

2025-2029 Consolidated Plan

Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Amendment

2025 Annual Action Plan

Quality of Life Grant

2025 Funding Recommendations

City of Aurora Committee of the Whole Meeting

March 4, 2025

Today's Agenda



- 2025-2029 Consolidated Planning Process
- 2025 Funding Overview
- Eligible Activities for Each Funding Source
- Application Process and Review Overview
- 2025 Recommendations Breakdown
- 2024 Project Profile and Updates
- 2025 Project Outlook
- Questions and Discussion

THE RESIDENTS WE SERVE



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (FEDERAL)

City of Aurora residents, households and neighborhoods that qualify as lowmoderate income (4-person household with income below \$89,700) qualifies as low-income for CDBG)

Neighborhood projects must serve a low-moderate income population percentage of at least 51%

HUD-defined Presumed Benefit groups:

- Abused children
- Elderly persons (62 years old)
- Battered spouses
- Homeless persons
- Severely disabled adults
- Illiterate adults
- Persons living with AIDS



QUALITY OF LIFE GRANT PROGRAM (CITY GAMING TAX)

- Child Care/ Youth
- Education (both youth and adult programs)
- Job Training
- Homelessness Assistance **Elderly/Disabled**
- Downtown Improvement (community enhancement. tourism. programming etc.)
- Museums
- Other activities considered on a case-by-case basis

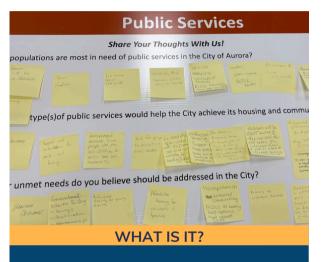


HOME-ARP GRANT PROGRAM (FEDERAL)

- QP 1 Homeless Individuals and families
- QP 2 Individuals and families at risk of homelessness
- QP 3 Individuals and families attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- QP 4 Other populations requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability

*QP=Qualified Population

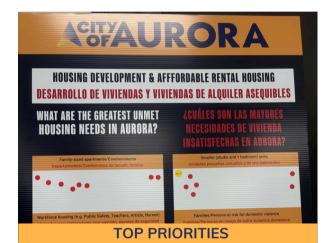
2025-2029 CITY OF AURORA CONSOLIDATED PLAN



Guides how the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) entitlement Funding is used over the next 5 years based on community engagement and data analysis



- Stakeholder engagement
- Research and analysis
- Formulation of priority needs and goals



- Expand and maintain the affordable housing stock
- Ensure the Housing Stock is Safe, Healthy, and Accessible for all Residents
- Public Service Assistance
- Enhance and Improve Access to Amenities

CITY OF AURORA 2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLANNING PROCESS

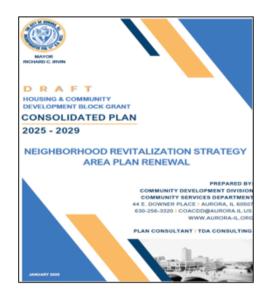
ACTION STEPS & APPROVAL PROCESS

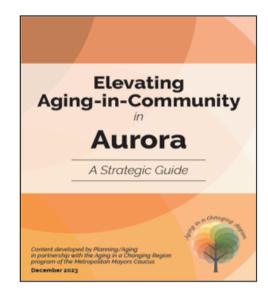
Steps Completed	Date
Five (5) Targeted One-on-One Stakeholder Interviews (to address Continuum of Care, Hazard Mitigation, Economic Development, Emergency Shelter - Domestic Violence, Aurora Housing Authority)	11/7/2024 – 11/8/2024
Six (6) Focus Groups (to address Community Needs, Economic Development, Community Improvements, Youth and Education, Disabilities and Seniors, and Housing Affordability and Homelessness)	11/19/2024 – 12/6/2024
Community Resource Team Email Open House Invitation	12/12/2024
Three Open Houses (2 in person, 1 virtual)	12/19/2024
Public Hearing	1/24/2025
Block Grant Working Committee Meeting	2/6/2025
Public Health, Safety, and Transportation Committee Meeting	2/25/2025
Committee of the Whole Meeting	3/4/2025
City Council Meeting	3/11/2025



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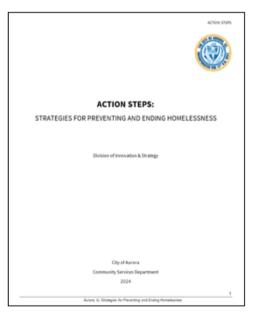




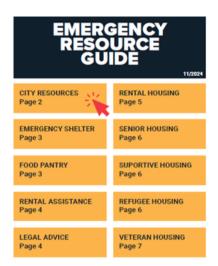




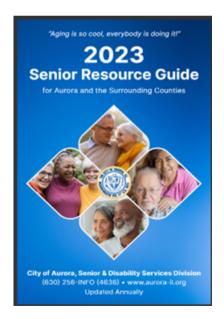








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CITY OF AURORA GRANT APPROVAL SCHEDULE CDBG, HOME-ARP, & QOL

FY 2024/25 - APPLICATION OVERVIEW, ACTION STEPS & MILESTONES

Steps Completed	Date
Pre-Application Announcement Email - Notice #1	8/15/2024
Community Resource Team Email Release	8/18/2024
Community Resource Team Social Media Post	8/20/2024
Pre-Application Announcement Email - Notice #2	8/20/2024
Beacon Newspaper Advertisement	8/21/2024
Pre-Application Announcement Email - Notice #3	8/28/2024
Pre-Application Virtual Workshop	8/29/2024
Final Reminder Regarding Application Due Date	10/1/2024
Application Due Date	10/4/2024
Award/Denial Recommendation Letters Sent	12/20/2024
Block Grant Working Committee Meeting	1/22/2025
Public Health, Safety, and Transportation Committee Meeting	2/25/2025
City of the Whole Meeting	3/4/2025
City Council Meeting	3/11/2025

2025 ESTIMATED CITY OF AURORA TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Type of Funding	Funding Availability
Community Development Block Grant	\$1,446,194
HOME Investment Partnerships Program	\$2,968,358
HOME Investments Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan	\$1,035,000
Quality of Life	\$1,137,000
Aurora O.N.E Affordable Housing Fund	\$500,000
State of Illinois CDBG-CV Shelter Expansion Funds	\$3,544,875
Total Estimated Funding Available	\$10,631,427



2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) REQUESTS

Type of Activity	Total Project Request	CDBG Recommended Funds Total Projects Applied		Funded Projects
Administration & Contingency	\$439,312	\$439,312	N/A	N/A
Community Amenities	\$241,916	\$232,633	3	3
Housing Projects	\$770,150	\$345,000 3		1
Neighborhood Revitalization	\$500,000	\$250,000	1	1
Public Service	\$235,000	\$179,249	5	4
Economic Development	\$98,000	\$0 2		0
Total	\$2,284,378	\$1,446,194	14	10



2025 QUALITY OF LIFE GRANT (QOL) REQUESTS

Type of Activity	Total Project Request	QOL Funds Total Projects Recommended Applied		Funded Projects
Basic Needs	\$207,000	\$97,500	7	6
Community	\$853,548	\$109,500	\$109,500 18	
Education & Youth	\$720,947	\$366,273 24		18
Mental Health	\$147,000	\$55,000	6	5
Museums	\$145,000	\$70,000 2		2
Seniors	\$105,000	\$85,500	\$85,500 5	
SHAPE Fund	\$135,000	\$127,000 2		2
Total	\$2,313,495	\$910,773	64	50

2025 HOME-ARP APPLICATION REQUESTS

Type of Activity	Total Project Request	HOME-ARP Funds Recommended	Total Projects Applied	Funded Projects
Housing Development	\$0	\$0	0	0
Supportive Services	\$100,000	\$100,000	2	1
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$0	\$0	0	0
Admin and Planning	\$150,000	\$50,000 1		1
Total	\$250,000	\$150,000	3	2

2025 APPLICATION SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Grant Type	Total Funding Request	Funds Recommended	Total Projects Applied	Funded Projects
Community Development Block Grant – (CDBG)	\$2,284,378	\$1,446,194	14	10
Quality of Life – (QOL)	\$2,313,495	\$910,773	64	49
HOME Investment Partnerships Program – (HOME)	\$4,800,000	Pending	2	Pending
HOME Investments Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)	\$250,000	\$150,000	3	2
State of Illinois CDBG-CV Shelter Expansion Funds	\$3,688,875	\$3,544,875	2	2
Total	\$13,336,748	\$6,051,842	85	63



2025 ESTIMATED CITY OF AURORA AVAILABLE FUNDING

Grant Type	Estimated Funding Remaining
Community Development Block Grant – (CDBG)	\$83,000
HOME Investment Partnerships Program – (HOME)	\$2,968,358
HOME Investments Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)	\$1,035,000
Quality of Life – (QOL)	\$226,227
Aurora O.N.E Affordable Housing Fund	\$500,000
Total	\$4,812,585

2024 Success Stories

AND

2025 Program Highlights and Outlook

LINCOLN AND TODD AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Lincoln School built in 1892

36 affordable units to be redeveloped (14 in existing building and 22 in new construction)

Rent limits to range From \$400 to \$1,300 depending on bedroom size and household income

Qualified tenants will have an income range of \$16,000 - \$65,000 Annually



LINCOLN AND TODD AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Todd School built in 1934

11 affordable housing units created

Includes 5,000 Sq. Ft. Public Health Facility to assist students and families located in District #129

Preventative subsidized family healthcare

- -Vaccinations
- -School physicals
- -Food insecurity













Alive Center Teen Drop-in Center

The Alive Center's teen initiated programming provides unique opportunities for teens to come together to learn, create, and socialize in a welcoming, safe, and supervised environment.



2024 Quality of Life



\$11,500





Fox Valley United Way

Gateway to Early Childhood Programs in Aurora provides parent-child education sessions that encompass learning through play; developmental and mental health screenings.



2024 Quality of Life



\$25,000





Refugee & Immigrant Youth Services

Families with children ages 0-5 participate in parent/child playgroups hosted in collaboration and may receive case management support to access preschools, parenting resources, and other community resources designed for young children.



2024 Quality of Life



\$11,800





Fox Valley Park District

Wellness Park Phase II - Splash Pad and Council Ring

2024 CDBG



\$163,750







Jennings Terrace

Sidewalk and Parking Lot Improvement Project

2024 CDBG



\$100,000







These programs will assist in eliminating barriers for homeless people to become housed again.





Shelter expansion.





Case management services and parking lot improvement project.

Total funds awarded since 2020: \$2,830,708







These programs will help domestic violence victims find and keep safe, affordable and sustainable housing which is needed by many.





Family shelter expansion.





Case management services to provide critical resources for those seeking a path from violence.

Total funds awarded since 2020 - \$2,747,000



	Persons In Family							
FY 2024 Income Limits Category	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Very Low Income (50%) Limit (\$)	\$39,250	\$44,850	\$50,450	\$56,050	\$60,550	\$65,050	\$69,550	\$74,000
Extremely Low Income (30%) Limit (\$)	\$23,600	\$26,950	\$30,300	\$33,650	\$36,580	\$41,960	\$47,340	\$52,720

Emergency Rental Assistance

Providing emergency rental assistance to Aurora residents that are most at risk of becoming homeless.

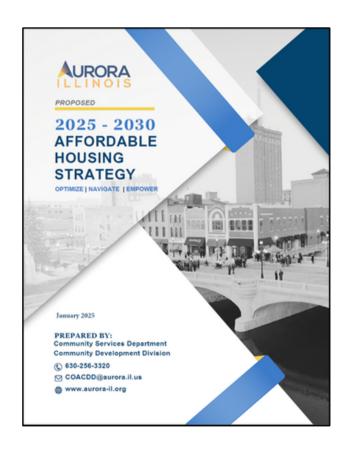
2024 Achievements: 5 Households Served; \$25,600 provided





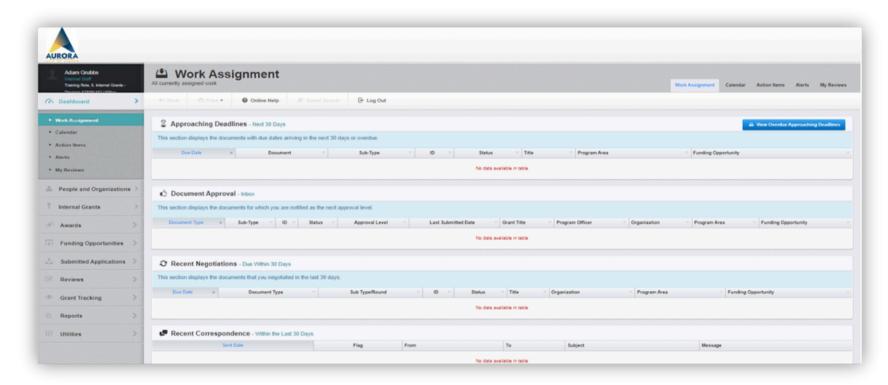


O.N.E. Aurora Affordable Housing Fund





Grant Management Software



- Expected to launch 1st Quarter 2025.
- Increase efficiency for city and partners.
- Increase reporting and tracking capability for inbound and outbound grants.

NEXT STEPS



Monday January 13, 2025

Proposed One Year Action Plan published & 30-Day Public Comment Period begins

Friday, January 24, 2025

Public Hearing

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 2025

Block Grant Working Committee

Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 4:00 P.M.

Public Comment Period Ends

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

City Council Approval

March 2025 (pending allocation announcement)

Submit Action Plan to HUD



March 2025

Execute contracts and agreements for all 2025 CDBG, HOME-ARP, and QOL awardees

Spring 2025

Conduct onsite monitoring to ensure project compliance with federal regulations

Finalize Year 1 Aurora O.N.E Project Guidelines

Summer 2025

All 2025 grant recipients serving community

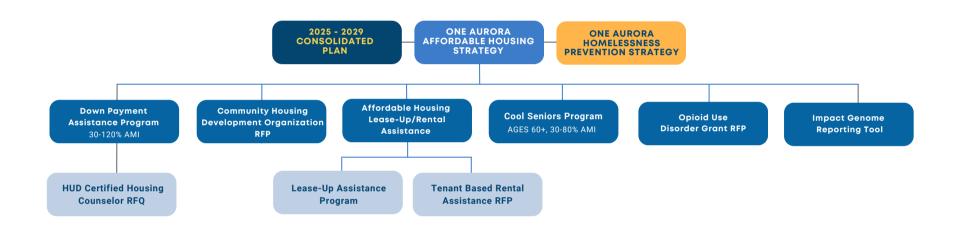
December 2025

Project Closeouts





PLANS IN ACTION AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FOR 2025



Thank You

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION?



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