



City of Twin Falls

2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

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.

The City of Twin Falls has completed the 2020 plan year of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program year which began on October 1st, 2020 and ended on September 30th, 2021. As part of the CDBG Program, the City of Twin Falls is required to submit a Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER). This CAPER highlights the accomplishments of the CDBG Program for the past program year. The report shows expenditures and accomplishment for 2020 activities and the report evaluates the City’s progress in accomplishing its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan.

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.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
COVID-19 Response - Homelessness Prevention	Homeless	CDBG-CV: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	40	0	0.00%	40	0	0.00%
COVID-19 Response - Public Services	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG-CV: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	300	0	0.00%	300	0	0.00%

Housing Rehabilitation	Affordable Housing	CDBG: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	50	0	0.00%	10	0	0.00%
Program Administration	Program Administration	CDBG: \$ / CDBG-CV: \$	Other	Other	1	0	0.00%	1	0	0.00%
Public Facilities and Infrastructure	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	5000	0	0.00%	1000	0	0.00%
Public Services	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	500	0	0.00%	100	0	0.00%

Table 1 - Accomplishments – Program Year & Strategic Plan to Date

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.

The PY2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) addresses the priorities identified in the PY2020 Annual Action Plan and the PY2020-2025 Consolidated Plan. The priorities for PY2020 were identified as housing rehabilitation, homelessness prevention, repair and construction of sidewalks in LMI neighborhoods to increase mobility, and public service activities (partners have not yet been identified).

CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

91.520(a)

	CDBG
White	0
Black or African American	0
Asian	0
American Indian or American Native	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
Total	0
Hispanic	0
Not Hispanic	0

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds

Narrative

The City of Twin Falls utilizes US Census Bureau information. Based on the 2019 estimate, Twin Falls has a population of 50,196 residents living inside of the corporate boundaries of the city (18.61 square miles). The population of the City is primarily White/Not Hispanic (77%), 16.2% Hispanic, 2.1% two or more races, 1.3% Black or African American, and 2.8% Asian.

The City of Twin Falls has a policy that does not allow for any form of discrimination in the provision of its services, hiring practices, or procurement on the basis of actual or perceived race, creed, color, religion, alienage or national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, disability or handicap, sex, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, genetic information, arrest record, or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local laws.

CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	340,897	\$0.00
Other	public - federal	403,407	

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

CDBG funds were not expended.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
CDBG Area Benefit	65		
Citywide	35		

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

At the end of PY2020, the total amount of funds drawn was \$0. The City of Twin Falls accepted CDBG entitlement status in late 2019 and immediately contracted with a consulting firm to create all of the necessary planning documents in January 2020. The timeline for this work, especially citizen participation, was severely impacted by COVID-19, stay-at-home orders, travel restrictions, and restrictions gathering in public spaces. As a result, the planning documents were not complete and approved until July 2020, delaying the implementation of PY2020 activities. Invoicing from the consulting firm was not received in time to include in this CAPER.

Regarding Other Category:

CV-COVID activities were approved along the same timeline as the CDBG funds, and therefore subject to the same delays in implementation.

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.

The City plans to leverage funds with city-funded projects and CDBG applications to address and support the community needs identified in the Consolidated Plan. The City encourages partnerships when addressing and supporting community needs. Projects and activities that help fill the gap and allow housing and service agencies to access additional funds are considered when prioritizing projects. CDBG funds were not expended during the 2020 program.

CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

Evaluation of the jurisdiction's progress in providing affordable housing, including the number and types of families served, the number of extremely low-income, low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income persons served.

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	10	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Total	10	0

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	0	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	10	0
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
Total	10	0

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

Discuss the difference between goals and outcomes and problems encountered in meeting these goals.

The difference between goals and outcomes is directly related to the delay in submitting and approving the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. There were no activities started or completed in this area.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

The City will rollover the entirety of the PY2020 funds, which will impact the amount of funds that is required to be spent in the next two action plans (increased funding).

Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	0
Low-income	0	0
Moderate-income	0	0
Total	0	0

Table 7 – Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

The City will collaborate with nonprofit organizations utilizing program funds to address affordable housing issues in Twin Falls. Due to the delay in submitting and approving the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, there were no activities started or completed in this area.

CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)

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 participates in a monthly Homeless Coalition meeting, where non-profit organizations and shelter and housing agencies that address homelessness gather to discuss current needs and existing efforts. In future years, the City may select organizations that participate in this coalition to receive CDBG funds to address homelessness prevention.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City attended and participated in (7) local monthly Homelessness Coalition meetings to better understand and support the efforts of the various agencies and organizations addressing emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons.

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 (such as health 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

The City provided a support role in the coordination efforts to prevent discharge immediately resulting in homelessness by participating in (7) monthly meetings of the Region 4 Homeless Coalition, the City is able to partner, collaborate and refer to community agencies and organizations where homelessness and issues surrounding homelessness is a concern.

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

Through coordinating and collaborating with local agencies and organizations, who have the staff resources, and experience to address chronically homeless clients and their circumstances, the City has gained a better understanding of the need for veterans

and their families.

CR-30 - Public Housing 91.220(h); 91.320(j)

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

The City completed their 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice with input provided from nonprofit community service providers. The majority of input was provided by members of Region 4 Homeless Coalition.

The City of Twin Falls recognizes the need for affordable housing and the role that Region 4 Coalition provides at the local level.

The City of Twin Falls has made great strides in beginning to address the need for housing. This has begun with a complete rewrite of the zoning code to allow for accessory dwelling units as a conditional use. The City will continue to allow zoning ordinances for lot sizes of a minimum of 4,000 square feet and allow no maximum size within its standard zones. By allowing no maximum, or width requirements within a standard zone, the City, is able to encourage greater diversity in the types of housing units constructed. In addition, the City will continue to allow for Single Attached dwelling units in 4 of the 5 residential zoning districts as well as allowing

Actions taken to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

CR-35 - Other Actions 91.220(j)-(k); 91.320(i)-(j)

Actions taken to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment. 91.220 (j); 91.320 (i)

The City complete the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice with input from nonprofit service providers, members of the Homelessness Coalition, local school district and area agencies that serve the homeless. The input gained through this process provided valuable knowledge of the need for affordable housing and the impact city efforts in comprehensive planning and management of new development can have.

The City of Twin Falls has made great strides in beginning to take actions to remove or ameliorate negative effects of policies and ordinances that serve as barriers to affordable housing in regard to zoning ordinances. This has begun with a complete rewrite of the zoning code to allow for accessory dwelling units as a conditional use. The City will continue to allow zoning ordinances for lot sizes of a minimum of 4,000 square feet and allow no maximum size within its standard zones. By allowing no maximum, or width requirements within a standard zone, the City is able to encourage greater diversity in the types of housing units constructed. In addition, the City will continue to allow for Single Attached dwelling units in 4 of the 5 residential zoning districts as well as allowing

Actions taken to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of Twin Falls worked with public and private agencies to better understand the obstacles in meeting underserved needs. Actions include attending (7) monthly Region 4 Homeless Coalition and participation in the annual Point in Time Count. In addition, the City created a Diversity and Inclusion Committee in 2019 that is meant to advise the City Manager on ways in which to serve the needs of the underserved.

Actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

None at this time.

Actions taken to reduce the number of poverty-level families. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

None at this time.

Actions taken to develop institutional structure. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City supported the efforts of developing institutional structure by coordinating with local agencies and various units of local government in the development of the Five Year CDBG Consolidated Plan and PY2020 Annual Action Plan. The City recognized and encouraged local coordination in the Region 4 Homeless Coalition meetings to exchange information, make referrals, increase awareness and coordinate participation in local events.

Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The City of has and will continue to participate in the Region 4 Homeless Coalition to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Identify actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdictions analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. 91.520(a)

The City of has and will continue to participate in the Region 4 Homeless Coalition to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. In addition, the City works with local homeless shelters, Community Action Partnership, the Twin Falls Housing Authority, and other community organizations that strive to prevent and reduce homelessness. The City will be taking an active role in the PIT count in January 2022 to better determine the current homeless population in Twin Falls.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

Describe the standards and procedures used to monitor activities carried out in furtherance of the plan and used to ensure long-term compliance with requirements of the programs involved, including minority business outreach and the comprehensive planning requirements

The City is in the process of developing policies and procedures for the furtherance of the plan. These will assist the City in staying in compliance with the requirements of the program in the coming program year.

Citizen Participation Plan 91.105(d); 91.115(d)

Describe the efforts to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports.

The City of Twin Falls follows its Citizen Participation Plan to provide citizens with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on performance reports. For program year 2020, opportunities to comment were made through the announcement and advertisement of the upcoming public hearing for the 2020 Program year CAPER. The CAPER will be presented on November 29, 2021, to the Mayor, City Council and Citizens and input will be encouraged throughout the comment period.

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

Specify the nature of, and reasons for, any changes in the jurisdiction's program objectives and indications of how the jurisdiction would change its programs as a result of its experiences.

No changes were made during the program year.

Does this Jurisdiction have any open Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) grants?

No.

[BEDI grantees] Describe accomplishments and program outcomes during the last year.