

City of Rome

2017 Annual Action Plan Summary

The City of Rome has been awarded \$ 916,910.00 in Entitlement Funding (EN) by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for the 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program year; the primary objective of the CDBG Program is the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low to moderate income.

The City of Rome determines its spending priorities each year by conducting public outreach efforts through public meetings and surveys, consultation with local organizations, and its Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC), which is comprised of three City Councilors and one constituent from each of the City's seven wards.

This year, the City of Rome will be committing \$ 916,910.00 to the following categories:

Projects	Draft Budget	Actual Proposed	Explanation
Housing Activities	\$76,910.00	\$0	Funding available from previous action plans with no committed activities. Program Year 2016: \$100,000.00
Historic Preservation	\$30,000.00	\$0	Funding available from previous action plans with no committed projects. Program Year 2015: \$54,000.00
Slum & Blight	\$75,000.00	\$100,000.00	Increased for Demo needs within the 30% Cap
Public Facilities	\$400,000.00	\$481,910.00	Pinti Field accessibility updates.
Public Services	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	No Changes
Economic Development	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	No Changes
Program Administration	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	No Changes

This year's allocation will continue to help develop and improve Downtown areas, continuing on West Dominick Street; which allows the City to leverage funding sources to provide a more substantial impact in the community. The City would also like to dedicate a portion of its Economic Development funding for the Commercial Façade program to downtown areas. Accessibility updates to residential parks in the CDBG target area, as well as pedestrian improvements and streetscapes through the use of Public Facilities funding.

In addition to the above, the City will also be committing funding towards managing slum and blight through targeted building demolitions, as well as funding for non-profit programming city-wide.

Sincerely,

Mayor Jacqueline M. Izzo