

**Substantial Amendment to the
Monmouth County Community Development Office
Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2024**

The Monmouth County Office of Community Development has been designated as the lead agency for the preparation and submission of the County's Annual Action Plans for Community Development Programs, funded by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Monmouth County Office of Community Development is proposing to amend its FY 2024 One Year Annual Action Plan component of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. Monmouth County expects to submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD before March 1, 2026

The Annual Action Plan identifies the needs of homeless, low-income and special needs populations and describes activities the County intends to undertake to address the priorities and specific objectives for housing and community development. The Plan also identifies the public and private funding sources that will be used to carry out the needs and objectives outlined in the Plan.

HUD requires the County to submit an Annual Action Plan each year, identifying the activities it intends to undertake with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant funds. The County is following the Citizen Participation Process outlined in the Office of Community Development's Citizen Participation Plan. The County must hold a public comment period to obtain citizen input on any proposed changes in projects or funding allocations contained in the Action Plan, whenever the proposed changes meet the definition of a Substantial Amendment as outlined in the Citizen Participation Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The thirty-day public comment period begins on December 22, 2025, and ends at midnight January 23, 2026. The County will accept comments from the public on this Amendment during this timeframe.

The Public is hereby notified that comments on the Substantial Amendment will be accepted by email to: Monmouth County Community Development Program, ATT: Laura Kirby, Community Development Director to communitydevelopment@co.monmouth.nj.us or by fax: 732-308-2995.

The Substantial Amendment is available on the Division of Planning, Community Development page of the Monmouth County website at www.visitmonmouth.com. Hard copies are available for review at the Office of Community Development, 2nd Floor, Hall of Records Annex, One East Main Street, Freehold, NJ, 07728. Translation services are available on the website. The Planning Board Office is handicapped accessible.

No comments will be accepted by telephone.

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT OVERVIEW:

The Substantial Amendment allows for the programming of available funds to best meet current needs as identified in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and FY 2024 Annual Action Plan. This Amendment reallocates returned funds from one project with to one existing project.

The County is amending its FY 2024 Annual Action Plan, reallocating \$ in funds as outlined below.

<u>Changes to HOME-Funded Activities:</u>	<u>Prior Allocation</u>	<u>Funding Change</u>	<u>% Change in Allocation</u>
2024 Project Freedom	\$250,000	-\$52,762	-21.1%
Habitat for Humanity New Home Construction	\$150,000	\$202,762	35.17%

<u>Changes to CDBG -Funded Activities:</u>	<u>Prior Allocation</u>	<u>Funding Change</u>	<u>% Change in Allocation</u>
2024 Hazlet	\$165,000	-\$38,429	-23.29%
2024 Caregiver Volunteers	\$40,000	\$10,429	26.07%
2024 Monmouth Arts	New Project	\$14,000	n/a
2024 Senior Citizens Activity Network	New Project	\$14,000	n/a

Sub-Grantee's name: Habitat for Humanity in Monmouth County		Program: HOME Investment Partnership Program	
Project Title: New Home Construction		Objective Category:	Low/mod limited clientele benefit
Location: Location to be determined		Outcome Category:	Availability/Accessibility
Priority Need: Housing Supply and Strategy		Project ID: 2024-16	Local ID: G-14-56-892-240-216
Census Tract #: n/a	Block Group # n/a	Type of Recipient: Non-profit	IDIS Activity # n/a
Funding Sources: Including Year			
HOME 2024	\$202,762	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
		Total:	\$202,762
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>HOME funds will be used to provide funding to continue Habitat for Humanity in Monmouth County's new home construction program. This program constructs three-bedroom single-family homes for purchase by income eligible families. A specific project location in Monmouth County for the FY2024 HOME funds is still being determined. Habitat for Humanity in Monmouth County has several projects in various phases of construction. All project locations have completed municipal approval presented at public meetings, and County Environmental Review before HOME funds are approved.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Monmouth Arts		Program: Community Development Block Grant	
Project Title: Monmouth Arts Youth Arts Program		Objective Category:	Low/mod limited clientele benefit
Location: 130 Maple Avenue Suite 7B Red Bank, NJ		Outcome Category:	Sustainability
Priority Need: Expansion of Public Services		Project ID: 2024-4	Local ID: G-14-56-892-240-XXX
Census Tract #: 8034	Block Group # 1	CDBG Eligible Area: Yes	HUD Matrix Code: 05D Youth Services
		Type of Recipient: Non-profit	IDIS Activity #: n/a
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG 2022	\$14,000	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$14,000
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>Reallocated CDBG funds will be used to install ADA improvements to the Monmouth Arts facility. Proposed improvements include as installing grab bars, an ADA-compliant sink and toilet, smooth flooring, and widening the door opening. These improvements to our restroom facility will ensure that individuals with disabilities can comfortably visit Monmouth Arts and engage in the same interactions and services as those without disabilities.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Senior Citizens Activity Network		Program: Community Development Block Grant	
Project Title: Senior Education Program		Objective Category:	Low/mod limited clientele benefit
Location: 180 Route 35 South Eatontown		Outcome Category:	Sustainability
Priority Need: Expansion of Public Services		Project ID: 2024-4	Local ID: G-14-56-892-240-XXX
Census Tract #: 8036	Block Group # 5	CDBG Eligible Area: yes	HUD Matrix Code: 05A Senior Services
		Type of Recipient: Non-Profit	IDIS Activity #: n/a
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG 2024	\$14,000	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$14,000
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>Established in 1988, the Senior Citizen Activity Network, is a non-profit education and resource center whose programming assists older adults as the transition beyond retirement. The Senior Citizen Activity Network utilizes CDBG funds to support SCAN's virtual and in person classes that specifically target low/moderate income residents. Programming supports financial literacy, staying physically and mentally healthy and engaging in local community.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Caregiver Volunteer of Central Jersey		Program: Community Development Block Grant	
Project Title: Operating Expenses		Objective Category:	Low/mod limited clientele benefit
Location: 61 Georgia Road Freehold, NJ		Outcome Category:	Availability/Accessibility
Priority Need: Expansion of Public Services		Project ID: 2024-4	Local ID: G-14-56-892-240-XXX
Census Tract #: 8106	Block Group # 3	CDBG Eligible Area: no	HUD Matrix Code: 05A Senior Services
		Type of Recipient: Non-profit	IDIS Activity #: 2790
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG 2024	\$10,429	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$10,429
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>Reallocated CDBG funds will be used to provide medical transportation and grocery shopping services, social visits, respite care, and phone call check ins to low-and-moderate income seniors</p>			

