



# **CITY OF BUFFALO**

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE 2014-2015 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND PRIOR YEARS ANNUAL ACTION PLANS**

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**AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF BUFFALO'S ANNUAL ACTION PLANS  
PROPOSED CHANGES**

The City will amend its Annual Action Plan whenever it makes one of the following decisions: to make a change in its allocation priorities or the method of distributing funds; to carry out an activity using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income) not previously described in the Action Plan; or to change the purpose scope, location and/or beneficiaries of the activity.

The City will use the following criteria to determine what changes in planned or on-going activities constitute a substantial amendment to the Annual Action Plan: substantial change occurs when the cumulative effect of an activity's budget amount is increased or decreased by more than twenty-five percent (25%), or when interim financing such as float loans are provided. A substantial change is not moving funds from unencumbered project balances from one year to another year for similar activities within the same target area. Nor is it transferring funds within the same HUD-eligible categories.

The City of Buffalo will be holding a public hearing on these amendments on March 25, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the United Way Building on 742 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, New York. The City will provide a comment period of no less than 30 days from the date of this Public Hearing. The comment period for this amendment will end on April 24, 2015. The City will consider any comments or views of citizens received in writing, or orally at this Public Hearing. The City will respond in writing to any comments made on these amendments. The amendments will be submitted to HUD along with a summary of any comments received, the City's written response, and a summary of any comments not accepted and the reasons therefore.

**CDBG AMENDMENTS TO THE 2014-2015 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

The City will amend its current year 2014-2015 Annual Action Plan to add the following Projects:

	<u>Proposed Project Amount</u>
Seneca Mineral Springs (Onondaga Park)	\$ 20,000.00
OSP Emergency Assistance Program – Owner Occupied Multi-Family Housing – 2-4 Family Structure	\$ 342,150.00
Western New York Law Center	\$ 15,000.00

The projects listed above will be funded from current and prior year projects having available balances, where bids for the work came in under budget, or projects that were not carried out and will no longer be funded as follows:

**Seneca Mineral Springs (Onondaga Park)** **Proposed Amount: \$20,000.00**

Funds will be used for additional park improvements. This project was previously identified for CDBG funding, but the committed funds were incorrectly transferred to another account. This amendment restores the funding.

Funding Sources:	<u>Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendmts</u>	<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Amended Project Amt.</u>	<u>Project Status</u>
Neighborhood Business District Façade Program - 2011, CPS #100	\$ 40,850.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,850.00	Closeout

**OSP Emergency Assistance Program – Multi-Family  
40-50501** **Proposed Amount: \$342,150.00**

To split the Year 40 Emergency Assistance Program into two projects: Single Family and Multi-Family. In order to keep pace with the current demand for multi-family requests, half of the amount budgeted for single family projects will now be committed to multi-family projects.

Funding Sources:	<u>Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendmts</u>	<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Amended Project Amt.</u>	<u>Project Status</u>
OSP Emergency Assistance Program - 2014, CPS #31	\$ 684,300.00	\$ 342,150.00	\$ 342,150.00	Ongoing

**Western New York Law Center** **Proposed Amount: \$ 15,000.00**

Funds will be used for contracted administrative services to assist with neighborhood revitalization efforts. Specifically, the WNYLC will assist the City of Buffalo with bank foreclosures by providing neighborhood specific data and reports on bank foreclosures.

Funding Sources:	<u>Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendmts</u>	<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Amended Project Amt.</u>	<u>Project Status</u>
General Administration - 2014, CPS #38	\$1,416,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$1,401,000.00	Ongoing

**The City will amend its current year Annual Action Plans to increase funding to the following projects:**

	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Increase	Amended Project Amt.
UDCDA/Gloria Parks Community Center Seniors - 2014, CPS #59	\$ 39,700.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 56,200.00
West Side Community Services Seniors - 2014, CPS #60	\$ 61,500.00	\$ 7,807.00	\$ 69,307.00
Public Improvements – Streets/Sidewalks – 2014, CPS #7	\$ 1,910,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 2,910,000.00
OSP Emergency Assistance Program – 2014, CPS #31	\$ 342,150.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 592,150.00
Owner Occupied Single Family Housing - One Unit Structures			
OSP Emergency Assistance Program – 2014, CPS# TBD	\$ 342,150.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 592,150.00
Owner Occupied Multi Family Housing – 2-4 Family Structures			

**UDCDA/Gloria Parks Community Center Seniors - 2014, CPS #59 Increase: \$16,500.00**

Additional funding will be used for the Senior Services Program. Funding was previously committed to FLARE, but FLARE determined that it would no longer run its senior program. This increase in funding will allow UDCDA to continue to offer the senior service in the community.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
FLARE, Inc. Senior Program - 2014	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 0.00	Cancelled

**West Side Community Center Seniors - 2014, CPS #60 Increase: \$ 7,807.00**

Additional funding will be used for the Senior Services Program. Funding was previously committed to Los Tainos. Los Tainos is now collaborating with West Side Community Center on these services.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Los Tainos Senior Program - 2013, CPS #33	\$ 10,387.00	\$ 7,807.00	\$ 2,580.00	Closeout

**Public Improvements – Streets/Sidewalks - 2014, CPS #7 Increase: \$ 1,000,000.00**

Based upon current estimates, in order to complete all streets and sidewalks identified in the Year 40 Annual Action Plan, approximately \$500,000.00 in additional funds are required. In addition, the capacity exists for the Department of Public Works to complete an additional \$500,000.00 of streets and sidewalks this construction season, so an additional \$500,000.00 has been added to this budget line.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Section 108 Debt Repayment 2013-2014 - 2013, CPS #72	\$ 5,124,007.83	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 4,124,007.83	Closeout

**OSP Emergency Assistance Program - 2014, CPS #31**

**Increase: \$ 250,000.00**

**Owner Occupied Single Family Housing – One Unit Structures**

Funds will be used for additional emergency loans for single family housing. Given the demand for these funds and the City's strategic focus of addressing housing needs in the neighborhoods, this budget line is being increased.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendmts	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Section 108 Debt Repayment 2013-2014 - 2013, CPS #72	\$ 4,124,007.83	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 3,874,007.80	Closeout

**OSP Emergency Assistance Program - 2014, CPS #TBD**

**Increase: \$ 250,000.00**

**Owner Occupied Multi Family Housing – 2-4 Family Structures**

Funds will be used for additional emergency loans for multi-family housing. Given the demand for these funds and the City's strategic focus of addressing housing needs in the neighborhoods, this budget line is being increased.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendmts	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Neighborhood Commercial and Business Lending - 2010, CPS #110	\$ 1,288,583.42	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 1,038,583.42	Closeout

**CDBG AMENDMENTS TO THE PRIOR YEARS' ANNUAL ACTION PLANS**

The City will amend prior years' Annual Action Plans to increase funding to the following projects:

	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Increase	Amended Project Amt.
Public Improvements – Streets/Sidewalks NRSA - 2011, CPS #6	\$ 340,032.95	\$ 25,118.75	\$ 365,151.70
Remediation Various Sites – 2011, CPS #35	\$ 109,020.00	\$ 283,480.00	\$ 392,500.00

The projects will be funded from prior year projects having left over balances, where bids for the work came in under budget, or projects that were not carried out and will no longer be funded as follows:

**Public Improvements – Streets/Sidewalks NRSA - 2011, CPS #6**                      **Increase: \$25,118.75**

Additional funding will be used to complete street improvements in the NRSA.

Funding Source:	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Public Improvements – Fruitbelt/Medical Park - 2011, CPS #5	\$ 898,700.00	\$ 25,118.75	\$ 873,581.25	Closeout

**Remediation Various Sites – 2011, CPS #35**

**Proposed Amount: \$ 283,480.00**

Funds will be used to complete environmental remediation of the Beverly Gray Business Exchange (formerly Beverly Gray/East Utica Incubator). The Beverly Gray Business Exchange is a key strategic element for ensuring that the current growth underway in the City of Buffalo will benefit all neighborhoods. A national foundation called the Heron Foundation and the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, Inc. are currently funding the development of an extensive business plan for the operation of the Beverly Gray Business Exchange. This work is being done in conjunction with stakeholders involved in business development and minority and women business enterprise (M/WBE) initiatives.

Funding Sources: Status	Current Project Amt Including Prior Amendments	Reduction	Amended Project Amt.	Project Status
Neighborhood Commercial and Business Lending - 2010, CPS #110	\$ 1,038,583.42	\$ 283,480.00	\$ 755,103.42	Closeout

**MINOR CDBG AMENDMENTS**

**We have a Title change for the following project:**

**1) OSP Emergency Assistance Program - 2014, CPS #31**

**Revised Title: OSP Emergency Assistance Program - Owner Occupied Single Family Housing – One Unit Structures - 2014, CPS #31**

## **HOME AMENDMENTS**

The amendments below reflect the redistribution of HOME funds to meet program demand and to specifically identify projects that have been funded with HOME.

The City of Buffalo is amending the 2014 Annual Action Plan for the HOME Program to allow for occupancy preferences for homeless, seniors, disabled individuals and persons with mental health or substance abuse problems in multi-family rental housing assisted with HOME funds. This amendment is consistent with the Priority Needs identified in Section SP-25 of the 2013-2017 Consolidated Plan. The preference pertains to any and all projects approved between October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2015.

Additional Minor and Substantial Amendments to the HOME Annual Action Plan Budgets for 2007-2014 are presented on the following pages-



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<b>2007</b>										change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
			Original 2007 Annual Action Plan Budget	2007 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment	2007 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment								
33-70505	2007	68	ADDI 2007	60,726	60,726	60,726	EN	Down Payment and Closing Cost Ass't	13	City-wide	-		
33-70900	2007	70	New Construction Hsg Subsidy	1,000,000					13		-		
33-70500	2007	78	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,000,000	1,460,931	1,460,931	EN	Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	-		
33-50502	2007	81	Program Delivery / Admin	497,882	472,882	472,882	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
33-70501	2007	82	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$762,282	709,323	1,699,309	1,657,327	CR	HomeFront 19th Street Project, Livery Conversion Project, St. John Townhomes, BRRNHS East St Reno	13, 14B	CT 66.01, 69	(41,982)	424,827.25	MINOR
33-70502	2007	83	CHDO Operating	236,441	195,698	195,698	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	-		
33-70504	2007	84	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental	1,535,174	900,000	941,982	EN	Packard Apartments	14B	CT 40.01	41,982	225,000.00	MINOR
	2007		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2007</b>	<b>5,039,546</b>	<b>4,789,546</b>	<b>4,789,546</b>							

  

<b>2008</b>										change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
			Original 2008 Annual Action Plan Budget	2008 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment									
34-70900	2008	69	American Dream Downpayment Initiative	24,536	24,536	no change	EN	Down Payment and Closing Cost Ass't	13	City-wide			
		71	New Construction Housing Subsidies	1,000,000	724,839	no change		Woodlawn Homes					
		73	Acq/Rehab NRSA	777,617		no change		Rehab funds for Acquisition/Rehab/Resale of existing structures					
34-70500	2008	78	Owner Occupied Rehab Loan Program (HOME)	675,000	387,402	no change	EN	Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide			
34-70502	2008	82	Prog. Delivery - Rehab HOME Admin	457,515	457,515	no change	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA			
34-70501	2008	83	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$686,273	686,273	686,273	no change	CR	St. John Townhomes (Partial Funding)					
34-70502	2008	84	Rehabilitation - CHDOs (Operating Costs)	228,746	-	no change	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA			
34-70503	2008	85	Rental Rehabilitation or New Construction - Multi Family	750,000	2,319,122	no change	EN	Amherst Station, 363 East Ferry, Main Ferry Affordable Housing, Massachusetts Ave PUSH Rental Rehab	14B	CT 40.01,			
			<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2008</b>	<b>4,599,687</b>	<b>4,599,687</b>	<b>4,599,687</b>							

  

<b>2009</b>										change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
	CPS	Activity Name	Original 2009 Annual Action Plan Budget	2009 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment	2009 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment		Projects Funded	Matrix Code	Location or Census Tract				
35-70505	2009	89	Acquisition/Rehab NRSA - BBB funds moved to CHDO line	377,444	-	EN	Rehab assistance for SF Owners/Purchasers in the Mid-City NRSA	13	32.02				
35-70500	2009	96	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,250,161	136,023	136,023	EN	Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	-		
35-70501	2009	99	Program Delivery / Admin	508,188	508,187	508,187	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
35-70502	2009	100	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$762,282	762,281	1,662,217	1,246,665	CR	St. John Townhomes (Partial Funding), Block by Block ARR Program (Partial Funding)		CT 25.02, 31, 32.02	(415,552)	415,554.25	MINOR
35-70503	2009	101	CHDO Operating	254,094	-	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA		-	-	
35-70504	2009	102	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental	1,929,708	2,775,448	3,191,000	EN	St Martin Village, Holy Family Senior Hsg, Walden Park Senior Hsg	14B	CT 40.01,	415,552	693,862.00	MINOR
	2009		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2009</b>	<b>5,081,876</b>	<b>5,081,875</b>	<b>5,081,875</b>							

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<b>2010</b>			Original 2010 Annual Action Plan Budget	2010 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment # 2	2010 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment					change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
36-70502	2010	99	Homeowner/Homebuyer Rehab NRSA - BBB now in CHDO	100,000	410,279	410,279	EN	160 Brunswick	13	City-wide	-		
								Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	-		
36-70500	2010	104	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,650,000	-	-	EN						
36-70501	2010	103	Program Delivery / Admin	507,308	507,308	507,308	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
								Block by Block ARR Program (Partial Funding), BRRNHS Dearborn Reno/Resale	13, 14B	CT 25.02, 31, 32.02	(2,720,828)	957,007.75	SUBSTANTIAL
36-70503	2010	105	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$760,963	760,963	3,828,031	1,107,203	CR						
36-70504	2010	106	CHDO Operating	253,654	-	-	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	-		
								Riverside Specials Needs Housing, Mariner Townhouses, PUSH Massachusetts Ave New Construction Rental, Hertel Park Senior Hsg, Saving Grace Lodging House II	13, 14B	CT 40.01,	2,720,828	81,867.25	SUBSTANTIAL
36-70505	2010	107	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental	1,801,162	327,469	3,048,297	EN						
	2010		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2010</b>	5,073,087	5,073,087	5,073,087		s					
<b>2011</b>			Original 2011 Annual Action Plan Budget	2011 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment # 2	2011 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment					change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
37-70501	2011	93	Program Delivery / Admin	447,663	447,664	447,664	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
								Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	-		
37-70500	2011	94	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,456,077	100,000	100,000	EN						
								Block by Block ARR Program (Partial Funding), Fillmore Ave Reno/Resale Project (Partial)	13, 14B	CT 25.02, 31	(726,153)	364,200.25	SUBSTANTIAL
37-70503	2011	95	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$671,496	671,496	1,456,801	730,648	CR						
37-70504	2011	96	CHDO Operating	223,832	176,000	176,000	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	-		
								PUSH/Housing Visions MACH Project, 347 East Ferry Apartments, Mt. Aaron Senior Apartments	14B	CT 40.01,	726,153	574,043.25	SUBSTANTIAL
37-70505	2011	97	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental	1,677,570	2,296,173	3,022,326	EN						
	2011		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2011</b>	4,476,638	4,476,638	4,476,638							
	2011		Note - AAP original line item budget total of \$5,073,088 adjusted to reflect the actual HOME award amount of \$4,476,638										
<b>2012</b>			Original 2012 Annual Action Plan Budget	2012 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2013 Amendment # 2	2012 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment					change	25% threshold	amendment classification	
38-70501	2012	93	Program Delivery / Admin		277,281	277,281	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
								Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	(1,000,000)	250,000.00	SUBSTANTIAL
38-70500	2012	94	Owner Occupied Rehab		1,000,000	-	EN						
								Block by Block ARR Program (Partial Funding), BRRNHS East St Homeownership Project	13, 14B	CT 25.02, 31	99,649	103,980.50	MINOR
38-70502	2012	95	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$415,923		415,922	515,571	CR						
38-70503	2012	96	CHDO Operating		138,640	74,000	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	(64,640)	34,660.00	SUBSTANTIAL
38-70504	2012	97	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental		940,976	940,976	EN	Projects pending review and approval	14B	CT 40.01,	-	235,244.00	
	2012		Homebuyer Initiatives		0	964,991	EN	New Construction or Acq/Rehab/Resale	13		964,991	-	SUBSTANTIAL
	2012		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2012</b>		2,772,819	2,772,819							

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<b>2013</b>												
				Original 2013 Annual Action Plan Budget	2013 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment					change	25% threshold	amendment classification
39-70501	2013	93	Program Delivery / Admin	262,789	262,789	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
39-70500	2013	94	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,000,000		EN	Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	(1,000,000)	250,000.00	SUBSTANTIAL
39-70502	2013	95	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$394,184	394,183	417,800	CR	Matt Urban Center Fillmore Ave Rehab/Resale Project (Partial)	13, 14B	CT 25.02, 31	23,617	98,545.75	MINOR
39-70503	2013	96	CHDO Operating	131,394	-	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	(131,394)	32,848.50	SUBSTANTIAL
39-70504	2013	97	Rental Rehab or New Construction - Multi Family Rental	839,524	1,086,292	EN	Projects pending review and approval	14B	CT 40.01,	246,768	209,881.00	SUBSTANTIAL
			Homebuyer Initiatives	0	861,009	EN	New Construction or Acq/Rehab/Resale	13		861,009	-	SUBSTANTIAL
	2013		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2013</b>	<b>2,627,890</b>	<b>2,627,890</b>							
<b>2014</b>												
				Original 2014 Annual Action Plan Budget	2014 Annual Action Plan Budget - 2015 Amendment					change	25% threshold	amendment classification
40-70501	2014	34	Program Delivery / Admin	271,100	271,100	AD	Program delivery / admin costs	14H	NA	-		
40-70500	2014	51	Owner Occupied Rehab	1,000,000	1,000,000	EN	Owner Occupied Rehab Target/AHC/50-50 Programs	14A	City-wide	-		
40-70502	2014	52	CHDO Activities - Minimum 15% Funding = \$406,651	406,651	426,747	CR	Block by Block ARR Program (Partial Funding), Matt Urban South Ryan Reno/Resale Project	13, 14B	CT 25.02, 31	20,096	101,662.75	MINOR
40-70503	2014	53	CHDO Operating	135,550	105,000	CO	Funding for CHDO operating expenses	19B	NA	(30,550)	33,887.50	MINOR
40-70504	2014	54	Homebuyer Projects	897,700	918,154	EN	Projects pending review and approval	14B	CT 40.01,	20,454	224,425.00	MINOR
	2014		<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION 2014</b>	<b>2,711,001</b>	<b>2,721,001</b>							