

special information interviews, the City has identified these higher priority non-housing needs for the upcoming 20-15-2019 period:

- Increase youth services, especially those proposals/projects which complement overall City goals of violence prevention and youth education.
- Provide supportive services for elderly/disabled persons.
- Provide employment training to unemployed persons
- Mitigate or prevent homelessness.
- Increase/improve the quality of facilities (including public service facilities).
- Help smaller businesses create or retain full time jobs at a living wage.
- Improve rate of survival of micro-enterprise businesses.
- Provide micro-business expansion within locally selected neighborhoods, including the NRSA.
- Initiate improvement efforts in locally selected geographical areas that complement City Neighborhood Plans.

The City will continue to work within the HUD-approved Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) encompassing the City's near-east side and its downtown, covering portions of census tracts 8533.02; 8534.03; 8534.04;8536.03; 8536.04; 8537.01; 8537.02; 8541.02. The NRSA has concentrations of low-income residents, substandard housing and overcrowded housing. The NRSA was first approved by HUD in 1999 and amended and approved in 2011. The City intends to continue to use the amended 2011 Strategy through the 5 years of the Consolidated Plan period. We will re-evaluate the conditions and strategies for the NRSA on a yearly basis and submit an amended Strategy when the conditions warrant a change in strategies or amended service areas.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

The Stakeholder Focus Groups held to meet the Consultation requirements for the development of the Consolidated Plan resulted in the following list of Strengths and Accomplishments of community development programs administered by the City over the past 5 Years:

- Focused on infrastructure (bridge, sewer)/ street repairs, historic preservation, tree replacements
- Money was well spent for homeless/ domestic violence programs
- Money for special needs
- Good programs for housing repairs/ energy efficient
- Rebuilding: River Edge, new library, Paramount Building

## SP-10 Geographic Priorities – 91.215 (a)(1)

### Geographic Area

Table 47 - Geographic Priority Areas

1	<b>Area Name:</b>	City of Aurora
	<b>Area Type:</b>	Local Target area
	<b>Other Target Area Description:</b>	
	<b>HUD Approval Date:</b>	
	<b>% of Low/ Mod:</b>	
	<b>Revital Type:</b>	Other
	<b>Other Revital Description:</b>	CDBG HOME Jurisdiction
	<b>Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.</b>	The target area is city-wide.
	<b>Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.</b>	
	<b>How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?</b>	Low to moderate income areas were identified by census tract numbers.
	<b>Identify the needs in this target area.</b>	Limited clientele will be assisted city-wide.
	<b>What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?</b>	The city will provide focus upon providing assistance to further enhance services and improvements related to housing, public services/facilities, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization.
<b>Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?</b>		
2	<b>Area Name:</b>	Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area
	<b>Area Type:</b>	Strategy area
	<b>Other Target Area Description:</b>	
	<b>HUD Approval Date:</b>	7/22/2011
	<b>% of Low/ Mod:</b>	
	<b>Revital Type:</b>	
	<b>Other Revital Description:</b>	

<p><b>Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.</b></p>	<p>The boundaries of the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area are Liberty and Spring/Spruce Streets on the north; Beach Street, East Avenue, and Union Street on the east; East Benton and Clark Streets on the south; and Lake Street on the West. All areas within the boundaries are contiguous.</p> <p>The NRSA is composed of the following census tracts and block groups, and includes the City's Central Business District (downtown Aurora).</p> <p>8533.02; 8534.03; 8534.04;8536.03; 8536.04; 8537.01; 8537.02; 8541.02</p>
<p><b>Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.</b></p>	<p>See attached 2011 NRSA Amendment.</p>