
- 4 projects have community-wide benefits on safety services, recreation facilities, demolition, and neighborhood development services.
- 23 local organizations have better economic prospect with capacity building for better grant writing, seeking additional funding from at least 60 different sources.

1. HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Housing Construction (CHDO Set-aside)

HUD Reg. Cite: 92.206(a)(1)

HUD Matrix Code: N.A.

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 123,157.49	\$ 0	\$ 123,157.49
Goal: 0 housing units		Actual: 0 housing units	

Project Description: Set-aside funds for certified community housing development organizations (CHDOs) to develop affordable housing in Lima.

Accomplishments: New Lima had no new project this year. Whittier Place project was completed. 5 HOME funded single family units were sold and occupied by LMI households this year completing development and sale of 7 units on site. 2 lots were transferred to Allen County Habitat for Humanity where 2 single family ownership homes were built and sold to LMI household by Habitat. 3 undeveloped lots were repaid to HOME and \$41,542.44 was placed within Lima HOME account to be allocated in 2014-15. \$2,000 HOME funds were expended to complete marketing and sales of 5 remaining units.

CHDO Operations

HUD Matrix Code: N.A.

HUD Reg. Cite: 92.207(b)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 384	\$ 0	\$ 384
Goal: not applicable		Actual: not applicable	

Project Description: Support for community-based housing development organizations.

Accomplishments: New Lima continued to administer the Housing Counseling program application process for first-time home buyers, provided property maintenance training for first-time home buyers and operate Whittier and Shirley Daley Village via a service contract. No funds for CHDO Operations were allocated or expended.

Home Repairs (Update)

HUD Matrix Code: 14 A

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.202

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 192,537	\$ 0	\$ 192,537
<i>Goal: 9 housing units</i>			<i>Actual: 0 housing units</i>

Project Description: Finance up to \$15,000 in emergency HOME funded repairs (roofing, plumbing, heating and electric problems) for owner-occupied units through a deferred or self-amortizing loan program. \$2,000 financed for CDBG Emergency Repairs.

Accomplishments: Assisted 1 low-income homeowner(s) in the process of mechanical/structural repairs with HOME funds(see Fig.2). However, this is not yet complete and will be reported in the next program year. A second application is in the bid process at this time.

Special Note: Received \$81,534 in program income primarily from loan repayments (CDBG \$9,012 + HOME \$72,522).

Housing Rehab Administration

HUDMatrix Code: 14A

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.202

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$91,296	\$66,174	\$25,122

Project Description: Delivery costs for staff involved in Housing Programs and Inspection services. Service includes follow-ups and repayment accounting of existing 345 loans and reviewing eligibility criteria for new applicants requesting housing assistance.

Accomplishments: See Home Update and First Home Lima for accomplishments.



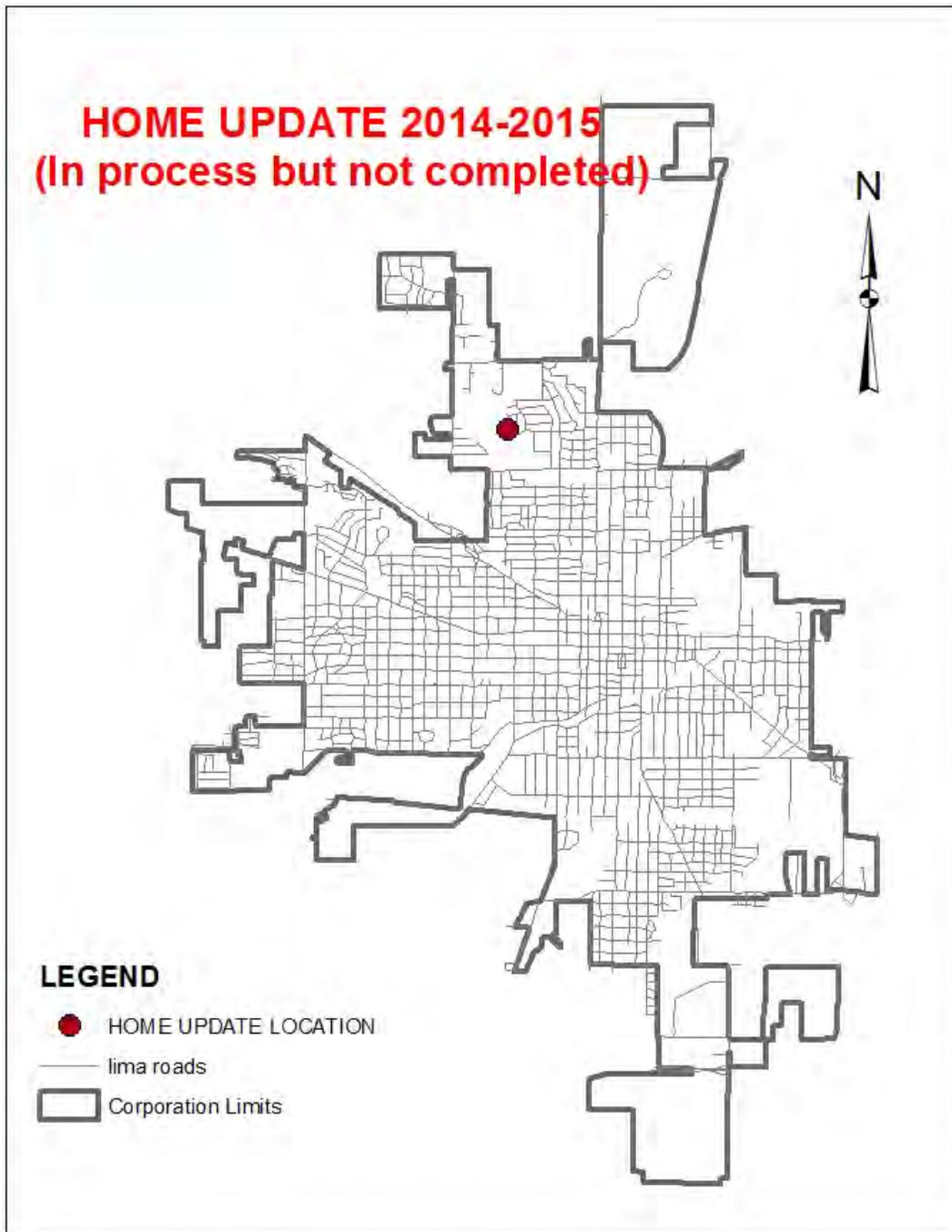


Figure 2: Location of 1 Update Loan Repairs in process but not completed

Down Payment Assistance (First Home Lima)

HUD Matrix Code: 13

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(n)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 431,516	\$ 97,600	\$ 333,916

Goal: 20 new homeowners | Actual: 12 new homeowners

Project Description: Assist first-time home buyers with down payment and closing costs.

Accomplishments: Provided up to \$10,000 to 12 first-time home buyers for down payment and closing. 54% of the beneficiaries were below 40 years of age; 33.3% female heads of household; and 44.4% minorities(Fig. 3). The average income beneficiary households were 61.8% of area median income. Average household size was 2.76 pph.

Special Notes: HOME funding was slow to release this program year and the project lost 6 potential closings during that time, 3 of whom bought home without FHL assistance. The 12 units assisted this year resulted in \$582,221 in housing sales and \$97,600 of down-payments was committed within the City of Lima.

Home Update Counseling

HUD Matrix Code: 05U

HUD Reg. Cite: 92.206(a)(2)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 4,049.52	\$ 500*	\$ 3,549.52

Goal: 12 housing units | Actual: 1 housing unit

Project Description: New program to provide credit counseling to LMI families for improved access to home repair and maintenance and credit for providing decent, affordable housing.

Accomplishments: Only one qualified applicant applied for assistance this year. Denials were based on poor credit standing; the houses are deemed too costly to rehabilitate; or applicants have household incomes over the eligibility level; the rest have no reliable employment to support loan servicing.

Special Notes: (*Expense is part of Administration cost & not reported separately)

Housing Counseling (LACCA)

HUD Matrix Code: 13

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(n)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 25,200	\$ 24,928	\$ 273
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 60 households

Actual: 17 HH's

Project Description: Provide technical assistance for homeowners and home buyers; primarily in support of first-time home ownership programs of Lima and Allen County.

Accomplishments: 33 households attended at least one of the 8 homeownership training classes. 17 households received credit for completing the required 12 hours of instruction, 13 of them went on to the PM training class with New Lima and 12 of them also bought homes this program year through the First Home Lima program.

Special Notes: LAACA did not meet the goal of 60 HH in 2014-15 grant year due to New Lima charging a \$25 fee for screening and the required credit score being raised from 620 to 630.



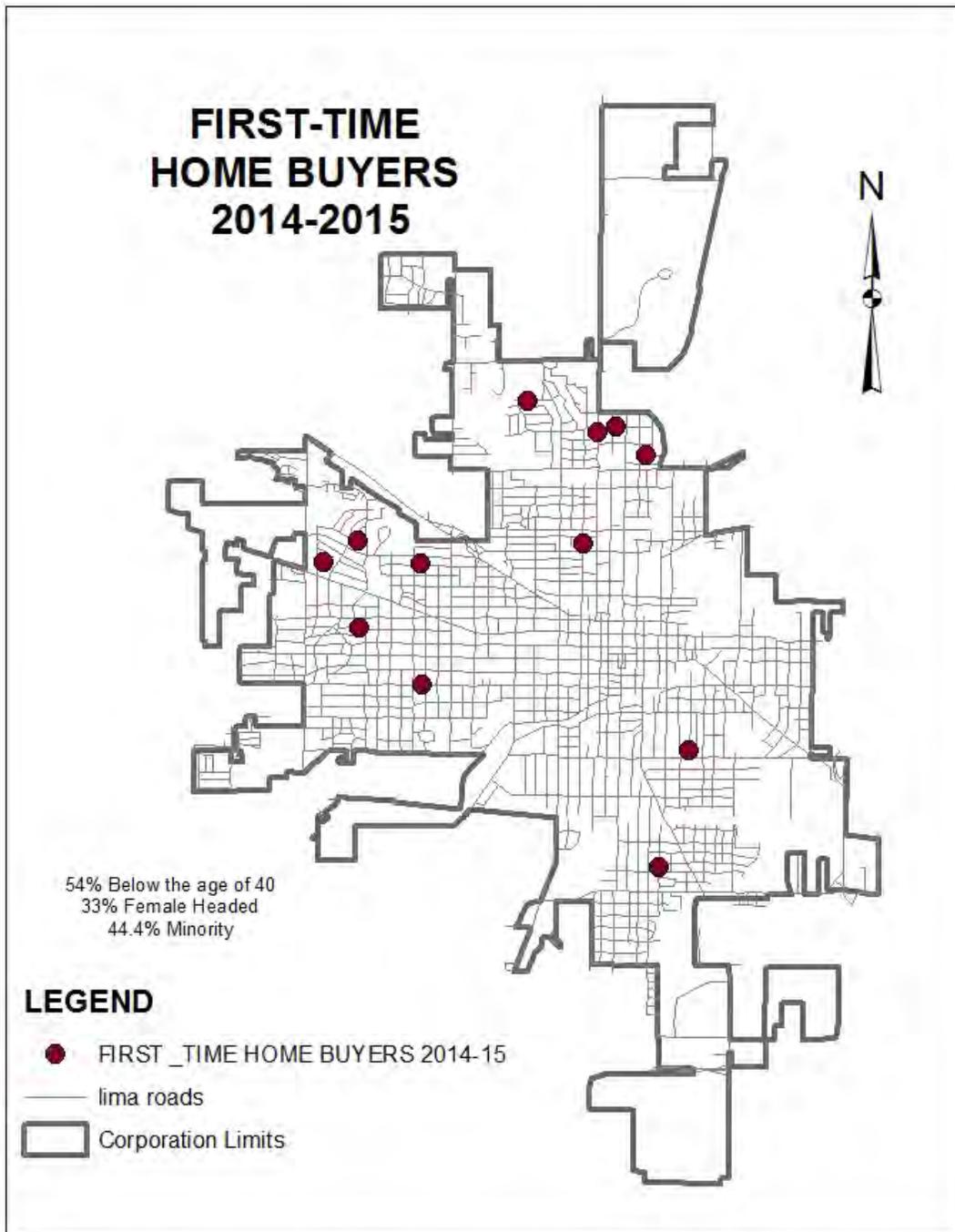


Figure 3: Location of 12 First-Home Lima Beneficiaries 2014-15

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Police Support Services Program

HUD Matrix Code: 05 I

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(e)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance	
CDBG	\$ 53,425	\$ 35,974	\$ 17,451	
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

Goal: crime awareness presentations

Actual: over 5,000 people served, see below

Project Description: Fund civilian police support personnel as part of neighborhood based Community Oriented Policing strategy.

Accomplishments: Funded 2 part-time Crime Prevention Aides who offered 110 home security surveys and conducted security surveys in 25 households and 9 houses of worship in addition to 13 given information over telephone. Presentations on Home Security were made to 3 neighborhood meetings and 114 group presentations on crime prevention and personal safety issues were made. Graffiti investigation and abatement on 46 properties was provided, 24 business emergency contact information collected with door to door visit. 79 record checks for ride-along were conducted and junk vehicle removal was provided. The activities and presentations, including School open houses including Preschool, After School and Summer Programs, Developmentally Disabled Children, Robbery training to area businesses, Stranger danger program, Bike safety, Girls Scout, EurekaFest and National Night Out and Road Safety presentation and other community events that impacted well over 5,000 adults and children.

Special Notes:

Demolition of Structures

HUD Matrix Code: 04

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(d)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance	
CDBG	\$ 198,252	\$ 133,692	\$ 64,561	
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

Goal: 3 structures

Actual: 19 structures

Project Description: Demolition of vacant and abandoned garage, residential and commercial structures which cannot be rehabilitated.

Accomplishments: Demolished 2 commercial structures, 17 residential structures.

Special Notes: Received \$19,086 in program income.

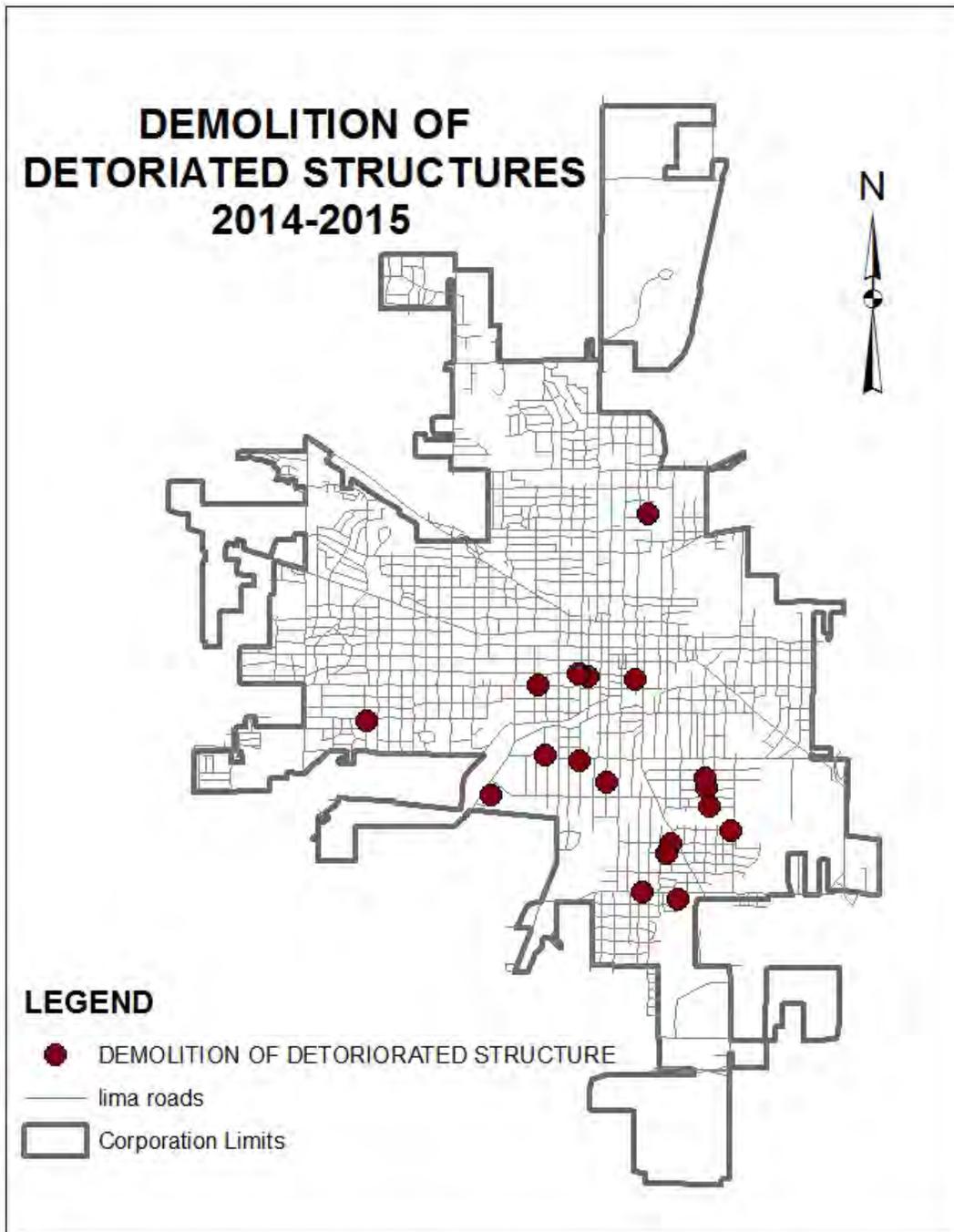


Figure 4: Demolition of 19 Detoriated Structures 2014-15

Neighborhood Development Services

HUD Matrix Code: 19 C

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(p)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 135,680	\$ 74,912	\$ 60,768
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 12 organizations

Actual: 10 +3 organizations

Project Description: Provide technical support and educational services to neighborhood-based community organizations.

Accomplishments: Maintained outreach and technical assistance to LACNIP and 10 city-based neighborhood groups and 3 township groups; resulting in 7 community gardens maintained by 10 organizations, LACNIP Board meetings and strategic planning, organized and/or participated in all community events, CARE Academy, Crime Prevention activities, clean-up activities, graffiti removal from 20 properties, publicity and marketing activities, fund raising, webinars, monthly newsletter publication and special neighborhood improvement projects/events. Neighborhood tool lending program had 17 uses of equipment, Neighborhood Resource Center tracked volunteer hours and two newly funded grants totaling \$53,000 from Rotary Foundation and Wells Fargo Bank Community received for LACNIP this year for various activities.

Special Notes: Approximately 3,652 different persons volunteered during the reporting period, contributing over 15,528 volunteer-hours (valued at \$333,230 @\$21.46/hr) toward City- or LACNIP neighborhood network-sponsored events.

LACNIP

HUD Matrix Code: 03E

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(c)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: meeting place for citywide

Actual: part of HVAC replacement at 1440 W Spring St

Project Description: To cover the cost of purchasing portable air conditioning unit for rehabilitation of the meeting place for neighborhood organizations that help LMI households.

Accomplishments: The funding was used to cover partial cost of the HVAC system at the 1440 W Spring St. location.

Special Notes: This was a one-time project specific allocation, allocated and completed this year.

Property Maintenance Code Enforcement

HUD Matrix Code: 15

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.202(c)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 223,766	\$ 137,097	\$ 86,668
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<i>Goal: 2,000 properties</i>		<i>Actual: 2,563 homes and properties inspected</i>	

Project Description: Fund staff and operational support for property maintenance code enforcement activities in CDBG areas.

Accomplishments: Conducted 8,722 inspections on 2,563 housing units and land parcels. In addition, 717 complaints on junk autos were inspected (see distribution of activities in Fig. 5). This year the inventory of "specified parcels" (i.e., vacant and/or abandoned lots maintained by the city) consisted of 605 properties.

Special Notes: Received no program income.



PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE ENFORCEMENT
Performed **8,722** Inspection on **2,638** properties

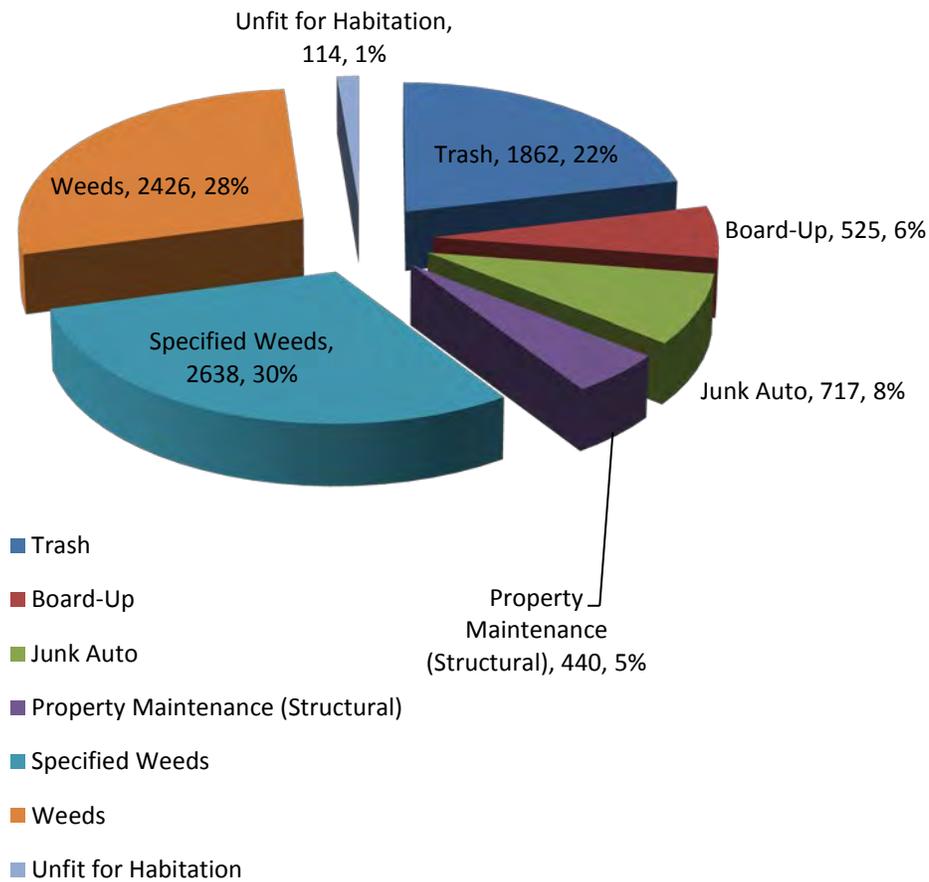


Figure 5. Distribution of Property Maintenance Code Enforcement Actions

SUMMER RECREATION

Summer Playground Recreation

HUD Matrix Code: 05 D

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(e)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance	
CDBG	\$ 14,778	\$ 4,635	\$ 10,143	
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
<i>Goal: 170 children</i>			<i>Actual: 167 LMI children served</i>	

Project Description: Implement summer recreation programs in CDBG park locations for children aged 5 to 12 years.

Accomplishments: 206 children participated this summer of which 167 children from LMI Household participated in the 8-week summer playground program at selected parks and community centers in CDBG target areas. Each of these children participated in at least one of the four programs implemented during the summer of 2015, which included arts and academic programs with food and transportation.

Special Notes: This year’s venues include Faurot Park, Lincoln Park, and Robb Park, all of which are eligible CDBG locations.

Park Improvements

HUD Matrix Code: 03 F

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(c)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance	
CDBG	\$ 56,000	\$ 1,827	\$ 54,173	
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
<i>Goal: 11 park facilities</i>			<i>Actual: improvements to Lincoln Park Baseball court</i>	

Project Description: Fund improvements to city parks, recreation equipment and facilities and to construct off road bike paths in public parks in CDBG areas.

Accomplishments: Project included improvements to Lincoln Park Baseball courts with a new storm sewer drain that is now completed in the middle of the court, resurfacing of the court is in progress and will be completed within a few weeks.

Special Notes:



Street/Curb Reconstruction

HUD Matrix Code: 03 K

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(c)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 521,425	\$ 268,617	\$ 252,808
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 6.6 miles of street repair | Actual: 4.58 miles of street reconstructed/resurfaced

Project Description: Reconstruct or resurface deteriorated streets and curbs in CDBG areas.

Accomplishments: Reconstructed and/or resurfaced streets (48 blocks comprising approx. 24,740 linear feet or 4.58 miles); replaced sidewalks in various locations (3,795 SF). These projects benefitted an estimated 3,774 people in at least 1,378 households – in addition to benefitting some area businesses -- all in CDBG target areas (see Fig. 7).

Special Notes: \$230,428 of this year's expenses of \$1,007,443.70 were used as local match funds that generated additional funds of at least \$624,727 from OPWC Grant.

Bradfield Community Center

HUD Matrix Code: 03 A

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.201(c)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 32,000	\$ 27,636	\$ 4,364
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 100 LMI Seniors citywide | Actual: 167 LMI Seniors served

Project Description: To cover partial staff salaries & benefits and operational costs of implementing and monitoring LMI seniors' health, fitness and related education including purchasing equipment, health fairs and quarterly health assessments.

Accomplishments: The Center served over 100 LMI Seniors each quarter with serving as many as 167 in the second quarter. Continuing partnership with local agencies, Bradfield services include health expos, cardio line dancing, step aerobics, yoga, mental health awareness and post medical assessment programs resulting in targeted lowering of weight or BP for some participants. In addition, information about identity theft, senior abuse was provided at request and four seniors completed Computer & Math Boot Camp workshop at Rhodes State.

Special Notes:

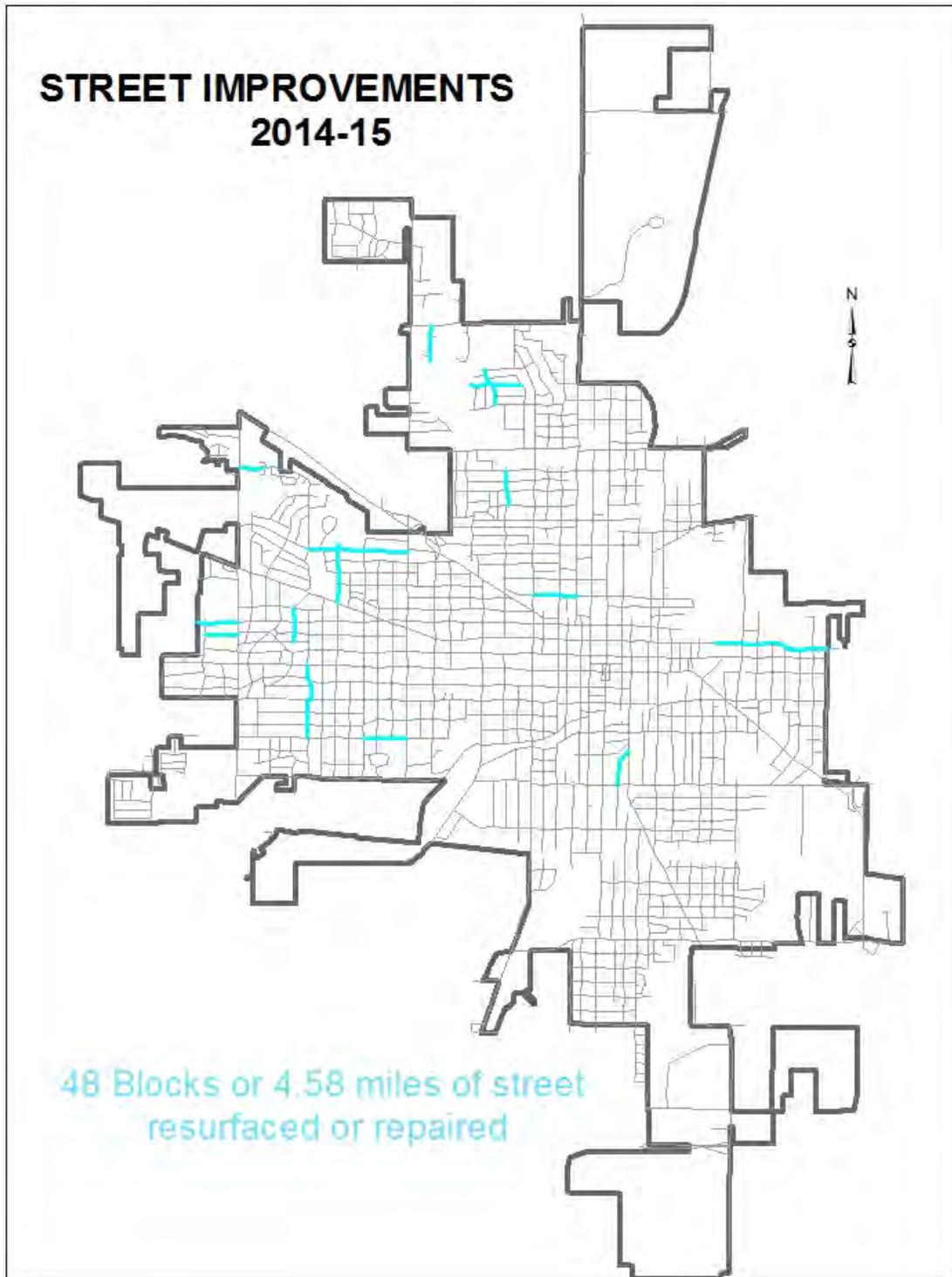


Figure 6: Location of improvement efforts on public facilities 2014-15

3. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Career Pathway in Advanced Manufacturing

HUD Matrix Code: 05 H

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.2031(e)

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 7,034	\$ 7,034	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

*Goal: 60 persons Actual: 31 registered, 14 persons certified**

Project Description: Defray part of the cost of providing workforce skills development in advance manufacturing for the unemployed, under-employed and displaced workers. Assist LMI adults in expanding their career options.

Accomplishments: For Program Year 2014-15, 31 LMI Lima residents enrolled in the basic-level training course and attended at least one class. 14 persons completed* the course satisfactorily and have been given interview referrals to all consortium members. In addition, 1 was certified at Bradfield Community Center and 1 at Worth Center at no cost to the CDBG grant.

Special Notes: The project is done under contract with Rhodes State College, Lima. Courses were delivered at Rhodes State College, Bradfield Center and LACCA (Lima-Allen Council on Community Affairs).

United Way Community Grant Writer

HUD Matrix Code: 14 E

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.202

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 35,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 6,000
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 35 non-profits Actual: 23 non-profits assisted

Project Description: Defray part of the cost of providing grant search/writing specialist to operate as a community resource and for grant writing skills development for the local nonprofit organizations.

Accomplishments: For Program Year 2014-15, three grant workshops were conducted and 23 community organizations attended in the grant writing training courses. Several organizations received consultation services. The total amount of grants awarded in this program year amounted to over \$17,000 to several different agencies.

Special Notes: The project is done under contract with United Way, Lima.

4. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Fair Housing Services (LACCA)

HUD Matrix Code:
21 D

HUD Reg. Cite:
570.206

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 25,000	\$ 17,093	\$ 7,907
HOME	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Goal: 400 households

Actual: 276 households

Project Description: Provide educational and investigative efforts to limit housing discrimination.

Accomplishments: Of the 276 contacts received, 124 short of the targeted 400 in the reporting period. 2 (1%) were referred to the Dayton Ohio Civil Rights Commission for further investigation. 36 (13%) were referred to tenant-landlord mediation; 76 (28%) were property maintenance code complaints; 13 (5%) were referred to Metro Housing, 85 (31%) to legal aid; 14 (5%) to Allen County Health Department and 50 (18%) to other community services. Provided training at 23 locations in Lima and distributed education and activities related materials at over 127 locations.

Special Notes: This program is implemented through LACCA, a local non-profit organization that was identified as in the best qualified to render this public service.

Home Ownership Eligibility Screening & PM Training (New Lima)

HUD Matrix Code: 21A & 21H

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.206

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
HOME	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,600	\$4,400

Goal: 60 persons

Actual: 14 persons

Project Description: Provide Property Maintenance training to LMI residents intending to be homeowners through the First Home Lima Program. Screen applicants to verify eligibility for Down Payment Assistance for first time home buyers.

Accomplishments: Of the 34 applicants, 17 completed the course after participating in the Housing Counseling Program – 12 of whom eventually purchased their first homes through the First Home Lima Program this year.

Special Notes:

General Administration

HUD Matrix Code: 21A & 21H

HUD Reg. Cite: 570.206

Beginning Balance		Amount Expended	Ending Balance
CDBG	\$ 245,766	\$ 174,577	\$ 71,189
HOME	\$ 32,610	\$ 24,630	\$ 11,979

Goal: not applicable

Actual: not applicable

Project Description: General administrative costs to prepare Consolidated Plan and implement CDBG and HOME programs.

Accomplishments: Application and reporting requirements for the Annual Plan were completed. General program operating costs were maintained below admin caps.

Special Notes: Received \$225 in program income was generated from reimbursements.

Table 1. CAPER Program Summary			
October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015 (Combined CDBG and HOME Funds)			
PROGRAM - Project	10/1/2014 Begin Balance	Expended	9/30/2015 End Balance
Housing Construction (CHDO Set-Aside)	\$123,157	\$0	\$123,157
CHDO Operations	\$384	\$0	\$384
Home Repairs (Emergency / Update)	\$192,537	\$0	\$192,537
First Home Lima	\$431,516	\$97,600	\$333,916
Housing Rehab Administration	\$91,296	\$66,174	\$25,122
Housing Counseling	\$25,201	\$24,928	\$273
SUB-TOTAL	\$864,092	\$188,702	\$675,390
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT			
Police Support Services Program	\$53,425	\$35,974	\$17,451
Demolition of Structures	\$198,252	\$133,692	\$64,561
Neighborhood Development Services	\$135,680	\$74,912	\$60,768
Park Improvements	\$56,000	\$1,827	\$54,173
Property Maintenance Code Enforcement	\$223,766	\$137,097	\$86,668
Summer Playground Recreation	\$14,778	\$4,635	\$10,143
Street/Curb Reconstruction	\$521,425	\$268,617	\$252,808
SUB-TOTAL	\$1,203,326	\$656,754	\$546,571
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
Career Pathways in Advanced Manufacturing	\$7,034	\$7,034	\$0
Bradfield Center	\$32,000	\$27,636	\$4,364
LACNIP	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
United Way Community Grant Writer	\$35,000	\$29,000	\$6,000
SUB-TOTAL	\$75,034	\$64,670	\$10,364
ADMINISTRATION			
Fair Housing Services	\$25,000	\$17,093	\$7,907
Wealth Prep (Financial Counseling)	\$10,000	\$5,600	\$4,400
General Administration (HOME/BG)	\$282,376	\$199,207	\$83,169
SUB-TOTAL	\$317,376	\$221,900	\$95,475
CDBG Sub-Total	\$1,665,623	\$1,004,197	\$661,426
HOME Sub-Total	\$794,205	\$127,830	\$666,374
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,459,828	\$1,132,027	\$1,327,801
NOTE: Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.			

C. General Narrative Statement

1. Affordable Housing

The City has determined that its resources can best be utilized for programs designed to improve owner-occupied housing and to facilitate the transition to home ownership. As such, eliminating barriers to housing affordability has been a primary objective of home ownership training, down payment assistance programs, and low-cost loans for housing rehabilitation. The City continued to promote affordable housing through housing assistance programs offered by the City, the Lima/Allen County Housing Consortium, and in cooperation with other public and private partners.

With limited fiscal resources the City also relies on private and non-profit housing developers for the construction, rehabilitation or repair of affordable housing. During the program year --

- a. City-administered housing programs assisted at least 12 LMI households/ families through closing costs and home rehabs/repairs.
- b. New Lima, the local CHDO, constructed no new home but actively marketed all remaining properties constructed with HOME funding and completed all sales.
- c. Seventeen (17) persons/families earned full credits in the homeownership training classes, making them eligible to apply to the *First Home Lima* program.
- e. Rental assistance is provided through programs administered by the Allen Metropolitan Housing Authority (AMHA) which maintains about 247 housing units in the city. In addition, the AMHA assisted at least 1,041 families through its Section 8 program.

2. Fair Housing

The City's contract with the Lima-Allen Council on Community Affairs (LACCA) to provide the fair housing services to city residents continued. Among others, LACCA's services include:

- Conduct training and provide educational material and outreach activities regarding Fair Housing;
- Develop and distribute Fair Housing information and materials to area agencies, organizations, schools and at public events; and,
- Receive Fair Housing complaint referrals from Lima-Allen County residents.

During the program year, LACCA received about 276 contacts through its *Fair Housing* hotline. Of these, two (2) or 1% were determined to have reasonable probability of discrimination and thus have been referred to Ohio Civil Rights Commission for further action and investigation. 13 percent (36) of the total calls related to landlord-tenant issues, which were appropriately absorbed by LACCA in its mediation program for this purpose. 28 percent or 76 were property maintenance complaints; while the rest have been referred to Allen Met housing; legal aid, and other community services. Details of the Fair Housing Officer's report are appended as Tab-2.

a. Affirmative Marketing and Outreach

Through the use of the community television channel (GTV-2), housing fairs, tenant-landlord seminars, informational flyers and personal contacts with property owners, the City continued to disseminate information on its housing and housing-related programs. In the last nine years there has been a steady rise in the participation of female-headed households and minority households in our housing programs, especially in *Housing Counseling* classes whose participants feed into the City's *First Home Lima* Program. This continues to be an encouraging indication that information dissemination efforts are reaching target population segments.

LACCA also made at least 23 trainings on *Fair Housing*, posted and passed out educational materials at 127 locations and made regular public service announcements on both commercial radio and television. To supplement efforts in making known its mission, articles on local fair housing services and related issues were written and placed in AMHA's and the Council on Aging's newsletters. Finally, the Fair Housing Officer also conducted phone tests (48), field tests (24) and monitored housing ads (48) as part of her pro-active approach in identifying probable cases of housing discrimination (see Tab-2). Results will be monitored over time to assess the impact of our affirmative marketing efforts.

b. Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

A new AI developed in 2010 was approved following refinement of fair housing goals and objectives. The AI is updated annually by the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission through a partnership between the City and the Allen County Dept. of Community Development and the Allen County Housing Consortium. Data collection and AI amendment is underway for 2015 program year.

3. Continuum of Care in Housing

In the Lima-Allen community, Continuum of Care (COC) activities in housing are coordinated by the Housing Consortium – a collection of local private, government and non-profit entities concerned with local housing issues. The COC has prepared a 10-Yr. strategy to end homelessness that emphasizes on prevention and outreach. The strategy features a formal reporting strategy based around the Homeless Management Information System. The 10-year plan identified the following as leading causes of homelessness in Allen County:

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- a. Mental Illness / Addiction (untreated mental illness – self medicating) - Lack of Knowledge of Social Services
- b. Lack of Quality Jobs – Underemployment
 - i. Lack of Education / Job Skills
 - ii. Unemployment / Job Loss
- c. People being Evicted
 - i. Lack of Family Support
 - ii. Credit Card Debt / Mortgages / Misuse of Credit
 - iii. Lack of Knowledge of Social Services
- d. Lack of Emergency / Transitional Housing for:
 - i. Fathers with Children

- ii. Mothers with Teen Boys
 - iii. Intact Families
 - iv. People with Symptomatic Mental Illness
 - v. Males 18 – 21 Years Old
 - vi. Males after 11:00 PM
- e. Lack of Awareness of Homelessness in the Community. Belief that homelessness is not something we can do anything about.
 - f. DYS Discharge Planning – 18 year olds on their own / Foster Children aging out of the system.
 - g. Offenders – Ex Offenders / Sex Offenders
 - h. Culture of Poverty – engaging this population
 - i. Services are not Enticing
 - ii. Service Coordination – System Spanner
 - iii. Trust in the system lacking
 - iv. Lack of Knowledge of Social Services

In September 2009, the City's 3-Year Action Plan for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-housing (HPRP) was implemented through a sub-grantee agreement with (AMHA) Allen Metro Housing Authority. On November 2011, the city re-contracted HPRP implementation with LACCA (Lima-Allen Council on Community Affairs). This program was completed and LACCA is now administering a new program with State funding to address homeless prevention in the area.

4. Anti-Poverty Measures

The City's anti-poverty strategy is a multi-faceted approach toward reducing the number of households with income below the poverty line. The first approach is to improve the employability of persons who are either unemployed, under-employed and displaced workers, high school, and college students to prepare them for gainful employment in advanced manufacturing industries. The Rhodes State College-based *Career Pathways in Advanced Manufacturing* reported that 31 LMI Lima residents enrolled in basic-level training in manufacturing – 14 of whom satisfactorily completed the course from Rhodes State College and have been referred to prospective employers for interviews. An additional 2 were certified at Bradfield Center and Worth Center at no cost to the program. This project is being implemented under the Knowledge Works program for the West Central Ohio Manufacturing Consortium. For its use of CDBG funds the project aims to assist 60 City of Lima low-income adults in expanding their career options in advanced manufacturing through education and training.

Complementing this approach is the provision of safe and affordable housing for extremely low, very low, low, and moderate income households. Specific activities include update loans, homeownership, code enforcement, demolition/clearance, support services (including fair housing and housing counseling services). This program year, City housing programs were able to assist a total of 14 households – of which 12 are first-time home buyers and 2 households are in the process of availing of home repairs.

The second approach is to establish healthy neighborhoods through balanced, diverse development of public facilities, infrastructure, commercial, recreational and safety activities. Hand-in-hand with promoting and providing safe and decent housing is the elimination of blighting influences in neighborhoods. City *Code Enforcement* investigated at least 8,722 complaints on code violations on 2,563 properties including vacant parcels and junk autos. 19 dilapidated structures were demolished this program year using CDBG funds which includes 1 garage, 16 residences and 2 commercial structures. Through the Department of Community Development (DCD), the City continued assisting non-profit and for-profit developers to initiate new construction activities. Specific activities include efforts to provide infrastructure with street improvements (including handicap accessibility) throughout the city with emphasis on CDBG target areas. This program year, at least 48 blocks comprising approx. 24,740 linear feet or 4.58 miles have been reconstructed and/or resurfaced through the *Street Reconstruction-Resurfacing Project*. An estimated 3,774 people in about 1,378 households, as well as some area business establishments benefitted from these infrastructure projects. In support of neighborhood outreach efforts, capacity-building and administrative assistance to neighborhood organizations continued through *Neighborhood Development Services*, which included providing technical assistance and facilitating "neighborhood empowerment efforts" to encourage the development of CHDOs; supporting efforts of other community development providers in public service, public facility, transportation and safety activities. This year LACNIP, the umbrella group of neighborhood associations, continued *Community Gardens* in 5 areas (Spring and Collette, Riverside North Neighborhood, Martin Luther King, and in the following schools: Emerson, Liberty and Freedom) and added 2 new gardens for a total of 7 gardens. 3,652 individuals provided over 15,528 volunteer service hours to the Community of Lima.

Economic development represents the third facet of the city's anti-poverty strategy. This program year the city continued its support of technical assistance and skills development. Encouraging and supporting programs and opportunities designed to develop advanced manufacturing workforce skills resulted in at least 17 better prepared job candidates.

5. Other Actions

a. Plan Monitoring and Information Sharing

The City monitors Plan implementation through routine records-keeping of project execution details, on-site inspections and by maintaining close working linkages with service providers, economic development organizations, neighborhood groups and target beneficiaries. Staff involvement in housing and community development organizations and their activities provide the Staff with valuable insight into the evolving needs of low- and moderate-income persons, as well as the capability to identify other opportunities in which City programs and resources might be better deployed.

Aside from keeping electronic and hard copy project files, DCD also maintains records through the IDIS (Integrated Disbursement and Information System). This system has the capability of real-time monitoring by HUD wherein project accomplishments of each municipality can be readily acquired and aggregated to obtain national-level data on particular programs, such as housing, job creation, and infrastructure development. Support is provided to individual neighborhood

associations and Lima/Allen County Neighborhoods in Partnership (LACNIP), which works to improve neighborhood conditions and facilitate community planning and development. Through LACNIP's neighborhood network and its strong ties with City Staff, the City has institutionalized a responsive feedback mechanism that will facilitate Plan monitoring and updating processes. The City's *Property Maintenance Code Enforcement* efforts are being aggressively pursued as a Plan objective toward improved maintenance of both owner-occupied and rental housing. Partnering with the Lima Police Dept. on community-oriented policing is done in coordination with the Neighborhood Support Staff of DCD to assess efforts to reduce crime and improve livability in target areas.

Information dissemination for local issues and opportunities in housing and community-building continued through GTV-2, a television channel providing government and community programming. While also used to air public meetings, a full calendar of community events, relevant information on housing and neighborhood affairs, and summaries of new ordinances — neighborhood associations, non-profit organizations and other community groups use GTV-2 to publicize their activities.

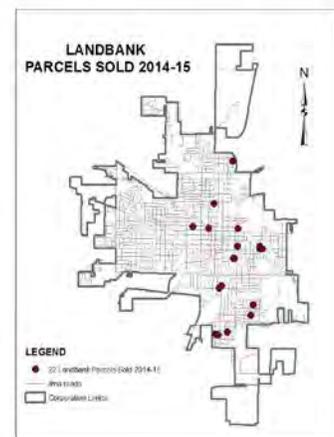
The Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan details on CDBG and HOME programs, neighborhood organizations and LACNIP information, and other public information is maintained on the City's website at <http://www.cityhall.lima.oh.us/dcd/dcd.htm>.

b. Addressing Gaps in Institutional Structure

The city continued to seek opportunities for staff capacity-building by attending state, local and national training/workshops on general administration, plan and report preparation, property code enforcement, lead risk assessment, project development, housing development.

The city has identified the need to dovetail its housing programs and infrastructure improvement projects with its existing and planned incentives (such as CRAs and Jobs Incentives Program). The objective is to achieve a more effective and visible effort in improving the community's physical assets, especially along major thoroughfares and around schools. A contiguous Neighborhood Revitalization Area has already been identified (see (Fig. 1) consisting of residential and commercial areas that need preservation and/or revitalization, while efforts are continuing to identify project schemes as to how spending of CDBG, HOME and other funds will be focused. Renewing our contracts with LACCA this program year enabled The City to continue providing fair housing services to its resident This effort also aims to build a good pipeline of prospective homeowners for local lenders by strengthening and expanding the *Housing Counseling* program and LACCA's *Financial Literacy* classes.

The re-use of tax delinquent, vacant and abandoned properties continued. In 2015 the city's LAND Re-utilization Officer investigated applications for 70 tax-delinquent parcels



for land-banking. 22 of these parcels were eventually sold after going through the ORC 5722 process.

On economic development, the city has continued its partnerships with the Allen Economic Development Group, Small Business Development Center and Downtown Lima to fund and guide small business development in Allen County.

c. **Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction**

The City implements its housing rehabilitation activities in a manner which assesses lead-based paint risks. Each applicant in the City's *Emergency Repair* and *Update* (housing rehabilitation) programs are supplied a brochure on the hazards of lead-based paint. Aside from determining income-eligibility, processing of applications include on-site inspection of work required and assessment of potential lead-based paint risks to occupants and workers. Lima's Rehabilitation Inspector is a certified Lead Inspector and Assessor and has attended the required refresher course for continued license certification. Thus far, the City has accredited five lead renovation contractors and has relied on the Health Department to test families with young children for elevated blood-lead (EBL) levels.

This program year, no housing units benefitted from our housing repair within the program year. While two applicants qualified for assistance, one is in the process of starting and the other went to bid. Both of these will be reported in the next program year. Work under the *HOME Update* programs – costing no more than \$24,000, – usually do not raise lead-related issues. Such issues, however, typically crop up in rehabilitation works – where the five accredited contractors are called in. With the limited number of accredited contractors, there is difficulty receiving multiple competitive bids on each job. Nevertheless, the City continues to urge local contractors to seek certification for lead hazard control services. At present the City is compliant with HUD guidelines and reports to Ohio Dept. of Health as applicable on each job.

It is the City's intent to continue its lead-safe practices and improve implementation. DCD has modified its housing programs to ensure compliance with current lead-safe regulations. Meanwhile our emphasis will remain on the following activities:

- Identify needed enforcement capabilities and new code requirements that can improve reduction of lead hazard in housing units inspected.
- Increase the number of lead sampling technicians in the community.
- Encourage lead sampling technicians and contractors to become lead inspectors.
- Encourage contractors to obtain state certification on lead safe paint repairs and lead safe remodeling safeguards.
- Expand training to contractors of lead hazards and to practice lead safe work practices.
- Continue making lead-safe work practices routine for contractors.
- Continue lead safety as part of code enforcement by enforcing peeling paint violations, especially on structures constructed prior to 1950.
- Collaborate with other lead safe agencies to train relevant agencies and officials that perform home visits to look for the classic signs of lead paint exposure. Lead awareness training makes it possible for visiting nurses, police officers, firemen, social workers and

- other professionals to check for lead dust hazards and discuss associated hazards with families.
- Provide landlord training to ensure that landlords know lead law requirements.
 - Identify and implement incentives acceptable to community to encourage private owners to keep units lead safe.

6. Leveraging Resources

The City continues to seek partnerships and to deploy its limited resources in a manner which leverages additional financial and human resources. This program year –

- a. \$230,428 (23%) of this year's street repair expenses of \$1,007,443.70 were used as local match funds that generated additional funds of at least \$624,727 from OPWC Grant;
- b. The downpayment assistance given to 12 first-time homebuyers amounting to \$97,600 this year resulted in at least \$582,221 in home sales in the city.
- c. Approximately 3,652 different persons volunteered during the reporting period, contributing over 15,528 volunteer-hours (valued at \$333,230 @\$21.46/hr) toward City- or LACNIP neighborhood network-sponsored events.

D. Self-Evaluation of Progress Toward Goals

The City was able to meet HUD's Timeliness Standards in reserves management and reporting, and was able to enhance residential demolition activities utilizing program income from NSP reimbursements.

In general, we believe staff efforts to provide effective programs that respond to identified community needs within regulatory standards have been successful. Reports to Lima City Council and the community on CDBG activities are regularly provided at City Council meetings and are televised on the City public access channel- GTV2. Department heads and grant recipients provide updates on grant activity throughout the year. We continue to work toward our goal of instituting a routine process for community input and feedback throughout the program year.

1. Housing and Housing-Related Activities

Table 2 provides accomplishment details of the City's two housing programs during the program year. A total of 12 households were assisted. All targeted income-level groups are being served based on the client's apparent need and capability to repay loans. Two housing programs benefitted 1 homeowner with incomes at or below the 30% median income. Five (5) other households with incomes ranging from 31% to 50% AMI were assisted; and finally, six (6) more homeowner households with incomes of 51% to 80% AMI were served.

Table 2. Completed Housing Activities by Project and by Income Level
October 2014- September 2015

Percentage of Median Income	Homeowner Repair Loan		Homebuyer Assistance	Total Number of Units Assisted
	Update/Emergency Loans (CDBG + HOME)	Home ReNew (HOME)	First Home Lima (HOME)	
0 - 30 %	0	0	1	1
31- 50 %	0	0	5	5
51 - 80 %	0	0	16	6
Total	0	0	12	12

New construction refers to affordable housing projects of the local CHDO (New Lima, Inc.), Habitat for Humanity and those by private developers using Ohio housing tax credits. This program year, New Lima did not construct any new housing units. All of the remaining of 7 HOME funded housing units at Whittier were sold in the previous program year.

The city currently does not have a program assisting rental housing units, and rental rehabilitation by private investors is difficult to measure or monitor. As such, rehab projects on affordable rental units shall be presented only as data are readily available.

For the first-time homebuyer program 12 families benefitted from the city's *First Home Lima* program.

2. Community and Economic Development Activities

For most projects under the Community Development Program, assigning annual targets is generally not applicable. For those projects where numeric targets can be established (e.g., code enforcement, streets) accomplishments generally met or exceeded targets.

This program year, a total of 19 structures were brought down using CDBG funds. This includes sixteen residences, two commercial and 1 garage.

By providing capacity building and organizational support to local neighborhood groups, neighborhood associations have been continually achieving higher levels of self-reliance in undertaking their projects and special events, either on their own or in cooperation with other organizations. These groups acting jointly as Lima-Allen County Neighborhoods in Partnership (LACNIP), and as independent associations have contributed over 15,528 volunteer-hours this year for community cleanups, tutoring programs, health clinics and crime prevention initiatives.

E. CDBG Narrative Statement

1. Use of CDBG Funds

The use of all CDBG funds was consistent with the programs approved through the Consolidated Plan. The City continues to use its funds in a manner which almost exclusively benefits low and moderate income persons, as well as areas eligible for CDBG funding (as illustrated in map on page 5).

2. Planned Actions

Within the constraints of human and fiscal resources available to the City, all activities as outlined in the Action Plan 2013-14 were pursued. The inability to attain certain Plan targets this program year primarily stem from lack of manpower in certain projects and economic issues in home ownership, as well as implementation delays outside the control of the city. We believe these issues are temporary and surmountable, and do not necessitate changes in the types of programs lined up for the ensuing program year.

3. National Objectives

The City implemented all aspects of its Consolidated Plan in a manner consistent with the three national objectives.¹ The overall benefit calculation exceeds the regulatory standard for benefits to low and moderate income persons. This program year more than 82.61% of CDBG expenditures (\$829,620,368) benefitted LMI persons.

4. Acquisition/Relocation

The City did not undertake projects that required acquisition or relocation of persons or businesses during the program year.

5. Job Creation

The *Career Pathways on Advance Manufacturing* project based at Rhodes State College is a skills development training program on basic level manufacturing operations. In spite of its difficulty in recruiting eligible training participants, the program has been able to produce 3 basic course training graduates, all of whom have been referred for employment interviews to local area manufacturers.

¹ The three national objectives of the CDBG Program are: (1) Benefitting low- and moderate-income persons; (2) Preventing or eliminating slums or blight; and (3) Meeting urgent needs because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community.

Another dimension in job creation efforts is the State-sponsored city program that offers tax abatement through the Ohio Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) to attract new businesses and the expansion of existing ones in the city.

6. Program Income

The City has designed many of its assistance programs to require repayments to fund additional residential or business projects. The City has judgments against most delinquent business loans. Business loan defaults are not "written off" although the prospects for recovery are often limited. With relatively large loan portfolios the City continues to receive substantial amounts of program income as noted on Table 4 below.

Table 3. Income Summary, By Program
October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015

CDBG	\$28,323
Emergency Repair loan repayments	\$0
Residential loan repayments	\$9,012
Housing demolition receipts	\$19,086
Property maintenance receipts	\$0
Business loan receipts	\$0
Parking receipts	\$0
General administration reimbursements	\$225
Miscellaneous	\$0
Residential loan reimbursements	\$0
HOME	\$72,522
Emergency Repair loan repayments	\$0
Residential loan repayments	\$72,522
First Home Lima	\$0

F. HOME Narrative Statement

1. Use of HOME Funds

This program year, a total of \$127,830 HOME funds were spent -- more than 76.3% (or \$97,600) of which were used in assisting eligible home buyers acquire their first homes (through *First Home Lima*); while no funds (\$0) were used for home repairs and rehab, two eligible applicants are in the process. HOME funds were also used to defray the cost of staff services (10%). No new housing unit completed this year.

2. Match Contributions

Based on federal fiscal distress standards, the City was exempted from HOME match requirements for Fiscal Year 2014 through 2015 (go to HOME Match).

3. Minority and Women in Business Enterprises (MBE / WBE)

The City of Lima advertises all CDBG and HOME funded housing rehabilitation requests for contractor bids. Contracts for rehab work are open to all qualified bidders. Each contractor is asked to voluntarily provide a statement indicating their M/WBE status, if they choose to be so identified. At present, there are 7 firms in the City's approved housing rehabilitation contractor list, four which are MBE and one is a WBE contractor.

Lima regularly advertises through GTV-2 – our local community information channel – requesting applications from building and rehab contractors for HOME and CDBG housing projects. The text of the advertisement specifically referenced the City of Lima as an Equal Opportunity Employer. The advertisement is placed in the regular rotation of programming and repeated throughout the day and evening schedules. Moreover, the City notifies all qualified contractors of bid opportunities through a notification postcard. We will continue to monitor the development of M/WBE contractor opportunities through contact with the Lima-Allen County Chamber of Commerce - Minority Business Committee.

4. On-site Inspections

Inspection of units assisted through HOME are made every three (3) years during the affordability period for projects of 1-4 HOME units, every two (2) years for 5-25 HOME unit projects and every year for 26 or more HOME units.

On April 20, 2015 the city's Housing Rehab Inspector, conducted an annual inspection of 14 randomly selected single family homes from the 61-unit Miller Valentine – New Lima project. These inspections were done in conjunction with the residential property managers (MV Management) during their quarterly property inspections. While no major property maintenance code violations were found:

- One (1) Outdoor Receptacle Cover broken
- One (1) Basement Railing missing
- Two (2) Smoke Detectors needed battery
- One (1) Furnace Condensation Line unhooked in furnace causing rust
- Two (2) torn Window Screens

The overall condition of these homes in the Miller Valentine – New Lima project is superior with assistance from the property management team.

G. Certifications

This program year the city issued 1 certifications for the Allen Metropolitan Housing Authority on the basis of their projects' consistency with the goals and strategies on the 2010-14 ConPlan.

H. HOPWA Narrative Statement

The City is not eligible for Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) entitlement funding but has been supportive of grant requests by the AIDS Regional Cooperative Task Force which provided assistance to persons with HIV and AIDS.

I. ESG Narrative Statement

The City is not eligible for Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) entitlement funding but has supported grant requests submitted to the State of Ohio by Lima's Samaritan House which provides emergency shelter for women and children.

J. Relationship of Priority Needs and Expenditures

Table 5 (pages 38 to 40) provides a matrix that matches identified priorities and the projects implemented to address them. Column 1 identifies the community needs which have "high" need-levels based on "eligible activities" as defined under 24 CFR 570.201 through 570.207. Column 2 identifies the projects in the CAPER which directly relate to the needs in Column 1. Column 3 is the expenditure per project listed in Column 2. Finally, Column 4 provides the section number in the 5-year Strategic Plan under which the projects in Column 3 are classified (these citations also appear in HUD Table 2-C).

K. Public Participation Statement

The City has implemented several strategies to encourage and sustain meaningful citizen input in the preparation and monitoring of the Consolidated Plan. In addition to a series of public meetings, citizen surveys, community questionnaires, and interactive funding exercises, the City re-broadcast its community informational meetings for several weeks and posted Consolidated Plan materials on its website (www.cityhall.lima.oh.us/dcd/dcd.htm) to facilitate greater access to information and presentations. The Lima/Allen County Housing Consortium – open to public participation and membership – meets monthly and issues its newsletter to neighborhood organizations and local governmental leaders to keep the community informed on local, state and national housing issues.

1. Citizen Comments

The CAPER was made available on the City of Lima's Official Website and physical copies were placed on display for public review and comment for 15 days at the Lima Public Library and the City of Lima Municipal Building. The documents were displayed for 15 calendar days starting on November 10, 2015 and ending on November 30, 2015.

No comments were received.

Table 4 . Relationship of Expenditures and Priority Needs

(1) COMMUNITY NEED WITH "HIGH" NEED-LEVEL	(2) PROJECT - Description (2013-2014 Target; Accomplishment - where applicable)	(3) COST 2013-2014	(4) CITATION (As indicated in HUD Table 2-C ConPlan 2010-14)
<p>HOUSING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renter-Occupied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small related; 0 - 30% of AMI Large; 0 - 30% of AMI Elderly; 0 - 30% of AMI All Other; 0 - 30% of AMI 	<p>First Home Lima – Assist first-time home buyers with downpayment and closing costs. (Goal: 20; Actual: 12 families)</p> <p>Housing Counseling – Contract cost for technical assistance for homeowners and home buyers. (Goal: 60; Actual: 33 applicants, 17 HH received credits)</p> <p>Housing Update Counseling – Credit counseling to LMI families for improved access to home repair and maintenance and credit for providing decent affordable housing. (Goal: 12; Actual: 1 qualified applicant)</p> <p>Fair Housing – Maintain educational and investigative efforts to limit housing discrimination in both rental housing and home buying for 400 units. (276 contacts)</p> <p>PM TRAINING - Financial literary education to LMI residents intending to be homeowners through the First Home Lima Program. (Goal: 60; Actual: 52 applicants, 45 persons completed)</p>	<p>\$97,600</p> <p>\$24,928</p> <p>\$500</p> <p>\$17,093</p> <p>\$7,366</p>	<p>H.1.d(1)</p> <p>H.1.d(2)</p> <p>H.1.g(1), (3) and (4)</p> <p>H.1.d(2)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owner-Occupied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All types; 0 - 30% of AMI 31 - 50% of AMI 51 - 80% of AMI 	<p>Update Loans/Emergency Loans – Deferred Loans to finance emergency repairs for eligible housing units, (Goal: 9 Actual: 0 housing units/1 in process)</p> <p>CHDO Set-aside – Support for New Lima, Inc. Housing projects on Whittier; No Natl. Obj. Applicable. (Goal: 0 houses; Actual: 0, completed marketing all HUD funded units).</p> <p>Housing Rehab Admin –Delivery costs for staff involved in Housing Programs and Inspection services. Cost includes follow-up services for existing 345 loans.</p>	<p>\$0</p> <p>\$0</p> <p>\$66,140</p>	<p>H.1.a(3)</p> <p>H.1.b(1)</p> <p>H.1.a(1)</p>

<p>(1) COMMUNITY NEED WITH "HIGH" NEED-LEVEL</p>	<p>(2) PROJECT - Description (Target; Accomplishment - where applicable)</p>	<p>(3) COST</p>	<p>(4) CITATION (As indicated in HUD Table 2-C ConPlan 2010-14)</p>
<p>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crime Awareness 	<p>Police Support Services Program – Maintain police aides in support of Community-Oriented Policing in CDBG areas. (Funded 2 PSSP Officer, served 5,000 persons)</p>	<p>\$35,974</p>	<p>CD.2.c(1)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street Improvements Sidewalk Improvement 	<p>Street/Curb Reconstruction – Reconstruct or resurface 5.7 miles (30,096 linear feet) of deteriorated streets and curbs in CDBG areas. (48 blks=24,740 linear feet or 4.58 miles of streets; 3,759 SF of sidewalks.)</p>	<p>\$268,616</p>	<p>CD.1.a(1) and (2)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parks, Recreational Facilities & Programs 	<p>Park Improvements – Improvements to city parks 11 park facilities. Fund resurfacing and installing of new storm drain at Lincoln Park.</p> <p>Recreation Programs – Maintain summer recreation programs for 170 children. (167 LMI children served)</p>	<p>\$1,827</p> <p>\$4,635</p>	<p>CD.3.a(1)</p> <p>CD.3.a(1)</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Health and Wellness Services 	<p>Senior Health and Wellness – partial salaries & benefits and operational costs of implementing and monitoring LMI Seniors' health, fitness and cognitive wellness 100 LMI Seniors. (167 LMI Seniors served)</p>	<p>\$27,636</p>	<p>CD.2.c</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Profit Organization Capacity Building 	<p>Neighborhood Assistance – maintain neighborhood capacity building and education services to community organizations. (10 City organizations and 2 Township groups)</p> <p>Community Gardens – Provide technical support and educational services to neighborhood organizations. (Continued 5 community gardens and 2 new gardens)</p> <p>LACNIP –Portable A/c Unit to rehabilitate community meeting place. (Funded to cover partial cost of the HVAC system installed at 1440 W. Spring Street)</p>	<p>\$74,912</p> <p>\$0</p> <p>\$1,000</p>	<p>CD.4.a(1)</p>

<p>(1) COMMUNITY NEED WITH "HIGH" NEED-LEVEL</p>	<p>(2) PROJECT - Description (Target; Accomplishment - where applicable)</p>	<p>(3) COST</p>	<p>(4) CITATION (As indicated in HUD Table 2-C ConPlan 2010-14)</p>
<p>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Profit Organization Technical Assistance 	<p>United Way Grant writing – Match funds in the training program and skill development to provide technical assistance to local non-profit organizations. (Goal: 35; Actual: 23 organizations)</p>	<p>\$29,000</p>	<p>ED.2.a</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment Training 	<p>Career Pathways in Advanced Manufacturing – Skills upgrading for the unemployed, under-employed labor. (Goal: 60; Actual: 31 registered, 14 + 2 certified)</p>	<p>\$7,034</p>	<p>ED.3.a(1)</p>
<p>PLANNING & ADMINISTRATION</p>	<p>CHDO Operating – Support for New Lima, Inc. Operations; No Natl. Obj. Applicable.</p> <p>General Administration – General administrative costs to implement CDBG and HOME programs; No applicable National Objective.</p>	<p>\$0</p> <p>\$198,707</p> <p>\$1,054,368</p> <p>\$227,252</p>	<p>H.1.b(1)</p> <p>H; CD; ED</p> <p>CDBG</p> <p>HOME</p>
<p>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</p>		<p>\$1,281,620</p>	