

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN

JULY 2020 – JUNE 2025

2020 ENTITLEMENT ACTION PLAN

FUNDING YEAR: JULY 1, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021

TOWN OF COLONIE, NEW YORK

B-20-MC-36-0114

ORGANIZATIONAL DUNS: 08-227-7575



Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		
* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): <input type="text"/> * Other (Specify): <input type="text"/>
* 3. Date Received: <input type="text" value="06/05/2020"/>	4. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>	5b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>	7. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="Town of Colonie"/>		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="14-6002139"/>	* c. Organizational DUNS: <input type="text" value="082277575000"/>	
d. Address:		
* Street1: <input type="text" value="534 New Loudon Road"/>	Street2: <input type="text"/>	
* City: <input type="text" value="Latham"/>	County/Parish: <input type="text"/>	
* State: <input type="text" value="NY: New York"/>	Province: <input type="text"/>	
* Country: <input type="text" value="USA: UNITED STATES"/>	* Zip / Postal Code: <input type="text" value="121105316"/>	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: <input type="text"/>	Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <input type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name: <input type="text" value="Nancy"/>	
Middle Name: <input type="text" value="J"/>	* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Andriano"/>	
Suffix: <input type="text"/>	Title: <input type="text" value="Community Development Program Coordinator"/>	
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>		
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*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.218

CFDA Title:

Entitlement Grant

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

14.218

* Title:

Community Development Block Grant

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Rehabilitation, Public Services, Administration

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="356,388.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="356,388.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

Yes No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

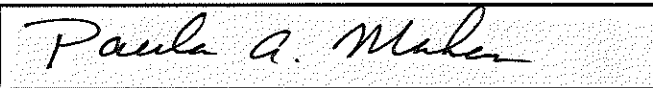
* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: 

* Date Signed:



ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4040-0009
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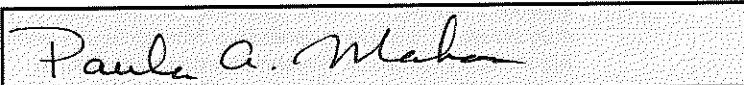
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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE Town Supervisor
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION Town of Colonie	DATE SUBMITTED 06/05/2020

Executive Summary

ES-05 Executive Summary – 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The Consolidated Plan is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order for local jurisdictions to receive federal housing and community development funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs.

The 2020 Consolidated Plan covers a five-year period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2025 with interim updates as necessary.

The overall goal of these housing and community development programs is to develop viable urban communities principally for low- and moderate-income persons by:

- 1) providing decent housing;
- 2) providing a suitable living environment; and
- 3) expanding economic opportunities.

The Consolidated Plan serves the following four functions:

- 1) a planning document for the Town of Colonie, which builds on a participatory process;
- 2) an application for federal funds under HUD's CDBG and HOME formula grant programs;
- 3) a strategy to be followed in carrying out HUD programs; and
- 4) an action plan that provides a basis for assessing performance.

The Consolidated Plan consists of three main sections:

- 1) housing, homeless and community development needs assessment;
- 2) housing and community development five-year strategic plan; and
- 3) action plan: one-year use of funds.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment Overview

The Consolidated Plan summarizes the community's work plan for addressing the needs referenced throughout this plan. The Town of Colonie's goals for the 2020 –2024 planning period focus on preserving existing stock of affordable housing units; increasing the number and type of homeownership opportunities available to low-to moderate-income homebuyers; reducing housing-related lead-based paint hazards, especially for low-income families and children; providing non-housing public services that meet the needs of low-and moderate-income persons; creating and/or replacing infrastructure systems and public facilities in low- and moderate-income areas; providing tenant-based rental assistance; improving homeless prevention activities; and providing opportunities for low-income persons to become economically self sufficient. Specifically, the Town of Colonie will do the following:

Provide Decent Affordable Housing - Housing Availability/Accessibility:

- Rehabilitate 50 homeowner housing units for low to moderate income households
- Provide direct financial assistance to 15 low to moderate income homebuyers
- Provide tenant-based rental assistance to 1,675 low-income households

Create Suitable Living Environments - Public Service Accessibility:

- Assist 100 persons through public service activities

It is important to note that the goals and objectives included in this strategic plan do not represent all the actions to be undertaken in Colonie. They reflect only those actions that may be carried out using CDBG, HOME, and Section 8 funding, in conjunction with other financial and organizational resources listed in each year's entitlement action plan. Though the competition for CDBG funds has continually increased since program inception, the Town has made an effort to balance disbursement of these funds between the various needs of the community.

3. Evaluation of past performance

The Town of Colonie, like many other municipalities in New York State, has continually been challenged on a fiscal level by the increase in unpredictable and mandated expenses and mandates that have extraordinary costs associated with them. Some of these items include retirement costs, fuel and energy costs, snow removal, storm sewer management and health and liability insurance premium increases. These costs have rapidly overtaken any non-taxing, offsetting revenue streams such as sales taxes, property taxes, and other fee for services. Additionally, the Town, like many other municipalities in New York State, continues to deal with the unintended consequences of the property tax cap.

The Town recognizes the need to provide greater access to affordable housing. While much of Colonie possesses attractive, well-maintained residential units, the age and modest value of some of Colonie's housing stock is creating a serious housing quality issue. According to the 2013 - 2017 American Community Survey (ACS), 83 percent of the Town's housing stock is now over 30 years old and 54 percent is over 50 years old. Although an older housing stock, in and of itself, does not necessarily indicate a deteriorating housing stock, it does tend to reflect the possibility that a significant segment of Colonie's housing stock may be declining due to general trends of forestalling major housing improvements and repairs as housing units continue to age. Older homes tend to require rehabilitation of mechanical systems, roofing, and windows to bring them up to standard condition. Lower income homeowners are often financially unable to maintain their residences, particularly when a major component needs repair or replacement. Where once the typical housing unit receiving rehabilitation assistance through the Town possessed moderate rehabilitation needs now more and more the units the Town is asked to rehabilitate possess substantial rehabilitation needs or are beyond cost-effective rehabilitation.

Over a quarter of the households in the Town are now facing a housing affordability problem. The term for this is “housing-cost burden” and refers to owners and renters who spend more than 30 percent of their income on housing costs. According to the ACS, 27 percent of households in the Town spend more than 30 percent of their income on housing costs. Of those households, 78 percent have household incomes of less than \$50,000. There are 13,803 owner-occupied housing units in Colonie with a mortgage. Furthermore, the continual decline in construction of multi-family units has created a low vacancy rate and a shortage of affordably priced apartments for low-and moderate-income persons.

The Town of Colonie through its CDBG, HOME and Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program expenditures has overall been successful in meeting, and in some cases exceeding, its projected performance goals and objectives as defined in its 2015 Consolidated Plan approved by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for the 2018 program year submitted to HUD in September 2019 illustrates measurable performance outcomes against stated performance objectives. Impacts of planned program performance have been evidenced in providing social/supportive services and promoting affordable housing.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The purpose of the Town of Colonie Citizen Participation Plan is to promote citizen participation in all phases of the Consolidated Plan and develop local priority needs and objectives for the Community Development Block Grant and HOME programs.

All citizens, especially low- and moderate-income persons, members of minority groups, non-English speaking persons, persons with disabilities, residents of areas where a significant amount of CDBG activity is proposed or ongoing, and residents of public and assisted housing are encouraged to participate in the development of the community development process including the Consolidated Plan, any amendments to the Plan (which significantly change the scope, location, or funding of a previously approved activity), and the performance report.

A Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee has been established to ensure broad participation in the process. The current Citizen Advisory Committee consists of ten (10) members appointed by the Town Board, in conjunction with the mayors of the villages of Colonie and Menands. Membership of the Citizen Advisory Committee is drawn from all areas of the Town and includes, to the extent possible, very low- and low-income persons, members of minority groups, non-English speaking persons, the elderly, persons with mobility, visual or hearing impairments, residents of areas where a significant amount of activity is proposed or ongoing, the business community, and civic groups that are concerned with the Community Development program.

The Citizen Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the Community Development Department in providing adequate and timely information on the Consolidated Plan to the general citizenry of the Town and, as appropriate, units of local government.

Hearings and meetings are held at times and locations convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries and with accommodations for persons with disabilities and those persons with limited English proficiency.

5. Summary of public comments

There were no citizen comments received at either of the two public hearings.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

There were no comments or views not accepted.

7. Summary

The Town of Colonie's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan has been prepared to develop a viable community by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, expanded economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons. An approved citizen participation plan was used to gather public comments through public meetings and the consultation process provided additional input. Information gathered from the public, a market analysis, and data provided by HUD was used to identify, goals and the activities of this Consolidated Plan.

The Process

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

1. Describe agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	COLONIE	
CDBG Administrator	COLONIE	Community Development Department
HOME Administrator	COLONIE	Community Development Department

Table 1– Responsible Agencies

Narrative

Preparing a Consolidated Plan involves a process that ensures that housing and community development planning and programming will be accomplished through a unified and comprehensive framework that opens new opportunities for collaboration and collective problem-solving. Partnerships among government agencies and between government and private groups need to be developed in order to marshal government and private resources to achieve intended public purposes.

In initiating this process for preparation of its Consolidated Plan, the Town of Colonie Community Development Department acted as lead agency for its portion of the Colonie Schenectady Troy Consortium, and for the villages of Colonie and Menands.

The process of developing a Consolidated Plan must have clear backing and support from the elected leadership to be successful, and in this regard, the Town has been fortunate. Since 1995, when the Town's initial Consolidated Plan was prepared, the Town Supervisor and members of the Town Board have supported the process and the Community Development Department. Effective members have been appointed to the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee, and the recommendations of that committee have been given serious consideration by the Supervisor and the Town Board. Once accepted, the programs set forth in the Consolidated Plan have been faithfully implemented.

In addition to the Community Development Department, several other Town departments are involved in the delivery of CDBG, HOME, and Section 8 funded programs. They include the Town of Colonie Building Department (performs residential rehabilitation inspections), the Town of Colonie Comptroller's

Office (process payment requests prepared by the Community Development Department), and the Town Attorney's Office (provides legal services).

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

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A summary of the proposed Consolidated Plan and annual Entitlement Action Plan is published in the Colonie Spotlight. The Consolidated Plan, annual Entitlement Action Plan, substantial amendments to these plans, and annual performance reports are available for review by the public at the following locations:

- Community Development Department, Memorial Town Hall, 534 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110 (518) 783-2718
- William K. Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany Shaker Road, Loudonville, NY 12211 (518) 458-9274
- Village of Colonie, Village Hall, 2 Thunder Road, Colonie, New York 12205 (518) 869-7562
- Village of Menands, Village Hall, 250 Broadway, Menands, New York 12204 (518) 434-2922

PR-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.110, 91.200(b), 91.300(b), 91.215(l) and 91.315(l)

1. Introduction

The consolidated planning process began in the Town of Colonie the week of February 10, 2020, when various organizations, agencies, churches, and individuals were sent questionnaires soliciting input in identifying priority housing and community development needs and in defining improvement strategies that would bring these needs and resources together.

A Consolidated Plan Resident Survey was developed by the Community Development Department. The purpose of this survey was to solicit input from residents as to what they felt were the general areas of need for using Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership funds. This survey was made available at various locations in the Town and villages including the Town of Colonie Memorial Town Hall, the William K. Sanford Town Library, the Beltrone Living Center, Colonie Village Hall, and Menands Village Hall and on the Town's web page (online).

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

The Town of Colonies Public Housing Authority (PHA) serves as the policy board for the Town of Colonie's housing programs administered by the Community Development Department. Programs include the housing choice voucher program, residential rehabilitation program, and first time homebuyer program. Furthermore, the Community Development Department implements a range of affordable housing and community development activities, including administration of the CDBG and HOME programs; preparation of the Consolidated Plan, the Annual Entitlement Action Plan, and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER), and; technical assistance for and collaboration with non-profit and for-profit housing developers and social service agencies.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness

The Albany County Coalition on Homelessness (ACCH) functions as the local Continuum of Care (CoC), recognized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as the local planning and decision-making body on programs funded with HUD's homeless assistance programs.

Monthly board and membership meetings, along with committee meetings, deal with issues such as best practice service models, legislative issues, policies and practices governing emergency shelters, and

collaborative applications for funding. These meetings provide an important venue for consumers, providers, and funders to identify system-wide service gaps and community-based solutions.

The Town currently serves on the CoC board of directors as well as the chair of the CoC Operations Committee.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards and evaluate outcomes, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the administration of HMIS

N/A

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdictions consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2– Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany Community Development Agency
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of the Albany Community Development Agency was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs and lead-based paint strategy.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF COHOES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The mayor of the City of Cohoes was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs, public housing needs, and lead-based paint strategy.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Schenectady Department of Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of the City of Schenectady Department of Development was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on housing needs, public housing needs, and lead-based paint strategy.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Troy Housing and Community Development
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Lead-based Paint Strategy Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of the City of Troy Housing and Community Development was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on housing needs, public housing needs, and lead-based paint strategy.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	CITY OF WATERVLIET
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The mayor of the City of Watervliet was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs, public housing needs, and lead-based paint strategy.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	AFFORDABLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP OF THE CAPITAL REGION
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Affordable Housing Partnership was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs.
7	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Coalition on Homelessness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Co-chairs of the Board of Directors of the Albany County Coalition on Homelessness were emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homelessness needs.
8	Agency/Group/Organization	UNITED TENANTS OF ALBANY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of United Tenants of Albany was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs, public housing needs, and homelessness strategy.
9	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany Housing Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of planning and development of the Albany Housing Authority was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the public housing needs.
10	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Rural Housing Alliance, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Albany County Rural Housing Alliance was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs.
11	Agency/Group/Organization	ALBANY COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Albany Community Land Trust was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs.
12	Agency/Group/Organization	HOMELESS ACTION COMMITTEE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Homeless Action Committee was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homelessness needs of the chronically homeless, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth and on homelessness strategy.
13	Agency/Group/Organization	Capital District Regional Planning Commission
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Market Analysis
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Capital District Regional Planning Commission was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development and market analysis.
14	Agency/Group/Organization	Capital District Transportation Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Transportation Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The staff director of the Capital District Transportation Committee was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development and the transportation and public facility needs.

15	Agency/Group/Organization	Capital District Transportation Authority
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development Transportation Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The chief executive officer of the Capital District Transportation Authority was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the economic development and transportation and public facility needs.
16	Agency/Group/Organization	Village of Colonie
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public facilities and Infrastructure needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The mayor of the Village of Colonie was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing, public facilities and infrastructure needs.
17	Agency/Group/Organization	Village of Menands
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public facilities and Infrastructure needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The mayor of the Village of Menands was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing, public facilities and infrastructure needs.
18	Agency/Group/Organization	ALLIANCE FOR POSITIVE HEALTH
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Alliance for Positive Health was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.

19	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany Community Action Partnership
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services - Housing Services-Children Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The acting executive director of the Albany Community Action Partnership was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the anti-poverty strategy.
20	Agency/Group/Organization	CARES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of CARES, Inc. was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homelessness needs and non-homeless special needs.
21	Agency/Group/Organization	CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOUSING OFFICE
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director and the director of operations of the Catholic Charities Housing Office were both emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment.
22	Agency/Group/Organization	Center for Disability Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The chief program officer for the Center of Disability Services was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
23	Agency/Group/Organization	Capital District Center for Independence, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Capital District Center for Independence was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
24	Agency/Group/Organization	CENTRO CIVICO HISPANO AMERICANO, INC
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Centro Civico, Hispano Americano, Inc. was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
25	Agency/Group/Organization	Childcare Coordinating Council of the Capital District
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Childcare Coordinating Council of the Capital District was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
26	Agency/Group/Organization	COLONIE SENIOR SERVICE CENTER, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Colonie Senior Service Centers, Inc. was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment and the non-homeless special needs.
27	Agency/Group/Organization	COLONIE YOUTH CENTER, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Colonie Youth Center was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
28	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Realty
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The asset manager of Community Realty was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment and market analysis.
29	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Council of Churches
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the NYS Council of Churches was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
30	Agency/Group/Organization	Capital Area Council of Churches
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Capital Area Council of Churches was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
31	Agency/Group/Organization	DePaul Management Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of DePaul Management was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment.
32	Agency/Group/Organization	EQUINOX, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of Equinox, Inc. was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homeless needs of families with children and unaccompanied youth and homelessness strategy.
33	Agency/Group/Organization	CAPITAL DISTRICT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Capital District Habitat for Humanity, Inc. was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs.

34	Agency/Group/Organization	HATAS
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing Services - Housing Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of HATAS was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs, homeless needs and homelessness strategy.
35	Agency/Group/Organization	HISPANIC OUTREACH SERVICES
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Hispanic Outreach Services was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
36	Agency/Group/Organization	The International Center of the Capital Region
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the International Center of the Capital Region was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
37	Agency/Group/Organization	Colonie Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Business Leaders Civic Leaders
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Colonie Chamber of Commerce was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development. The Chamber distributed the questionnaire to all of its 2,200 member businesses and organizations.
38	Agency/Group/Organization	Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Housing Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc. was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the public housing needs.
39	Agency/Group/Organization	NAACP
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the NAACP was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
40	Agency/Group/Organization	Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Regional Food Bank was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs and anti-poverty strategy.
41	Agency/Group/Organization	WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT AND RESOURCE CENTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Employment
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Womens' Employment and Resource Center was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development.
42	Agency/Group/Organization	L.A. Swyer Company, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Housing
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The administrative director of L.A. Swyer Company was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment.
43	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Loan Fund
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization Community Development Financial Institution
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Community Loan Fund of the Capital Region was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development.
44	Agency/Group/Organization	Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Planning organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Each member of the Town of Colonie Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing and community development needs.
45	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Cooperative Extension
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The executive director of the Albany County Cooperative Extension was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment.
46	Agency/Group/Organization	ALBANY COUNTY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs Economic Development Market Analysis Anti-poverty Strategy
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Albany County Executive was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the all housing and community development needs.
47	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Department of Aging
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Department of Aging was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
48	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Department of Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Lead-based Paint Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Department of Health was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs and lead-based paint strategy.
49	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Department of Mental Health
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Department of Mental Health was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
50	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Department of Social Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Department of Social Services was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment and the non-homeless special needs and homelessness needs and strategy.

51	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Department of Children, Youth, and Families
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Department of Children, Youth and Families was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homelessness needs of families with children and unaccompanied youth.
52	Agency/Group/Organization	Albany County Economic Development, Conservation and Planning Board
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - County
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the Albany County Economic Development, Conservation and Planning Board was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development.
53	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Commission for the Blind
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The NYS Commission for the Blind (part of the NYS Office of Children and Family Services) was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
54	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Office for the Aging
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The director of the NYS Office for the Aging was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
55	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Public Facilities and Improvements
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Department of Environmental Conservation was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the public facilities and improvement needs.
56	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Homes and Community Renewal and NYS Affordable Housing Corporation
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of NYS Homes and Community Renewal was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the housing needs assessment.
57	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Office of Children and Family Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The acting commissioner of the NYS Office for the Children and Family Services was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the homeless needs of families with children and unaccompanied youth and the non-homeless special needs.
58	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance was emailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs and anti-poverty strategy.
59	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH)
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the NYS Office of Mental Health was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
60	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Department of Labor
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Economic Development
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The acting commissioner of the NYS Department of Labor was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on economic development.
61	Agency/Group/Organization	NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - State
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The commissioner of the NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
62	Agency/Group/Organization	Colonie Senior Citizen Club, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Colonie Senior Citizen Club, Inc., was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
63	Agency/Group/Organization	Hart Social Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Center
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Hart Social Center, Inc., was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
64	Agency/Group/Organization	Lisha Kill Senior Citizens' Club, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Lisha Kill Senior Citizens' Club, Inc. was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
65	Agency/Group/Organization	Menands Senior Citizens' Club
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Menands Senior Citizens' Club, Inc., was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
66	Agency/Group/Organization	Christ Our Light Senior Citizens' Club
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Christ Our Light Senior Citizens' Club was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
67	Agency/Group/Organization	Towers of Colonie Silver Streakers, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Towers of Colonie Silver Streakers, Inc., was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.
68	Agency/Group/Organization	Thunder Road Seniors
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Senior Citizen Club
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The president of the Thunder Road Seniors was mailed the Town of Colonie 2020 Consolidated Plan Questionnaire to seek input on the non-homeless special needs.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

There were no known agencies not consulted.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care		

Table 3– Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Describe cooperation and coordination with other public entities, including the State and any adjacent units of general local government, in the implementation of the Consolidated Plan (91.215(l))

The Town of Colonie Community Development Department works in conjunction with other Town departments, the villages of Colonie and Menands, and the nonprofit agencies receiving CDBG funding to carry out the activities covered by the Consolidated Plan. The Town collaborates with a host of other public and private organizations who contribute to this effort through the provision of financial and organizational resources that are coordinated with the CDBG and HOME funding for projects.

While there are strengths and gaps in the institutional structure in place to deliver needed housing and services to the Town's low- and moderate-income residents, the Town feels that given the budget constraints, it is meeting the identified high priority needs.

PR-15 Citizen Participation - 91.105, 91.115, 91.200(c) and 91.300(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The purpose of the Town of Colonie Citizen Participation Plan is to promote citizen participation in all phases of the Consolidated Plan and develop local priority needs and objectives for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME programs.

All citizens, especially low- and moderate-income persons, members of minority groups, non-English speaking persons, persons with disabilities, residents of areas where a significant amount of CDBG activity is proposed or ongoing, and residents of public and assisted housing are encouraged to participate in the development of the community development process including the Consolidated Plan, any amendments to the Plan (which significantly change the scope, location, or funding of a previously approved activity), and the performance report. In its role as the housing agency, the Town Board is in a special position to coordinate information and activities in the Consolidated Plan and the Public Housing Agency Plan.

A Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) has been established to ensure broad participation in the process. The current CAC consists of ten (10) members appointed by the Town Board, in conjunction with the mayors of the villages of Colonie and Menands. Membership of the Citizen Advisory Committee is drawn from the Village of Colonie, the Village of Menands and all areas of the Town. The Citizen Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity to the Community Development Department in providing adequate and timely information on the Consolidated Plan to the general citizenry of the Town and, as appropriate, units of local government.

At least two public hearings are held each year to obtain citizens' views. The hearings are conducted at two different stages of the program year. At least one of the hearings is held before the proposed Entitlement Action Plan is published for comment.

The Town publishes, at least fourteen (14) days prior to any public hearing, a notice in the Colonie Spotlight indicating the date, time, place, and procedures of the public hearings, with sufficient information about the subject of the hearing to permit informed comment.

Technical assistance is provided to the Citizen Advisory Committee and other groups representative of low-income persons that request such assistance in developing proposals for funding assistance under any of the programs covered by the Consolidated Plan by the Community Development Department, within the limits of available staff and resources.

A summary of the proposed Consolidated Plan and annual Entitlement Action Plan is published in the Colonie Spotlight. The Consolidated Plan, annual Entitlement Action Plan, substantial amendments to these plans, and annual performance reports are made available at the following locations:

- Community Development Department, Memorial Town Hall, 534 New Loudon Road, Latham, NY 12110 (518) 783-2718
- William K. Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany Shaker Road, Loudonville, NY 12211 (518) 458-9274
- Village of Colonie, Village Hall, 2 Thunder Road, Colonie, New York 12205 (518) 869-7562
- Village of Menands, Village Hall, 250 Broadway, Menands, New York 12204 (518) 434-2922

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	In attendance at the March 4, 2020 public hearing were the following: Community Development program personnel, the ten-member Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee, representatives from the Colonie Youth Center, representatives from the Colonie Senior Service Centers, Inc., and the Community Development Department's Town Board Liaison.	No comments were received.	N/A	

2	Public Meeting	Residents of Public and Assisted Housing	<p>In attendance at June 4, 2020 public hearing were the following: the Town Supervisor, the six-member town board, CD Department program personnel, the Town Attorney, and the Town Clerk. This public hearing took place electronically and was closed to the public due to the COVID-19 crisis. The public was able to view and listen to the Town Board meeting on the Town's website. The public was able to present comments to the Town Board by emailing inforclerk@colonie.org or by calling 1-717-275-8940 Access Code #7104425 during</p>	No comments were received.	N/A	
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			<p>the scheduled hearing time. Any comments received would have been read and addressed by the Town Supervisor during the public hearing portion of Town Board meeting. Written and oral comments would be given equal weight.</p>			

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
3	Resident Survey	Non-targeted/broad community	<p>A Consolidated Plan Resident Survey was developed by the CD Department. The purpose of this survey was to solicit input from residents as to what they felt were the general areas of need for using Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership funds. This survey was made available at the Colonie Town Hall, the William K. Sanford Town Library, the Beltrone Living Center, the Colonie and Menands village halls, and on the Town's web page.</p>	12 resident surveys were completed and returned.	N/A	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (if applicable)
4	Consolidated Plan Questionnaire	Non-targeted/broad community	The Consolidated Plan Questionnaire was emailed/mailed the week of February 10, 2020 to 75+ agencies, groups, and organizations.	12 questionnaire were completed and returned.	N/A	
5	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Notice of both public hearings and the Consolidated Plan Resident Survey and the Consolidated Plan Questionnaire were posted on the Town of Colonie web page.	No comments were received.	N/A	https://www.colonie.org/
6	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Display advertisements appeared in the January 22nd and March 18th editions of the Colonie Spotlight announcing the public hearings and summarizing the proposed Consolidated Plan and annual Entitlement Action Plan.	No comments were received.	N/A	

Table 4-- Citizen Participation Outreach

Needs Assessment

NA-05 Overview

Needs Assessment Overview

The Consolidated Plan Needs Assessment is a review of the Town of Colonie's needs for housing, homeless, non-homeless special needs and non-housing community development assistance throughout the Town.

The priorities identified in the Town's Consolidated Plan are based on empirical evidence and in response to input received during the consolidated planning process. The Town's intent throughout this process is to identify relative priorities to assist the greatest number of persons while keeping in mind the limited resources with which the Town has to devote.

Noting the funding constraints, the plan identifies the highest priorities for activities that address the "continuum" of housing needs beginning with the rehabilitation of our existing housing stock, with homelessness prevention, and the creation of new permanent housing that is affordable and available to Town residents and workforce. Activities that assist the most vulnerable segments of the Town's population are also considered high priorities such as child, youth, and senior services.

In addition, non-housing community development activities are integral components in promoting a sound living environment and encouraging expanded economic opportunities for persons of low and moderate income. These activities include infrastructure improvements to improve the health, safety and pedestrian access for neighborhoods of low and moderate income, and transportation and economic development activities to promote employment opportunities for persons of low and moderate income.

Investment will be directed to assist those with the most need throughout the Town in accordance with federal regulations and in conformance with the priorities contained in this document. The Town will, over the course of this five-year strategic plan, invest substantial resources to meet the Town's highest priorities.

The greatest obstacle in meeting underserved needs in the Town of Colonie is the decreasing availability of resources and changing policy directives from funding sources. Nevertheless, it is the Town's intent to maximize these resources and encourage collaboration among the private sector, the non-profit community, and local government to promote and fund activities that address the needs identified in this plan.

NA-50 Non-Housing Community Development Needs - 91.415, 91.215 (f)

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities:

Public facility needs in the Town of Colonie include senior centers, youth activity centers, and health care facilities. CDBG funds may be used for such facilities when they are used for eligible populations or neighborhoods.

How were these needs determined?

Public facility needs were determined through the Town of Colonie Consolidated Plan Questionnaire and the online Town of Colonie Resident Survey, agency and stakeholder consultation, the public input sessions, and staff consultation.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Improvements:

Public improvement needs in the Town of Colonie include street improvements (sidewalks, sewer, water, streets) in low- and moderate-income areas.

How were these needs determined?

Public improvement needs were determined through the Town of Colonie Consolidated Plan Questionnaire and the online Town of Colonie Resident Survey, agency and stakeholder consultation, the public input sessions, and staff consultation.

Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:

Public service needs in the Town of Colonie include affordable child care, affordable adult day care, and programs that address the safety, education, and social needs of eligible youth and elderly.

How were these needs determined?

Public service needs were determined through the Town of Colonie Consolidated Plan Questionnaire and the online Town of Colonie Resident Survey, agency and stakeholder consultation, the public input sessions, and staff consultation.

Based on the needs analysis above, describe the State's needs in Colonias

Housing Market Analysis

MA-05 Overview

Housing Market Analysis Overview:

The purpose of the Housing Market Analysis is to provide a clear picture of the environment in which the Town of Colonie must administer its programs over the course of the consolidated plan. This section of the plan is based on HUD regulations and covers topics including general characteristics of the housing market, lead-based paint hazards, public and assisted housing, facilities and services for homeless persons, special needs facilities and services, and barriers to affordable housing. In conjunction with the Needs Assessment section of this plan and other public input received, the Housing Market Analysis will provide the basis for the strategic plan and the programs and projects to be administered.

The data tables in this section are populated with a default data set based on the most recent data available from HUD. Additional data has been obtained from various sources, including more current American Community Survey estimates, HUD Fair Market Rents, HOME Rent Limits, and data collected from agencies that use the Albany County Coalition on Homelessness HMIS.

MA-45 Non-Housing Community Development Assets - 91.410, 91.210(f)

Introduction

This section of the Consolidated Plan provides an overview of the economic conditions in the Town of Colonie and the ability of the local work force to satisfy the needs of local businesses. According to the 2011 - 2015 ACS (DP03) there were 46,120 persons (age 16 or older) in the labor force in Colonie. Of those, 43,868 were employed and 2,240 were unemployed. The unemployment rate of Colonie was 3.2 percent, lower than the countywide rate of 4.1 percent. In fact, the unemployment rate for Colonie residents has consistently been lower than the remainder of Albany County.

The data tables in this section are populated with a default data set based on the most recent data available from HUD.

Please note that the data reported in Table 2 – Business Activity is incorrect. The correct data is listed below with the format as follows Business Sector (Number of Workers): Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction (140); Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations (3,417); Construction (2,063); Education and Health Care Services (10,908); Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate (3,597); Information (1,067); Manufacturing (2,462); Other Services (2,403); Professional, Scientific, Management Services (4,628); Public Administration (5,460); Retail Trade (4,814); Transportation and Warehousing (1,536); Wholesale Trade (1,073) for a total number of workers equaling 43,868. The most glaring discrepancy in the data presented in Table 2 is the omission of the 5,460 workers employed in the Public Administration industry.

Data in Table 4 - Occupation by Sector is also incorrect with an undercount of 6,145 people. The correct data is listed below with the format as follows Occupation Sector (Number of Workers): Management, business and financial (19,027); Service (6,910); Sales and office (12,257), Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair (2,407); Production, transportation and material moving (3,267) for a total number of people again equaling 43,868.

Economic Development Market Analysis

Business Activity

Business by Sector	Number of Workers	Number of Jobs	Share of Workers %	Share of Jobs %	Jobs less workers %
Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction	76	89	0	0	0
Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations	3,227	7,184	11	11	0
Construction	1,292	3,058	4	5	1
Education and Health Care Services	7,929	10,962	26	17	-9
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	2,721	5,997	9	9	0
Information	889	2,644	3	4	1
Manufacturing	1,777	2,893	6	5	-1
Other Services	1,733	3,734	6	6	0
Professional, Scientific, Management Services	3,891	9,149	13	14	1
Public Administration	0	0	0	0	0
Retail Trade	4,282	10,888	14	17	3
Transportation and Warehousing	1,011	3,371	3	5	2
Wholesale Trade	1,408	4,249	5	7	2
Total	30,236	64,218	--	--	--

Table 5 - Business Activity

Data 2011-2015 ACS (Workers), 2015 Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (Jobs)

Source:

Labor Force

Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force	46,114
Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over	43,870
Unemployment Rate	4.82
Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24	13.71
Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65	3.33

Table 6 - Labor Force

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Occupations by Sector	Number of People
Management, business and financial	12,750
Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations	2,620
Service	4,033
Sales and office	12,260

Occupations by Sector		Number of People
Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair	2,295	
Production, transportation and material moving	1,358	

Table 7 – Occupations by Sector

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Travel Time

Travel Time	Number	Percentage
< 30 Minutes	34,235	81%
30-59 Minutes	6,554	16%
60 or More Minutes	1,249	3%
Total	42,038	100%

Table 8 - Travel Time

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Education:

Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)

Educational Attainment	In Labor Force		Not in Labor Force
	Civilian Employed	Unemployed	
Less than high school graduate	1,070	279	750
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	6,865	360	2,050
Some college or Associate's degree	10,880	520	2,300
Bachelor's degree or higher	15,880	295	2,260

Table 9 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment by Age

	Age				
	18–24 yrs	25–34 yrs	35–44 yrs	45–65 yrs	65+ yrs
Less than 9th grade	24	14	149	482	520
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	489	324	400	730	870
High school graduate, GED, or alternative	2,370	1,225	1,850	6,200	5,155
Some college, no degree	4,045	1,640	1,390	4,360	2,135
Associate's degree	859	1,110	1,450	3,765	1,055
Bachelor's degree	1,685	3,360	2,340	4,980	1,960
Graduate or professional degree	289	1,880	1,885	3,990	1,860

Table 10 - Educational Attainment by Age

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Educational Attainment	Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months
Less than high school graduate	78,224
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	109,475
Some college or Associate's degree	117,300
Bachelor's degree	147,664
Graduate or professional degree	194,842

Table 11 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

Data Source: 2011-2015 ACS

Based on the Business Activity table above, what are the major employment sectors within your jurisdiction?

The Business Activity table describes the types of occupations of Colonie residents, but as noted above, the data in this table is incorrect. According to 2011-2015 ACS, the largest job category was managerial and professional (43.4 percent of the labor force), followed closely by sales and office occupations (27.9 percent). Both categories, except for certain sales positions, generally earn higher incomes.

Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:

Although the number of government jobs has declined in recent years, the area continues to benefit from a strong government employee base. According to a report published by the Four Greater Capital Region Workforce Investment Areas, the Greater Capital Region is in the midst of a significant change in the composition of its workforce and demand occupations (an occupation with an existing demand for workers and which provides a self-sufficient wage and/or benefits). At a time when traditional industries, such as, manufacturing, logging and farming have experienced significant declines, economic development efforts have focused on attracting entirely new high-tech industries. The challenge now facing the area is to determine how to develop a workforce system that can most effectively respond to these changes and new opportunities.

Describe any major changes that may have an economic impact, such as planned local or regional public or private sector investments or initiatives that have affected or may affect job and business growth opportunities during the planning period. Describe any needs for workforce development, business support or infrastructure these changes may create.

Despite persistent job losses, traditional manufacturing continues to be an important component of the Capital Region's economy. The overall decline is being offset by increases in high-tech production, and the jobs associated with technical and manufacturing tend to be more highly technical and higher paying. Therefore, in order for the region to attract and retain high-tech production firms, it must possess an employment base that can attract or create highly skilled workers.

Examples of this trend include the creation and/or expansion of the following: International SEMATECH (a consortium of the world's largest computer chip makers), Regeneron Pharmaceuticals (a biopharmaceutical company that discovers, invents, develops, manufactures, and commercializes medicines for the treatment of serious medical conditions), Globalfoundries (full-service semiconductor foundry), the College of Nanoscale Science and Technology (global education, research, development and technology deployment resource for nanotechnology), GE Global Research (diversified industrial research organization), the Future Chips Constellation at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (team of faculty, research associates, and graduate and undergraduate students performing leading-edge research in the field of compound semiconductor materials and devices), Momentive Performance Materials Inc. (manufacturer of silicone, silicone based derivatives, quartz, and ceramics), and SABIC (a Saudi Arabian-based diversified manufacturing company, active in chemicals and intermediates, industrial polymers, fertilizers, and metals).

Below is a list of partner agencies that currently provide low-interest financing and technical assistance to area businesses.

Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce AI Tech Revolving Loan Fund provides loans to businesses ranging from \$50,000 - \$500,000 at Wall Street prime minus 3 percent for the term of the loan.

Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce First Opportunity Loan Program is a micro-loan program. Loans can vary from \$1,000 to \$25,000, and interest rates are at Wall Street prime plus 2 percent for the term of the loan.

Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneurial Assistance Program offers a 60-hour program designed to guide entrepreneurs through the rigors of business formation and management. This program features local business experts, and is provided with assistance from Empire State Development Corporation.

Capital District Community Loan Fund (CDCLF) is a non-profit community development financial institution serving the Capital District. The CDCLF can make loans to nonprofit groups up to \$500,000, and can make loans to lower income, minority, and women business owners. The loans offered can be either short- or long-term loans with fixed interest rates and minimum closing costs. The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) works with stakeholders throughout New York including residents, business owners, developers, community leaders, local government officials, university researchers, utility representatives, investors, and entrepreneurs to promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources.

How do the skills and education of the current workforce correspond to employment opportunities in the jurisdiction?

Of particular concern with regard to the area's emerging workforce is the ability to retain graduates in the geographic region. Alarming, many students leave the area after graduation and do not return. This outmigration of educated workers is a challenge for everyone concerned with the region's future economic outlook.

Another challenge facing the Capital Region is the ability to meet the demand for middle skills jobs - those that require at least a high school diploma and technical training, but not a four-year college degree. Society's push to get all young people into four-year colleges has contributed to this shortage of skilled workers.

A further concern is the impact of the aging of the workforce and the subsequent reduction in the workforce pool. This is a critical concern, because the impact of the departure of this workforce sector will continue for many years and have a significant impact on the composition of the workforce.

Describe any current workforce training initiatives, including those supported by Workforce Investment Boards, community colleges and other organizations. Describe how these efforts will support the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan.

Below is a list of partner agencies that currently provide workforce training and technical assistance in the Capital Region.

The Capital Region Workforce Investment Board (WIB) provides a variety of services for both employers seeking to attract, train, and retain qualified workers and for individuals seeking employment. Assistance for employers included funds for training existing and incumbent employees and access to a job and resume bank. Job seekers can receive assistance with resume writing, interviewing, and their employment search. A number of programs are also offered to provide opportunities for individuals to learn about career paths and future employment opportunities. In July 2012, the WIB received a three-year U. S. Department of Labor Workforce Innovation Fund grant for the purpose of addressing the region's science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) skill shortage. The intent is to accomplish this by increasing the number of disadvantaged youth, low-income adults, and dislocated workers who are interested in STEM careers and by creating a flexible region-wide STEM talent pipeline system that links the workforce system, employers, educators, and emerging and returning workers through Two-Step Career Plans.

Hudson Valley Community College's TEC-SMART (Training and Education Center for Semiconductor Manufacturing and Alternative and Renewable Technologies) facility opened January 2010 in Malta, New York. It features more than a dozen state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories to train the workforce in semiconductor manufacturing green technologies, including photovoltaic, home energy efficiency, geothermal, alternative fuels and wind energy. In addition, courses in Business and the Liberal Arts and Sciences area, including English, psychology, math and more are offered.

Hudson Valley Community College's Workforce Development Institute works directly with employers to create customized training packages. Courses are chosen from their current listing or a specific curriculum is developed directly from information provided by the employer or industry experts. Classes are offered at the workplace, at one of HVCC's campus sites, or at the TEC-SMART facility in Malta.

Empire State Development Corporation (ESD) offers a wide variety of services and programs, including tax and financial incentive programs, assistance for manufacturers, and workforce training assistance. ESD is New York's primary economic development agency.

The Department of Labor (DOL) offers training services for employers, maintains a large dataset of employment and wage statistics, and provides a comprehensive listing of tax incentives available to employers. The DOL also maintains a large database of resumes for the benefit of both employers and potential employees.

Does your jurisdiction participate in a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)?

Yes

If so, what economic development initiatives are you undertaking that may be coordinated with the Consolidated Plan? If not, describe other local/regional plans or initiatives that impact economic growth.

Yes. In June 1984, the Capital District Regional Planning Commission (CDRPC), with the endorsement of Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and Schenectady counties and the Governor of the State of New York, petitioned the Economic Development Administration (EDA) for designation as an Economic Development District (EDD). In October 1984, the EDA approved the four-county area as a provisional EDD pursuant to Section 403 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act, as amended. Full EDD status was approved by the EDA in July 1987. The entire policy board of CDRPC functions as the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee of the EDD. To comply with the Federal requirements of broad representation on the governing board, the size of CDRPC's board was expanded in 1983 from the original twelve (12) to twenty (20) members, five from each county.

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy published by CDRPC in September 2012 laid out three major goals along with four objectives to move the Capital Region forward. The three major goals are: 1) Maintain high levels of stable, well-paying employment in the region; 2) Reduce underemployment and address pockets of unemployment; and 3) Improve the quality of life for the residents of the Capital District.

The four objectives are: 1) Increase the region's national and international competitiveness; 2) Retain and expand the region's economic base; 3) Improve planning processes for economic development and quality of life issues; and 4) Maintain and upgrade the skill level of the region's labor force.

MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

Are there areas where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

Areas where households with multiple housing problems exist is defined as an area which contains one or more housing problems (one of four severe housing problems, housing cost burden greater than 30 percent, housing cost burden greater than 50 percent, overcrowding and substandard housing) at a rate of at least 10 percent greater than the in the Town of Colonie.

According to the 2013-2017 ACS, there were 112 housing units in Colonie that lacked complete plumbing facilities, 220 housing units that lacked complete kitchen facilities, and 133 housing units that had more than one person per room (overcrowding), all indications of substandard conditions. Age of housing is another method of determining housing conditions. Of the Town's 34,312 housing units, 13,024 (38.0 percent) were constructed before 1959. There were 3,587 units constructed prior to 1939 and 9,437 in the next two decades, 1940 to 1959. During the next 55+ years, 21,288 new units were added. Older homes tend to require rehabilitation of mechanical systems, roofing, and windows to bring them up to standard condition. Lower income homeowners are often financially unable to maintain their residences, particularly when a major component needs repair or replacement. That being said, no concentrations of substandard housing have been allowed to develop as a result of the Building Department's diligence as well as the Town's Residential Rehabilitation program.

Are there any areas in the jurisdiction where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated? (include a definition of "concentration")

Areas where racial or ethnic minorities or low-income families are concentrated are defined as census tracts where at least 40 percent of the population is racial or ethnic minorities. There are no census tracts with 40 percent or more of ethnic minorities as of the 2013-2017 ACS.

Areas where low-income families are concentrated are defined as census tracts where at least 51 percent of the households have incomes less than 50 percent AMI. Townwide there are five census block groups where 51 percent or more of the families are low income. They are Census Tract 13601, Block Group 5; Census Tract 13602, Block Group 1; Census Tract 13801, Block Group 3; and Census Tract 14002, Block Groups 1; and Census Tract 14002, Block Group 4.

What are the characteristics of the market in these areas/neighborhoods?

These areas have a generally older housing stock and strong presence of rental housing. Also, these areas typically have a larger percentage of both renter and owner-occupied housing needing rehabilitation and tend to be more affordable to lower-level income residents than in the Town at-large.

Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?

Census Tract 136.01 Block Group 5 contains five low income senior housing projects (Carondelet Commons, Cabrini Acres, Fontbonne Manor, Sanderson Court, and Sheehy Manor). Each of these projects has 50 one-bedroom units. This block group also contains Shaker Pointe at Carondelet which is a market rate senior community that has over 20 floor plans that include one and two-bedroom apartments, townhome style homes, and cottage home.

Census Tract 13801, Block Group 3, Census Tract 14002 Block Groups 1 and 4 are all located in and around the Central Avenue Corridor. The Central Avenue Corridor is a 16-mile road that connects the city of Albany with the city of Schenectady. A significant concentration of jobs and homes are present within a half mile of this corridor that boasts 15 percent of the Capital District's households and 30 percent of the jobs. Due to a combination of land use, transportation, and social and market shifts in the region, the corridor's vitality has eroded over the past 50 years.

Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?

Although some progress has been made in these areas, there remains opportunities for helping improve the quality of life for residents. Future activities might include increasing access to transportation, rehabilitation of renter and owner-occupied units, additional street lighting and beautification projects, and continuing to develop programs and support businesses in and around these areas.

In 2012, the Town of Colonie conducted a study of the Central Avenue Corridor for the purpose of providing recommendations within the study area through the use of planning tools and economic development strategies to encourage reuse, infill, and redevelopment.

MA-60 Broadband Needs of Housing occupied by Low- and Moderate-Income Households - 91.210(a)(4), 91.310(a)(2)

Describe the need for broadband wiring and connections for households, including low- and moderate-income households and neighborhoods.

Broadband service is defined by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as having a minimum download speed of 25 Mbps and 3 Mbps upload speed. Whereas, the New York State Broadband Program Office (NYS BPO) defines broadband for the purposes of their grant programs as an Internet delivery service of 100Mbps or better to download Internet content to the user. The NYS BPO relaxes these criteria for remote or rural areas that are challenged for infrastructure and may need to rely on wireless, or mixed technologies of fiber optics and wireless to deliver Internet services. In these special cases an eligible broadband service must support 25 Mbps download speeds or better.

Colonie is the fourteenth most connected municipality in New York ahead of Albany, Cohoes, Watervliet, Troy, and Waterford. Broadband service is widely available from multiple providers across the Town of Colonie – approximately 98 percent. The majority of the Town is covered by at least seven providers.

There are two predominant broadband service providers in Colonie — Verizon and Spectrum — who offer broadband services to residential and small business customers. Verizon offers digital subscriber lines (DSL) services over their traditional copper plant and high order services across their fiber optic network service called FiOS™. FiOS™ offers plans ranging from 50 Mbps to 500 Mbps. Verizon's DSL services do not meet the FCC's or NYS broadband bandwidth requirement of 25 Mbps download speed.

Describe the need for increased competition by having more than one broadband Internet service provider serve the jurisdiction.

Since the Town of Colonie is covered by at least seven broadband providers for its residential areas, no need for increased competition of broadband internet service providers has been identified.

MA-65 Hazard Mitigation - 91.210(a)(5), 91.310(a)(3)

Describe the jurisdiction's increased natural hazard risks associated with climate change.

The Town of Colonie is subject to a variety of hazards, natural and man-made. Any one of these hazards can cause a disaster, which would result in the disruption of social processes, endangering lives and destroying property.

In 2014, the Town, in conjunction with the New York State Emergency Management Office, conducted a hazard analysis using an automated program, Hazard New York (HAZNY). The process included historical and expert data on selected hazards. The result of this analysis identified the following as the most likely hazards to occur in the Colonie: flooding, severe winter snowstorms, extreme temperatures, ice storms (at least a ½ inch or more), cyber-attack, haz-mat release, and severe wind/tornado. Of these, the ones that would present the highest consequences for town residents are: flooding, severe winter storms, ice storms, cyber-attack, and haz-mat release. Additionally, hazards that were identified as being less likely to occur but that would present a high consequence to residents included: pandemic, biological agent release, active shooter, improvised explosive device (IED), critical infrastructure failure (water system failure), radiological dispersal device, and improvised nuclear device (IND).

In 2015 the Town developed the Town of Colonie Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. This plan was adopted by the Town Board on August 13, 2015. The plan sets forth a recommended course of action which may be readily implemented by the Supervisor during a declared emergency and which will assist in minimizing hazards to life and property. It is recognized that the Town has limited preparedness and recovery options. The Town must be prepared for initial response alone until outside assistance is requested and mobilized.

Describe the vulnerability to these risks of housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households based on an analysis of data, findings, and methods.

Low-and moderate-income residents are at particular risk due to having less available resources. A dramatic rise in electricity or housing costs could put them at imminent risk of homelessness or living in substandard conditions. If Colonie were to have an event that did not merit a federal declaration, there would not be as many options for aid to people who are uninsured or underinsured.

According to the 2013 – 2017 ACS, low-and moderate-income households are cost burdened at a rate of 19 percent among homeowners and 48 percent among renters. With more than 30 percent of their income going toward their housing costs, there are little funds remaining to accumulate savings and plan for emergencies. While those without insurance would be particularly affected in a natural disaster, even those with insurance may struggle to come up with the funding needed to cover their deductible. Floods, fires, and tornadoes are all natural disasters that may cause a household to temporarily or permanently leave their previous housing. The costs associated with a temporary or

permanent move may exceed what insurance covers, including unpaid time off work, increase in food costs, lodging costs, and car rental. A wider availability of affordable housing units may lessen the effects of disasters on low-and moderate-income families, whose housing cost burden would be reduced by increased affordability.

Strategic Plan

SP-05 Overview

Strategic Plan Overview

This section contains the strategic plan for housing and community development that will guide the Town of Colonie's allocation of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Program funding during the 2020-2024 planning period.

The Town is expected to receive approximately \$350,000 annually from the CDBG and HOME programs. These funds will attempt to address the priority needs of the Town over the next five years. In general, these needs are concentrated in areas of affordable housing, public services, public facilities/infrastructure, and program planning/administration.

SP-10 Geographic Priorities - 91.415, 91.215(a)(1)

Geographic Area

Table 12 - Geographic Priority Areas

1	Area Name:	Townwide
	Area Type:	Local Target area
	Other Target Area Description:	
	HUD Approval Date:	
	% of Low/ Mod:	
	Revital Type:	Housing
	Other Revital Description:	
	Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.	
	Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.	
	How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?	
	Identify the needs in this target area.	
	What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?	
	Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?	

General Allocation Priorities

Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state

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Guiding Principles for Investment:

All HUD-funded activities in the Town of Colonie are carried out on a townwide basis. The Town will use the following guiding principles as a basis for allocating its resources:

- Additional affordable housing, especially the rehabilitation of existing housing continues to be the Town's greatest community development need and highest priority
- Non-housing activities such as public service activities directed at the youth and elderly, accessibility and infrastructure improvements, and job creation and economic development initiatives are complementary and critical community development components

- Proposed action plan activities addressing “High Priority” needs will have the greatest opportunity for funding; activities addressing “Medium Priority” needs may receive funding but must demonstrate substantial funding leveraged from other resources

SP-25 Priority Needs - 91.415, 91.215(a)(2)

Priority Needs

Table 13 – Priority Needs Summary

1	Priority Need Name	Housing Affordability/Availability
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Middle Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence
	Geographic Areas Affected	Townwide
	Associated Goals	Provide decent, safe, and affordable housing
	Description	Affordable Housing Objectives - Increase the Inventory of Affordable Housing Units <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Preserve existing stock of affordable housing units 2. Increase the number and type of homeownership opportunities available to low-to moderate-income homebuyers 3. Reduce housing-related lead-based paint hazards, especially for low-income families and children 4. Increase the number of affordable rental housing units (tenant based rental assistance) Provide adequate housing options for all special needs populations
	Basis for Relative Priority	Public hearings, the Consolidated Plan Questionnaire, and the Resident Survey

2	Priority Need Name	Community Development - Public Services
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	Townwide
	Associated Goals	Create suitable living environment
	Description	Non-housing Community Development Objectives - Maintain a high standard of living <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide non-housing public services that meet the needs of low-and moderate-income persons 2. Enhance job training and employment opportunities for low-to moderate-income persons 3. Provide opportunities for low-income persons to become economically self sufficient Strengthen the safety net of services for person with special needs
	Basis for Relative Priority	Public hearings, the Consolidated Plan Questionnaire, and the Resident Survey
3	Priority Need Name	Community Development - Public Facilities
	Priority Level	High

	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Elderly Frail Elderly Persons with Mental Disabilities Persons with Physical Disabilities Persons with Developmental Disabilities Persons with Alcohol or Other Addictions Persons with HIV/AIDS and their Families Victims of Domestic Violence Non-housing Community Development
	Geographic Areas Affected	Townwide
	Associated Goals	Create suitable living environment
	Description	Non-housing Community Development Objectives - Maintain a high standard of living Create and/or replace infrastructure systems and public facilities in low- and moderate-income areas
	Basis for Relative Priority	Public hearings, the Consolidated Plan Questionnaire, and the Resident Survey
4	Priority Need Name	Homeless
	Priority Level	High

	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Large Families Families with Children Elderly Public Housing Residents Chronic Homelessness Individuals Families with Children Mentally Ill Chronic Substance Abuse veterans Persons with HIV/AIDS Victims of Domestic Violence Unaccompanied Youth
	Geographic Areas Affected	Townwide
	Associated Goals	Create suitable living environment
	Description	Homeless Continuum of Care Objectives - Prevent and Reduce Homelessness <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve homeless prevention activities 2. Provide services to prevent persons at risk of becoming homeless 3. Assist the Albany County Coalition on Homelessness to employ a continuum of care approach to reduce the frequency and duration of homelessness Provide support to service providers to improve service delivery and to address gaps in the continuum of care
	Basis for Relative Priority	Public hearings, the Consolidated Plan Questionnaire, and the Resident Survey
5	Priority Need Name	Planning and Program Administration
	Priority Level	High
	Population	Extremely Low Low Moderate Non-housing Community Development

Geographic Areas Affected	Townwide
Associated Goals	Program Planning and Administration
Description	Planning and program administration including fair housing activities and the submission of applications for federal programs.
Basis for Relative Priority	Funds are necessary to ensure adequate, successful, and efficient administration of the CDBG and HOME programs

Narrative (Optional)

SP-35 Anticipated Resources - 91.420(b), 91.215(a)(4), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The Town of Colonie expects to receive Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership funds (Colonie Schenectady Troy HOME Consortium), and Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments available from HUD, during the five-year period of this Consolidated Plan.

When determining resources, HUD instructed grantees to include in this section all resources within the Town's control that can be reasonably expected to be available. Therefore, the Town included both HOME and Section 8 funds in Anticipated Resources. However, since the outcomes for Town's HOME and Section 8 programs are not reported in IDIS, they have not been included in AP-35 Projects.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	356,388	0	0	356,388	1,425,552	The expected amount available remainder of Con Plan is based on the Town's 2020 CDBG allocation.

Table 14 - Anticipated Resources

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

While the CDBG program does not require leveraging, the Town's CDBG program does leverage other resources with its CDBG funds. For example, the rehabilitation grants range from 40 to 100 percent. Therefore, many participants are required to pay a portion of the total project cost. In addition, the Town now contributes over \$100,000 annually to help defray the administrative costs associated with community development activities.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the state that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

In November 2012, Albany County Executive Dan McCoy announced the creation of an Albany County Veterans Resource Center at 55 Heritage Lane in Colonie. The Center is the result of the county's partnership with Soldier On, an organization that provides transitional housing and support services to veterans. Soldier On has been working together with the county and the town on transforming the former Ann Lee Nursing Home site at 820 Albany Shaker Road in Colonie. Albany County has leased an area of approximately 12.6 acres to Soldier On for the purpose of developing a residential campus providing permanent housing, training and supportive services to veterans. The overall complex design is based on a village concept to be developed in three phases. When complete the project will include five new buildings with 125 single bedroom apartment units and the renovation of the existing Ann Lee Nursing Home with 75 single bedroom apartment units. Additionally, the Ann Lee Home will provide support service space, a common dining area and a full-service kitchen. This project is still in the pre-development stage.

Additionally, the Albany County Sheriff has opened the Sheriff Homeless Improvement Program by transforming an unused wing at the County Correctional Facility (located within Colonie's borders), into a comfortable space to house homeless individuals and help them get back on their feet. With initiatives like Raise the Age, bail reform, alternatives to incarceration, and lowering recidivism rates, the census inside the jail is declining leaving more and more empty cells.

The new space has 50 individual rooms, a common living area, showers, kitchen, and laundry. Each room has a bed, toilet, sink, television, table, and a window. The bars were taken off the rooms and doors were added, to make it feel less like an institution. Majority of the room items were donated by local organizations.

The program has been in the works since last year. Although the sheriff had originally planned to get it up and running by June, it was opened ahead of schedule to help with social distancing during the Coronavirus outbreak.

Discussion

N/A

SP-40 Institutional Delivery Structure - 91.415, 91.215(k)

Explain the institutional structure through which the jurisdiction will carry out its consolidated plan including private industry, non-profit organizations, and public institutions.

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
Town of Colonie	Government	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs Ownership Planning Rental neighborhood improvements public facilities public services	Jurisdiction
Town of Colonie Housing Authority	PHA	Public Housing	Jurisdiction
Albany County Coalition on Homelessness	Continuum of care	Homelessness	Other
AFFORDABLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP OF THE CAPITAL REGION	Non-profit organizations	Ownership Rental	Region
Albany County Rural Housing Alliance, Inc.	Non-profit organizations	Ownership Rental	Other
Albany Community Action Partnership	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs	Other
HATAS	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs Rental public services	Other
UNITED TENANTS OF ALBANY	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Rental	Other
CATHOLIC CHARITIES	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs Public Housing Rental	Region

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF NORTHEASTERN NY	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region
CARES	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region
CAPITAL DISTRICT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, INC.	Non-profit organizations	Ownership	Region
Community Loan Fund	Non-profit organizations	Economic Development	Region
EQUINOX, INC.	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs public services	Region
HOMELESS ACTION COMMITTEE	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness	Region
Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness	Other
Capital City Rescue Mission	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness	Other
ALBANY HOUSING COALITION	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness	Other
Residential Support Services	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region
COLONIE SENIOR SERVICE CENTER, INC.	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs Rental public services	Jurisdiction
COLONIE YOUTH CENTER, INC.	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs	Jurisdiction
Salvation Army	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region
St. Catherine's Center for Children	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs public services	Region

Responsible Entity	Responsible Entity Type	Role	Geographic Area Served
Support Ministries, Inc.	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs public services	Region
Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York	Non-profit organizations	public services	Region
United Way of Northeastern New York	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs public services	Region
Albany County Department of Social Services	Government	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Other
Addiction Care Center of Albany, Inc.	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs	Region
ST. PETER'S ADDICTION RECOVERY CENTER	Non-profit organizations	Non-homeless special needs	Region
Capital Area Peer Services	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region
Empire Justice Center	Non-profit organizations	Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	State
Community Maternity Services		Homelessness Non-homeless special needs	Region

Table 15 - Institutional Delivery Structure

Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

Colonie's Town Board has designated the Community Development Department as the agency having the primary responsibility for administering HUD-funded projects under the Town's Community Development Block Grant, HOME, and Housing Choice Voucher programs. Community Development also maintains ongoing implementation of the housing rehabilitation and first time homebuyer grants. The Town's strengths are that it has a history of coordinating with other governments and agencies in the implementation of HUD and non-HUD funded programs and services.

Albany County has a rich array of dedicated organizations through which services are delivered. The 2-1-1 system implemented by the United Way of the Greater Capital Region provides one means to link those in need with service providers.

The Albany County Coalition on Homelessness has been meeting almost 20 years on a monthly basis to coordinate services for people who are low income and may also be experiencing homelessness. It is a mature well developed system that works to efficiently provide services and address gaps in the service delivery system. These meetings have allowed network members and other community agencies to coordinate planning efforts, address problems, cooperate in the delivery of services, collaborate on funding opportunities, and develop a service delivery system for the homeless population which incorporates the entire continuum of care components in most of the community's homeless programs.

The Town of Colonie also coordinates with Albany County Department of Health which provides lead based paint testing, education and abatement services for owner-occupied units in Colonie.

Availability of services targeted to homeless persons and persons with HIV and mainstream services

Homelessness Prevention Services	Available in the Community	Targeted to Homeless	Targeted to People with HIV
Homelessness Prevention Services			
Counseling/Advocacy			
Legal Assistance			
Mortgage Assistance			
Rental Assistance			
Utilities Assistance			
Street Outreach Services			
Law Enforcement			
Mobile Clinics			
Other Street Outreach Services			
Supportive Services			
Alcohol & Drug Abuse			
Child Care			
Education			
Employment and Employment Training			
Healthcare			
HIV/AIDS			
Life Skills			
Mental Health Counseling			
Transportation			
Other			

Table 16 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary

Describe how the service delivery system including, but not limited to, the services listed above meet the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth)

All services in the Albany County Coalition on Homelessness system are available to people who are experiencing homelessness.

Describe the strengths and gaps of the service delivery system for special needs population and persons experiencing homelessness, including, but not limited to, the services listed above

The Albany County Coalition on Homelessness, which functions as the local Continuum of Care (CoC) for Albany County, not only plans but manages the homeless system's coordination on an ongoing basis. Monthly board and membership meetings, along with committee meetings, deal with issues such as best practice service models, legislative issues, policies and practices governing emergency shelters, and collaborative applications for funding. These meetings provide an important venue for consumers, providers, and funders to identify system-wide service gaps and community-based solutions.

According to the Albany County Homeless Coalition, "...homelessness is not limited to just the city of Albany, but also occurs in the suburban and rural areas throughout the county." The Coalition states that supportive services and programs for the homeless have become concentrated within the city of Albany, and most of those that become homeless will eventually end up in the city. The Coalition also states that since it is not realistic to think that the services provided within the city could be duplicated, the focus in the outlying areas may need to be on prevention, providing more outreach and programs that focus on learning life skills that will promote self-sufficiency and stability.

Provide a summary of the strategy for overcoming gaps in the institutional structure and service delivery system for carrying out a strategy to address priority needs

There are no existing facilities and services that assist homeless persons and families with children and subpopulations in the Town of Colonie. However, the Town has continued its focus on prevention, providing more outreach and programs that promote self-sufficiency and stability by concentrating on its Residential Rehabilitation program, Housing Choice Voucher program, Mainstream program, and Family Self-Sufficiency program to help low-income families avoid becoming homeless. Long-term solutions involve collaboration, and the Town of Colonie will continue to collaborate with community partners in order to achieve the goals and address the needs prioritized in this plan.

SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Provide decent, safe, and affordable housing	2020	2024	Affordable Housing	Townwide	Housing Affordability/Availability	CDBG: \$1,311,940	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 50 Household Housing Unit
2	Create suitable living environment	2020	2024	Non-Housing Community Development	Townwide	Community Development - Public Services Community Development - Public Facilities Homeless	CDBG: \$115,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 100 Persons Assisted
3	Program Planning and Administration	2020	2024	Planning and Program Administration	Townwide	Planning and Program Administration	CDBG: \$355,000	Other: 0

Table 17 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Provide decent, safe, and affordable housing
	Goal Description	This goal is designed to provide assistance to low/moderate income households with the ability to afford decent housing.

2	Goal Name	Create suitable living environment
	Goal Description	This goal is designed to provide public services for low/moderate income persons.
3	Goal Name	Program Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	This goal is designed to provide overall administration of the CDBG and HOME programs, as well as comprehensive planning.

Estimate the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families to whom the jurisdiction will provide affordable housing as defined by HOME 91.315(b)(2)

An estimated 13 extremely low-, low-, and moderate- income (LMI) families will be provided affordable housing in 2020 (see Action Plan AP-55) through projects including rehab of existing units and direct financial assistance to homebuyers. Based on the number of LMI families provided affordable housing in year one of the Consolidated Plan, along with the goals and priority needs of the Town over the next five years, an estimated 65 LMI families will be provided affordable housing.

SP-65 Lead-based Paint Hazards - 91.415, 91.215(i)

Actions to address LBP hazards and increase access to housing without LBP hazards

The Town distributes lead-based paint literature to all Section 8 participants, all persons participating in the Town's homebuyer program, and all homeowners participating in the Town's rehabilitation program warning of the dangers of lead-based paint. The Town periodically consults with the Albany County Department of Health to increase awareness of lead-based paint hazards. To date, no children residing in assisted housing in the Town of Colonie have been identified as having an elevated blood level of lead poisoning.

The Town implemented changes to its housing rehabilitation, tenant-based rental assistance, and homeownership assistance programs in order to comply with the lead-based paint hazard regulations. Community Development staff has attended numerous informational sessions, seminars, and lead safe work practices trainings in an effort to continually control lead hazards in the Town's housing stock.

How are the actions listed above integrated into housing policies and procedures?

The Town of Colonie CDBG, HOME and Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments program policies include provisions for compliance with applicable lead-based paint hazard regulations.

The Town of Colonie will continue to follow the lead-based paint policies it implemented in 2003 in all program areas. For the residential rehabilitation program, the following procedures are being followed for all households receiving assistance that were built prior to 1978. After a federal housing quality standards inspection has been completed by a Community Development residential rehabilitation inspector, a risk assessment is performed by a certified risk assessor (lead service provider). Since, the Town has no certified inspectors to provide lead services for its residential rehabilitation program, the Community Development Department has had to look to outside lead service providers to perform risk assessments and clearance examinations with the lead service provider supplying lead consulting services directly to homeowners participating in the Town's program. The Town reimburses the homeowner up to \$575 toward the cost of the risk assessment and up to \$250 toward the cost of the post-renovation clearance examination. The total grant amount participants receive from the program is not affected by the lead-based paint inspection costs.

The risk assessment includes a paint inspection of all deteriorated painted surfaces plus all painted surfaces to be disturbed or replaced during rehabilitation and an on-site investigation to determine the existence, nature, severity, and location of lead-based paint hazards. If the paint testing indicates the absence of lead-based paint, paint stabilization and interim controls are not required. If the paint testing indicates the presence of lead-based paint, a general contractor trained in safe-work practices will perform interim controls of all lead-based paint hazards identified in the risk assessment. Following interim controls, either the risk assessor or paint inspector performs a clearance examination. In certain

situations, temporary relocation of occupants will be required during hazard reduction activities. This is a voluntary relocation in that it is a condition of participation in the program and homeowner applicants must relocate at their own expense. Additionally, the Town is now forced to limit its rehabilitation program to single family residences, since the cost of relocating tenants in multi-unit residences is beyond the scope of the program.

For properties purchased under the First Time Homebuyer program, the statute requires that a visual assessment for deteriorated paint be performed. If the visual assessment finds deteriorated paint above de minimus levels than an inspection of that area only has to be done by a risk assessor prior to closing. Since there is no funding available for risk assessments and interim control measures, the Town will have to disqualify any homes that do not pass the visual assessment on the first try.

For units occupied by persons receiving tenant-based rental assistance, the statute requires that a visual assessment for deteriorated paint be performed. If the visual assessment identifies deteriorated paint, a certified contractor must perform paint stabilization (repair the substrate, prepare the surface, apply new paint) using safe work practices. Following LBP hazard reduction, a clearance examination is required.

SP-70 Anti-Poverty Strategy - 91.415, 91.215(j)

Jurisdiction Goals, Programs and Policies for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families

In an effort to reduce poverty, the Town actively participated as a member of the board of directors of the Albany Community Action Partnership (ACAP) for over nine years. ACAP is the federally-designated community action agency for Albany County. Community action agencies are private non-profit or public organizations created by the federal government in 1964 to reduce or eliminate poverty. ACAP's many family and community programs for Albany County include: Head Start, Universal Pre-K, Early Learning Center, Family Court Children's Center, Home Energy Assistance program, weatherization assistance, Access for Homes, tax assistance, food pantry, family and community development programs, GED program, Dress for Success, Career Pathways, and several other programs, as well as networking, information and referrals to other agencies and organizations. The Town-appointed designee served as vice president of the board of directors, chair of the personnel committee, chair of the strategic planning committee, member of the audit committee, executive committee, finance committee, and as president of the board of directors of ACAP's subsidiary, CareerLinks. The Town continues to work closely with ACAP so that staff can effectively address the problems of individuals and families living in poverty.

Through its Community Development Department, the Town has had a seat on the Local Board of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program for nearly 20 years. The Emergency Food and Shelter Program began in 1983 with a \$50 million federal appropriation. The program was created by Congress to help meet the needs of hungry and homeless people throughout the United States and its territories by allocating federal funds for the provision of food and shelter. The program is governed by a National Board composed of representatives of the American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; the Jewish Federations of North America; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; the Salvation Army; and United Way Worldwide. The Board is chaired by a representative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). During its 30 years of operation, the program has disbursed over \$3.8 billion to over 14,000 local providers in more than 2,500 counties and cities across the country through this collaborative effort between the private and public sectors.

How are the Jurisdiction poverty reducing goals, programs, and policies coordinated with this affordable housing plan

The Town of Colonie, in concert with several adjacent communities, has recognized the need to provide opportunities for very low-income families to become self-sufficient through the combined efforts of a number of social and housing agencies. Together, these communities have formed the Suburban Albany County Self-Sufficiency program and structured its activities to provide programs aimed at assisting single parents with children in becoming self sufficient. Available services have been well received by participants. Currently, 60 families participate in the program and better than one-half of the participants are employed or employed at better jobs.

Additionally, the Town of Colonie provides public assistance funding to non-profit organizations that offer critical services to poverty-level families (i.e. child care and adult day care).

SP-80 Monitoring - 91.230

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

The Town of Colonie works extensively with the two incorporated villages (Colonie and Menands), and the Town has entered into cooperation agreements with these villages for the purpose of qualifying as an entitlement community under the Community Development Block Grant program.

The Community Development Department is the lead agency for the Town of Colonie portion of the Colonie Schenectady Troy Consortium.

The Consolidated Plan and Entitlement Action Plan will be carried out by the Community Development Department working with outside agencies, consultants, and other Town departments. The bringing together of these groups to help deliver comprehensive and efficient services to the residents is an ongoing process and may be considered the department's greatest strength. Contracts have been established between several departments and agencies to provide space and services. Because the Community Development Department is a small agency, direct contact with both those providing and receiving services is possible. This direct communication allows this office to carefully monitor all projects.

The Community Development Department maintains close working relationships with each of the organizations undertaking activities with Entitlement Action Plan funding. Depending on the activity undertaken, financial reporting and activity accomplishments are submitted to the Community Development Department monthly, quarterly, or annually. When an agency undertakes an activity benefiting low-and moderate-income persons, Community Development requires the agency to obtain information on family size and income so that the activity is limited to only those persons. Community Development staff reviews each eligible participant's file to ensure that proper certification procedures have been followed. Additionally, the Town submits an assessment of program performance and accomplishments (the CAPER) to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on an annual basis. Details on publication and public comment for the annual CAPER may be found in the Citizen Participation Plan portion of the Consolidated Plan.

According to HUD's Annual Community Assessment Report for the 2018 program year which included reviews of the Town's consolidated planning process, management of grant funds, progress in carrying out local policies and program activities, compliance with program requirements, the accuracy of performance reports, and accomplishments in meeting established objectives, the Town's overall progress is satisfactory and the Town of Colonie has the capacity to continue implementing and administering the Town's HUD-funded programs.