

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY**  
**SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2016**

1. **Introduction**

The Annual Action Plan for Franklin Township has been prepared as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This represents the proposed spending plan for the second year of funding for the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. At this time, the Township participates in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the Somerset County HOME Consortium. Regulations require the preparation and submission of an *Annual Action Plan* which is available at the office of the Grants Coordinator, Franklin Township Municipal Building, and 475 Demott Lane, Somerset, NJ during regular business hours. A copy of the Plan will also be available for review at the Franklin Township Public Library, 485 Demott Lane and the Township Clerk's Office. The Action Plan establishes a one-year plan that outlines the specific intended use of resources. **Citizens have 30 days to review the document and submit comments from the publish date of May 24, 2016.**

Citizens who wish to express their views on the Plan can do so by sending comments to the Office of the Township Clerk at the Township of Franklin or to the email address of [deborah.mitchell@twp.franklin.nj.us](mailto:deborah.mitchell@twp.franklin.nj.us). All citizen comments will be considered in preparing the Final Plan. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be attached to the final Action Plan. Information on the past use of funds, the amount of funds in the proposed program to be used for activities benefiting low and moderate-income persons is also available in the Office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours.

2. **Summary of the Plan Development Process**

As part of the Plan development process, public hearings were held on February 9, 2016 and March 22, 2016. The purpose of the public meetings was to obtain the views of citizens, public officials and agencies and other interested parties regarding the housing and community development needs of the jurisdiction and to review past performance. A final public hearing on the Plan has been scheduled at 7:00 PM on **June 28, 2016** in the Municipal Building. A resolution authorizing the submission of the 2016 Action Plan is scheduled to be adopted by the Township Council on **June 28, 2016** at their regularly scheduled meeting in the Township Municipal Building.

3. **Available Funds**

The Township will receive entitlement funding in the amount of \$254,477 for fiscal year 2016. No program income is anticipated. The Township anticipates any excess program funds or program income if received will be utilized to fund housing rehabilitation.

4. **2016 Action Plan**

Based on a review of project proposals submitted to the Mayor and Council, a preliminary Action Plan for the use of fiscal year 2016 CDBG funds has been prepared and is as follows:

**HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
CONSOLIDATED PLAN FY 2016 – REQUESTS FOR FUNDING  
PROGRAM YEAR: SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 – AUGUST 31, 2017**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>REQUESTED</b>	<b>RECOMMENDED</b>
<b>HOUSING REHAB PROGRAM</b>		
HOUSING REHABILITATION	25,041	25,041
HOUSING ADMINISTRATION	11,000	11,000
<b>TOTAL HOUSING</b>	<b>36,041</b>	<b>36,041</b>
<b>PUBLIC FACILITIES</b>		
THE SISTERS NETWORK- ROOF REPLACEMENT	30,250	30,250
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FOODBANK- ENERGY SAVING LIGHTING-INTERIOR	17,120	17,120
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL-COMMON GROUND COMMUNITY GARDEN IRRIGATION SYSTEM/FENCING	7,000	7,000
SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM-BUILDING REVOLUTION-COMPUTER LAB AND OFFICE EXPANSION	20,000	20,000
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC FACILITIES</b>	<b>74,370</b>	<b>74,370</b>
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>		
COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER- 429 LEWIS ST- ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING COSTS	55,000	55,000
<b>TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>55,000</b>	<b>55,000</b>
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>		
FAMILY & COMMUNITY SER.- P/T YOUTH COUNSELOR	7,565	5,700
HOMESHARING INC. –HOMELESS MATCHING PROGRAM	7,500	7,500
CENTRAL JERSEY HOUSING RESOURCE CENTER HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES	13,020	5,200
GREAT EXPECTATIONS-CHILD CARE	20,000	5,925
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FOODBANK-COMMUNITY FARM PROGRAM	2,000	2,000
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP RECREATION-SUMMER CAMP	15,000	6,000
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP RECREATION-BOYS/GIRLS CIRCLE CLUB	15,000	5,846
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICES</b>	<b>72,301</b>	<b>38,171</b>
<b>PLANNING &amp; ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>50,895</b>	<b>50,895</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>254,477</b>