

Attachment 4
CR 05,15,25 full text

CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes - 91.520(a)

Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

This report covers the period 1/1/2025-12/31/2025, which is the first year of the Five Year Consolidated Plan. Priorities identified this year included preserving affordable housing, economic development opportunities, public facility improvements, public services, other, and administration and planning. The City expended \$851,820.94 of its \$893,054.. 2025 CDBG budget. The total expenditures include prior year project expenses, \$253,059.12., and RLF expenses, \$35,640. The 2025 CDBG allocation was \$745,133.00.; \$563,121.82 in 2025 project expenses were expended. Newark received \$691,355. in CDBG-CV funds. Of that award, \$125,780. was expended for Energy Efficiency Improvements (new roofs) to income eligible homeowners in three Qualified Census Tracts. \$6,897.97 was expended for CDBG CV administration and planning in 2025.

Funds were provided for the projects delivering the following outcomes:

Economic Development-Assistance to start or expand businesses

Other- Code Enforcement

Public facility, infrastructure improvements

Public Services with or without a housing benefit

Housing-Preserve affordable housing units

Results

Economic development technical assistance was provided to 79 businesses of which 37 were new businesses, 42 were existing business, of which 8 were potential relocations, 5 were expanding, 62 new jobs created.

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Economic Development-Assistance to start or expand businesses

Other-Clearance/Demolition and Code Enforcement

Public facility, infrastructure improvements

Public Services with or without a housing benefit

Housing-Preserve affordable housing units

Results

Economic development technical assistance was provided to 54 businesses of which 14 were new businesses, 41 were existing business, of which 8 were potential relocations, 41 were expanding, 32 new jobs created.

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Code Enforcement in targeted L/M neighborhoods (1st, 2nd, 4th, 7th wards) resulted in 293 cases involving 241 properties of which there were 1028 violations. 761 violations were closed by then end of the program year. The closeout percentage was 74.03%%

Public Facilities and infrastructure improvements resulted park improvements at Upgrades were underway at Reddington Road Park totaling \$16,046.98 for site amenities that include picnic tables, grills, trash receptacles, and benches. Other public facility improvements included \$53.27 that was expended for staff costs for the 2023 street rehabilitation-repaving streets and alleys and related curb cut improvements' activity located within low income neighborhoods often to meet American with Disabilities Act requirements, based on Newark City engineer's listing of priority repaving projects. Public Services goal of serving 350 households was exceeded; 414 households were served.

Landlord/Tenant assistance aided 165 households with 33 household members.

Neighborhood clean ups in 3 areas: east, south, and Hudson Avenue met 100% of activity goal. 82 households participated in the three cleanups and 107 loads of trash were collected.

Public Service subrecipients:

Funding for homeless prevention resulted in Behavioral Healthcare Partners helping 10 households comprised of 11 household members, St. Vincent DePaul Diocesan Council of Columbus assisting 26 households including 46 household members.

Emergency shelter funding via The Woodlands/New Beginning Domestic Violence Shelter assisted 41 households with 65 household members. St. Vincent Haven served 11 single males. The Salvation Army assisted 6 households with 19 household members.

Transitional housing and supportive services were delivered by the Licking County Coalition for Housing to 73 households with 118 household members.

Housing-preserving affordable housing units-

These repairs included: 1 interior water line, 1 new exterior sewer line and 1 roof replacement. 2 very low and 2 low income homeowners benefitted.

Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee's program year goals.

Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

CDBG funds were used to address the highest priorities as identified in the Consolidated Plan: Affordable housing, Neighborhood Revitalization: Public facilities, Infrastructure improvements, Other (code enforcement), Economic Development, and Public services. The City met its planned outcomes in the majority of activities.

The City's CDBG CV allocation was utilized for Energy Efficiency Improvements, targeting roof replacement in 3 Qualified Census Tracts. 10 households comprised of 21 members were assisted. 1/10 households were female headed, 2/10 were disabled and 4/10 were elderly. 7/10 were White, 10/10 non-Hispanic, 3/10 were Black/African American. 4/10 had income lower than the 30% LMI ranges and 6/10 had income between the 51-80% LMI ranges. A total of \$125,780. was expended in project expenses and \$6,897.97 on planning and administration.

The coronavirus pandemic also did not impact the plans or resources for the PY 2025 CDBG activities.

The City is in compliance with both the obligation and origin year tests with regards to planning and administration expenditures. HUD limits these expenditures to 20% of the yearly allocation and each origin year starting in 2015 to the present. The City's 18.34% expenditure complied.

15% is the maximum amount allowed for public services for annual allocations; the total expenditures at 12.51% complied.

Another priority is complying with HUD's timeliness standard that requires the majority of CDBG funds to be spent and disbursed before November 1 each year. The City met the timeliness standard.

Progress Continued CR05-Uploaded below above narrative as an attachment

Including Revolving Loan Funds and Prior Year projects completed during the 2025 program year:

A total of \$50,018.00 was spent in 2025 out of the CDBG Revolving Loan Fund for the activities below.

905 (2024 Emergency/Minor Home Repair) - \$50,018.00

923 (2025 Emergency/Minor Home Repair) - \$0.00

905 – 2024 Emergency/Minor Home Repairs

5 emergency/minor home repair projects were completed under Activity #905 during 2025 which prevented the homeowners from having to vacate their residences. These repairs included: 1 interior electrical update, 1 central air replacement, 1 boiler & hot water tank replacement, and 2 roof replacements.

5 households comprised of 11 people were assisted. 2/5 households were female headed. 1/5 were disabled and 2/5 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 3/3 were non-Hispanic and 4/5 were white and 1/5 were black/African American. 2/5 had income between the 31-50% LMI ranges and 3/5 had income between the 51-80% LMI ranges.

923 – 2025 Emergency/Minor Home Repairs

There were no emergency/minor home repair projects completed under this activity in 2025.

875 – 2023 Sidewalks - \$26,423.38

3 sidewalk replacement projects were completed under Activity #875 during 2025, they all also included tree removal of trees that were impacting the sidewalks.

3 households comprised of 4 members were assisted. 1/3 households were female headed. 1/3 were disabled and 2/3 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 3/3 were non-Hispanic and 2/3 were white and 1/3 were black/African American. 1/3 had income lower than the 30% LMI range and 2/3 had income between the 31-50% range.

Implementation Costs - \$3,013.38

Project Costs - \$23,410.00

871 – 2023 Clearance/Demolition - \$558.30

No projects were completed under this activity during 2025. However, 2 projects were put out to bid and went under contract at the end of 2025 with the actual demolitions to be taking place in the beginning of January 2026.

Implementation Costs - \$558.30

Project Costs - \$0.00

907 – 2024 Clearance/Demolition

No projects were completed under this activity during 2025.

Implementation Costs - \$0.00

Project Costs - \$0.00

876 Street Rehabilitation (PY 2023 CDBG)

Project Costs: \$185,202.44

FY 2025 HFH new builds:

We partnered with Habitat for Humanity for two new builds during 2025. Construction was completed at 327 Washington Street and 335 Washington Street during 2025.

FY 2025 Lead Hazard Control/Healthy Homes RLF:

During 2025 Lead Safe remediation was completed on 1 owner occupied property within the City of Newark.

2024 Lead Hazard Control Grant

During the first quarter of 2025 the City of Newark was awarded a Lead Hazard Control Grant with a Healthy Homes Component. Work is expected to begin on properties in the first quarter of 2026.

Using the categories listed in the above chart, the following 2025 CDBG activities and the Emergency/Minor Home Repair activity 2024 CDBG RLF activity. Table reflects PR 23 but does not include 4 Other Multi Race, 4 Black/African American & White, and 1 American Indian/Alaskan Native noted in the narrative section.

Behavioral Healthcare Partners Homeless Prevention activity. 8 households comprised of 16 household members. were assisted. Households: 8 White, 1 Hispanic, 1

St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Columbus

The St. Vincent de Paul activity will provide housing payments to prevent homelessness for LMI persons. 32 people in 18 households were assisted. Households include: 13 White, 0 Hispanic and 2 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic; 3 Black/African American & White, 0 Hispanic

St. Vincent Haven

4 households (single men) assisted with 760 shelter nights. 2 White, 0 Hispanic, 2 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic.

The Licking County Coalition for Housing rental assistance activity provided adequate transitional housing and supportive services for families with severe housing needs. 5 persons were assisted within 5 households. Households: 4 White, 0 Hispanic, 1 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic.

The Licking County Coalition for Housing security deposit activity provided adequate transitional housing and supportive services for families with severe housing needs. 94 persons were assisted within 52 households. Households: 46 White, 0 Hispanic, 5 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic, 1 American Indian/Alaskan native, 0 Hispanic.

The Woodlands, The Center for New Beginnings activity served victims of domestic violence and their children. New Beginnings must maintain supplies to keep the shelter open, such as food and utilities. Overnight shelter was provided to 63 households comprised of 104 household members. Households: 53 White, 0 Hispanic, 6 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic, 4 multi-racial, 3 Hispanic

The Salvation Army provided 526 nights of emergency shelter to 6 households with 19 household members. Households: 4 White, 0 Hispanic, 2 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic

Landlord/Tenant- 78 households with 159 members. 65 White, 0 Hispanic; 8 Black/African American, 0 Hispanic; 1 Black/African American 7 White, 0 Hispanic; 2 Other Multi Racial, 2 Hispanic; 2 American Indian/Alaskan Native, 0 Hispanic were served by Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio.

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Project Costs - \$0.00

867 – Energy Efficiency Improvements (CV Roof Replacements) - \$125,780.00

10 energy efficiency improvements were completed under activity #867 during 2025. These improvements included roof replacements w/gutter replacements when needed.

10 households comprised of 21 members were assisted. 1/10 households were female headed. 2/10 were disabled and 4/10 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 10/10 were non-Hispanic and 7/10 were white and 3/10 were black/African American. 4/10 had income lower than the 30% LMI ranges and 6/10 had income between the 51-80% LMI ranges.

906 – 2024 Siding for Seniors - \$40,875.00

3 Siding for Seniors energy efficiency improvements were completed under Activity #906 during 2025.

3 households comprised of 5 household members were assisted. 0/3 households were female headed. 1/3 were disabled and 3/3 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 3/3 were non-Hispanic, 1/3 were White and 2/3 were Black/African American. 2/3 had income lower than the 30% LMI ranges and 1/3 had income between the 51-80% LMI ranges.

924 – 2025 Siding for Seniors - \$0.00

There were no projects completed under Activity #924 during 2025.

2018—2022 ACS 5-Year Narrative Profile

Hispanic origin and Race

For people reporting one race alone, 89.4 percent were White; 3.3 percent were Black or African American; 0.2 percent were American Indian and Alaska Native; 0.8 percent were Asian; 0.0 percent were Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, and 0.9 percent were Some Other Race. An estimated 5.3 percent reported Two or More Races. An estimated 2.6 percent of the people in Newark city, Ohio were Hispanic or Latino. An estimated 87.9 percent of the people in Newark city, Ohio were White alone, non-Hispanic. People of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

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Leveraging

Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan

\$4,397,682.50 in other Federal, State, and local, private funds were leveraged by eight CDBG subrecipients.

\$184,999.30 in 2025 CDBG funds were contributed to eight CDBG subrecipients.

The following 2024 CDBG subrecipients provided leveraged funds:

HUD Activity 911, Community Improvement Corporation (CIC)

Newark Development Partners is a nonprofit Community Improvement Corporation. The objective is to provide economic opportunity. Activity meets Objective 3.

The CIC serves as a link between the public and private sectors. The purpose is to enhance relationships in order to strengthen the local economy. The CIC can foster community cohesiveness. A total of \$110,543.71 was spent in 2025. Newark Development Partners leveraged local funds totaling \$2,480,800.00.

HUD Activity No. 913, Together We Grow, Inc. has neighborhood garden projects located at three locations, including Heritage Middle School. The community gardens targeted participation by residents of the areas. The income levels in the areas are more than 51% low/mod. The activity meets local objective 1 The matrix code is 03F.\$5,691.84 was expended in 2025. Together We Grow leveraged no funds.

HUD Activity No. 916, The Licking County Coalition for Housing

The Licking County Coalition for Housing activity will help provide adequate transitional housing and supportive services for families with severe housing needs. Licking County Coalition of Housing leveraged other Federal funds, State, and local funds. The local objective is 1. The matrix code is 03T.

A total of \$3,175.20 was spent in 2025. The Licking County Coalition for Housing leveraged \$57,273.50.

HUD Activity No. 917, Licking County Coalition for Housing-Security Deposits

Security deposits for rental units as a public service activity Clients must income qualify using HUD guidelines. Matrix Code is 05T and meets the Objective 1. Security Deposits are outlined in 24 CFR 570.201(e) or 42 USC 5305(a)(8) + 24 CFR 570.482(c)(2) Tenant subsidies exclusively for payment of security deposits.

A total of \$47,603.92 was spent in 2025.

HUD Activity No. 918 Behavioral Healthcare Partners Homeless Prevention

Assistance to the Behavioral Healthcare Partners Homeless Prevention activity Local objective is 1. The matrix code is 05Q.

A total of \$2,118.18 was spent in 2025. A total of \$247,891.00. was leveraged.

HUD Activity No. 919 St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Columbus helps provide emergency assistance to prevent homelessness for LMI persons. Local Objective is 1 and the matrix code is 05Q.

\$5,216.71 was spent in 2025. \$49,000.00. was leveraged.

HUD Activity No. 921, The Woodlands-New Beginnings

The Center for New Beginnings serves victims of domestic violence and their children. New Beginnings must maintain supplies to keep the shelter open, such as food and utilities. The local objective is 1. The matrix code is 03T.

A total of \$5,283.53. was spent in 2025. New Beginnings leveraged \$8,500.00.

HUD Activity No. 920 St. Vincent Haven

St Vincent Haven shelter serves homeless single males, ages 18 and older. The activity provided 760 shelter nights and supportive services. Matrix code is 05Q

A total of \$5,225.68 was spent in 2025. St. Vincent Haven leveraged \$1,125,000.00.

HUD Activity No. 922 Salvation Army

The Salvation Army provides shelter nights for the homeless. The local objective is 1 and the matrix code is 03T.

A total of \$140.53 was spent in 2025. The Salvation Army leveraged \$429,218.00.

Matching Requirements Met

Publicly Owned Land or Property

No publicly owned land or property located within the Newark city limits were used to address the needs identified in this Plan. No CDBG funding was utilized to support publicly owned land or property.

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Identify the resources made available

In FY 2025, the City of Newark CDBG allocation totaled \$745,133.00.

The City received \$866.57 in interest for 2025 on the CDBG RLF. These funds were receipted in IDIS to be used on our Emergency/Minor Home Repair program projects. The City did not receive any interest on our CDBG entitlement funds.

During the FY 2025 CDBG program year (January-December) program income resulting from loan repayments was as follows:

CDBG-\$56,434.25

HOME-\$7,730.49 (includes interest payments)

HoDAG RLF-\$787.54

Lead Hazard Control Grant RLF-\$787.54 (includes interest payments)

FY 2025 Lead Hazard Control/Healthy Homes RLF:

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- We received \$866.57 in interest for 2025 on our CDBG RLF. These funds were receipted in IDIS to be used on our Emergency/Minor Home Repair program projects.
- We received \$0 in interest for 2025 on our CDBG Entitlement Grant Account
- Loan Repayments:
 - o CDBG RLF - \$56,434.25
 - o HOME RLF - \$6,514.14 (includes interest payments)
 - o HoDAG RLF - \$7,730.49 (interest only)
 - o LEAD RLF - \$787.54 (includes interest payments)
- CDBG Rehabilitation Loan balance as of 12/31/2025 - \$959,342.51
- CDBG CV Energy Efficiency Improvements Loan balance as of 12/31/2025 - \$226,899

Program income is comprised of housing and lead revolving loan fund revenues (loan paybacks). These dollars are receipted into IDIS under the "RL" type fund and utilized to support CDBG housing related eligible activities Newark is not a direct recipient of HOME funds. For many years, the City received HOME funds from the State of Ohio Community Housing Impact and Preservation Grant. The City is no longer eligible to apply for that funding.

The City maintains a revolving loan fund capitalized by repaid housing loans. Repayment of housing loans is secured by a mortgage placed against the assisted property. The loan must be repaid when the property is sold. Consequently, it is difficult for the City to predict how many housing loans will be repaid during the program year. When loans are repaid, however, loan proceeds are deposited into the City's Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). The Fund is used to make new housing loans for down payment assistance, emergency/minor home repairs, or housing rehabilitation. All repaid housing loans during 2025 were deposited into the Revolving Loan Fund. RLF expenditures (if any) were receipted into IDIS as program income when housing activity expenditures were made using RLF funds. The total outstanding principal balance of all CDBG funded housing rehabilitation loans from current and prior years is \$959,342.51 as of 12/31/2025.

Activities:	Budget	2025 Project Expenses	Prior Year Project Expenses	RLF Expenses	Total Expended
Public Facilities & Infrastructure	\$152,171.00	\$5,691.84	\$211,625.82	\$0.00	\$217,317.66
Public Services	\$115,250.00	\$96,304.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$96,304.07
Housing	\$166,933.00	\$33,123.81	\$40,875.00	\$35,640.00	\$109,638.81
Economic Development	\$228,300.00	\$214,119.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$214,119.19
Other	\$81,400.00	\$66,709.65	\$558.30	\$0.00	\$67,267.95
Administration & Planning	\$149,000.00	\$147,173.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$147,173.26
Total Funding	\$893,054.00	\$563,121.82	\$253,059.12	\$35,640.00	\$851,820.94

**2025 CDBG Project Expenses-
Percent of Funds Expended on Low- and Moderate-Income Benefiting Activities,
Administration, and Public Services**

The federal statutes and regulations relating to the CDBG program limit the amount of CDBG funds, including program income, that can be spent on activities that benefit low- or moderate-income persons (70% minimum); are spent on general management, administration, oversight, and planning (20% maximum); or are spent on public service activities (15% maximum). During the program year, the City met these goals as listed below:

Activity	2025 Project Expenses	Percentage
Public Facilities & Infrastructure	\$5,691.84	0.74%*
Public Services	\$96,304.07	12.51%*
Housing	\$33,123.81	4.30%*
Economic Development	\$214,119.19	27.81%*

Other	\$66,709.65	8.67%*
Administration & Planning	\$147,173.26	18.34%**
Unspent Funds	\$182,011.18	23.64 %*

Activities:	Budget	Prior Year Project Expenses	2025 Project Expenses	Total Expended	Remaining Balance
Mortgage/Utility Assistance	\$2,116.09	\$2,116.09	\$0.00	\$2,116.09	\$0.00
Rental/Utility Assistance	\$11,424.16	\$11,424.16	\$0.00	\$11,424.16	\$0.00
Planning & Administration	\$138,271.00	\$91,888.60	\$6,897.97	\$98,786.57	\$39,484.43
Energy Efficiency Improvements	\$539,543.75	\$149,535.00	\$125,780.00	\$275,315.00	\$264,228.75
Total Funding	\$691,355.00	\$254,963.85	\$132,677.97	\$387,641.82	\$303,713.18

Low/Mod Benefit – based on 2025 Total Expended	
Total Expenditures	\$851,820.94
Less Admin & Planning	\$147,173.26
Total Subject to L/M Calculation	\$704,647.68
Less Slum & Blight Expenditures	\$0.00
Low/Mod Benefiting Expenditures	\$704,647.68
% Low/Mod Benefit	100%

*percentage based on amount spent/current allocation (\$745,133) + prior year program income (\$24,719.54) = \$769,852.54

**percentage based on amount spent/current allocation (\$745,133) + current year program income (\$57,300.82) = \$802,433.82

2025 CDBG-CV Project Expenses

Activity	Total Expenses	Percentage
Mortgage/Utility Assistance	\$2,116.09	.31%
Rental/Utility Assistance	\$11,424.16	1.65%
Planning & Administration	\$98,786.57	14.29%
Energy Efficiency Improvements	\$275,315.00	39.82%
Unspent Funds	\$303,713.18	43.93%

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Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The City participated in the funding of the 2020 Licking County Task Force on Homelessness. The 2020 Homeless Action Plan for the Licking County Community was issued during the 2020 program year.

The City's CDBG CV allocation was utilized for Energy Efficiency Improvements, targeting roof replacement in 3 Qualified Census Tracts. 10 energy efficiency improvements were completed under activity #867 during 2025. These improvements included roof replacements w/gutter replacements when needed.

10 households comprised of 21 members were assisted. 1/10 households were female headed. 2/10 were disabled and 4/10 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 10/10 were non-Hispanic and 7/10 were white and 3/10 were black/African American. 4/10 had income lower than the 30% LMI ranges and 6/10 had income between the 51-80% LMI ranges. A total of \$125,780. Was expended in project expenses and \$6,897.97 on planning and administration

CDBG funds were utilized to assist New Beginnings Domestic Violence Shelter, Licking County Coalition for Housing, St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Columbus, St. Vincent Haven, Salvation Army, and Behavioral Health Care Partners to assist people experiencing homelessness and needing transitional housing. Assessing individual needs were provided by the aforementioned 2025 subrecipients.

The City is a member of the Licking County Housing Initiatives (LCCHI). This body serves as the local Continuum of Care with the purpose of addressing homelessness in a coordinated, comprehensive, and strategic manner.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City relies on the expertise of our local housing providers in addressing needs. Enhanced coordination and communication between the City and agencies providing emergency shelter and transitional housing for the homeless are ongoing efforts.

\$68,763.75. provided to Behavioral Healthcare Partners, St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Columbus, St. Vincent Haven, and Licking County Coalition for Housing, The Woodlands-New Beginnings, and Salvation Army to address the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of the homeless. 161 households comprised of 270 household members were provided shelter and transitional housing by six subrecipients.

Outreach, Assessment, and Referral: Pathways of Central Ohio, provides 2-1-1 Crisis/Hotline and Information Center services to the City of Newark. In FY 2025, the 2-1-1 Crisis/Hotline answered 14,576 calls from Licking County. Of these calls, 11,595 (80%) were from Newark.

The City contracts with Legal Aid of Southeast and Central Ohio for landlord/tenant services. Fair Housing activities to promote fair housing through education, training and support accessibility improvements.

78 households comprised of 159 household members were assisted during 2025.

Emergency Shelter: Emergency shelter is primarily provided by The Salvation Army, New Beginnings, St. Vincent Haven, and New Beginnings. Area churches and grass root organizations also provide funding for short-term lodging and food. Vertical 196 operates a day drop center.

Transitional Housing: Transitional housing is primarily provided by the Licking County Coalition for Housing, which operates 40 units of transitional housing and supportive services for homeless families and adults, serving more than 80 households and over 100 children annually. 4 out of the 40 units are for veterans. LCCH and the Licking/Knox Goodwill Industries focus on those needs. LCCH also implements Rapid Rehousing Ohio, manages two re-entry programs for ex-offenders, and Project Homeline.

Permanent Supportive Housing: The Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority, in partnership with The Woodlands' Behavioral Healthcare Partners, provides approximately Shelter Plus Care vouchers to homeless persons with disabilities in the community. The LMHA has 1,131 Housing Choice Vouchers under lease, housing 2,3570 men, women, and children in Licking County. There are 793 regular Vouchers, 13 Family Unification Vouchers, 240 Non-Elderly Disabled Vouchers, 5 HUD-VASH, and 80 Mainstream Vouchers. The Housing Choice Vouchers are used throughout Licking County, although the majority is used within the city of Newark.

There are 54 Continuum of Care/ Shelter Plus Care Vouchers, but additional people can be housed under this program based on the availability of funding. The Shelter Plus Care Program houses individuals and families who are homeless, suffering from serious mental illness and/or chronic substance abuse. There is a growing need for adequate housing for disabled individuals. This population has few options when affordable housing is not attainable. Those with mental illness easily become homeless.

Helping low income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

As indicated above, several agencies coordinate to facilitate housing and shortening the time people are homeless. The Licking County Coalition for Housing is the major transitional housing non provider and works with the other homeless providers in the community.

Communications with local social service providers indicate that, in general, the City's special needs (non-homeless) population is at an increased risk of losing personal independence. In most cases this results from aging, disability or discharge from a publicly funded institution. Many of the City's planned FY 2025 activities could potentially benefit non homeless special need population, either directly or indirectly. All of the activities implemented to address affordable housing and non-homeless special needs were successful. PR 03 contains the demographic info. for Landlord/Tenant Services, Housing Implementation, Emergency/Minor Home Repair, Licking County Coalition for Housing, Behavioral Healthcare Partners, St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council of Columbus, St. Vincent Haven, Salvation Army, and The Woodlands-New Beginnings.

Behavioral Healthcare Partners, The Woodlands/New Beginnings, and Licking County Coalition for Housing either met or exceeded the estimated number of eligible beneficiaries. The above activities were utilized by the non-homeless/special needs population and those at risk populations during the FY 2025 CDBG Program Year.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

As indicated above, several agencies coordinate to facilitate housing and shortening the time people are homeless. The Licking County Coalition for Housing is the major transitional housing non provider and works with the other homeless providers in the community.

Ensuring that homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families and unaccompanied youth) attain self-sufficiency is a focus of Newark's strategy for addressing homelessness. This is evident in the 2025 CDBG activities such as St. Vincent DePaul and St. Vincent Haven emergency housing and services activity, Behavioral Healthcare Partners homeless prevention activity, the Licking County Coalition for Housing transitional housing and supportive services, such as rental deposit assistance activities, The Woodlands-New Beginnings domestic violence shelter housing and supportive services, and the Salvation Army. The nonprofits in Newark have a collaborative intake system and partnerships that encourage self-sufficiency.

The City's strategy (as noted in the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan) is to address self-sufficiency for persons who are homeless is one that uses a multi-agency approach and utilizes various sources of funding aside from CDBG Entitlement funds. Coordination is ongoing, and needs trends, and outcomes are assessed frequently. Many nonprofits involved in the Licking County Housing Initiatives. Initiatives. LCHI continues to work towards a system to better identify trends and ongoing needs.

Outreach, Assessment, and Referral: These services to homeless populations are primarily provided by the Licking County Coalition for Housing (LCCH), The Salvation Army, St. Vincent Haven, local churches, social service providers, law enforcement agencies, and local government. Pathways of Central Ohio, provides 2-1-1 Crisis/Hotline and Information Center services to the City of Newark.

Emergency Shelter: Emergency shelter is primarily provided by the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army continued to operate its emergency shelter for homeless persons during the reporting period. The Emergency Shelter has three dormitories (1 for men, 1 for women, and 1 for families). The opening of a new Shelter in late 2010 increased the capacity from 18 beds to 60 beds. The Salvation Army Homeless Emergency Shelter is the only provider in Licking County that accepts men, women, and family units and has maintained a high occupancy rate for the past five years. The shelter's average occupancy rate is 48 individuals per night, close to the 100% capacity of 53 per night. The average length of stay is 30-32 days. 98% of the clients that access shelter services are from Newark.

St. Vincent Haven is a 50 bed shelter for single males; The Center for New Beginnings Shelter and Services for domestic violence victims has 30 beds and Behavioral Health Care Partners of Licking County has 7 beds. Area churches also provide funding for short-term lodging and food.

Transitional Housing: Transitional housing is primarily provided by the Licking County Coalition for Housing, which operates 40 units of transitional housing and supportive services for homeless families and adults, serving more than 80 households annually.

Permanent Supportive Housing: The Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority, in partnership with The Woodlands' Behavioral Healthcare Partners, provides approximately Shelter Plus Care vouchers to homeless persons with disabilities in the community. The LMHA has 54 Shelter Plus Care Vouchers, but additional people can be housed under this program based on the availability of funding. The Shelter Plus Care Program houses individuals and families who are homeless, suffering from serious mental illness and/or chronic substance abuse. There is a growing need for adequate housing for disabled individuals. This population has few options when affordable housing is not attainable. Those with mental illness easily become homeless.

Added detail on all CDBG activities discussed herein found in the Annual Goals and Objectives section of the Plan.

The City continued its policy of promoting the development of affordable housing projects. Developers continue to plan to construct low-income housing projects in Newark and consulted with the City regarding the location of proposed projects. The City continues to operate its Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) tax abatement program in which tax abatements can be granted for new and rehabilitated housing units located within CRA areas.

As noted in the City of Newark's FY 2025-29 Consolidated Plan, affordable housing opportunities for low- or moderate-income persons remains a high priority need for federal

resources. Consistent with this need, a wide variety of housing assistance was provided to organizations and individuals to help the City attain its affordable housing goals.

HOME Investment Partnership Program assistance is provided through the Revolving Loan Fund.

CDBG RLF assistance was provided to 5 households for emergency/minor home repairs. The activity prevents homeowners from having to vacate their residences. During the Program year, \$50,018. (CDBG RLF) was expended to provide immediate assistance to low income homeowners experiencing severe home maintenance problems due to situations that could result in the home being declared substandard, unsafe, or uninhabitable under local housing codes.

No funding was expended for multi-unit rental rehabilitation.

#875 – 2023 Sidewalks-\$26,423.38

3 sidewalk replacement projects were completed under Activity #875 during 2025, they all also included tree removal of trees that were impacting the sidewalks.

3 households comprised of 4 members were assisted. 1/3 households were female headed. 1/3 were disabled and 2/3 were elderly. Ethnicity and Race – 3/3 were non-Hispanic and 2/3 were white and 1/3 were black/African American. 1/3 had income lower than the 30% LMI range and 2/3 had income between the 31-50% range.

Implementation Costs - \$3,013.38

Project Costs - \$23,410.00

No funding was expended for CDBG down payment and closing costs during the program year.

During 2025 Lead Safe remediation was completed on 1 owner occupied property within the City of Newark.

The LMHA operates the Homeownership Program for the participants on the HCV Program. The Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority has implemented and teaches the following classes: Fair Housing, Personal Finance, Real Estate/Legal, Home Maintenance, Home Buyer Program, Home Purchasing and Individual Financial Counseling sessions. The process takes program participants approximately one year to complete.

There are Section 8 Project-Based units and LIHTC (Low Income Housing Tax Credit) properties in the area: S8PB - Reddington Pines, Washington Square, Newark Village Green, Applewood LIHTC - Newark Village Square, Coventry Apartments, WODA individual homes.

The city will continue to support the ongoing efforts of the Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority. The Housing Authority continues to aggressively pursue additional housing vouchers

for Licking County residents and has successfully partnered with several social service organizations in our community to obtain additional vouchers for special needs populations.

At this time none of the publicly funded and assisted units are anticipated to be lost during the 5 year Consolidated Plan period.

In late 2019 HUD awarded LMHA 26 affordable housing vouchers for low income non-elderly Licking County residents with disabilities. HUD's Mainstream Housing Choice Voucher Program targets these vouchers for persons transitioning out of institutional or other separated settings, at risk of institutionalization, homeless, at risk of homelessness, or previously homeless and in a permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing project.

The Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority waitlist is approximately 2-3 years.

The Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority also provides rental space, in our Administrative building, to The Community Health Clinic. Our unique partnership enables us to provide housing assistance and healthcare to those in need in our community all in one central location.

The Center for Disability Services continues to operate 9 single-family homes and 1 3-unit apartment building for persons with disabilities, and continues to provide housing assistance.

LEADS continues to work on 625 units of affordable housing in Licking and surrounding counties. LEADS continue to serve as a model community action agency in the field of affordable housing production.

612 units of affordable housing in Licking County Avalon – 20 and Trail West-86, total of 106 units in Newark

Number of Newark children enrolled in Head Start (ages 3-5) 155 Early Head Start (ages 0- 2 years) 41.

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Number of units weatherized (HWAP) in Newark Approximately 50 Units
Number of disconnects prevented in Newark (E-HEAP) approximately 1433
Number of Newark clients served with utility assistance approximately 3305

LEADS operates the HEAP, and Warm Choice programs and is U.S. EPA certified for lead renovation, repairs, and painting, and continues to provide energy audits for the City's housing rehabilitation programs.

LEADS provides emergency home repairs and handicapped accessibility modifications to homeowners with incomes at or below 35% of the area median income in Licking County. This year, LEADS has also received funding from Senior Levy tax funds and from Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging to provide emergency home repair assistance for senior homeowners.

The LEADS/COAD Electric Partnership Program helps reduce high electric usage for customers who participate on the Percentage of Income Program (PIP) with energy saving light bulbs and provides customer energy education.

LEADS has funds available for utility assistance for homeowners through the E- HEAP/Regular HEAP program, customers must be below the 175% poverty income guideline, plus LEADS has a contract with AEP for electric bill payment assistance. Customers must be below 200% of poverty income guideline. Columbia Gas of Ohio will also be providing LEADS with funding for payment assistance.

LEADS provides homeowners with emergency food and clothing assistance at three satellite stations: Utica, Buckeye Lake, and Pataskala with the Newark location only providing clothing assistance.

A wide variety of Section 8 project based affordable rental projects continue to operate in Newark. They are as follows: Applewood Village – 46 units; Cherry Lee Apartments, Phase 1, 86 units; Long Pond Apartments – 50 units; Heritage Green Apartments – 38 units; Newark Townhomes – 50 units; Candlewick Commons, 42 units; and Washington Square – a total of 335 units at various locations for different types of clients (e.g. elderly, disabled, family, or agency clients).

2025 Actual

Funding Source	Amount
Ohio Department of Development	\$2,077,220
Health and Human Services	\$5,029,244
Housing Management & Development	\$6,741,945
Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging (COAAA)	\$20,536
COAAA ARPA	\$8,895
Columbia Gas of Ohio	\$55,549
Corporate Activities	\$1,412,846
Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development	\$22,063
Ohio Department of Education	\$210,990
Total	\$15,579,288