

Housing & Community Initiatives

2015-2019 Consolidated Plan
2015 Action Plan
Citizen Participation Plan

Public Comment

- Public Hearing conducted May 4, 2015.
- Public comment period closed May 13, 2015.



Comments Incorporated

- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault - “sexual assault” was included with references to domestic violence and descriptions of homeless services and shelter were expanded to include victims of domestic violence and sexual assault
- Economic Development - included as a tool to meet the goal to stabilize and improve struggling neighborhoods
- Citizen Participation - uses of social media and other forms of outreach, a definition of low and moderate income and a general timeline for activities were added
- Plan includes a description of the citizen participation process and organizations that participated.

Other Themes

- Accessibility
 - Address needs in housing, transportation, infrastructure and employment
- Neighborhoods
 - Ensure Southeast receives a fair share of funding
 - Improve facilities providing public services to neighborhoods; support neighborhood leadership; eliminate food deserts
 - Continue to support Code Enforcement city-wide
 - Encourage greater participation by minorities and non-English speaking persons as well as persons with disabilities; ensure broad outreach

Other Themes

- **Economic Development**
 - Create more jobs available to low income residents
 - Identify appropriate uses for federal block grants to improve economic vitality, and align activities with economic development plans, especially in geographic target areas
- **Homelessness**
 - Continue to work to end homelessness and include the homeless in identifying priorities
- **Affordable Housing**
 - More accessible, affordable housing located near public transit
 - Don't concentrate affordable housing in low income areas
 - Engage private sector

Looking Forward

- Expand outreach
- Make materials more user friendly
- Consolidated Plan Advisory Group