

ORDINANCE NO. 15071

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 19 – 2013

INTRODUCED BY

APRIL 3, 2013

AN ORDINANCE

Amending the Consolidated Plan One Year Action Plan for the Twenty-ninth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh years of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) which re-programs Two Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Three (\$243,653) Dollars of unexpended funds, and the 2012-2013 HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) year which reprograms Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Fifty-Three (\$499,053) Dollars of unexpended funds.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: Federal Regulations require the City of Allentown to amend a Consolidated Plan One Year Action Plan whenever it decides not to carry out an activity, to add an activity, or to substantially change an activity. This legislation provides for the re-programming of unexpended funds from the Twenty-ninth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh years of the CDBG program and unexpended funds from the 2012-2013 HOME program.

SECTION TWO: That the Mayor is authorized to reprogram the amounts in the accounts listed below.

700-01-7903-0009	Allentown Symphony Association	\$14,146
700-01-7904-0004	Seventh Street Façade-Residential	37,388
700-01-7904-0005	Seventh Street Façade – Commercial	1,995
700-01-7501-0101	Focus Area Sidewalk Program	15,000
700-01-7504-0106	Old Fairgrounds Façade Program	5,000
700-01-7504-0110	Voluntary Relocation	20,000
700-01-7505-0107	Administration.	8,119
700-01-7601-0112	Hazard Elimination Program	3,321
700-01-7601-0115	Program Delivery	102
700-01-7604-0109	Focus Area Facade	1,658
700-01-7605-0107	Administration	19,150
700-01-7605-0108	Fair Housing	5,601
700-01-7701-0106	Property Disposition	10,000
700-01-7701-0109	Focus Area Rehabilitation	416
700-01-7701-0115	Program Delivery	65,249
700-01-7702-0109	CACLV-Community Action Financial Services Program	954

700-01-7703-0104	Lehigh Carbon Community College	2,973
700-01-7703-0107	Program for Women and Families	102
700-01-7703-0109	Neighborhood Clean Up	12,480
700-01-7703-0110	Foreclosure Program	15,000
700-01-7704-0110	Voluntary Relocation	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL CDBG \$243,653		
700-01-7807-0101 Deferred Payment Loan Program		<u>499,053</u>
TOTAL HOME \$499,053		

SECTION THREE: That the amount of Two Hundred Forty-three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-three (\$243,653) CDBG Dollars be added to the amount of funds available for the Thirty-ninth year of the CDBG program and Four Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand Fifty-three (\$499,053) Dollars in HOME funds be added to the amount of funds available for the 2013-2014 program year.

SECTION FOUR: That this Ordinance will take effect ten (10) days after final passage.

SECTION FIVE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
Joe Davis	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald	X	
Jeff Glazier	X	
Cynthia Y. Mota		
Ray O'Connell, VP	X	
Peter G. Schweyer	X	
Julio A. Guridy, Pres.	X	
TOTAL	6	0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on May 1, 2013 and signed by the Mayor on May 3, 2013.

Michael P. Harber

CITY CLERK

What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?

The Consolidated Grants Program (CGP) legislation consists of three ordinances and one resolution and originates in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

The attached legislation, from the Department of Community and Economic Development serves as the template for the City of Allentown's application for federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG) funds. Each piece of legislation serves a specific purpose, which when combined, contain all the recommended regulatory steps need to apply for these federal funds. These are the same types of legislation presented to City Council every year. However, the actual dollar amounts, list of activities and funds available are different every year.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

- **39 Ordinance #1 Reprogram Certain Funds**

Summary: This legislation is required to close unspent CDBG and HOME accounts and "roll the funds" over to be used for the upcoming program year (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014). These accounts represent activities which have been completed with funds remaining, or activities which were later deemed to be not feasible.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
- **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
- **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

This ordinance provides the City with the first step needed to allow the City to apply for and then access \$3,393,709 in grant funds for the July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 program year. All activities funded comply with the CDBG, HOME and ESG regulations as promulgated by HUD and allow the City to further its Community and Economic Development Initiatives. This bill provides the first step in the process which forms the basis to complete the strategies of the fourth year of the City of Allentown's Consolidated Plan for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2015.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
- **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

- **39 Ordinance #1 Reprogram Certain Funds**

This ordinance allows for \$ 243,653 in CDBG funds and \$499,053 in HOME funds to be re-programmed as part of the funds available for the 2013-2014 program year. Funds are rolled over for a variety of reasons, but mainly because the program/activity is complete and costs were not as great as originally anticipated, or an alternative funding source may have been identified. At times, agencies decide to refuse their allocation if they have difficulty raising the additional funds necessary to run their program/activity. This legislation has no adverse financial impact on the City and the General Fund.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**

- **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

The funding sources for this ordinance are the federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

This bill has a high priority status. Failure to submit the application to HUD by May 14, 2013 could result in the loss of this money.

- **Why should Council unanimously support this bill?**

- This legislation allows additional funds to be available to complete the myriad of activities described in Ordinance #2. Furthermore, this allows old accounts, which are no longer active, to be closed.