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Geographic Priorities

The City will focus the majority of funds in the defined LMI areas.

Priority Needs

The City has identified improving the existing housing stock through single family rehabilitation, a rent/mortgage assistance program, public facility improvements (domestic shelter facility and park improvements), neighborhood clean-up, and public services (food pantry program, CASA, and RRHA after-school program, youth services (at risk youth), health services (community clinic) as priority needs for the next five years.

Influence of Market Conditions

An inadequate supply of affordable housing, in addition to the high cost of housing in the City for low-income persons (paying more than 30% of household income for housing), is the major housing problem in the area.

Anticipated Resources

The City anticipates receiving \$2,512,880 in CDBG entitlement funding over the next five years.

Institutional Delivery Structure

The City relies on a network of public sector, private sector, and non-profit organizations to implement the Strategic Plan, particularly to address homelessness and special needs.

Goals

See SP-45.

Public Housing

The City will continue to support the efforts of the housing authority to supply affordable housing to area residents.

Barriers to Affordable Housing

An Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) was conducted in 2000 and is expected to be updated within the next year. The City will continue to use the recommendations from the AI as a tool for policy decisions.

Homelessness Strategy

The City works closely with Williamson-Burnet County Opportunities, Inc. (WBCO) and Hope Alliance to address housing and services for homeless individuals and families, including veterans, those with special needs, the disabled, HIV/AIDS, and victims of domestic violence.

Lead-based Paint Hazards

In 2000, HUD estimated that as many as 540 total housing units built in Round Rock prior to 1970 and occupied by low and moderate income households contained lead-based paint. This is the most recent data available for the estimate.

Anti-Poverty Strategy

The City's efforts to address poverty are based on partnerships with other organizations that are involved in working to address the underlying causes of poverty. The City will continue to leverage its existing CDBG allocations with other resources, including local, state, and federal, in addition to private funds, to address the issue of poverty.