

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

The City of Pine Bluff will be accepting public comments on the 2022 Annual Action Plan from July 6, 2022 thru August 4, 2022. Comments can be sent to: ecd@cityofpinebluff-ar.gov or mailed to: Economic & Community Development, 716 S. Georgia, Pine Bluff, AR 71601. The City's Economic & Community Development Department will submit the 2022 Annual Action Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development by August 5, 2022.

In addition, a virtual hearing to receive comments on the use of 2022 funding for CDBG and HOME Program funds will be held:

DATE: THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2022

TIME: 5:00 PM

PLACE: [MEETING LINK](#)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Clearance and Demolition 570.201(d)	20,000
Disposition 570.201(b)	16,000
Public Facilities and Improvements 570.201(c)	225,000
Microenterprises 570.201(o)	4,700
Public Services 570.201(e)	55,800
Rehab; Publicly or Privately-Owned Commercial/Industrial 570.202(a)(3)	43,000
Rehab; Single-Unit Residential 570.202(a)(1)	150,000
Rehabilitation Services 570.202(b)(9)	14,000
Technical Assistance 570.201(p)	4,000
Privately Owned Utilities 570.201(l)	25,000
General Administration & Planning	99,713
	\$657,213

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP FUNDS

General Administration	20,000
Homebuyer Assistance	64,250
New Construction	70,000
Rental Housing Units	84,225
CHDO Allocation	36,315
Rehabilitation of Existing Owner Units	46,567
	\$321,357

2022 Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

1	Goal Name	Create affordable housing opportunities
	Goal Description	<p>ECD will create affordable housing opportunities via homeowner and rental rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, new construction, and via public services for the homeless and those experiencing housing instability.</p> <p>Emergency Rehabilitation (CDBG): \$150,000</p> <p>This funding will be used to support limited-scope rehabilitation at owner-occupied or rental housing units within the City of Pine Bluff.</p> <p>Rehabilitation Administration (CDBG): \$14,000</p> <p>This funding will be used to support the project delivery costs of housing rehabilitation programs.</p> <p>Rehabilitation Owner Units: (HOME): \$46,567</p> <p>This funding will be used to support substantial rehabilitation at owner-occupied housing units within the City of Pine Bluff.</p> <p>Rental Housing Program: (HOME): \$84,225</p> <p>This funding will be used to expand the supply of affordable rental housing via rehabilitation or new construction, city wide.</p> <p>Public Services (CDBG): \$55,800</p> <p>This funding will help support housing stability case management within the city of Pine Bluff for homeless and low-income residents to attain and maintain permanent housing.</p> <p>Homebuyer Assistance (HOME): \$64,250</p> <p>This funding will be used to defray closing costs and down payment requirements for housing within the City of Pine Bluff.</p> <p>New Construction (HOME): \$70,000</p> <p>This funding will be used toward the construction of a new, affordable housing unit within the City of Pine Bluff.</p> <p>CHDO Allocation (HOME): \$36,315</p> <p>This funding will be used toward the construction of a new, affordable housing unit within the City of Pine Bluff.</p>

2	Goal Name	Create suitable living environments
	Goal Description	<p>Creating suitable living environments is a vital component of revitalizing the Heart of the City. It is also vital to the Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods initiative. This project includes public facilities and infrastructure improvements as well as other activities needed to provide suitable living environments, including safe places to play and safe routes to school.</p> <p>Technical Assistance: \$4,000</p> <p>This funding will be used to build capacity of neighborhood entities participating in the Safe and Healthy Neighborhoods initiative.</p> <p>Clearance and Demolition: \$20,000</p> <p>This funding is allocated for demolitions or environmental clearances needed to address slum and blighted conditions within targeted redevelopment areas.</p> <p>Disposition: \$16,000</p> <p>This funding will cover disposition-related costs of properties planned for redevelopment.</p> <p>Public Facilities & Improvements: \$225,000</p> <p>This funding is allocated for improvements of existing facilities, including street/pedestrian infrastructure improvements and public parks and recreational facilities.</p> <p>Privately-Owned Utilities: \$25,000</p> <p>This funding will be used to install and/or connect property owners with new sewer and water infrastructure.</p>
3	Goal Name	Create economic opportunities
	Goal Description	<p>This goal seeks to facilitate access to employment and small business development opportunities, especially within the Heart of the City through commercial rehabilitation and microenterprise development.</p> <p>Commercial Rehabilitation: \$43,000</p> <p>This funding will be used to provide financial assistance toward the rehabilitation and subsequent reuse of blighted commercial properties within targeted revitalization areas.</p> <p>Microenterprises: \$4,700</p> <p>This funding will be used to assist microenterprises within targeted redevelopment areas.</p>
4	Goal Name	Effective administration of programs
	Goal Description	<p>Effective administration of CDBG and HOME programs is a top priority.</p> <p>HOME Administration: \$20,000</p> <p>CDBG Administration: \$99,713</p>