

Grantee: Gary, IN

Grant: B-11-MN-18-0005

January 1, 2015 thru March 31, 2015 Performance Report



Grant Number:

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Obligation Date:**Award Date:****Grantee Name:**

Gary, IN

Contract End Date:

03/14/2014

Review by HUD:

Reviewed and Approved

Grant Award Amount:

\$2,717,859.00

Grant Status:

Active

QPR Contact:

No QPR Contact Found

LOCCS Authorized Amount:

\$2,717,859.00

Estimated PI/RL Funds:

\$400,000.00

Total Budget:

\$3,117,859.00

Disasters:

Declaration Number

NSP

Narratives

Summary of Distribution and Uses of NSP Funds:

Project 1 - Acquisition/Rehabilitation - \$1,357,893.99

Dollar Housing Program - Eligible Use B: Acquisition and Rehabilitation (LMMH) - Budget \$0 - Activity cancelled

Acquisition and Rehabilitation - Eligible Use B: Acquisition and Rehabilitation (LMMH, 25% Setaside) - Budget \$1,357,893.99 - Many of the abandoned or foreclosed properties in University Park are in good condition and can be renovated and marketed to new homeowners at or below 50% of AMI as a parallel effort with the dollar house initiative. This additional investment will encourage current property owners to improve their homes and it will attract other stable families to buy in the neighborhood. Just like the dollar houses, the properties will be selected based on the quality of location, construction features, other renovation nearby, and marketability of each house. These properties will be fully upgraded to the same standards as the recently renovated NSP houses elsewhere in Gary. Under this program, either the City or a single developer will be responsible to fully renovate and sell those houses designated for households at or below 50% of median. Based on past experience, this is sufficient to fund the rehab and sale of up to ten to twelve houses of the type common to the western part of University Park. An initial survey of the area has identified many small houses that should be high priority for rehab and sale instead of demolition. It is expected that the houses will be renovated and sold in phases that will begin as the dollar house effort starts and will continue into 2013 and beyond.

Project 2 - Demolition - Eligible Use D: Demolition (LMMH) - Budget \$1,115,357.70 - The City of Gary received approval on January 22, 2013 of its request for a waiver from the Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Department of H.U.D. to increase the allocation of demolition funding from ten percent (10%) of the grant to up to fifty-three (53%) of the grant to address the higher than usual amounts of abandonment in a few blocks of the east and west sides of the University Park footprint and to address the demolition of the former Sheraton Hotel and parking garage. There are a few blocks in this area that have a higher than usual amount of abandonment. This reflects less desirable design or construction features in the tract houses. Nevertheless, no single significant part of the core neighborhood is severely distressed, so a targeted program of demolition with careful treatment of the vacant lots should greatly stabilize the overall neighborhood. In terms of rental property, the neighborhood is already a place of choice for stable renters and higher quality units should enhance the market.

Until recently, there have been few abandoned houses in University Park, and the community has a good tree canopy and a relatively low number of open lots. However, matters are changing quickly and it is critical to now remove certain vacant houses and to have a solid plan for the re-use of the properties. Therefore, there will be assigned staff to work with the Redevelopment Department to create a seamless process of identification and notification of abandoned houses and a proactive plan for giving priority to demolitions where the adjacent owners are willing to take responsibility.

Summary of Distribution and Uses of NSP Funds:

ity. As a result of this effort, 55 houses will be removed in University Park over the next two years. A cleaner, better-maintained neighborhood will restore confidence among the current residents and will encourage renting or owning by new residents.

There may be the opportunity for simultaneous demolitions in conjunction with other programs and institutions at some sites. If so, the total for both areas could be 55 demolitions funded by NSP3 and 20 by other sponsors. The first priority for clearance will be sites adjacent to dollar houses and other investment sites. The second priority will be abandoned houses adjacent to those property owners who are willing to take responsibility for the cleared lot. The third priority will be given to distressed properties on otherwise stable blocks with the belief that early intervention can be the most cost effective.

The fourth priority will be given to the demolition of the old Sheraton Hotel and its adjoining parking garage which has created an impediment to redevelopment of the city's downtown area. The goal of demolishing these structures and the subsequent



redevelopment of the area into green space is to stimulate redevelopment and revitalization in the surrounding area while eliminating blight. The fifth priority will be given to the demolition of property addresses on both sides of Ridge Road between Tyler Street and Van Buren Street. Project 3 - Administration - Budget \$244,607.31 - This activity represents less than 10% of the total NSP Grant and will be utilized for administration of all related fiscal systems and production of required reports. Management of program components, monitoring and evaluation of program and subgrantees.

How Fund Use Addresses Market Conditions:

Ensuring Continued Affordability:

Definition of Blighted Structure:

Definition of "Blighted Structure" according to the State of Indiana Code, the Interim Study Committee and Legislative Findings:

- Any premises that, because of physical condition, use, or occupancy, constitutes a public nuisance or attractive nuisance;
- Any dwelling that, because it is dilapidated, unsanitary, unsafe, or vermin infested or lacks the facilities or equipment required by housing codes, is unfit for human habitation;
- Any structure that is a fire hazard or is otherwise dangerous to the safety of persons or property;
- Any structure from which the utilities, plumbing, heating, sewerage, or similar services or facilities have been disconnected, destroyed, removed, or rendered ineffective so that the property is unfit for its intended use;
- Any vacant or unimproved land in a predominantly built-up neighborhood that, by reason of neglect or lack of maintenance, has become a place for accumulation of trash and debris or a haven for rodents or other vermin;
- Any property that has tax delinquencies that exceed the value of the property;
- Any property with code violations that affect health or safety that is not substantially rehabilitated within one year after receiving a notice to

Definition of Affordable Rents:

Housing Rehabilitation/New Construction Standards:

The City of Gary Housing Standards for Rehabilitation Program as funded from HOME and CDBG will apply to NSP funds:

- Code/Health & Safety Repairs- Our first priority is to eliminate and remove any and all pre-existing City of Gary code violations, Health and Safety hazards and bring the property to code. All projects will correct any pre-existing code deficiencies and/or health and safety repair needs. This is inclusive of construction deficiencies which were completed without City permits. (room additions, garage conversions, patio additions, etc.) All units will brought up to code and rehabilitation must obtain the permits necessary through the City of Gary Building Department, or the property must be demolished as part of the rehab project.
- Lead Based Paint Hazards- As part of the Housing Rehabilitation under this NSP, a lead based paint test and a risk assessment are required on all rehabilitation projects. This is done to identify the existence and scope of any lead based paint hazards in the property. The "Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention in Federally Owned and Federally Assisted Housing" found at 24 CFR Part 35 will apply.
- Termite Repairs- The program requires a termite inspection report be prepared for every home by a licensed inspector. The report must identify any termite or dry rot damaged wood members in the property, as well as whether there are any active termite infestations in the property. The program requires that any termite or dry rot damaged wood be replaced or repaired due to health and safety risks posed to the structure of the property. Fumigation or other treatments recommended must eliminate any active termite infestations and are required under this program.
- General Property Improvements Upon- The Completion of the cost for rehabilitation of all code deficiencies has been completed, health and safety items, lead based paint hazard and termite repairs are totaled, then any additional program funding may be used to address general property improvements. General property improvements may include a wide range of items such as painting, replacement of fixtures, cabinets, flooring, etc. The General property improvements MAY NOT include items that are a type or quality which exceeds the standards for similar properties in the area or that exceed the basic standard of "decent, safe and sanitary housing". The acceptable standards are found in 24 CFR 983.101.



Vicinity Hiring:

The City of Gary will make every effort to hire employees who reside in the NSP3 target areas, and will require contractors to make every attempt to do the same. In doing so, the City will coordinate these vicinity hiring provisions with its Section 3 program requirements.

Procedures for Preferences for Affordable Rental Dev.:

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Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	N/A	\$3,117,859.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$3,117,859.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$3,117,859.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$2,717,859.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$2,717,859.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$2,717,859.00
Match Contributed	\$0.00	\$0.00

Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets

Requirement	Required	To Date
Overall Benefit Percentage (Projected)		0.00%
Overall Benefit Percentage (Actual)		0.00%
Minimum Non-Federal Match	\$0.00	\$0.00
Limit on Public Services	\$407,678.85	\$0.00
Limit on Admin/Planning	\$271,785.90	\$182,587.87
Limit on State Admin	\$0.00	\$182,587.87

Progress Toward Activity Type Targets

Activity Type	Target	Actual
Administration	\$271,785.90	\$182,587.87

Progress Toward National Objective Targets

National Objective	Target	Actual
NSP Only - LH - 25% Set-Aside	\$679,464.75	\$1,651,065.94

Overall Progress Narrative:

This Quarter: NSP3



January 1 - December 31, 2015 - Housing Opportunities, Inc, HUD Approved Counseling Agency, was awarded a bid to provide one-on-one housing counseling sessions and educational workshop for all tenants.

February 28, 2015: City of Gary Community Development Division held our "Annual Tenant's" meeting for all occupants of NSP3 properties. We have established a purchase deadline to purchase homes on or before December 31, 2016.

3572 Monroe Street: This three (3) bedroom property was occupied as of February 1, 2015. Tenant is a single African American family of four (4) and falls within the below 50% AMI. Rent is \$650.00 per month for rent and \$41.00 for ADT service.

601 W. 36th Avenue: This two (2) bedroom property was occupied as of March 1, 2015. Tenant is a single African American woman, no children and falls within the below 50% AMI. Rent is \$500.00 monthly and \$41.00 for monthly ADT service.

3701 Tyler Street: All repairs on the bid awarded to JMD Construction was completed as of March 30, 2015.

3651 Tyler Street: This two (2) bedroom property was occupied as of March 1, 2015. Tenant is a single African American woman, 2 small children and falls within the below 50% AMI. Rent is \$600.00 monthly and \$41.00 for monthly ADT service.

3619 Van Buren Street: Waiting on City of Gary's Building Department to approve final inspections.

INVENTORY PROPERTIES FOR FUTURE PROJECTS:

3633 Buchanan Street - (4) bedroom property - Vacant

3660 Jefferson Street - (2) bedroom property - Vacant

3667 Fillmore Street - (3) bedroom property - Vacant

Project Summary

Project #, Project Title	This Report Period	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
0001, Acquisition/Rehabilitation	\$0.00	\$1,819,913.43	\$1,419,913.43
0002, Demolition	\$0.00	\$1,115,357.70	\$1,115,357.70
0003, Administration	\$0.00	\$182,587.87	\$182,587.87



