

MEMORANDUM

To: City Council

From: David Deutsch
City Manager

Subject: City of Bowie Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2010 (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) – R-58-10

Date: September 7, 2010

The City of Bowie receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development through an entitlement¹. The City of Bowie's *Consolidated Action Plan for Housing and Community Development, Fiscal Year 2009-2013* analyzes housing, human services, and non-housing community development needs throughout the City, identifies and prioritizes community needs, and includes a strategy to address those needs. The Annual Action Plan reflects the City's goals and objectives for neighborhood revitalization, economic development, and human services based on a prioritization of needs as stated in the Consolidated Plan's Five Year Strategy. Economic development projects are designed to increase opportunities for employment, commerce, and home ownership. Human services activities address the health, safety and well being of residents, especially the elderly and persons with special needs. The designated CDBG project area is Old Town Bowie, plus senior citizen residences city-wide, and CDBG funded activities for these communities meet the national objective of providing benefits to low and moderate-income persons.

The *Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)*, developed with citizen participation, identified the extent to which the City has satisfied specific goals and objectives delineated in its Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2010. The CDBG program supports annual infrastructure improvements in low and moderate-income neighborhoods such as Old Town Bowie and the Senior Citizen "Green" Housing rehabilitation Program. Finally, during program year 2010, the CDBG Entitlement of \$163,969 was matched by grants awarded by the State of Maryland's Community Legacy Program and the OpenDoor Housing Fund. These funds were applied to the Street Improvement Program to support the Old Town Bowie revitalization program and the Senior Citizen "Green" Housing Rehabilitation Program. Citywide community

¹ CDBG funds are appropriated annually by the U.S. Congress and distributed on a formula basis to local jurisdictions. Municipalities are entitled to receive HUD funds directly when the City's population exceeds 50,000 residents.

development activities are funded by other grants and municipal funds. Leveraging city government funds, services, and programs, combined with private services, has enhanced coordination among service providers and improved the delivery of those services to the residents of the City of Bowie.

Discussion: Staff has completed the production of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2010 as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The report is attached.

Staff Recommendation:

We recommend that Council adopt Resolution R-58-10 and authorize the CAPER to be sent to HUD.

DJD/JB/adf

Attachment:

The City of Bowie Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2010

RESOLUTION
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOWIE, MARYLAND
ADOPTING THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT
(CAPER) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

WHEREAS, the City of Bowie (City), Maryland is entitled to receive annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program funds directly; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution R-51-08 on August 4, 2008 adopting the City of Bowie Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development for Fiscal Years 2009-2013; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development assessed and prioritized community needs; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development includes the Five Year Strategic Plan listing annual objectives by which to address community needs; and

WHEREAS, as an Entitlement Community receiving federal CDBG funds, the City must annually adopt a Housing and Community Development Action Plan which specifies activities and funds anticipated to complete the annual objectives for a given fiscal year as stated in the Five Year Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Entitlement has allowed the City of Bowie to leverage additional funds that will assist in the implementation of the Five Year Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the objectives outlined in the Annual Housing and Community Development Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2010 have been implemented using a multitude of resources including CDBG and municipal funds, as well as additional grants; and

WHEREAS, the actual activities and expenditures relating to the Annual Housing and Community Development Action Plan are to be reported annually in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER); and

WHEREAS, CDBG funds have been expended in accordance to federal program regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2010 indicates that CDBG funds have provided for street reconstruction and infrastructure improvements in Old Town Bowie/Huntington, and implementation activities for the Senior Citizen “Green” Housing Rehabilitation Program; and

WHEREAS, street improvements is a major objective stated in the Master Plan for Redevelopment of Old Town Bowie adopted by Bowie City Council in 1999, and the Senior Citizen “Green” Housing rehabilitation Program has been approved by HUD for the Consolidated Planning period 2009-2013; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG funded activity has met one of three national objectives by providing housing rehabilitation benefits to extremely low, low, and moderate income residents of the City (senior citizens); and

WHEREAS, the requirements of the Citizen Participation Plan have been adhered to and that public participation in the development of CAPER for Fiscal Year 2010 has been solicited.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Bowie does hereby approve the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation

Report (CAPER) for Fiscal Year 2010 attached as Attachment 1 to this Resolution;
and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to submit this plan to the Department of Housing and Community Development for their review and approval.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED by the Council of the City of Bowie.
Maryland at a Regular Meeting on September 7, 2010.

G. Frederick Robinson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Fleming, City Clerk

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