

Township of Brick, FY 2022 Program Year Community Development Block Grant Program

**CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) TOWNSHIP
OF BRICK, DIVISION OF LAND USE & PLANNING -COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TARA B.
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Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

The Township of Brick HUD-CDBG Program offers comprehensive assistance to very low, low and moderate-income families and persons who require housing and non-housing support.

The Township of Brick 2022 Action Plan included a number of Goals, Projects and Activities. The Goals in the 2022 Action Plan included the following.

1	Goal Name	Housing Rehabilitation - Single Unit Residential
	Goal Description	The Township of Brick proposes to continue the Housing Rehabilitation - Single Unit Residential program and anticipates rehabilitation of approximately 6-8 homes in the 2022 program year.
2	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	The Township of Brick continues to provide Public Services through subrecipient agreements to non-profit and faith-based community support programs. The Township anticipates assisting up to 10,000 persons in the program year.
3	Goal Name	Public Facility & Infrastructure Improvements
	Goal Description	The Township of Brick continued to work on public facility and infrastructure improvements at the Windward Beach Park for the removal of Architectural Barriers for ADA access and improvements.
4	Goal Name	Planning & Administration
	Goal Description	The Township of Brick will utilize up to the permitted 20% of annual grant allocation on planning and administration for staff salaries, publications, supplies, advertisements, training, travel, and workshops.
5	Goal Name	Affordable Housing Development
	Goal Description	The Township of Brick anticipates utilizing funding to assist in the creation or rehabilitation of affordable housing units, for sale or rental.



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Count of CDBG and CDBG-CV Activities with Disbursements by Activity Group & Matrix Code

Activity Group	Activity Category	Open Count	Open Activities Disbursed	Completed Count	Completed Activities Disbursed	Program Year Count	Total Activities Disbursed
Housing	Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)	3	\$70,000.00	5	\$101,334.00	8	\$171,334.00
	Rehabilitation Administration (14H)	2	\$68,362.58	0	\$0.00	2	\$68,362.58
	Total Housing	5	\$138,362.58	5	\$101,334.00	10	\$239,696.58
Public Facilities and Improvements	Parks, Recreational Facilities (03F)	2	\$3,369.27	2	\$61,745.17	4	\$65,114.44
	Total Public Facilities and Improvements	2	\$3,369.27	2	\$61,745.17	4	\$65,114.44
Public Services	Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs (03T)	0	\$0.00	4	\$5,438.00	4	\$5,438.00
	Senior Services (05A)	0	\$0.00	3	\$10,000.00	3	\$10,000.00
	Services for Persons with Disabilities (05B)	0	\$0.00	2	\$3,500.00	2	\$3,500.00
	Youth Services (05D)	2	\$80,807.61	5	\$10,439.69	7	\$91,247.30
	Services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking (05G)	1	\$5,000.00	4	\$3,000.00	5	\$8,000.00
	Abused and Neglected Children (05N)	0	\$0.00	3	\$3,000.00	3	\$3,000.00
	Mental Health Services (05O)	0	\$0.00	1	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
	Subsistence Payment (05Q)	1	\$62,076.36	2	\$3,000.00	3	\$65,076.36
	Food Banks (05W)	0	\$0.00	2	\$3,000.00	2	\$3,000.00
	Other Public Services Not Listed in 05A-05Y, 03T (05Z)	0	\$0.00	1	\$3,500.00	1	\$3,500.00
	Total Public Services	4	\$147,883.97	27	\$44,877.69	31	\$192,761.66
	General Program Administration (21A)	4	\$38,710.76	0	\$0.00	4	\$38,710.76
General Administration and Planning	Total General Administration and Planning	4	\$38,710.76	0	\$0.00	4	\$38,710.76
Grand Total		15	\$328,326.58	34	\$207,956.86	49	\$536,283.44

The CDBG Program Administration operated under the 20% cap of total funding to administer the program for partial salaries for six employees. The 2022 Public Services project provided Sub Recipient Grants to non-profit organizations. These non-profits partially funded through Brick's Program have done exemplary work for the under-privileged and under-served communities in Brick. The Township accepted grant applications and the CDBG Public Services Review Committee reviewed the sub recipient applications based on established procedures and criteria. The funds were provided in varying amounts to local non-profit entities that provide various forms of assistance to limited clientele with a presumed need. The

organizations seem to be able to do so much with so little financial support by leveraging the CDBG dollars they receive. The Brick 2022 Program offered deferred loans of up to \$30,000.00 for Single Family Housing Rehabilitation to eligible, qualified homeowners and funded single-unit housing rehabilitation projects during the 2022 program year. The Township also continued a Public Improvement Project to construct ADA Improvements to Windward Beach Park. One highlight of the 2022 FY is that the Township continued an outreach program to affirmatively target and further fair housing opportunities and to identify areas of target outreach to racial and ethnic minorities for meaningful access to the Township's programs and services. An analysis of locations of previously completed Housing Rehabilitation Projects was cross referenced with HUD CPD Mapping GIS Tool to identify areas where the Township mailed out informational flyers to over 6,000 households discussing the Township's programs and applications to the Housing Rehabilitation program. Approximately 2,000 flyers were mailed to targeted outreach areas in the Low-Moderate Income block groups, as well. The mailings and the GIS mapping utilized to develop the mailing lists are contained in the appendix. In addition, the Township's subrecipient, Homes Now Inc., provided

programmatic materials to local radio stations, community groups, property management companies, civic organizations, and property owners associations including but not limited to the following:

Township of Brick Public Information Officer
Brick Police Athletic League
100.1 WJRZ
95.9 WRAT
Northern Ocean Habitat for Humanity
Preferred Behavioral Health – Brick Cares
Brick Township Memorial High School
Brick Township High School Guidance Department
Brick Schools Board of Education
Homes Now Board Members
Brick Patch
Brick Chamber of Commerce
Brick Senior Services
Chambers Bridge Residence
Seeds of Service
Brick Housing Authority
Bancroft Neurohealth
Homes Now, Inc and Township of Brick Facebook pages`
Affordable Housing ownership residents in Brick Twp. Built and
monitored by Homes Now

Tudor Village
Evergreen Woods
Maple Leaf Park
Brick Gardens
Brick Estates
Briar Mills
Sutton Village
Brick Elks
American Legion
Brick VFW
Pinewood Estates
Kentwood Village
Waterside Gardens
Drum Point Arms
Cedar Garden Apt
Destiny Community Food Pantry
Brick Morning Rotary

Comparison of the proposed versus actual outcomes for each outcome measure submitted with the consolidated plan and explain, if applicable, why progress was not made toward meeting goals and objectives. 91.520(g)

Progress was made in all categories except Affordable Housing as the Township plans for this category if a project needs funding in conjunction with our Affordable Housing Trust Fund program.



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CDBG and CDBG-CV Sum of Actual Accomplishments by Activity Group and Accomplishment Type

Activity Group	Matrix Code	Accomplishment Type	Open Count	Completed Count	Program Year Totals
Housing	Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)	Housing Units	0	8	8
	Rehabilitation Administration (14H)	Housing Units	0	0	0
	Total Housing		0	8	8
Public Facilities and Improvements	Parks, Recreational Facilities (03F)	Public Facilities	0	28,905	28,905
	Total Public Facilities and Improvements		0	28,905	28,905
Public Services	Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs (03T)	Persons	0	147	147
	Senior Services (05A)	Persons	0	1,459	1,459
	Services for Persons with Disabilities (05B)	Persons	0	538	538
	Youth Services (05D)	Persons	251	466	717
	Services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking (05G)	Persons	0	404	404
	Abused and Neglected Children (05N)	Persons	0	273	273
	Mental Health Services (05O)	Persons	0	615	615
	Subsistence Payment (05Q)	Persons	15	46	61
	Food Banks (05W)	Persons	0	2,000	2,000
	Other Public Services Not Listed in 05A-05Y, 03T (05Z)	Persons	0	100	100
	Total Public Services		266	6,048	6,314
Grand Total			266	34,961	35,227

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

CDBG and CDBG-CV Sum of Actual Accomplishments by Activity Group and Accomplishment Type

<u>Activity Group</u>	<u>Matrix Code</u>	<u>Accomplishment Type</u>	<u>Open Count</u>	<u>Completed Count</u>	<u>Program Year Totals</u>
<u>Housing</u>	<u>Rehab; Single-Unit Residential (14A)</u>	Housing Units	0	8	8
	<u>Rehabilitation Administration (14H)</u>	Housing Units	0	0	0
	Total Housing		0	8	8
<u>Public Facilities and Improvements</u>	<u>Parks, Recreational Facilities (03F)</u>	Public Facilities	0	28,905	28,905
	Total Public Facilities and Improvements		0	28,905	28,905
	<u>Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs (03T)</u>	Persons	0	147	147
<u>Public Services</u>	<u>Senior Services (05A)</u>	Persons	0	1,459	1,459
	<u>Services for Persons with Disabilities (05B)</u>	Persons	0	538	538
	<u>Youth Services (05D)</u>	Persons	251	466	717
	<u>Services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking (05G)</u>	Persons	0	404	404
	<u>Abused and Neglected Children (05N)</u>	Persons	0	273	273
	<u>Mental Health Services (05O)</u>	Persons	0	615	615
	<u>Subsistence Payment (05Q)</u>	Persons	15	46	61
	<u>Food Banks (05W)</u>	Persons	0	2,000	2,000
	<u>Other Public Services Not Listed in 05A-05Y, 03T (05Z)</u>	Persons	0	100	100
	Total Public Services		266	6,048	6,314
Grand Total			266	34,961	35,227

CDBG and CDBG-CV Beneficiaries by Racial / Ethnic Category

<u>Housing-Non Housing</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Total Persons</u>	<u>Total Hispanic Persons</u>	<u>Total Households</u>	<u>Total Hispanic Households</u>
<u>Housing</u>	<u>White</u>	0	0	8	1
	Total Housing	0	0	8	1
<u>Non Housing</u>	<u>White</u>	54,856	118	0	0
	<u>Black/African American</u>	2,403	85	0	0
	<u>Asian</u>	31	0	0	0
	<u>Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander</u>	13	0	0	0
	<u>Asian & White</u>	1	0	0	0
	<u>Black/African American & White</u>	100	76	0	0
	<u>Other multi-racial</u>	6,520	6,390	0	0
	Total Non Housing	63,924	6,669	0	0
	<u>White</u>	54,856	118	8	1
<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>Black/African American</u>	2,403	85	0	0
	<u>Asian</u>	31	0	0	0
	<u>Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander</u>	13	0	0	0
	<u>Asian & White</u>	1	0	0	0
	<u>Black/African American & White</u>	100	76	0	0
	<u>Other multi-racial</u>	6,520	6,390	0	0
	Total Grand Total	63,924	6,669	8	1

CDBG and CDBG-CV Beneficiaries by Income Category ([Click here to view activities](#))

	Income Levels	Owner Occupied	Renter Occupied	Persons
Housing	Extremely Low (<=30%)	1	0	0
	Low (>30% and <=50%)	0	0	0
	Mod (>50% and <=80%)	1	0	0
	Total Low-Mod	2	0	0
	Non Low-Mod (>80%)	0	0	0
	Total Beneficiaries	2	0	0
Non Housing	Extremely Low (<=30%)	0	0	335
	Low (>30% and <=50%)	0	0	137
	Mod (>50% and <=80%)	0	0	127
	Total Low-Mod	0	0	599
	Non Low-Mod (>80%)	0	0	126
	Total Beneficiaries	0	0	725

Assess how the jurisdiction's use of funds, particularly CDBG, addresses the priorities and specific objectives identified in the plan, giving special attention to the highest priority activities identified.

The Township utilized the funds provided in the 2022 Program Year to prioritize Housing Rehabilitation, Public Services and Public Infrastructure and Public Facilities in order to design the Windward Beach Park ADA improvements. The Township of Brick directs assistance to both housing and non-housing programs and activities. The Township provided direct and indirect housing rehabilitation as well as housing program management. Public Service groups and organizations were assisted through the funding for individual initiatives, such as, youth services, senior services, special needs, meals on wheels, foodbanks, battered spouses, affordable housing, shelter for the homeless, and coronavirus preparation, prevention and response. The Township did not undertake Affordable Housing projects in the 2022 year. The Township of Brick established all program activities in line with the 5-Year Consolidated Plan as submitted to the Ocean County Housing Consortium. The Township feels that there is a balance between both housing and non-housing initiatives for a variety of un-met community-based needs. A total of \$45,400 was provided to sub recipient public service activities in FY 2022.

The Township of Brick established all program activities in line with the 5-Year Consolidated Plan as submitted to the Ocean County Housing Consortium. The Township feels that there is a balance between both housing and non-housing initiatives for a variety of un-met community-based needs. The list of sub recipient public service activities that were funded in FY 2022 is listed below:

CDBG Sub Recipients -Public Services 2022		
Organization Name	Description of Program	Funding
Arc, Ocean County Chapter	Vocational training for individuals with intellectual disabilities	\$3,500
Commuinty Services Meals on Wheels	Nutrition Program	\$5,000
Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey	Transportation and nutritional assistance to senior citizens	\$3,500
Church of Epiphany	Subsistence payments for qualifying individuals	\$3,000
Church of the Visitation	Community Lunch Program	\$3,000
Contact Ocean/Monmouth Counties	24-hour crisis hotline	\$3,500
Interfaith Hospitality Network	Homelessness and counseling support	\$3,500
Ocean's Harbor House	Homelessness and counseling support for minors	\$3,000
Providence House	Legal support and counseling for victims of domestic violence	\$10,000
True Vine Community Services	Homelessness and counseling support	\$1,938
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Youth Mentor Program	\$5,000
Dottie's House	Counseling for Victims of Domestic Violence	\$3,000
Jersey Shore Council of Scouts	Youth Mentor Program	\$3,000
Rotary Club	Food Bank Services	\$3,000
TOTAL		\$53,938

Single Family Housing Rehabilitation

The Township of Brick has consistently targeted and then allocated resources to programs which assist owner-occupied units. Low and moderate income homeowners are directly assisted through the local housing rehabilitation program. Housing units which contain health, safety and code violations occupied by households that demonstrate an income below the (Section 8) limits can receive up to \$30,000 in rehabilitation assistance. The program commits funds for hard cost housing rehabilitation at \$100,000 to \$150,000 annually. From 4 to 10 units are a goal to be completed annually. We believe that Township CDBG Program funds coupled with other local initiatives have satisfied the following objectives:

Fighting poverty and homelessness • Rehabilitation of substandard housing units • Expanded public services to assist seniors and those with special needs with food, counseling and housing • Supporting programs and services for at risk youth and the homeless • Provided opportunities for the development of affordable housing

Although the number of homes in need of rehabilitation has remained constant, the Township has experienced difficulty meeting its objective to rehabilitate the anticipated number of substandard housing units. The Township completed 6 Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Projects and in the process of completing 7 more. The Township conducted all of these projects in-house to date. In

2022, the Township Housing Rehabilitation Program experienced an unusual level of difficulty in obtaining qualified general contractors to bid on the housing rehabilitation projects. Due to the fact that the Township has a waiting list of approximately 10 qualified homeowners in need of housing repairs, the Township shifted gears and employed the services of Northern Ocean County Habitat for Humanity and Homes for All, Inc. to assist in providing these homeowners with the housing repairs they needed and qualified for.

The Township of Brick solicits applications from interested homeowners by advertising to senior citizen communities, through the Mayor's Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, posting notices on the Township's website, Community Development Block Grant website and placing ads in local newspapers to obtain applicants. The Township completes a rigorous income qualification process compliant with HUD CDBG regulations. The Township's staff inspects homes with NJ Licenses Building Inspectors to develop a work write up and cost estimate. Requests for Bids are prepared and authorized by the governing body and then published in the local newspaper advertisements. Bids are selected based on lowest responsible bid and awarded to the contractors. Homeowners enter into agreements with the contractors and the Township inspects the work and authorized payment for acceptable progress. Improvements usually include roof repair or replacement, window and door replacements, carpet removal and replacement, painting, plumbing and electrical repairs, replacement for water damages, and other acceptable home repairs.

The program is consistent with HUD Matrix Codes: 14A & 14 F & Federal Regulations: 570.202. The National Objective meets the 51% low- and moderate-income person criteria as each homeowner will be income qualified. All Single-family residential, homeowner owned, income qualified applicants will benefit from this program. Total Rehabilitation Expenditures for FY 2022 was \$171,334.00. Public Facilities/Infrastructure Project included the Windward Beach Park ADA Improvement Project in the FY 2022 grant cycle for the design and construction of ADA improvements at this regional park to improve accessibility and remove architectural barriers at the facility. This project includes the engineering survey, design, and construction of handicapped ramping, railing, bathroom improvements, sidewalk construction, parking lot reconstruction, ramping, seats, benches and other amenities to improve this beautiful waterfront park to be accessible to all residents and visitors by the removal of architectural barriers. This project was funded with \$65,114 of the FY 2021 and 2022 funding that included bidding, construction plans, construction inspection and construction funding.

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted). 91.520(a)**CDBG Beneficiaries by Racial / Ethnic Category**

Housing-Non Housing	Race	Total Persons	Total Hispanic Persons	Total Households	Total Hispanic Households
Housing	White	0	0	9	0
	Total Housing	0	0	9	0
Non Housing	White	25,624	30	0	0
		1,118	0	0	0
	Black/African American	1,074	14	0	0
		1	0	0	0
	Asian	5	1	0	0
		1	0	0	0
	Black/African American & White	20	20	0	0
		6	6	0	0
	Other multi-racial	3,515	3,003	0	0
		100	0	0	0
	Total Non Housing	31,464	3,074	0	0
Grand Total	White	25,624	30	9	0
		1,118	0	0	0
	Black/African American	1,074	14	0	0
		1	0	0	0
	Asian	5	1	0	0
		1	0	0	0
	Black/African American & White	20	20	0	0
		6	6	0	0
	Other multi-racial	3,515	3,003	0	0
		100	0	0	0
	Total Grand Total	31,464	3,074	9	0

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds From PR-23**Narrative**

The majority of the Public Services entities provide their reporting as multi-racial beneficiaries of the program or provide services to limited clientele who are presumed as beneficiaries. Race and ethnic information are not collected from these recipients. Additionally, a large portion of the 2022 grant program was utilized to complete a public park improvement project to remove architectural barriers from walkways and parking areas. Race and ethnicity were extrapolated from US Census information. From the reporting documentation provided by the sub recipients, we have estimated the race of the families assisted. The housing rehabilitation program primarily assists non-minority households many of which are senior citizens or female headed. The predominance of non-minority households corresponding to home ownership is consistent with the reporting of the 2020 US Census. The Township made specific efforts to reach non-white households through the massive mailing project to Census Tracts that showed larger percentages of non-white residents. However, to date, we have not received applications that have resulted in participation from these groups.

The Public Service, Nonprofit Entities funded by the Program tend to provide services that do reach the minority populations residing in Brick. Township of Brick is becoming more diverse. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 Census approximately 10.3% of the total population reported as Hispanic or Latino. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development states that when a non-English speaking population is 5% of the total population and/or consists of 1000 individuals, then the entitlement must outreach to these populations in their native written languages. The Spanish speaking population in Brick and Other Indo-European Languages are nearing the 5% threshold individually and have individually exceeded the threshold of 1,000 as indicated by the Table provided below. Therefore, the Township made it a priority to develop outreach to Spanish Speaking individuals in their written native language. Such outreach included the translation of

vital documents to the native language, publications in Los Unidos, a local Spanish newspaper and all advertisements are printed in both English and Spanish for housing rehabilitation bid notices, plan preparation and public notifications. The Other Indo-European Languages is a more complex entity since it consists of various European languages such as French, German, and Italian. Most of the public service funds are provided to groups that assist low and moderate and ethnically diverse populations in Brick and do not collect specific direct benefit information. However, direct benefit information is collected for housing rehabilitation programs. Therefore, the statistics above are not reflective of the benefit all residents receive.

Most notably, the largest project the Township undertook was the Windward Beach Park ADA Improvement Project. This project activity qualifies under the national objective for Public Facilities and Improvements due to the fact that it is a Regional Public Park that benefits an entire community served by the facility. Except for highly specialized facilities, public facilities and improvements by their nature are intended to benefit all the residents of an area. Public facilities that serve the entire jurisdiction of the grantee, and an area greater than the grantees jurisdiction. The Township of Brick has determined the L/M Income Area Benefit is not met, however, is eligible due to the fact that this improvement does remove architectural and physical barriers to mobility to Limited Clientele at a highly specialized playground known as the ADA compliant Kaboom Playground that was specially designed for wheelchair access to the severely handicapped. In addition, the gravel parking, steep grade and lack of signage are all barriers to mobility to the severely handicapped and elderly.

The US Census 2018 ACS estimated the Township of Brick had 4,738 age restricted residential units in the Township of Brick and a population of 23,350 residents over the age of 55 and 9,929 over the age of 70. In addition, the US Census 2015-2019 estimates that 7.3% of the population or 5,555 persons in the Township meet the definition of severely disabled. The elderly and severely disabled are presumed to qualify under the low-moderate income criteria.

In addition, the criteria of L/M Income Limited Clientele activity meet an exclusive benefit to clientele who are generally presumed by HUD to be principally L/M income persons. These improvements will provide elderly persons living in this neighborhood and block group with an activity that serves to remove material or architectural barriers to the mobility or accessibility of elder persons or of adults meeting the Bureau of the Census Current Population Reports definition of severely disabled, provided it is restricted to the extent practicable, to the removal of such barriers by assisting: the reconstruction of a public facility or improvement. Although, this block group does not meet the Low/Mod 51% criteria, it contains a senior citizen neighborhood and is for the provision of the removal of barriers to the mobility or accessibility or elderly persons and/or adults meeting the criteria of severely disabled. Under 570.208(a)(2)(ii). Race and income data were extrapolated from US Census 2020 data to determine and estimate eligibility based on the average percentage of low/moderate income residents in the Township. All 18 census block groups together average 30.89% low/moderate income. 28905 was divided into 6.2% for low income and 24.69% for Moderate income based on Census Poverty data. Likewise race data was based on white, Hispanic and African American percentages town-wide.

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	\$372,834.36	\$337,737.49
	Total	\$372,834.36	\$337,737.49

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

The Brick Program is financed completely with CDBG funds. The Township successfully expended \$337,737.49 to date of the \$372,834.36 made available for the 2022 Annual Action Plan projects and activities leaving a balance of \$35,096.87 to be drawn from Rehabilitation Administration, Program Administration and Rehabilitation Projects.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
Township-Wide	80	80	Resources are distributed Township-wide

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Leveraging

Explain how federal funds leveraged additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements were satisfied, as well as how any publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that were used to address the needs identified in the plan.

The Brick Program is financed with CDBG funds and in the case of the infrastructure projects accomplished this year, supplemental locally financed municipal funds were also leveraged to complete the projects. Regarding resources, administration of the Program involves the use of municipal office space, furniture, files, phones, computers, stationery, mailings and staff services, such as code clerical, compliant electrical inspections and corresponding work write-ups and cost estimates. In addition, the Township Planner, finance clerk and two community development division clerks spend more than 50% of their time on CDBG program

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

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	N/A	N/A
Number of non-homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	N/A	N/A
Number of special-needs households to be provided affordable housing units	N/A	N/A
Total	N/A	N/A

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through rental assistance	TBD	TBD
Number of households supported through the production of new units	N/A	N/A
Number of households supported through the <u>rehab of existing units</u>	5	3
Number of households supported through the acquisition of existing units	N/A	N/A
Total	5	3

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

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

The FY 2022 Action Plan included funding for Housing Rehabilitation, and the Township continued to administer Single Unit Housing Rehabilitation activities utilizing 2017 -2019 FY funding sources not yet spent on this activity. In FY 2022, 6 Housing Rehabilitation Projects were completed and 13 Housing Rehabilitation Projects were started. We anticipate that the Public Service Programs will continue to outperform their funding levels. Addressing Homelessness through the provision of housing is not a goal of the program due to the lack of required funding for such an undertaking. The County addresses homelessness for all of the municipalities.

The Township of Brick provides Affordable Housing through funding provided by the Affordable Housing Trust fund, not the CDBG program. Although, the Township allocates a minimal amount of funding in the Annual CDBG Action Plan and Consolidated Plan in case there is a need to participate in a worth-while project that will create new affordable housing units.

Homeless households, non-homeless households and special needs households are not included as the main program goal of the Township of Brick. These populations are supported by Ocean

County. The Township of Brick's Affordable Housing program is governed by the now defunct, NJDCA Council on Affordable Housing. Since the state mandated program has been inactive, the Courts have taken over jurisdiction. The Township has received a record of judgment that we are compliant with the Fair Housing regulations and has received approval for the Third Round Compliance Program which will be completed in 2025. Townships' Prior Round affordable housing obligation is met with providing 800 units with 130 rental bonuses that provides housing for individuals, families, seniors and developmentally disabled. The Township provides a mix of housing options including single-family housing, multi-family housing, alternative living arrangements including victims of domestic violence and group homes. Affordable housing funds are also used to provide rental assistance to two families in the Township on an annual basis. The Township continues to comply with all affordable housing requirements and caps. The Township provides 50% of its affordable units to low income residents and 13% to low-low income qualifying residents. The Affordable Housing trust fund provides funds for the monitoring, maintenance and creation of new affordable housing units and for the rehabilitation of renter occupied units as adopted in the 2020 amendment to the Fair Share Plan and Housing Element.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

Since Brick's Program has limited CDBG Funding and scope it is not able to produce affordable housing through the program or provide permanent affordable housing for the homeless. These homeless functions are being addressed in Brick and other Ocean County communities by the County's CDBG Program. However, there are currently eight units of Special Needs Housing under construction in Brick without the support of CDBG funds at this time – these units are planned to provide family rental units for Veterans. Funding is from the Township's Affordable Housing Fees and the NJHMFA. A total of 105 additional affordable housing units will be produced through a revised Affordable housing plan and accompanying Ordinances. Future Actions Plans will remain consistent with current plans with the exception of moving some funds to projects in Target Neighborhoods

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

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	59	N/A
Low-income	1892	N/A
Moderate-income	27,213	N/A
Total	29164	N/A

Table 7 – Number of Households Served from PR-23

Narrative Information

The anticipated goals were easily met by the Non-profit entities funded through the public service entitlement within the Block Grant. The Non-profits in Northern Ocean County serving Brick have far surpassed the Township's expectations in addressing the needs of seniors, the homeless, the under nourished, those with special needs, battered spouses and disadvantaged youth. With only \$45,300.00 available for Public Services, divided amongst twelve Non-profits, the services provided to Brick residents far exceeded the Program's financial contributions in providing over 29,000 residents with some level of service.

The successes of the Public Service Program in Brick can be attributed to leveraging of funds, dedicated program staffs and the contribution of volunteers. Housing Rehabilitation was not funded in the FY 2022 Action Plan, however continued from previous year's funding balances. We will continue to move forward with our housing rehabilitation program, public service activities and are planning projects in Target Neighborhoods for 2023. The Township of Brick supports rental assistance for 6 units annually through the Affordable Housing Trust fund.

* The Township of Brick has a number of ordinances §245-298 and §245-298.1 which respectively provide authority for providing affordable housing including the scattered site program and mixed-use overlay zones. The Township recently adopted the Affordable Housing Set-Aside Ordinance

that amended Chapter 245, part 2, Article V to require a mandatory set-aside of 15% of units proposed in a multi-family development. These units are required to be 50% to low income and 13% to very low-income qualified residents

Evaluate the jurisdiction's progress in meeting its specific objectives for reducing and ending homelessness through:

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The Township of Brick has developed a working relationship with the Ocean County Department of Social Services in the referral of persons and families experiencing homelessness and seeking immediate emergency services. The Township funds a number of local nonprofit entities that counsel the homeless and those with hard to manage cost burdens in an effort to prevent homelessness. Food and temporary housing are provided as the nonprofits work with sister organizations to locate affordable permanent housing. The Township Division of Land Use and Community Development solicited input from the general public and local government on the non-homeless special needs of the community through its 5-Year Consolidated Plan study, Annual Action Plans and coordination with the County Planning Department. Programs which were identified as requiring support, included, public facility improvements for handicap individuals, public facility improvements for facilities aiding homeless persons and victims of domestic violence.

Public service assistance needs were identified as child-care institutional support, affordable housing counseling, medical services, temporary housing for homeless households, youth counseling medical services, temporary housing and senior based services. The Township of Brick has developed a working relationship with the Ocean County Department of Social Services in the referral of persons and families experiencing homelessness and seeking immediate emergency services. As previously indicated, the Township funds a number of local nonprofit entities that counsel the homeless and those with hard to manage cost burdens in an effort to prevent homelessness. Food and temporary housing are provided as the nonprofits work with sister organizations to locate affordable permanent housing. The Township Division of Land Use and Community Development solicited input from the general public and local government on the non-homeless special needs of the community through its 5-Year Consolidated Plan study, Annual Action Plans and coordination with the County Planning Department. Programs which were identified as requiring support, included, public facility improvements for handicap individuals, public facility improvements for facilities aiding homeless persons and victims of domestic violence. Public service assistance needs were identified as child-care institutional support, affordable housing counseling, medical services, temporary housing for homeless households, youth counseling special needs housing, rental assistance and senior citizen-based services. Most of the aforementioned identified needs are provided by the subrecipient public services funded by the Program through the Township

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

In addition to the County Programs, Brick funds several nonprofits through its Public Services Program. Those nonprofits offer temporary and transitional housing to families, troubled youth and battered spouses and their children, assist with temporary emergency rental assistance, shelters and emergency utility payments. We, along with our nonprofits, regularly refer individuals and families to other agencies and groups if they cannot be accommodated. The Township's

Affordable Housing Administrator, Homes Now Inc. helps with housing needs beyond the scope of their program.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: likely to become homeless after being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); and, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs

Primarily without the use of Program funds, Brick has either created or supported the creation of special needs housing throughout the Township. Most of the housing has been created for households that have been discharged from health care and mental health facilities who can no longer be cared for by family members. The Township has 31 group homes and 2 facilities that provide a total of 204 units/bedrooms for individuals with special needs, which are included in our Affordable Housing Plan. These facilities provide housing for mentally, physically, intellectually or developmentally disabled individuals who primarily receive assistance from public and private agencies.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

As previously indicated, the Township funds a number of local nonprofit entities that counsel the homeless and those with hard to manage cost burdens in an effort to prevent homelessness. Food and temporary housing are provided as the nonprofits work with sister organizations to locate affordable permanent housing. The Township additionally provides two units of housing to veterans and their families at one of the municipally sponsored multi-family apartment complexes in the Township. The Affordable Housing Plan projects the development of a Veterans Housing facility in the next cycle that will potentially provide 8 new housing units.

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

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

The Township of Brick has a number of public housing facilities. Program funds are not utilized to support these housing facilities; however, the Township does refer those in need of public housing to these entities. The Brick Township Housing Authority operates a number of facilities including; George J. Conway Apartments (125), David M. Fried Apartments (41) Forge Pond Apartments (101), for a total of 267 Housing Authority units. In addition, a number of additional affordable housing options for senior citizens, the disabled and any income qualified individual and family that are privately operated or run by nonprofit entities that receive public funds for housing. The Township supports the creation and maintenance of these facilities through a contract for the administration of affordable housing units through the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. These units

are monitored and inspected yearly to ensure they are meeting the needs of public housing.

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

The Brick Township Housing Authority has the sole responsibility of encouraging public housing residents to become more involved in management. These public housing facilities have renter associations that meet regularly to update residents on issues pertaining to these facilities. Homeownership is encouraged through the first-time homebuyer program that is administered through the Affordable Housing Administration contract. Affordable Housing Trust funds are utilized to assist first time homebuyers with their down payment in exchange for an easement on the property that ensures affordable housing controls for a term of 30 years.

Actions taken to aid troubled PHAs

The Township Council is the authority that appoints members to the Brick Township Housing Authority. This provides oversight of the authority's operating budget and management

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

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

The Township has an indigenous need to upgrade the existing, older housing stock. In addition, much of our older housing stock was constructed in the 1940's and 1950's as resort homes without proper insulation, adequate plumbing or electrical services. These homes have steadily become year-round residences over the years and are in need of system upgrades. Over 189 units were identified in the 2010 census as requiring rehabilitation. The Township has a large senior population comprising 26% of all households, many of whom are on fixed incomes and who struggle to fulfill basic needs and priorities that do not include home maintenance. As a result, we are finding that homes built in senior communities in the 1970's and 1980's are falling into disrepair. Also due to the Township's large senior population, along with a recognized number of low and moderate income non-senior households, there is a documented need for the types of public service programs offered by our various Sub-recipients to those populations. As part of compliance with the Court Mandated Affordable Housing Planning, the Township has adopted a number of ordinances and policies that will remove obstacles to assist residents in finding affordable housing options. The Township has adopted an Affordable Housing Set Aside Ordinance that requires all multi-family developments with to set aside 15% of all units where 50% for low-income and 13% for verylow income qualifying residents. In addition, the Township has adopted a policy to provide affordable housing funds to rehabilitate substandard renter occupied units for qualifying residents. In addition, all affordable housing properties are deed restricted to provide housing for a minimum of 30 years to qualifying low income individuals. These properties are provided with an adjusted tax assessment due to the controls and this results in discounted property taxes.

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

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

Recognizing the danger of lead-based paint, lead-based paint regulations are part of the Township's housing rehabilitation program which takes a strong stance in ensuring that family units which are to receive funding assistance are free of lead-based paint hazards in accordance with HUD Lead-based paint guidelines and receive the applicable Lead-based paint warnings. Each applicant receives HUD information regarding the dangers of lead-based paint. The Township will continue to fulfill the requirements of HUD's new lead paint regulations. The Township is part of a screening and referral program as established by the Ocean County Health Department some time ago. If a residence is found to be built prior to 1978 and there are young children present, the home is tested for lead based paint and the children are referred (or strongly recommended) for testing at the OC Health Department.

In New Jersey, beginning in 2022, PL 2022, c. 182 imposes an obligation on municipalities to perform or hire a certified lead evaluation contractor to perform inspections of certain single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwellings for lead-based paint hazards every three years or upon tenant turnover where there is no valid lead-safe certification. Municipalities must permit dwelling owners/landlords to directly hire a certified lead evaluation contractor for this purpose.

1. Property owners under P.L. 2022, c. 182 shall remediate the hazards through abatement or lead-based paint hazard control mechanisms. Property owners must also report all tenant turnover activity to the municipality. Lastly, property owners must provide a copy of N.J.A.C. 5:28A, any lead-safe certifications, and the accompanying guidance document, Lead-Based Paint in Rental Dwellings, to any prospective owners of the dwelling during the real estate transaction, settlement, or closing.

This will provide a procedure and requirement through our CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program to ensure lead-based paint hazards are remediated for all new projects.

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

The lack of affordable child care, reliable housing and substance abuse are often cited as major factors that work to contribute to poverty Brick Township does support job training and employment referral programs when possible through its support of local CDBG public service programs inclusive of those individuals with developmental disabilities or Veterans confronting those same issues. In addition, the Township has partnered with local law enforcement to

administer the "Blue Heart" program that offers temporary stays on bench warrants or any other legal action to anyone who seeks substance abuse help from the Department. The Department then places individuals in substance abuse resident programs where they get the help they need. In addition, the Township offers a number of recreation programs at no or very low cost to parents with young children including the Jump Start Pre-school program and various week-long camp programs during the summer months and over winter and spring school breaks.

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

Potential gaps in institutional structure that will be approached over the five (5) year planning period include the following:

- Build upon the successes of the Brick Township Affordable Housing Plan.
- Identify need for housing and/or service resources available for persons whose needs can be met through the funding availability of the CDBG or Ocean County HOME program.
- Look for additional matching revenue and work with the government to ensure that current revenue remains available to meet needs

Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

91.220(k); 91.320(j)

Brick Township has done its level best to provide for a healthy mix of affordable housing types and sizes. The Township has been engaged in loosening the barriers to building affordable housing by streamlining the application and development process including Zoning for mixed-use developments, however, as discussed previously many new Federal and State laws have also come about due to the Super Storm adding restrictions for development in flood hazard areas. Not ironically, the Township is ranked number #1 in gross land area fronting water which adds to the lack of housing supply along all sectors presently. However, on the good news front; the local affordable housing agent/developer "Homes Now Inc." has been very active in the completion of additional supportive housing in Brick, however without a clear mandate from State officials as to affordable housing policy and planning mechanisms for all towns to offer affordable housing at a regional and local level and the lack of developable land in Brick, the reality of additional affordable housing in this market is limited. In addition, the Township has created a website that provides information to programs that provide sub recipient services including homelessness assistance, nutrition, affordable housing, domestic violence assistance and other societal services to those in need. Contact information of each of the sub recipients is provided on the Township's website as a clearing house to provide a continuum of care across each of these providers.

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

The Township of Brick's last Analysis of Impediments to Affordable Housing was completed in 2011 and approved by HUD in 2012. The Township undertook an update to this study in May of 2022 to update the information and obtain survey responses from individuals and the Mayor's Committee on Affordable Housing. A survey was completed as a supplement to the Ocean County effort and distributed to committee members, recipients of grant funds, sub recipients and it was posted on social media including the Township's Facebook page. Surveys were received and were being compiled in June of 2022 as well as the update of the demographic information in the analysis when the Trump Administration cancelled the requirement for the Analysis under the rules and our progress was stopped. We have saved the information and if it is made a requirement

again in the future, we will revisit the progress that was made to study the impediments to obtaining affordable housing in the Township of Brick.

The 2011 Analysis was updated in 2018 and reported the following impediments to obtaining affordable housing that remain today and the Township's response to minimize the effects of these institutional impediments:

IMPEDIMENT – Educate the public regarding fair housing, the complaint process and local developments available for low- and moderate-income citizens. • The Township of Brick advertises and publicizes the availability of Fair and Affordable housing in the Township by way of public notices, brochures, website information and attendance at communitywide events such as Summerfest, Summer Concert Series and Senior Citizen Events. The Township prominently displays poster-boards throughout the municipal building describing what rights every citizen has in obtaining fair housing and existing affordable housing opportunities in town. Additional sites for postings in other public areas will be provided.

IMPEDIMENT- Discrimination in Mortgage Lending • The Township of Brick, in conjunction with a coalition of local lenders, could collaborate with each other through working sessions to ensure that there are not issues of bias in lending and credit opportunity for those who qualify. NJHMFA "Live Where You Work Program" can be a guide.

IMPEDIMENT- Limited availability of New Section 8 Certificates • Congress, by way of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), has not increased the availability of Section 8 vouchers to assist very-low and low-income residents in obtaining vital subsidies in the payment of their rents. Recent modifications of the Section 8 program have the added nuance of making them 'Welfare to work vouchers' or 'Family Self Sufficiency' vouchers adding yet more obstacles to those who would not qualify within the new special criteria for eligibility.

IMPEDIMENT- Availability of mass transit • The Township of Brick does not operate a mass transit system and utilizes the Ocean County Bus system (Ocean Ride) which serves the populations along major arteries in the municipality. NJ Transit offers limited bus Routes and Stops within Brick Township. Most residents are required to rely on the automobile for trips to work or shopping areas. Brick Township intends to lobby for additional bus routes in other less served areas of the jurisdiction. Ideally the Township would like to provide bus routes which can provide transportation to areas of employment from low- and moderate-income sectors of the municipality. The Township also created mixed-use 'overlay zones' for areas which can potentially be developed creating areas for easy access to housing and employment. The Township recently acquired two ADA accessible min-busses to transport senior citizens to shopping, doctors' appointments and various locations for recreational opportunities.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

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

In 2022, the committee for CDBG Funding for Public Service Activities continued its work to provide public services through the Township's CDBG allocation. This Committee is comprised of the Mayor, community leaders as well as in-house staff that administer the program. A procedure

manual was created and scoring sheet developed to evaluate the applications. In the 2022 Program Year, all eight Public Service applicants were funded. It has been the policy of this administration to fund one or two organizations that demonstrate the largest capacity for impact with larger awards and provide sustenance funding to the other applicants.

The delivery of Housing Rehabilitation services is slightly behind schedule for the reasons mentioned in previous sections and corrective measures have been listed. The Township staff will continue to monitor all Subrecipients annually to confirm compliance with CDBG regulations for eligible activities, national objectives, accomplishment data and proper record keeping. Each year, funding is provided from the CDBG program upon proof of expenditure of funds in the project period and meeting the scope of the subrecipient agreement. A follow up visit is conducted and information is collected regarding expenditure of funds, services provided in compliance with the scope of work and all correspondences and information is documented. Program reporting will be timely and accurate and programs and expenditures will be consistent with CDBG Program Guidelines.

On May 1, 2022, the Township of Brick ran the CDBG Timeliness Report and met our Timeliness requirement of having a 1.50 ratio for grant draws. The Township dispersed most of the CDBG-CV2 grant funds in the first half of 2022 as the rental moratorium will expired and assistance was more needed and the subrecipient that is providing youth counseling services will be submitting for a bi-annual reimbursement. This assisted the Township in expending funds in a timely manner.

The Township has also developed an outreach program to affirmatively target and further fair housing opportunities and to identify areas of target outreach to racial and ethnic minorities for meaningful access to the Township's programs and services. An analysis of locations of previously completed Housing Rehabilitation Projects was cross referenced with HUD CPD Mapping GIS Tool to identify areas where the Township mailed out informational flyers to over 6,000 households discussing the Township's programs and applications to the Housing Rehabilitation program. Approximately 2,000 flyers were mailed to targeted outreach areas in the Low-Moderate Income block groups, as well. In addition, the Township's subrecipient, Homes Now Inc., provided programmatic materials to local radio stations, community groups, property management companies, civic organizations, and property owners associations. These materials were made available in English and Spanish.

Monitoring Visit:

In addition, in June and July of 2020, the Township was monitored by the Newark HUD office and after review of our documents and interviews, we were found to have no issues or findings of note. We have included the report at the end of this document for review.

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

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

In 2022, the staff continued to monitor and utilize a dedicated page on the Township of Brick Website at <https://www.bricktownship.net>. The Township of Brick hosts this page on its website dedicated specifically to the HUD CDBG Program and posts all relevant reports, notices and information regarding the program. In addition, the Township notices the public following the schedule of public notice and outreach through newspaper publications, on-line newspaper

publications, social media posts and notification in Spanish speaking publications. The general public is made aware of the availability of CDBG resources on an annual basis and applications for public services are made available every January/February.

Public Service groups are also made aware of program funding through local notice and direct mailing and oftentimes are a carry-over from past year successes. The Ocean County Housing Consortium is directly responsible for public notice on all program planning and funding initiatives for all entitlement towns. The County's Advertisement for this 2022 CAPER specifically listed Brick Township and was placed in the Asbury Park Press, Latinos Unidos and posted on the County's website and Township's website along with Brick's Draft Plan.

There were no comments received during the public hearings for the 2022 Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan. There were no public comments received during the public hearings held at the County or at the Municipal Building for the 2022 Action Plan and no comments were received on this CAPER. The Township continues to encourage participation by minorities, non-English speaking persons or persons with disabilities to participate in the Planning Process. The LEP (Limited English Proficient) population is afforded significant and meaningful access to programs and services funded with HUD funds. The Township utilizes a Spanish-speaking staff member to translate public notices for public notices for public meetings, public comment periods for plan preparation and public notices for advertisement of Housing Rehabilitation Bids. These notices are published both in Spanish in the Asbury Park Press and the Ocean Star and posted on the Los Unidos website and publications. The Township completed the Four-Factor Limited English Proficiency (LEP) analysis for the Hispanic and Asian Populations in 2018 and has developed and approved a Language Assistance Plan (LAP). The LEP and LAP are both posted on the Township's web page at <http://www.bricktownship.net/index.php/community-block-development-cdbg-grant-program>.

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CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

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

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

The Township of Brick added public infrastructure and public facility improvements to its 2023 Action Plan in anticipation of a pending playground development project in a low-moderate income Census Block Group area and the repair of a handicap ramp at a Township Historic facility. In

2022, the Township was able to correct a number of years of timeliness citations by the incorporation of a public infrastructure and a public facility improvement project. It is anticipated that the Township will continue to include public infrastructure and/or public facility improvement projects as a regular program in order to maintain timeliness and spend funds in a more efficient manner to provide benefit to low/moderate income and limited clientele residents of the Township of Brick.

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

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

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N/A

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N/A

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

N/A

FY 2022 CDBG Public Services CAP:

The Township of Brick received \$310,817 in the FY 2022 allocation. A total of \$52,106 was received from project income and met the minimum \$25,000 to be included in the Public Services Cap calculation. Therefore, the Township of Brick budgeted for \$54,438.45 to be spent on Public Service Activities. The Township expended a total of \$36,438 by the end of the program year, although the balance was expended by the writing of this report. The public Services Cap was met.

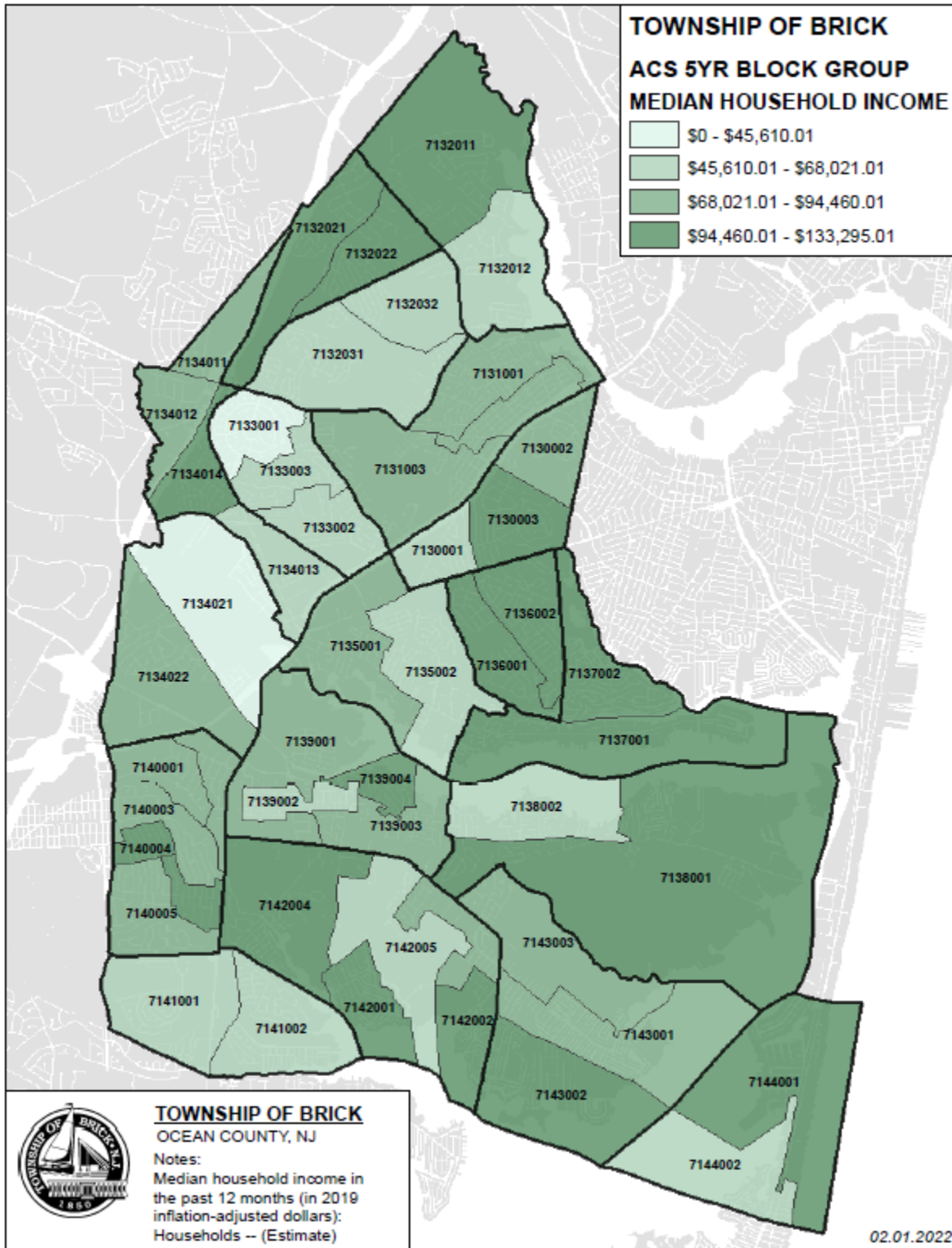
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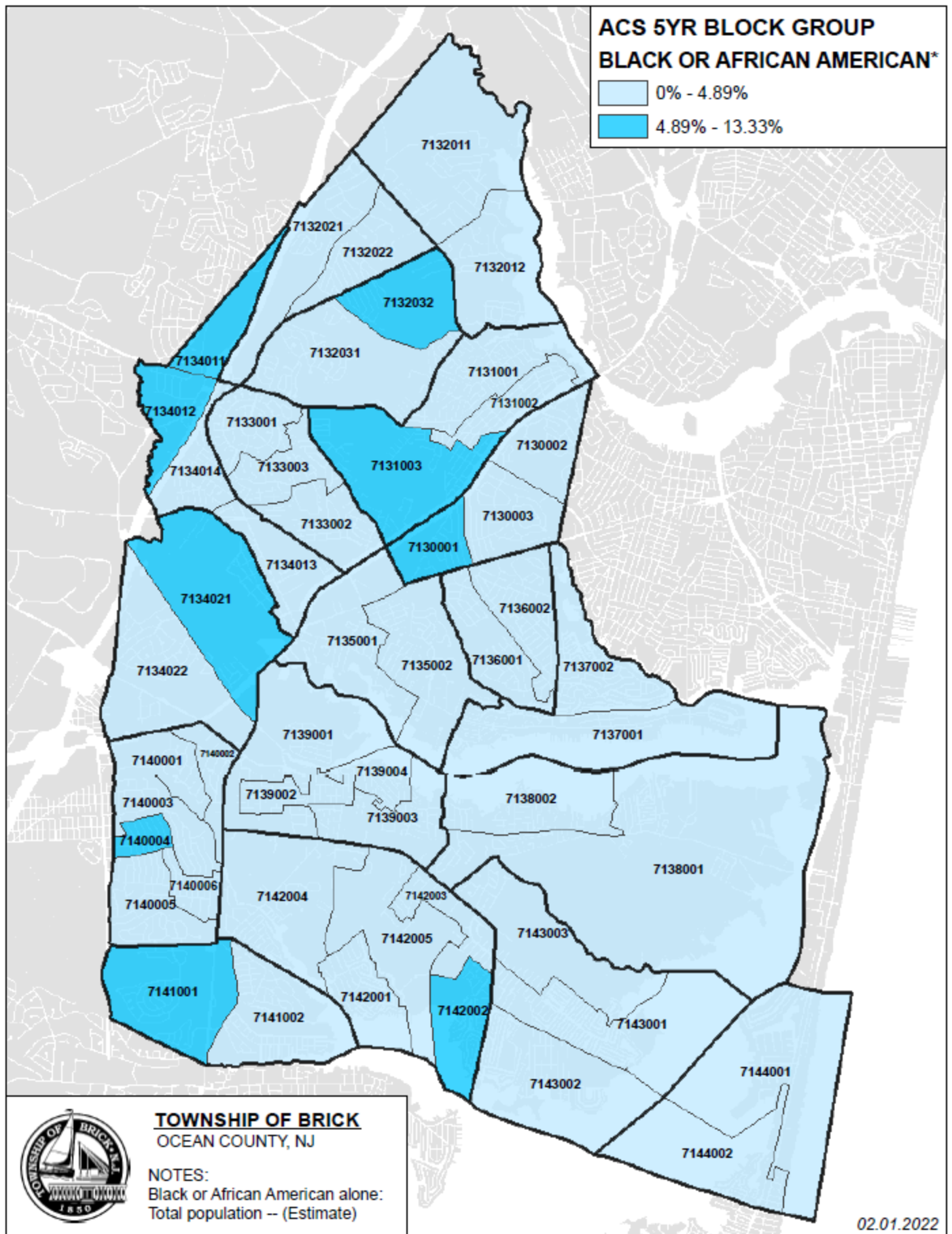
Identify the number of individuals assisted and the types of assistance provided.

N/A

APPENDIX:

Maps of targeted mailings and flyers sent to minority, low income and English as a second language populations





TOWNSHIP OF BRICK

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM – CDBG

Did you know?

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. The [CDBG Entitlement Program](#) provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

We provide the following assistance:

- Affordable Housing Opportunities,
- Single and Multi-Family Housing Rehabilitation Grant Funds to make repairs and improvements,
 - Public Service Grants to public or non-profit agencies that provide: **Rent, Mortgage and Utility Payments**, Employment training, Senior Service assistance, Food bank funding, Counseling services for mental health, domestic violence, youth assistance and Homeless services

We also utilize the funds to make improvements in your neighborhood to improve parks, roads, sidewalks and parks.

If you or someone you know needs assistance and want to know if you'd qualify, please see the table below:

Adjusted Income Limits- Effective July 1, 2021-Ocean County, NJ

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	EXTREMELY LOW 30% LIMITS	LOW INCOME 50% LIMITS	MODERATE INCOME 80% LIMITS
SOURCE: US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, JUNE 2021			
1 Person	22,900	38,150	55,950
2 Person	26,150	43,600	63,950
3 Person	29,400	49,050	71,950
4 Person	32,650	54,450	79,900
5 Person	35,300	58,850	86,500
6 Person	37,900	63,200	92,700
7 Person	40,500	67,550	99,100
8 Person	44,660	71,900	105,500

To learn more, please visit the Township of Brick website by using this QR code or go to:

<http://www.bricktownship.net/index.php/community-block-development-cdbg-grant-program/>

or contact Betty Baptista at bbpatista@bricktownship.net or

Lauren Frank at lfrank@bricktownship.net

For more information, please contact the Township of Brick Community Development Program at 732-262-1030 ext. 5312 or 732-262-1039 ext. 1327



EMERGENCY RENTAL, MORTGAGE & UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR BRICK TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS



Have you been struggling financially due to COVID-19 and in need of financial assistance?

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

Eligible expenses are UNPAID rent, mortgage or utility bills due to COVID-19 impact only, not future rent or utility costs. You must also meet income requirements as stated below.

Household annual income must be at or below 80% Area Median Income (AMI):

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
80% AMI Level	\$61,175	\$69,915	\$78,654	\$87,393	\$94,385	\$101,376

Homes Now, Inc. through the Township of Brick is offering support to Brick residents currently in rental, mortgage and/or utility arrears due to loss of income as the result of Covid-19. Eligible households can qualify for payment of up to three months of arrears up to \$5,000.00.

Please visit www.homes-now.org or call 732.295.7380 for an application

Grant Funds available until exhausted, whichever comes first

Grant funds are provided through the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant Program CARES Act CDBG-CV allocation to prepare, prevent and respond to Coronavirus.

AYUDA Y APOYO EN CRISIS DE CORONAVIRUS PARA RESIDENTES DE BRICK



Ha estado luchando económicamente debido al COVID-19 y necesita ayuda para la Vivienda?

Homes Now, Inc., a través del Municipio de Brick, ofrece apoyo a los residentes de Brick que actualmente están en mora de alquiler, hipoteca y/o servicios públicos debido a la Pérdida de ingresos como resultado de COVID-19. Los hogares elegibles pueden calificar para el pago de hasta tres meses de atrasos hasta \$5,000.00.

Visitar: www.homes-now.org o llama 732.295.7380 para aplicaciones.

Fondos de subvención disponibles hasta Diciembre de 2021 o hasta que se agoten, lo que ocurra primero Los Fondos de la subvención se proporcionan a través de la asignación CDBG-CV de la Ley Cares del Programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de EE.

LOS REQUISITOS DE ELEGIBILIDAD INCLUYEN:

Los gastos elegibles son el alquiler, la hipoteca o las facturas de servicios públicos NO PAGADOS debido al impacto de COVID-19 únicamente, no los costos futuros de alquiler o servicios públicos. También debe cumplir con los requisitos de ingresos que se indican a continuación. El ingreso anual del hogar debe ser igual o inferior al 80% del ingreso medio del área (AMI):

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
80% AMI Level	\$54,950	\$62,800	\$70,650	\$78,500	\$84,800	\$91,100

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TOWNSHIP OF BRICK
FY 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM – CDBG
PUBLIC SERVICES GRANT OPPORTUNITY



All non-profit public service agencies are invited to apply for these grant funds to enhance services to the Township's residents.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. Beginning in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs at HUD. The CDBG program provides annual grants on a formula basis to 1209 general units of local government and States.

The Program Area the Township of Brick receives funding from is known as the Entitlement Program:

The CDBG Entitlement Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

Eligible Activities – Over a 1, 2, or 3-year period, as selected by the grantee, not less than 70 percent of CDBG funds must be used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. In addition, each activity must meet one of the following national objectives for the program: benefit low- and moderate-income persons, prevention or elimination of slums or blight, or address community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community for which other funding is not available.

Public Services – this project allows the Township to utilize a maximum of 15% of the total CDBG annual allocation to be passed through to public or non-profit agencies that provide services to the low and moderate income population and meet the national objectives of the program.

Funding will be prioritized for programs that propose the following Public Service activities:

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| • Food Banks | • Warming Centers | • Services for persons with Disabilities |
| • Senior Services | • One-time subsistence payments for rent/utilities | • Transportation Services |
| • Nutrition Programs | • Rental Assistance | • Health Services |
| • Counseling Services | • Youth Services | • Employment training |
| • Services for abused women and children | | • Mental Health Services |
| • Homelessness services | | |

To obtain an application for Public Services, please see the link below

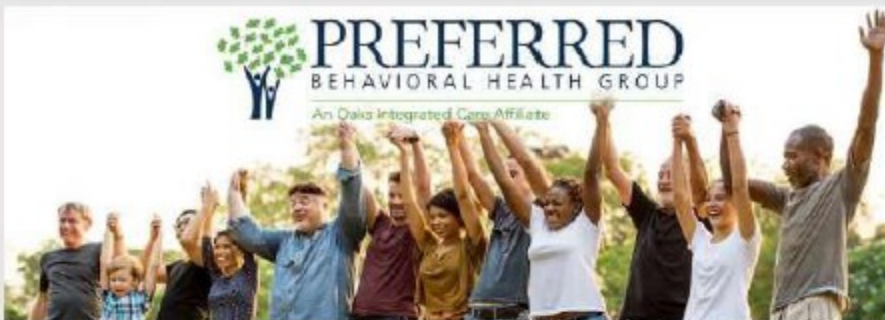
<http://www.bricktownship.net/index.php/community-block-development-cdbg-grant-program/>
or contact Lauren Helmstetter at lhelmstetter@bricktownship.net

For more information, please contact the Township of Brick Division of Land Use & Planning at 732-262-1030 ext. 5312 or 732-262-1039 ext. 1327



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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH GROUP

An Oakton Integrated Care Affiliate



Mission: is to deliver quality and compassionate behavioral health services to individuals and families all the time through a Trauma Informed Care philosophy and approach.

How to Access:

1. Contact your school guidance counselor or the PBHG School Based Program for a referral.
2. Referral suggestions provided after session 3.
3. Spanish speaking staff and therapist available.
4. Immediate referral form link:
<https://www.cognitofrms.com/PBHG1/BTCPReferral>
5. For questions or referrals: contact Elizabeth Mottola at 732-785-1900 x 7117 or emottola@preferredbehavioral.org

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Brick Township Cares Program at Preferred Center for Children and Families

Provides...

Three free counseling sessions for any youth who attends Brick Township Schools and has been impacted by COVID in one or more of the following areas:

- COVID illness in youth
- COVID illness in family member
- Financial:
 - (low to moderate income cap for median income in Brick, recent income changes)
- Medical
- Educational
- Housing
- Mental Health
- DCPP involvement
- English as second language
- Food insecurity

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