



# CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP 2025-2029 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND 2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

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# Executive Summary

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

### 1. Introduction

The 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan for Cherry Hill Township was adopted on June 23, 2025 via Council Resolution 2026-6-25.

The Cherry Hill Township Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program strives to ensure quality affordable housing, suitable living environments, and the provision of services to the most vulnerable in our community.

Cherry Hill Township (“Township”) is considered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as an Entitlement Community. Entitlement Communities are comprised of central cities of Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs); metropolitan cities with populations of at least 50,000; and qualified urban counties with a population of 200,000 or more (excluding the populations of entitlement cities). As an Entitlement Community, Cherry Hill receives an annual allocation from HUD, based on a formula comprised of several measures of community need, including the extent of poverty, population, overcrowded housing, age of housing, and population growth lag in relationship to other metropolitan areas.

As a condition of receiving these funds, the Township is required to develop a 5-Year Consolidated Plan that prioritizes community needs, articulates goals, and anticipated resources. The Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a summary of the actions, activities, and resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan. This Five-Year Consolidated Plan covers July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2030, while the final section of the Consolidated Plan is the 2025 Annual Action Plan for July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026. The Township will receive a formula allocation from HUD for the 2025 Annual Action Plan (Program Year 2025) of approximately \$407,498.

In addition to CDBG funds, the Township is a participant in the Camden County HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). Cherry Hill Township, Gloucester City and Gloucester Township have entered into a consortium with Camden County to administer the HOME allocation. HOME funds are provided to private and non-profit developers through a competitive annual application. These funds are used to help meet goals and objectives established by both the County’s and Township’s 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

Additionally, the Township collects development fees that are deposited into an Affordable Housing Trust Fund that are used to create or maintain affordable housing for low- and moderate-income households and to develop and implement affordability assistance programs, in furtherance of the Township’s Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

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

**Decent Housing.** The 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan seeks to make decent housing more available, affordable, accessible, and sustainable for low- and moderate-income residents, including:

- Increasing the availability of quality, affordable, permanent, and fair housing to low- and moderate-income families;
- Retaining the Township's affordable housing stock;
- Assisting homeless persons obtain affordable housing;
- Providing opportunities for affordable housing that are accessible and in proximity to job opportunities and employment centers;
- Providing housing that conforms to the American Disabilities Act (ADA) that includes structural features and services to enable persons with special needs to live in dignity and independence; and
- Assisting low and moderate income households to remain in their homes.

**Suitable Living Environment.** The 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan seeks to make suitable living environments more available, affordable, accessible, and sustainable for low- and moderate-income residents by:

- Improving the safety and quality of life in eligible neighborhoods;
- Eliminating blighting influences and the deterioration of property and facilities;
- Increasing access to quality public and private facilities and services;
- Providing improvements to public facilities and infrastructure;
- Reducing isolation of income groups within areas through spatial de-concentration of housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons;
- Revitalizing deteriorating neighborhoods; and
- Conserving energy resources.

**Provision of Services.** The 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan seeks to provide services to low- and moderate-income persons and families, including, but not limited to:

- Continued access and/or increased access for victims of domestic violence;
- Continued access and/or increased services for seniors and disabled persons; and
- Provision of services to low and moderate income persons and families, such as credit counseling, housing counseling services, food pantry, etc.

**Program Planning & Administration.** In addition to the three program goals listed above, the Township is committed to resourcing the Planning & Administration at a level that supports the time and expertise needed for effective implementation of the CDBG Program.

The goals of the programs, along with the identified needs, and alternative resources formed the basis for establishing the priorities for this Consolidated Plan.

### **3. Evaluation of past performance**

In the Township's last Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2020-2024), CDBG funds were targeted primarily towards the acquisition and rehabilitation of affordable housing, removal of architectural barriers, small park improvements in eligible neighborhoods, and access to public services (senior bus and the side by side domestic violence program). More recently, and reflected in this Consolidated Plan, there has been a shift in the Township's approach to its CDBG program, based on various factors.

In the past, the Township focused its CDBG funds predominantly on the Housing Activities program that allowed the Township to purchase and rehab housing units for conversion to income qualified rental units or modest priced housing units for purchase. However, the Township has a sizeable Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) due to the collection of mandatory residential and non-residential development fees for affordable housing and payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on sites zoned for affordable housing. It is anticipated that the majority of the Township's housing acquisition activities during the next five years will use AHTF funding. The expenditure of AHTF dollars on housing activities allows the Township to concentrate more of its CDBG funding on public facilities and infrastructure projects in eligible neighborhoods, removal of architectural barriers, as well as housing activities that serve low- and moderate-income residents who are not living in deed-restricted housing. This will allow the Township to optimize its financial resources.

Cherry Hill Township continually strives to improve its performance and that of its funded agencies. During the previous Consolidated Plan period, CDBG funds were targeted primarily toward addressing the priority needs of decent housing, suitable living environments, and the provision of public services to low- and moderate-income persons. In addition, during the last five years, the Township has implemented eligible activities using CDBG-CV funding in order to address the impacts of COVID-19. These efforts have included public services, mortgage and rental assistance and public facility projects to address the ability of nonprofits to meet increased demands since the COVID pandemic.

The most recent completed program CAPER year is Program Year (PY) 2023, during which Cherry Hill made significant progress in carrying out its strategic plan and action plan. During PY 2023, the Handy Helper Home Repair program provided home repairs to 44 senior/disabled owner-occupied households, the Township removed architectural barriers for seniors and disabled persons at 42 Township intersections, the Cherry Hill Food Pantry assisted over 1700 new clients and the Food Pantry expansion project is almost complete. Additionally, the Senior Bus program provided rides to over 149 new registrants, and the Side-by-Side Domestic Violence Team assisted 177 individuals. Also, during this time, the Township entered into a subrecipient agreement with a new non-profit partner, Habitat for Humanity, to help offset the cost of rehabilitating an affordable dwelling unit for a moderate-income household that the Township

purchased. The activity is expected to be complete during PY 2025. The Township remained under the planning and administration and public services caps for PY 2023. The Township continued to be on track in PY 2024.

#### **4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process**

The Township will receive a formula allocation from HUD for the 2025 Annual Action Plan (Program Year 2025) of approximately \$407,498. Planning began with an anticipated allocation based on last year's allocation, as noted in the public notice.

The Township posted its Public Notice in the regional/area newspaper on February 9, 2025, which was more than ten days prior to the public hearing held on February 20, 2025 to announce key public participation dates for the Township's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) planning process for the 2025 – 2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan (AAP). Notice was also provided at the Cherry Hill Public Library, at the Township Clerk's office and on the Township website. The purpose of the Township's first public hearing, held on February 20, 2025, was to: (1) provide a general overview of the CDBG Program (national objectives, eligible program activities and targeted populations, program requirements), (2) review the performance of, and receive comments on, current and past CDBG activities and program performance, (3) gather input on community development and housing needs, particularly of low and moderate income residents and targeted populations under the program, and (4) gather input and ideas in the development of the Consolidated and Annual Action Plans.

The purpose of the Township's second hearing, held on April 10, 2025, was to review the proposed 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan, and allow stakeholders to offer comments on the proposed plan, including the annual budget, as well as on all aspects of the Township's CDBG program performance. Both hearings were held as hybrid hearings, with members of the public able to log in via Zoom or attend in person at the Municipal Building.

Additionally, the Township conducted stakeholder interviews with various municipal departments and non-profits, and a community survey was conducted as part of the planning process.

Lastly, The Township's Draft 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, 2025 Annual Action Plan, and Amended Citizen Participation Plan was made available for a 30-day public review and comment period from April 10, 2025 – May 10, 2025. A hard copy of the plan was available for public review in person at the Township Clerk's Office, the Township Office of Community Development, the Township library, and available online on the Township website.

#### **5. Summary of public comments**

No public comments were received on the proposed draft plan.

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

This is not applicable, as no public comments were received.

## **7. Summary**

The 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, includes the priorities and goals for the next five years of CDBG funding. Once approved by HUD, this plan begins on July 1, 2025 and is effective through June 30, 2030. The 2025 Annual Action Plan represents year one for the five-year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan to be approved by HUD. This Annual Action Plan is Cherry Hill Township's Department of Community Development's official application for HUD entitlement grants and proposes programs and services to be funded during the Township's Fiscal Year FY2026 (HUD's Program Year PY2025), which begins July 1, 2025 and terminates on June 30, 2026.

The Township made every effort to advertise and encourage public participation and received participation for public hearings and public review from Township administration and various Township departments, as well as community partners. The Township did not receive public comments from members of the public on the draft plan. In addition to the public participation efforts, the Township conducted stakeholder interviews and a community survey as part of the consultation portion of the planning process. These efforts are detailed in the Consultation section of the plan.

The Consolidated Plan targets funds towards addressing the priority needs of decent housing, suitable living environments, the provision of public services to low- and moderate-income persons, and planning and administration of the grant.

# The Process

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

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

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

| Agency Role        | Name                 | Department/Agency                   |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lead Agency        | CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP |                                     |
| CDBG Administrator | CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP | Department of Community Development |
|                    |                      |                                     |

**Table 1– Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative

The Cherry Hill Township Department of Community Development serves as the administrative agency for the Cherry Hill Township CDBG programs. As the responsible entity, the Department of Community Development reviews the performance of sub-recipients and monitors the overall program delivery structure to ensure coordination and compliance.

As the entitlement grantee for the CDBG program, the Cherry Hill Township Department of Community Development is the lead agency for the development of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan, as well as the Annual Action Plans that outline the proposed projects, activities, and expenditures under the Plan. The Department oversees planning, zoning, community development, rental housing, affordable housing, lead-based paint hazards of rental properties, property maintenance and various programs for the Township.

The Department coordinates with several public and private agencies that administer programs and activities under the plan, which include the following:

- Cherry Hill Township Department of Public Works & Engineering (Local Government)
- Cherry Hill Township Department of Recreation (Local Government)
- Cherry Hill Township Finance Department (Local Government)
- Cherry Hill Township Police Department (Local Government)
- Camden County Department of Community Development (Regional Government)
- Habitat for Humanity of Camden County (Non-profit)
- Affordable Rental Housing at Tavistock (ARHAT) (Non-profit)
- Cherry Hill Food Pantry (Non-profit)

The following individuals are ultimately responsible for the implementation and oversight of the CDBG Program:

Mayor David Fleisher, Mayor of Cherry Hill Township

Kathleen Cullen, Director of Department of Community Development, Cherry Hill Township

Mara Wuebker, PP/AICP, Deputy Director of Department of Community Development, Cherry Hill Township

### **Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information**

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

### **1. Introduction**

The Township has always encouraged on-going participation from residents, community service providers, and existing and potential community development partners. As part of the five-year strategic planning process, the Township employed additional methods of consulting with stakeholders and community members to ensure community input into direction of the Township's CDBG program over the next five years. In 2020, the Township did not have participation from many residents and stakeholders for their Consolidated Plan process. The 2025 process marks a drastic increase in stakeholder and community participation in the Township's CDBG Program.

The Township conducted stakeholder interviews with the following community partners:

- St. Joseph's Carpenter Society, a non-profit community development corporation, who also manages programs for the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs;
- Affordable Rental Housing at Tavistock (ARHAT) (Non-profit), a Township and non-profit partnership affordable housing non-profit organization;
- Habitat for Humanity of South Central New Jersey, an affordable housing non-profit organization;
- Cherry Hill Police Department, local police department that provides the Side by Side program to support domestic violence victims;
- Cherry Hill Food Pantry, a local food resource and non-profit organization;
- Cherry Hill Township Recreation and Senior Bus Director;
- Cherry Hill Township Engineering Department; and
- Cherry Hill Township Administration.

In addition, the Township deployed a community survey to collect broad resident input. The survey was available online and paper copies were available at the Township and the Public Library. The survey was made available in English, Spanish and Chinese in accordance with the Township's Language Assistance Plan. There were 134 survey respondents, including 120 in English and 14 in Chinese.

The results of the survey were consistent with the feedback gathered through the consultation focus groups and the public hearings. The results are also consistent with the Township's CDBG Priorities and Goals.

According to respondents:

1. Top Housing Priority = Affordable Housing for Owner-Occupied Housing
2. Top Housing Problem = Availability of Affordable Housing (Rental and Ownership)
3. Top Public Improvements = Sidewalks and Streets/Road Reconstruction
4. Top Service Needs = Senior Programs, Food Resources, Youth Services/Activities and Child Care.

Additional survey result summary information is available in the public participation attachment to the plan.

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

Cherry Hill Township developed institutional structures to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies, and foster assisted housing improvements and resident initiatives. Each year, the Township utilizes a network of referrals, contacts and partnerships to implement the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan. Additionally, the Township provides a list of affordable housing providers on its website as well as links to State, Regional, and County housing and social resources.

Most recently, the Cherry Hill Police Department partnered with Volunteers of America - Delaware Valley, through the IMPACT Program. IMPACT, or Immediate Mobilization of Police Assisted Crisis Teams, provides communities with social services assistance at any point of contact with law enforcement. This includes a friendly outreach encounter to calls for service, arrest, crisis hospitalization or incarceration. The Cherry Hill Police Department and VOADV staff work side by side, 40 hours a week, at the department. IMPACT staff assist walk-in service requests at headquarters and respond jointly to meet the needs of the community wherever they may be. Police officers are now, through the VOA tools, able to contact Oaks Integrated Crisis Screeners remotely for a tele-evaluation. This expedites the process of “mobile outreach” evaluations. This allows those in need of mental health services to spend less time waiting and receive the appropriate level of treatment sooner than through traditional means. IMPACT staff are available 24/7/365 to assist with immediate needs, including emergency housing.

The Township also continues to build its relationship with local housing providers such as nonprofit developers. Specifically, the Department of Community Development participated in several meetings with Habitat for Humanity to discuss means of partnering together on future housing projects. The Township also continue to build relationships with other non-profit agencies, to ensure that limited housing resources are utilized in the most efficient and effective manner possible. Finally, the Township, in partnership with the County, will continue to work jointly to meet the housing needs of Cherry Hill Township’s very low-income populations. Cherry Hill Township developed institutional structures to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies and foster assisted housing improvements and resident initiatives. Each year, the Township utilizes a network of referrals, contacts and partnerships to implement the strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan.

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

The Township coordinates with the Southern New Jersey Four County Continuum of Care, Camden County Homeless Network Planning Committee and Camden County HOME Consortium, who conducts ESG needs assessments and planning for the entire County.

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

The Township does not receive ESG funding, nor is subject to the reporting requirements outlined in 91.220(l)(1); 91.220(l)(3); or 91.220(l)(4). However, the Township continues to work with the Southern New Jersey Four County Continuum of Care, Camden County Homeless Network Planning Committee and Camden County HOME Consortium, who conducts ESG needs assessments and planning for the entire County.

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

**Table 2– Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

|   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| 1 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Other government - Local   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Non-Homeless Special Needs<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Public Facilities   |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | The Department of Community Development engaged those who currently administer the Township's programming, including the Department of Engineering and the Department of Recreation, the Police Department, Administration and the Finance Department. Representatives of these departments participated in stakeholder interviews and strategic meetings concerning the CDBG Program and community needs. |
| 2 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING AT TAVISTOCK   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing<br>Other government - Local<br>Civic Leaders   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Public Housing Needs<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Public Services  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | ARHAT representatives participated in the public hearings, stakeholder interviews and in ongoing communication with the Community Development Department.  |
| 3 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Cherry Hill Food Pantry  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Services-homeless<br>Food Pantry   |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless<br>Homeless Needs - Families with children<br>Anti-poverty Strategy<br>Public Services   |

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|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Food Pantry representatives participated in stakeholder interviews and in ongoing communication with the Community Development Department. |
| 4 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | St. Joseph's Carpenters Society  |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing<br>Services - Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Lead-based Paint Strategy<br>Anti-poverty Strategy  |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Non-profit representatives participated in stakeholder interviews and in ongoing communication with the Community Development Department.  |
| 5 | <b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>   | Habitat for Humanity of South Central New Jersey   |
|   | <b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>  | Housing<br>Services - Housing  |
|   | <b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>   | Housing Need Assessment<br>Anti-poverty Strategy   |
|   | <b>How was the Agency/Group/Organization consulted and what are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b> | Non-profit representatives participated in stakeholder interviews and in ongoing communication with the Community Development Department.  |

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

The Township is regularly in contact with all known agencies and organizations involved in activities that are relevant to CDBG activities and programs.

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

| Name of Plan                              | Lead Organization    | How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?          |
|---|----------------------|---|
| Continuum of Care                         | Camden County        | Both serve to provide Decent Housing, Suitable Living Environment and Public Services |
| Camden County 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan | Camden County        | Both serve to provide Decent Housing, Suitable Living Environment and Public Services |
| Cherry Hill Township Master Plan          | Cherry Hill Township | Both serve to provide Decent Housing, Suitable Living Environment and Public Services |

**Table 3– Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

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

The Township partners with the Camden County Improvement Authority (CCIA) with regard to the Housing Improvement Program (HIP). The County Department of Community Development now utilizes HOME funds to implement the HIP Program for Cherry Hill residents (which is implemented by the CCIA). Additional coordination with the County will occur as the Township seeks HOME funds through the HOME Consortia.

**Narrative**

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

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

In accordance with **24 CFR 91.105** and **91.505**, the Township of Cherry Hill has prepared and adopted a Citizen Participation Plan. It establishes procedures for obtaining the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties regarding the use of CDBG funds. Of particular importance are the views of persons of low- and moderate-income, who are intended to be the principal beneficiaries of the CDBG program, and residents of areas where activities are expected to take place. The participation of all Township residents is encouraged, especially HUD's protected classes, which include senior citizens, non-English speaking residents in the community, female-headed households and persons with disabilities.

Citizen input is essential in the following areas of the CDBG process:

- 1) Identification of housing and community development needs;
- 2) Development of the Consolidated Plan;
- 3) Development of the Annual Action Plan;
- 4) Development of the Citizen Participation Plan;
- 5) Substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or the Annual Action Plan; and
- 6) Annual performance report.

To provide various avenues of citizen participation, hybrid in-person and virtual public hearings are being held via the Zoom online meeting platform and in-person at the Township. Members of the public were given opportunities to speak during the hearings to verbally submit their public comments. The log-in information for the Virtual Public Hearings was posted on the Township's website. The public notice had translations in Spanish and Chinese in order to reach non-English speaking residents.

Township residents and organizations were invited and encouraged to attend these public hearings and submit comments at the virtual public hearings or by writing to the Cherry Hill Township Department of Community Development, 820 Mercer Street, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002, The deadline for written comments was May 10, 2025. No written comments were submitted.

Cherry Hill Township conducted its first public hearing on the 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan on February 20, 2025. The purpose of this hearing was to: (1) provide a general overview of the CDBG Program; (2) review the performance of current and past CDBG activities and receive comments on program performance; (3) gather input on community development and housing needs, particularly of low and moderate- income residents and targeted populations under the program; and (4) gather input and ideas from citizens, local public and non-profit agencies, and other interested groups in the development of the Consolidated and Annual Action Plans.

Cherry Hill Township held its second public hearing on the Township's Draft 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Plan on April 10, 2025. The purpose of this hearing was to provide an overview of the proposed draft Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, and to allow stakeholders the opportunity to offer comments on the proposed plan, including the annual budget.

The Community survey was prepared in English, Chinese, and Spanish, to encourage non-English speaking respondents to participate in the survey.

Lastly, a 30-day public comment period was held from April 10, 2025 – May 10, 2025. A hard copy of the plan was available for public review in person at the Township Clerk's Office, the Township's Office of Community Development, the Township library, and available online on the Township's website.

## Citizen Participation Outreach

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach | Target of Outreach            | Summary of response/attendance   | Summary of comments received   | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons | URL (if applicable)   |
|------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| 1          | Public Hearing   | Non-targeted /broad community | The first public hearing was held on February 20, 2025. There were several attendees, including a representative from ARHAT, the coordinator of the side by side domestic violence program, as well as Community Development staff and CDBG consultant. No other members of the public were in attendance. | As far as community needs, decent and affordable housing for low income residents is a significant need. The most requested need is rental assistance. There was a discussion of how Cherry Hill is very auto oriented. More extensive and convenient public transportation is needed. Many low income families struggle with low credit scores, making it hard for them to qualify for housing. More senior housing is needed, especially first floor units. Also the need for housing stock where residents can age in place - near family, but not necessarily in same dwelling unit. All comments are summarized in the public participation attachment. | All comments were received and accepted.     | <a href="https://www.chnj.gov/152/Community-Development-Block-Grant-CDBG">https://www.chnj.gov/152/Community-Development-Block-Grant-CDBG</a> |

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|------------|------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| 2          | Community Survey | Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Chinese and Spanish<br><br>Non-targeted /broad community | 134 Respondents: 120 in English and 14 in Chinese<br><a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCJ3BNK">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCJ3BNK</a> (English)<br><a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q3LQL57">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q3LQL57</a> (Spanish)<br><a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WL5BQR2">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WL5BQR2</a> (Chinese) | 1. Top housing priority is affordable housing for owner occupied housing, 2. Top housing problem is availability of affordable Housing (rental and ownership). 3. Top public improvements is sidewalks and streets/road reconstruction. 4. Top service needs is senior programs, food resources, youth services activities and child care. The results of the survey were consistent with the feedback gathered through the consultation focus groups and the public hearings. The results are also consistent with the Townships CDBG Priorities and Goals. Survey result summary information is available in the public participation attachment to the plan. | All comments were received and accepted.     | <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCJ3BNK">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCJ3BNK</a> ;<br><a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q3LQL57">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q3LQL57</a> ;<br><a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WL5BQR2">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WL5BQR2</a> |
| 3          | Newspaper Ad     | Non-targeted /broad community   | Announcements of the two public hearings and public review period were advertised in the Township paper of record- the Camden Courier Post- and posted on the municipal website site, clerk office, as well as the library.  | No comments were received.  | No comments were received.                   |   |

| Sort Order | Mode of Outreach      | Target of Outreach            | Summary of response/attendance  | Summary of comments received  | Summary of comments not accepted and reasons                               | URL (if applicable) |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 4          | Public Hearing        | Non-targeted /broad community | A second public hearing was held on April 10, 2025. A representative from ARHAT, Community Development Staff, and Consultant was in attendance. No members of the public attended the hearings. | No public comments were received.   | No comments were received.   |                     |
| 5          | Public Comment Period | Non-targeted /broad community | The Township noticed and posted the draft Annual Plan for public comment for no less than 30 days from April 10 to May 10 2025.   | For the 2025 AAP, the Controller's office requested that public services budget be increased an additional \$1124.70, which is 15% of allocation funds. Accordingly, the public services budget was increased while the public facilities budget was decreased that amount. This was also replicated in the Con Plan budget. Also, the Con Plan and 2025 budgets were amended to reflect recent program income received. No other written comments were received. | These comments were accepted. No additional public comments were received. |                     |
| 6          | Public Meeting        | Non-targeted /broad community | Township Council reviewed the documents at a public meeting on June 23, 2025 which is memorialized in Resolution 2025-6-25.   | No comments were received.  | No comments were received.   |                     |

**Table 4– Citizen Participation Outreach**

# Needs Assessment

## NA-05 Overview

### Needs Assessment Overview

By reviewing available data, and listening to Township staff, community stakeholders and residents, Cherry Hill Township has concluded that the following needs exist within the jurisdiction to an extent that an effective Community Development program, backed by HUD resources, can have a meaningful impact:

- Affordable housing – Preservation of existing affordable housing through acquisition and residential rehabilitation, construction of new units as well as voucher supports are needed.
- Public facilities and infrastructure - roads, water lines, sewer lines and more in income-eligible residential areas; improvements to facilities that serve low-mod populations; the removal of architectural barriers to accessibility; and
- Public services - needs include transportation (including senior and disabled transit) and services for domestic violence victims.

Much of the data included in the needs assessment utilizes information from the 2019-2023 American Community Survey (ACS). This data set is provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through its *eCon Planning Suite*, an online tool used to help grantees develop market driven strategies to address the needs of their communities. This tool generates the latest housing and economic data using the Community Planning and Development (CPD) mapping tool and provides greater efficiency by allowing the electronic submission of plans directly to HUD.

Much of the Township’s housing, community development and economic development needs are further detailed in the Township’s Master Plan Elements and Reexamination Reports.

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

### **Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Facilities:**

Public facilities needs include improvements to parks and recreation spaces, the removal of architectural barriers to accessibility, and improvements to facilities that serve low-moderate income populations. The Township is committed to creating, improving and preserving facilities, infrastructure, and spaces that serve the public.

### **How were these needs determined?**

These needs were determined by listening to resident and non-profit stakeholders; and weighing staff experience and available resources. Furthermore, the consultation process for the Consolidated and Annual Plans sought input on public facility needs. Many residents identified these needs via surveys and department heads discussed these needs in their interviews.

### **Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Improvements:**

Public improvements to infrastructure, including sidewalks, removal of architectural barriers to accessibility, roads, utility lines, storm water management improvements, and more in income-eligible residential areas, as well as removal of architectural barriers to accessibility in Township-wide areas. The Township is committed to creating, improving and preserving facilities, infrastructure and spaces that serve the public.

### **How were these needs determined?**

These programs have been found to be of high priority through public outreach, the number of persons assisted each year and by the ongoing requests made to Township officials for these upgrades and projects. Additionally, these needs were identified through the plan consultation process. Many residents identified these needs via surveys and stakeholders discussed these needs in their interviews.

### **Describe the jurisdiction's need for Public Services:**

Public, staff and stakeholder input through the Township's consolidated plan consultations identified the following priority needs for public services:

- Senior Bus transportation and programming; and
- Domestic Violence Response Team assistance;
- Food Resources; and
- Youth programs and activities.

### **How were these needs determined?**

These programs have been found to be of high priority through public outreach, the number of persons assisted each year and by the ongoing requests made to Township officials for these upgrades and projects. Additionally, these needs were identified through the plan consultation process. Many residents identified these needs via surveys and stakeholders discussed these needs in their interviews.

# Housing Market Analysis

## MA-05 Overview

### Housing Market Analysis Overview:

Located in Camden County, just over the bridge from the City of Philadelphia, Cherry Hill is a densely populated suburban community with much to offer its residents. Residents enjoy short commutes to Philadelphia by car or public transit; a large array of retail and dining options; over 50 parks and recreational spaces and one of the top performing school districts in Southern New Jersey. Cherry Hill is a desirable community and as a result, opportunities for affordable housing development are limited and costly. This is especially true in 2025 given the high prices of the current real estate market.

**Supply.** The 2019-2023 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Census identified 30,124 housing units in Cherry Hill with 28,737 housing units occupied and 1,387 vacant housing units (4.6%). There are 22,168 owner-occupied housing units. The 2019-2023 ACS identified 6,569 renter-occupied housing units. The median year that owner occupied housing units were built as identified by the 2019-2023 ACS for Cherry Hill is 1968 and the median year built for renter occupied housing is 1976.

**Demand.** Housing demand is expected to increase modestly as evidenced by the population growth of 1.5% between the 2020 Census (74,553) and the 2019-2023 ACS (75,641).

**Condition.** In general, the housing stock condition is very good. According to the 2019-2023 ACS, just 501 units total had two or more identified housing issues (1.7% of all housing units). These are occupied housing units that exhibit 2 or more specific indicators of substandard or inadequate conditions. The ACS typically defines housing conditions using the following four criteria: Lack of complete plumbing facilities; Lack of complete kitchen facilities; More than 1.01 persons per room (overcrowding); Gross rent or selected monthly owner costs exceeding 30% of household income (cost burdened) A unit classified as having "2 or more housing conditions" would be one that meets any two or more of the above criteria. It is assumed that cost burden accounts for the vast majority of the 7,700 units with one identified condition. Of the 501 units with 2 identified conditions, 125 (25%) were owner-occupied and 326 (75%) were renter-occupied.

**Affordability.** Cherry Hill remains a high cost housing market for both owner-occupied housing and renter-occupied housing. The 2019-2023 American Community Survey found that the median value of an owner-occupied dwelling was \$355,700 and that the median monthly rent for a dwelling was \$1,852. Both of these figures are more than 35% higher than Camden County as a whole. They also represent an increase in just three years of 27% in median home value and 21% in median monthly rent.

A portion of the rental and owner-occupied housing within Cherry Hill Township is affordable through subsidized funding sources, such as HUD CDBG and HOME, the Township's Affordable Housing Trust Fund,

Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), and PILOTs for reduced municipal taxes. There are approximately 1,459 deed-restricted or licensed special needs group homes in Cherry Hill, accounting for 5.1% of the overall total occupied housing units Township wide. An additional 266 deed-restricted affordable units are currently approved or under construction. Once complete, the Township's total affordable units will be approximately 1,725 housing units, equating to 6% of the Township's occupied housing stock.

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

### Introduction

One of the region’s original post-World War II suburban communities, Cherry Hill continues to grow as the “community of choice” celebrated for its high quality of life and pioneering business community. The Township’s economic development growth is propelled by businesses constantly innovating in core clusters of advanced manufacturing, science and high-technology, banking, real estate, insurance, healthcare, pharmaceuticals, electronics healthcare, knowledge-based entrepreneurship, and major destination/regional and local retail centers. These businesses are supported by a highly-skilled and highly-educated workforce, steady population and reputable local colleges and educational institutions meeting the talent needs of top-tier companies.

Cherry Hill now stands as a hub for business innovation and growth, making it an attractive destination for corporate relocation, while long established businesses continue to expand, create jobs and enhance facilities due in large part to the Township’s heritage of commercial leadership in the region and the Township’s positive position and policy of business recruitment and retention.

The Township is home to several large companies, including TD Bank, Corcentric, and Melitta North America, as well as many regional medical centers. The Cherry Hill Mall and Garden State Park are also regional draws. In addition to a large corporate and retail presence, the Township is also home to many long-time, locally owned businesses.

The Township’s goal is to foster continued economic development, workforce development, and community development throughout the Township by strategically leveraging resources and through the efficient management of our professional staff.

### Economic Development Market Analysis

#### Business Activity

| Business by Sector                        | Number of Workers | Number of Jobs | Share of Workers % | Share of Jobs % | Jobs less workers % |
|---|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Agriculture, Mining, Oil & Gas Extraction | 51                | 0              | 0                  | 0               | 0                   |
| Arts, Entertainment, Accommodations       | 3,084             | 0              | 8                  | 0               | -8                  |
| Construction                              | 1,556             | 0              | 4                  | 0               | -4                  |
| Education and Health Care Services        | 10,676            | 0              | 28                 | 0               | -28                 |
| Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate       | 3,330             | 0              | 9                  | 0               | -9                  |
| Information                               | 692               | 0              | 2                  | 0               | -2                  |
| Manufacturing                             | 2,484             | 0              | 6                  | 0               | -6                  |
| Other Services                            | 2,196             | 0              | 6                  | 0               | -6                  |

| Business by Sector                            | Number of Workers | Number of Jobs | Share of Workers % | Share of Jobs % | Jobs less workers % |
|---|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Professional, Scientific, Management Services | 5,901             | 0              | 15                 | 0               | -15                 |
| Public Administration                         | 1,978             | 0              | 5                  | 0               | -5                  |
| Retail Trade                                  | 3,917             | 0              | 10                 | 0               | -10                 |
| Transportation and Warehousing                | 2,085             | 0              | 5                  | 0               | -5                  |
| Wholesale Trade                               | 644               | 0              | 2                  | 0               | -2                  |
| Total   | 38,594            | 0              | --                 | --              | --                  |

**Table 5 - Business Activity**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
 ACS 2019-2023  
**Data Source**  
**Comments:**

**Labor Force**

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Total Population in the Civilian Labor Force   | 40,823 |
| Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over | 38,594 |
| Unemployment Rate                              | 5.50   |
| Unemployment Rate for Ages 16-24               | 11.10  |
| Unemployment Rate for Ages 25-65               | 4.50   |

**Table 6 - Labor Force**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
 ACS 2019-2023  
**Data Source Comments:**

| Occupations by Sector                            | Number of People |
|--|------------------|
| Management, business and financial               | 21,883           |
| Farming, fisheries and forestry occupations      | 51               |
| Service  | 4,809            |
| Sales and office                                 | 7,391            |
| Construction, extraction, maintenance and repair | 1,885            |
| Production, transportation and material moving   | 2,626            |

**Table 7 – Occupations by Sector**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**  
 ACS 2019-2023  
**Data Source Comments:**

**Travel Time**

| Travel Time        | Number        | Percentage  |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| < 30 Minutes       | 18,545        | 61%         |
| 30-59 Minutes      | 8,970         | 30%         |
| 60 or More Minutes | 2,718         | 9%          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>30,233</b> | <b>100%</b> |

**Table 8 - Travel Time**

Alternate Data Source Name:

ACS 2019-2023

Data Source Comments:

**Education:**

**Educational Attainment by Employment Status (Population 16 and Older)**

| Educational Attainment                      | In Labor Force    |            | Not in Labor Force |
|---|-------------------|------------|--------------------|
|   | Civilian Employed | Unemployed |                    |
| Less than high school graduate              | 1,368             | 0          | 979                |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 3,110             | 133        | 1,175              |
| Some college or Associate's degree          | 6,159             | 758        | 1,317              |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                 | 21,959            | 759        | 3,455              |

**Table 9 - Educational Attainment by Employment Status**

Alternate Data Source Name:

ACS 2019-2023

Data Source Comments: Data is for population ages 25 to 64, only data available.

**Educational Attainment by Age**

|   | Age       |           |           |           |         |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
|   | 18–24 yrs | 25–34 yrs | 35–44 yrs | 45–65 yrs | 65+ yrs |
| Less than 9th grade                       | 49        | 24        | 376       | 749       | 426     |
| 9th to 12th grade, no diploma             | 611       | 57        | 271       | 477       | 680     |
| High school graduate, GED, or alternative | 1,373     | 1,055     | 1,166     | 3,883     | 3,368   |
| Some college, no degree                   | 1,456     | 1,155     | 1,166     | 2,317     | 2,310   |
| Associate's degree                        | 429       | 742       | 601       | 1,945     | 845     |
| Bachelor's degree                         | 1,162     | 3,114     | 3,444     | 6,099     | 3,752   |
| Graduate or professional degree           | 159       | 2,281     | 2,930     | 6,028     | 3,297   |

**Table 10 - Educational Attainment by Age**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

ACS 2019-2023

**Data Source Comments:**

### Educational Attainment – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months

| <b>Educational Attainment</b>               | <b>Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months</b> |
|---|--|
| Less than high school graduate              | 32,035                                       |
| High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 41,466                                       |
| Some college or Associate's degree          | 58,588                                       |
| Bachelor's degree                           | 80,257                                       |
| Graduate or professional degree             | 108,426                                      |

**Table 11 – Median Earnings in the Past 12 Months**

**Alternate Data Source Name:**

ACS 2019-2023

**Data Source Comments:**

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

The major employment sectors within Cherry Hill include the following:

- Education and Health Care Services (28%);
- Professional, Scientific, Management Services Trade (15%);
- Retail (10%); and
- Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (9%).

### **Describe the workforce and infrastructure needs of the business community:**

Cherry Hill is an exceptional community with a regional market. The marketplace for customers of the Cherry Hill Mall includes communities with a travel distance of more than ten miles. Philadelphia, Camden, Moorestown, Marlton, Voorhees, Maple Shade, Pennsauken, Haddonfield, Collingswood, Medford, Audubon, Merchantville and Riverside customers all patronize the Cherry Hill Mall. The Philadelphia customers include Center City, Southwest Philadelphia and Northeast Philadelphia, all of which are within a reasonable 15 to 20-minute drive of the mall. The PATCO High Speed Line and potentially the NJ Transit Philadelphia to Atlantic City train service may assist in expanding the marketplace in the future.

Cherry Hill Township businesses employ 37,663 persons out of a total Camden County work force of 266,763 jobs or approximately 13 percent of the entire County work force. Office parks, industrial parks and retail centers all contribute to the job opportunities in the Township. Cherry Hill remains the largest suburban employer in the County.

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

Cherry Hill fully supports the business community and engages with them on a regular basis to determine needs. Much of Cherry Hill's efforts, like those of any municipality around the country, seek to bolster its economic base and keep pace with constantly changing technology and consumer needs. The economic climate has recently picked up, as indicated by the uptick of zoning approvals, development applications and construction permits.

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

Employment sectors attracting a large segment of the Township's work force include: Education and Health Care Services (28%); Professional, Scientific, Management Services Trade (15%); Retail (10%); and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate (9%).

According to the 2019-2023 ACS, 94.4 percent of the Township's resident (over 25 years old) population received a high school diploma or higher. Over 56.7 percent received a bachelor's degree or higher.

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

Much of the workforce training initiatives are held by the County of Camden.

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

Yes

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

The Township of Cherry Hill has participated in the development of Camden County's CEDS in the past. In September 2024, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) adopted the *Growing Greater Philadelphia* (2024-2028) regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), which encompasses the Metropolitan Planning Organization's bi-state, nine-county region, including Camden

County. The Township works closely with Camden County and the DVRPC to promote regional economic development.

## **Discussion**

The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) performs projections for purposes of land use and transportation planning. According to the Commission, the 2000 Economic Census reported 46,844 jobs in Cherry Hill. An estimate of jobs in Cherry Hill for 2005 was 49,340. The DVRPC forecasts a 1.9% decrease of jobs in Cherry Hill from 2000-2025, with 49,630 forecast for 2000, and 48,690 forecast for 2025. For the future, Cherry Hill must continue to focus on the traits that attract, maintain and encourage economic development:

- Focus on business growth, attraction, and retention;
- Support job creation and sustainable employment;
- Create a sustainable community investment by inter-connecting employment development, housing and transportation;
- Foster community planning that is focused on the integration of economic, physical, social and a healthful infrastructure;
- Continue the development of a long-range capital improvement program throughout the community; and
- Provide full and fair enforcement of building and zoning regulations.

These are the characteristics of a strong, well-supported, office economy.

## MA-50 Needs and Market Analysis Discussion

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

It is uncertain from assessing the data whether there is a particular area where households with multiple housing problems are concentrated. However, on the western side of the Township there is typically older and more modest housing stock, in comparison to other areas of the Township.

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

Using the definition of an 'area of racial/ethnic minority concentration' as a census tract which has a minority population percentage exceeding the township-wide percentage by at least 10%, Cherry Hill has thirty-eight Census Tracts that are considered areas of minority concentration. Cherry Hill has a minority population of 40.6%, the Census Tracts included in the table below are considered minority concentration areas since they have minority populations at or above 50.6%.

| Census Tract                                    | Minority Population % |
|---|-----------------------|
| Census Tract 6002; Camden County; New Jersey    | 97.8%                 |
| Census Tract 6004; Camden County; New Jersey    | 93.7%                 |
| Census Tract 6007; Camden County; New Jersey    | 96.1%                 |
| Census Tract 6008; Camden County; New Jersey    | 94.1%                 |
| Census Tract 6009; Camden County; New Jersey    | 97.6%                 |
| Census Tract 6010; Camden County; New Jersey    | 96.9%                 |
| Census Tract 6011.01; Camden County; New Jersey | 99.5%                 |
| Census Tract 6011.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 96.0%                 |
| Census Tract 6012; Camden County; New Jersey    | 96.8%                 |
| Census Tract 6013; Camden County; New Jersey    | 96.5%                 |
| Census Tract 6014; Camden County; New Jersey    | 97.4%                 |
| Census Tract 6015; Camden County; New Jersey    | 99.1%                 |
| Census Tract 6016; Camden County; New Jersey    | 98.7%                 |
| Census Tract 6017; Camden County; New Jersey    | 92.0%                 |
| Census Tract 6018; Camden County; New Jersey    | 94.1%                 |
| Census Tract 6019; Camden County; New Jersey    | 98.1%                 |
| Census Tract 6020; Camden County; New Jersey    | 87.7%                 |
| Census Tract 6025.03; Camden County; New Jersey | 91.6%                 |
| Census Tract 6026.01; Camden County; New Jersey | 64.9%                 |
| Census Tract 6026.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 84.2%                 |
| Census Tract 6029.01; Camden County; New Jersey | 51.4%                 |
| Census Tract 6029.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 62.2%                 |

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Census Tract 6030.01; Camden County; New Jersey | 57.8% |
| Census Tract 6030.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 74.4% |
| Census Tract 6041; Camden County; New Jersey    | 79.2% |
| Census Tract 6065; Camden County; New Jersey    | 92.7% |
| Census Tract 6075.06; Camden County; New Jersey | 60.4% |
| Census Tract 6077.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 65.0% |
| Census Tract 6078.01; Camden County; New Jersey | 65.2% |
| Census Tract 6082.11; Camden County; New Jersey | 52.3% |
| Census Tract 6090; Camden County; New Jersey    | 56.3% |
| Census Tract 6092.02; Camden County; New Jersey | 77.6% |
| Census Tract 6092.04; Camden County; New Jersey | 79.8% |
| Census Tract 6092.06; Camden County; New Jersey | 56.3% |
| Census Tract 6103; Camden County; New Jersey    | 56.5% |
| Census Tract 6104; Camden County; New Jersey    | 83.0% |
| Census Tract 6105; Camden County; New Jersey    | 87.6% |
| Census Tract 6108; Camden County; New Jersey    | 71.6% |

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

The thirty-eight Census Tracts that are considered areas of minority concentration vary across the Township and share characteristics of the Township as a whole.

**Are there any community assets in these areas/neighborhoods?**

There are numerous community assets within these neighborhoods in Cherry Hill. Neighborhoods are in close proximity to shopping, places of worship, employment centers, government facilities, recreation and mass transit – providing connectivity to other local and regional assets. However, it should be noted that in most neighborhoods, residents need an automobile for convenient access to these assets.

**Are there other strategic opportunities in any of these areas?**

There has been major investment/redevelopment in the western part of the Township. The redevelopment of Garden State Park is on-going and other redevelopment initiatives are planned. The Zoning Board recently approved a hotel along Route 70 in this area, as well as a car wash and coffee shop. Nearby, there is a Golden Triangle Overlay Zone (GTTOD) that will allow for inclusionary development with up to 137 affordable units at 2230-2240 Route 70 West. Although no dwellings have been created yet, the Township continues to maintain the zoning in order to incentivize and capture future affordable housing opportunities in this otherwise commercial zone. Also, nearby, construction has begun on the Hampton Road redevelopment area, consisting of a multi-family residential complex with market rate units and 45 affordable units. Additionally, Camden County has expended over \$23 million on infrastructure improvements to enhance the Cooper River Park – a major community asset for the region.

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

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

According to January 2025 data provided by the FCC, all households and neighborhoods in Cherry Hill Township have broadband available to them.

According to the 2019-2023 American Community Survey data from the U.S. Census Bureau, nearly 96% of Cherry Hill Township households have some type of broadband subscription, including cell phone, cable, fiber optic and satellite.

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

According to Broadband Now, New Jersey is the most connected state in the country in terms of broadband and Camden County is no exception. A sampling of Urban County municipalities found that the majority of residents have from 2 to 4 choices as far as residential Internet, which is slightly below average when contrasted with the US generally. Both Viasat and HughesNet cover 100% of the County while Xfinity covers some 99%.

In terms of network tech available in Camden County, the most widespread physical wire broadband Internet connection options are satellite (100% coverage), cable (99%) and fiber (approximately 60%).

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

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

In February 2025, the Camden County Commissioners adopted the Camden County Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) to identify the County's vulnerability to the effects of the hazards, as well as the goals, objectives, and actions required for minimizing future loss of life, injury, property damage, and economic disruption as a result of hazard events. All municipalities in the County had a Municipal Working Group providing input to the HMP.

The HMP identified these potential hazards, ranked in order of risk of both probability and severity:

- High Wind (Straight-Line Winds, High-Speed Winds associated with Thunderstorms, Coastal Storms [i.e., Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, Nor'easters] and Tornadoes)
- Severe Winter Storm (Heavy Snow, Blizzards, Ice Storms)
- Flood (including riverine, flash, urban and stormwater flooding, and storm surge)
- Severe Summer Weather (Hail and Lightning)
- Coastal Erosion and Sea Level Rise
- Dam and Levee Failure
- Extreme Temperature
- Invasive Species and Harmful Algal Blooms
- Disease Outbreak and Pandemic
- Drought
- Wildfire
- Geological Hazards (landslide, subsidence, and sinkholes)
- Earthquake

Many of the hazards listed above are weather-related. As climate change increases the frequency and intensity of these storms, the risk for property damage and injury or loss of life rises.

As part of the HMP planning process, Cherry Hill Township indicated a particular concern regarding frequent flooding events affecting residential properties and a need for backup power sources for some key public facilities.

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

Housing occupied by low- and moderate-income households may be more vulnerable to weather-related hazards due to delays in maintenance work such as roofs and windows and because the housing may tend to be older and more susceptible to damage. Low- and moderate-income households will have less disposable income to spend on home improvements. They may face challenges in affording resources, like generators or emergency supplies. Also, the Township's mobile home parks, some of which are occupied by lower-income households, are more susceptible structurally to damage from severe storms.

# Strategic Plan

## SP-05 Overview

### Strategic Plan Overview

Cherry Hill Township's Five-Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan process reflects a coordinated effort to identify, prioritize and address the Township's community development needs based on current and anticipated resources. While the needs of the community continue to outpace the availability of resources, the Township remains committed to addressing the needs of the low- and moderate-income residents.

The strategies developed and cited in this plan are compatible with HUD's national statutory community development program goals, which strive to provide decent housing and to create suitable living environments. Affordable housing activities, public facility and public infrastructure improvements, and public service support remain the highest priorities. While economic development/job creation are certainly important activities to our community, they will largely be funded with resources other than CDBG.

The strategic plan time period is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030.

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

### Geographic Area

Table 12 - Geographic Priority Areas

|          |   |   |
|----------|---|---|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Area Name:</b>   | EXCEPTION AREA/UPPER QUARTILE   |
|          | <b>Area Type:</b>   |   |
|          | <b>Other Target Area Description:</b>   |   |
|          | <b>HUD Approval Date:</b>   |   |
|          | <b>% of Low/ Mod:</b>   |   |
|          | <b>Revital Type:</b>  | Comprehensive   |
|          | <b>Other Revital Description:</b>   |   |
|          | <b>Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.</b>                   | There are various neighborhood boundaries. Low Moderate Exception Areas include, but are not limited to: Still Park, Hinchman, Barlow, Woodland, Bishops View, Park Place, Windsor Park, Windsor Mews, part of Kingston Estates, Barclay Towers, The Grand, part of Deer Park, Cooper Park Village, Kingsway Village, Wallworth Apartments, Waterford Park, Sergi Farms, Versailles, Lucerne/Sienna, Society Hill. Please see census tracts below.  |
|          | <b>Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.</b> | The western part of the community has older and more modest housing stock in close proximity to the Cherry Hill Mall and Garden State Park (large regional retail draws). There is a large corporate and retail presence, a regional health care facility (Cooper Health), and is in close proximity to the NJ Transit Philadelphia to Atlantic City train service. Therefore, there is proximity to goods, services, and job opportunities. The central part of the community target areas have proximity to strip malls, food stores, and businesses and regional healthcare facilities (Penn Medicine) along and in close proximity to Route 70 and along Route 41/Kings Highway. The eastern part of the community target areas have more modern housing stock. A 5-10 minute car ride to strip malls, healthcare facilities, and retail centers. |

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| <p><b>How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?</b></p> | <p>Residents of neighborhoods in some of the target areas are active in expressing their concerns to Township Administration and Departments about needs for neighborhood improvements and services. Consequently, consultation with Department heads and Administration about these concerns helped to identify potential activities for the next five years. Additionally, consultation with the Department of Parks and Recreation resulted in the proposed targeting of Kingsway Circle Park, which is located in the center of the Kingsway Village Community. The neighborhood is bound by Kings Highway to the west and Brace Road to the east in the south-central part of the Township. The Parks and Recreation Director identified this park as a specific location which was deemed to be in need of revitalization and public investment.</p> |
| <p><b>Identify the needs in this target area.</b></p>  | <p>Revitalization and construction/reconstruction of public infrastructure is needed, particularly in the western part of the Township LMA exception areas, including park improvements, sidewalks, roads, utilities, including stormwater management, as removal of architectural barriers to accessibility. However, other low mod areas need attention, as well.</p>  |
| <p><b>What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?</b></p>  | <p>New and updated park amenities, safety improvements (such as sidewalk and park and street lighting), reconstruction of utilities.</p>   |

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|---|--|--|
|   | <p><b>Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?</b></p>     | <p>Sidewalks are needed in some of the target areas in the western part of the Township. However, road cartways are narrow, on-street and off-street parking is limited, and dwellings are sited close to the r.o.w. This represents various problems. It will require engineering to evaluate and design the sidewalks locations, replace mailbox locations, avoid utility poles, make ADA accessible to the extent practicable, etc. Additionally, while neighborhood residents generally want sidewalks (particularly those with school aged children), there are neighborhood residents who do not want to reduce the length of their driveways to accommodate the sidewalks, as parking is very challenging in the neighborhood, and it will reduce the number of automobiles that can park in their driveways. Some also do not want the responsibility of maintaining sidewalks inclement weather or needing to repair/replace them in future years.</p> <p>Additionally, stormwater management improvements are needed in many parts of the Township. However, for the older sections in particular, there is limited opportunities for stormwater retention/detention facilities, as the neighborhoods are mostly built-out.</p> <p>Though park lighting is desired for safety as residents often cut through parks as a more convenient and efficient way to get to their destination, residents adjacent to parks do not want to attract people to use the park in the evening hours.</p> |
| 2 | <p><b>Area Name:</b></p>   | Township-wide  |
|   | <p><b>Area Type:</b></p>   | Comprehensive  |
|   | <p><b>Other Target Area Description:</b></p>                             | Comprehensive  |
|   | <p><b>HUD Approval Date:</b></p>   |  |
|   | <p><b>% of Low/ Mod:</b></p>   |  |
|   | <p><b>Revital Type:</b></p>  |  |
|   | <p><b>Other Revital Description:</b></p>                                 |  |
|   | <p><b>Identify the neighborhood boundaries for this target area.</b></p> | Township-wide varies.  |

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|---|---|
| <b>Include specific housing and commercial characteristics of this target area.</b>   | Township- wide varies.  |
| <b>How did your consultation and citizen participation process help you to identify this neighborhood as a target area?</b> | Consultation with Administration and Department Heads identified township-wide needs, especially for removal of architectural barriers to accessibility.  |
| <b>Identify the needs in this target area.</b>  | Removal of architectural barriers to accessibility. Township-wide services for low and moderate income residents.   |
| <b>What are the opportunities for improvement in this target area?</b>  | Accessibility improvements, Senior bus transportation township-wide, and other services that would serve low and moderate income residents township-wide. |
| <b>Are there barriers to improvement in this target area?</b>   | None.   |

**General Allocation Priorities**

**Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the state**

The Township would like to focus investments geographically in low- and moderate-income (LMI) resident areas. The areas are described more specifically in Geographic Area 1 - Exception Area/Upper Quartile.

HUD permits an exception to the LMI area benefit requirement that an area contain 51 percent LMI residents. This exception applies to entitlement communities that have few, if any, areas within their jurisdiction that have 51 percent or more LMI residents. These communities are allowed to use a percentage less than 51 percent to qualify activities under the LMI Benefit category. This exception is referred to as the “exception criteria” or the “upper quartile,” which applies to Cherry Hill Township. Cherry Hill’s 2024 exception rate is currently 35.70%. In communities such as Cherry Hill Township, activities must serve an area which contains a percentage of LMI residents that is within the upper quartile of all Census block groups within its jurisdiction in terms of the degree of concentration of LMI residents.

Most of the Township’s planned improvements to community facilities, parks, and infrastructure improvement projects are located in these block groups. Particular public facility and infrastructure projects may be targeted to specific locations which are deemed by Township staff or from public input to be most in need of revitalization or public investment.

Housing assistance programs, which benefit individual households, are generally not targeted to specific areas but instead are provided based on household need. Because low-income, elderly, disabled, and special needs residents are located throughout the Township, the Handy Helper Home Program is

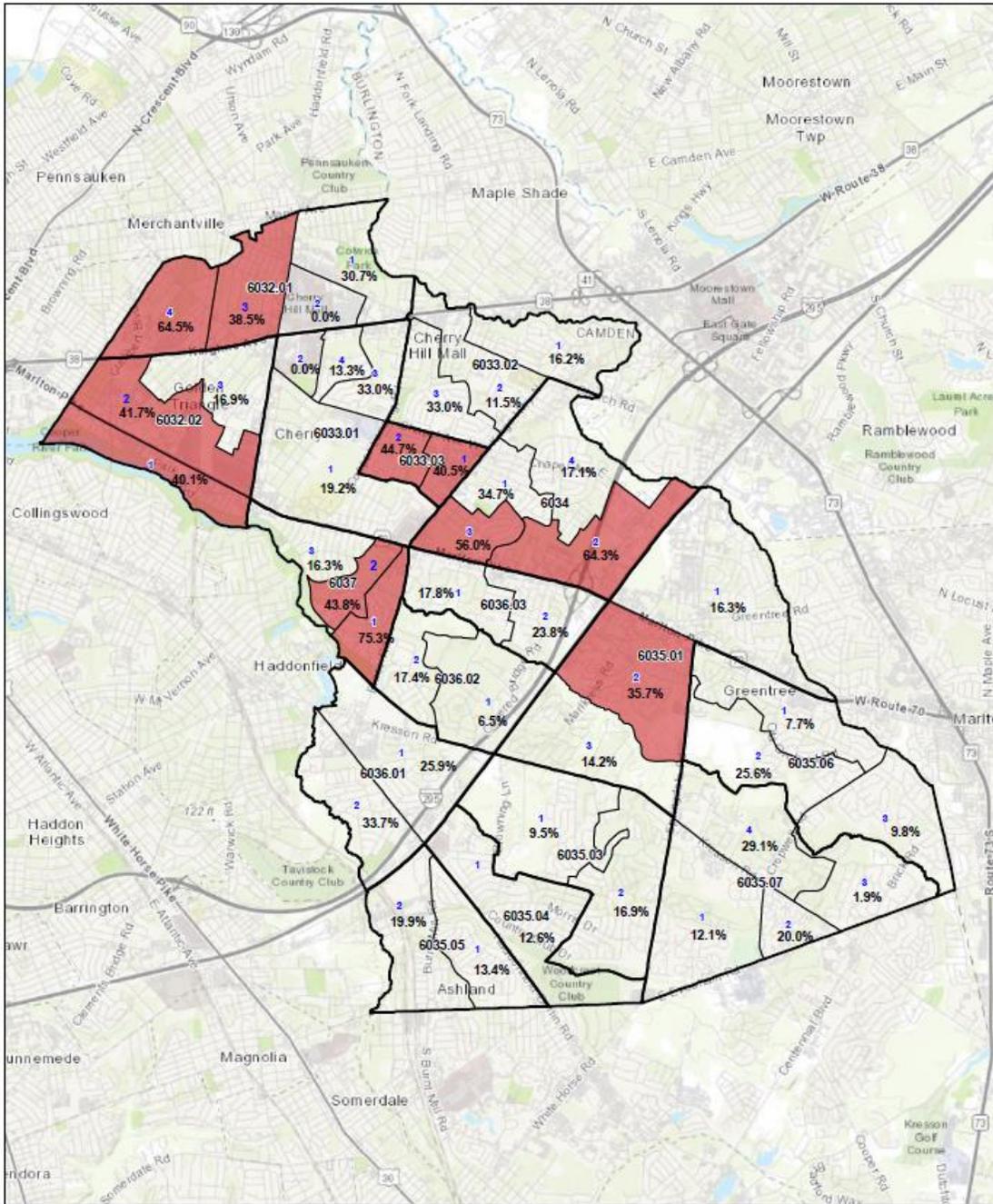
generally available Township-wide to eligible households with incomes under 80% of the area median income.

In addition, financial assistance for Side-by-Side Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT) and the Senior Bus is available Township-wide through CDBG funding. Public facilities and infrastructure improvements to remove architectural barriers are also eligible Township-wide. These efforts serve LMI “presumed benefit” populations, which qualify without income verification given the nature of the populations – seniors/elderly, disabled adults and domestic violence victims.

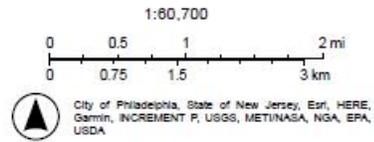
See map and list qualified Low-Moderate Income (LMI) block groups below:

| <b>Block Group</b>   | <b>LMI Percentage</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| Block Group 1, Census Tract 6032.02, Camden County, New Jersey | 40.10%                |
| Block Group 1, Census Tract 6033.03, Camden County, New Jersey | 40.50%                |
| Block Group 1, Census Tract 6037, Camden County, New Jersey    | 75.30%                |
| Block Group 2, Census Tract 6032.02, Camden County, New Jersey | 41.70%                |
| Block Group 2, Census Tract 6033.03, Camden County, New Jersey | 44.70%                |
| Block Group 2, Census Tract 6034, Camden County, New Jersey    | 64.30%                |
| Block Group 2, Census Tract 6035.01, Camden County, New Jersey | 35.70%                |
| Block Group 2, Census Tract 6037, Camden County, New Jersey    | 43.80%                |
| Block Group 3, Census Tract 6032.01, Camden County, New Jersey | 38.50%                |
| Block Group 3, Census Tract 6034, Camden County, New Jersey    | 56.00%                |
| Block Group 4, Census Tract 6032.01, Camden County, New Jersey | 64.50%                |

# Cherry Hill Twp LMI (2016-2020)



- Census Tracts 2020
- Block Groups 2020
- LMI Block Groups



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

### Priority Needs

Table 13 – Priority Needs Summary

|                       |                                    |   |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 1                     | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Affordable Housing  |
|                       | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High  |
|                       | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate<br>Middle<br>Large Families<br>Families with Children<br>Elderly<br>Public Housing Residents<br>Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Elderly<br>Frail Elderly<br>Persons with Physical Disabilities |
|                       | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   | Comprehensive   |
|                       | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities  |
|                       | <b>Description</b>                 | Rehabilitation of single-family housing and rental housing to preserve and create existing affordable housing in the Township.  |
|                       | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Data, consultation, and public input all reveal a need for affordable housing opportunities in the Township.  |
|                       | 2                                  | <b>Priority Need Name</b>   |
| <b>Priority Level</b> |                                    | High  |

|   |                                    |   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate<br>Large Families<br>Families with Children<br>Elderly<br>Public Housing Residents<br>Persons with Physical Disabilities<br>Non-housing Community Development  |
|   | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   | Comprehensive   |
|   | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure  |
|   | <b>Description</b>                 | Public infrastructure needs may be found throughout the Township. There are a variety of projects that may address community needs Township-wide and in low- and moderate-income areas. These could include removal of architectural barriers, park improvements, utility (water/sewer/stormwater) improvements.                |
|   | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Data, consultation, and public input all reveal a need for public infrastructure improvements in the Township.  |
| 3 | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Public Services   |
|   | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High  |
|   | <b>Population</b>                  | Extremely Low<br>Low<br>Moderate<br>Large Families<br>Families with Children<br>Elderly<br>Chronic Homelessness<br>Individuals<br>Families with Children<br>Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Elderly<br>Frail Elderly<br>Persons with Physical Disabilities<br>Victims of Domestic Violence<br>Non-housing Community Development |

|          |                                    |  |
|----------|------------------------------------|--|
|          | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   | Comprehensive  |
|          | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | Support Public Services  |
|          | <b>Description</b>                 | Support public/human service activities for low/moderate income persons including the homeless, elderly, domestic violence victims and populations with special needs. |
|          | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Data, consultation, and public input all reveal a need for public infrastructure improvements in the Township.   |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Priority Need Name</b>          | Planning & Administration  |
|          | <b>Priority Level</b>              | High   |
|          | <b>Population</b>                  | Non-housing Community Development  |
|          | <b>Geographic Areas Affected</b>   | Comprehensive  |
|          | <b>Associated Goals</b>            | Planning & Administration  |
|          | <b>Description</b>                 | Administration and Planning of all HUD resources provided to the Township, including oversight of the CDBG Program.  |
|          | <b>Basis for Relative Priority</b> | Efficient, compliant operation of all HUD-funded activities is necessary to meet all Strategic Plan goals.   |

**Narrative (Optional)**

See above.

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

### Introduction

The Township will receive \$407,498 for its first year of the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.

The Township is also including \$28,178.00 (\$6,628 + \$21,550) in Program Income, for a total 2025 Annual Budget of \$435,676.

### Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds        | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |           | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description   |
|---------|------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---|---|
|         |                        |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$ |   |   |
| CDBG    | public<br>-<br>federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and<br>Planning<br>Economic<br>Development<br>Housing<br>Public<br>Improvements<br>Public<br>Services | 407,498                          | 28,178             | 0                        | 435,676   | 1,629,992   | Expected amount is annual allocation times four without Program Income included. Program income is only included in Expected Amount Available for Year 1. |

Table 14 - Anticipated Resources

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

For program year 2025, the Township is receiving an entitlement grant from HUD in the amount of \$407,498. The Township also has recently receipted \$28,178 in Program Income. Additionally, the Township expects to leverage approximately \$100,000 in County HOME funds through the Home Improvement Program this program year.

Additionally, the Cherry Hill Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) currently has approximately \$3,976,000 to create and maintain affordable housing in the Township, as well as implement affordability assistance programs. The AHTF consists of mandatory residential and non-residential development fees, payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on sites zoned for affordable housing, recapture funds, repayments

from affordable housing program loans, and any other funds collected by the municipality in connection with its affordable housing programs. Given the desire to be efficient and effective with limited resources, AHTF dollars allow the Township to concentrate its CDBG funding on infrastructure, public facilities and public services and support a comprehensive approach to community development and revitalization. Any required matching requirements for housing activities, such as through the HOME program, will be satisfied with Affordable Housing Trust Funds.

The Township continues to receive and apply for Federal, State, and County funds to leverage projects that benefit HUD's three (3) national objectives. Several other funding streams, such as State and County HOME funds, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, Green Acres, and other funds will be examined to increase the leverage of the Township's federal and local funds.

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

Most of the Township's publicly owned park and recreation land is deed restricted through the New Jersey Green Acres Program. The Township participates in the planning incentive program under the New Jersey Green Acres Program, which requires acquisition and planning for open space and recreation, so these sites are generally not available to meet affordable housing needs. Although this publicly owned land would not be available for CDBG-related housing activities, it is possible that park facilities that may be located on this land will be renovated utilizing CDBG dollars.

Additionally, this plan intends to improve low- and moderate-income neighborhood conditions by making improvements in the Township right of way, as well as improvements to existing parks and playgrounds, etc. The Township is also exploring the potential for improvements to school park facilities that serve the required threshold of low- and moderate-income students.

**Discussion**

See above.

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

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

| Responsible Entity                                | Responsible Entity Type  | Role   | Geographic Area Served |
|---|--------------------------|--|------------------------|
| CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP                              | Government               | Non-homeless special needs<br>Ownership<br>Planning<br>Public Housing<br>Rental<br>neighborhood improvements<br>public facilities<br>public services | Jurisdiction           |
| Camden County Community Development               | Government               | Ownership<br>Rental  | Region                 |
| ARHAT   | Non-profit organizations | Rental   | Jurisdiction           |
| Habitat for Humanity of South Central New Jersey  | Non-profit organizations | Ownership  | Jurisdiction           |
| St. Joseph's Carpenters Society                   | Non-profit organizations | Ownership<br>Rental  | Jurisdiction           |
| Cherry Hill Food Pantry                           | Non-profit organizations | Homelessness<br>Non-homeless special needs<br>public services  | Jurisdiction           |
| Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care             | Continuum of care        | Homelessness<br>Planning   | Region                 |
| Camden County Homeless Network Planning Committee |                          | Homelessness<br>Planning   | Region                 |

**Table 15 - Institutional Delivery Structure**

## Assess of Strengths and Gaps in the Institutional Delivery System

Since 2020, the Township has made strides in the formation of partnerships and collaborations to forward the CDBG program and deepen the impact of CDBG activities. The Township now works with multiple partners to increase and maintain access to permanent and affordable housing by preserving and upgrading existing housing for low-and moderate-income individuals and families and expanding crucial public services for the Township’s most vulnerable residents. The Township also coordinates with the Southern New Jersey Four County Continuum of Care, Camden County Homeless Network Planning Committee and Camden County HOME consortium, who conducts ESG needs assessments, planning and service coordination for the entire County. It would be beneficial to have more frequent meetings with these organizations.

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

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

Table 16 - Homeless Prevention Services Summary

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

The Camden County Continuum of Care (CoC) and Camden County HOME Consortium conduct homeless needs assessments and planning for the entire County. Cherry Hill Township plans to participate with the County CoC and HOME Consortium by coordinating and leveraging our resources with the County to support and provide affordable housing, rental assistance, utility assistance, disability assistance (including veterans), domestic violence assistance and shelter referrals, and other services as needed by the County.

Additionally, the Cherry Hill Police Department recently partnered with Volunteers of America - Delaware Valley, through the IMPACT Program. IMPACT, or Immediate Mobilization of Police Assisted Crisis Teams, provides communities with social services assistance at any point of contact with law enforcement. This includes a friendly outreach encounter to calls for service, arrest, crisis hospitalization or incarceration. The Cherry Hill Police Department and VOA staff work side by side, 40 hours a week, at the department. IMPACT staff assist walk-in service requests at headquarters and respond jointly to meet the needs of the community wherever they may be. Police officers are now, through the VOA tools, able to contact Oaks Integrated Crisis Screeners remotely for a tele-evaluation. This expedites the process of “mobile outreach” evaluations. This allows those in need of mental health services to spend less time waiting and receive the appropriate level of treatment sooner than through traditional means. IMPACT staff are available 24/7/365 to assist with immediate needs, including emergency housing.

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

Since 2020, Cherry Hill Township has made significant progress in developing relationship with housing and public service non-profits, including the Cherry Hill Food Pantry, Habitat for Humanity, Bancroft and St. Joseph’s Carpenter Society. These non-profit organizations have been willing to partner with the Township and collaborate to meet needs of some of the community’s most vulnerable residents. The Township works with these partners to refer clients, collaborate on project and share resources when able.

In addition, the Camden County/Four County Continuum of Care (CoC) and Camden County HOME Consortium serve as an important resource for persons experiencing homelessness. The Township refers any residents in need to the CoC, whose approach to connecting residents to services is more comprehensive and effective than what the Township could provide. Many of the organizations that participate in the CoC have an array of services and supports available for residents throughout the South Jersey region.

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

Overcoming gaps in the institutional structure can be achieved by collaborating between agencies and ensuring gaps in services and funding are addressed, while maximizing the utilization of each funding source. To do this, it would be beneficial to hold more informational meetings wherein we can identify challenges, share information, strengthen the coordination of services and resources, and strengthen relationships between the various institutional structures.

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

**Goals Summary Information**

| Sort Order | Goal Name                                      | Start Year | End Year | Category   | Geographic Area                             | Needs Addressed                               | Funding           | Goal Outcome Indicator   |
|------------|--|------------|----------|--|---|---|-------------------|--|
| 1          | Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities       | 2025       | 2029     | Affordable Housing   | Township-wide                               | Affordable Housing                            | CDBG: \$300,000   | Rental units rehabilitated: 1 Household Housing Unit<br><br>Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 75 Household Housing Unit |
| 2          | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure | 2025       | 2029     | Non-Housing Community Development                            | EXCEPTION AREA/UPPER QUARTILE Township-wide | Public Facility & Infrastructure Improvements | CDBG: \$1,112,044 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 10000 Persons Assisted    |
| 3          | Support Public Services                        | 2025       | 2029     | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | Township-wide                               | Public Services                               | CDBG: \$305,624   | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1250 Persons Assisted                        |
| 4          | Planning & Administration                      | 2025       | 2029     | Planning and Administration                                  | Township-wide                               | Planning & Administration                     | CDBG: \$348,000   | Other: 1 Other   |

**Table 17 – Goals Summary**

**Goal Descriptions**

|   |                         |   |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Acquire, develop, rehabilitate and/or preserve decent, safe, and affordable rental and owner-occupied housing.  |
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Improvements to public facilities and infrastructure, such as park improvements, sidewalks, removal of architectural barriers to accessibility, roads, utility lines, stormwater management improvements, and more. |
| 3 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Support Public Services   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Support public/human service activities for low/moderate income persons including the homeless, elderly, domestic violence victims and populations with special needs.  |
| 4 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Planning & Administration   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Administer a compliant and efficient CDBG program.  |

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

It is estimated that twenty-five (25) extremely low families; twenty-five (25) low-income families; and twenty-six (26) moderate-income families will receive affordable housing opportunities between 2025 and 2029.

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

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

Cherry Hill requires the use of lead-safe practices and other actions aimed at preventing lead poisoning. Contractors performing renovation, repair and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in homes, child care facilities, and schools built before 1978 must be certified and must follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination.

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

Cherry Hill provides the “Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home” lead-based paint pamphlet. This pamphlet is provided to the applicant at the time he/she receives an application.

Also, Cherry Hill uses lead-hazard safety activities depending on the level of Federal assistance, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 35.

**1) Up to and including \$5,000 per unit:** (1) Conduct paint testing or presume the presence of lead-based paint. If paint testing indicates that the painted surfaces are not coated with lead-based paint, safe work practices and clearance are not required. (2) Implement safe work practices during rehabilitation work in accordance with § 35.1350 and repair any paint that is disturbed. (3) After completion of any rehabilitation disturbing painted surfaces, perform a clearance examination of the worksite(s) in accordance with § 35.1340. Clearance is not required if rehabilitation did not disturb painted surfaces of a total area more than that set forth in § 35.1350(d).

**2) Greater than \$5,000 and up to \$25,000 per unit:** Identify all lead hazards at the affected units and common areas servicing those units and exterior painted surfaces by performing a lead-based paint risk assessment. Perform interim controls in accordance with 35.1330(c)(1) & (2). In addition to training that meets the EPA's RRP Rule requirements, HUD-approved interim control training is required for contractors and workers.

**3) Greater than \$25,000 per unit:** Identify all lead hazards at the property by performing a risk assessment and then abate all the hazards, except that interim controls are acceptable on exterior surfaces that are not disturbed and those that are de minimis limits of 35.1350(d). This approach requires certified abatement contractors perform the abatement part of the job.

When lead-based paint hazard reduction work is being performed on properties, it may be necessary to relocate rehabilitation participants, especially those households with children ages 6 and under. Relocation, while costly, is a necessary step to protect the health of the occupants and comply with HUD regulations. The temporary location must be decent, safe, sanitary and free of any lead-based paint hazards. Should it become necessary to relocate any Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Program participants in the future.

Also, under NJ law, homeowners must provide disclosure of known lead-based paint hazards to any potential buyer and all pre-1978 rental dwelling units must be inspected for lead-based paint hazards (unless otherwise exempt under the law). In Cherry Hill, rental dwelling units falling under the scope of the statute shall be subject to a visual inspection of all interior spaces within dwellings, including common areas, such as hallways and basements. Non-exempt units shall be inspected for lead-based paint hazards every 3 years, or upon tenant turnover, whichever is earlier. However, an inspection upon tenant turnover is not required if the owner has a valid lead-safe certificate.

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

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

Cherry Hill will continue to provide CDBG funds to a variety of anti-poverty public service programs that will assist low- and moderate-income residents. It is anticipated that the following programs will continue per the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan - - some with CDBG funding and some outside of the CDBG Program:

- Transportation for senior and disabled residents;
- Advocacy for victims of domestic violence;
- Non-profit provided public services;
- Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of affordable homeownership properties
- The ARHAT Program to provide affordable rental housing to low and moderate-income households.

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

Poverty reduction can be achieved by collaborating between agencies and ensuring gaps in services and funding are addressed, while maximizing the utilization of each funding source. The Township will continue to refer housing program participants to local community resources and programs, as participant needs are identified.

Specifically related to affordable housing, the Township will work with an affordable housing consultant to help develop and implement programs to preserve and expand the Township's inventory of affordable units, and to develop and implement new affordability assistance programs, such as homebuyer assistance programs, security deposit assistance programs, and emergency home rental assistance.

Explore available funding opportunities from federal, state, and private resources to address:

- Leveraging resources across Township Departments to better match resources to needs;
- Working with the Department Public Works and Engineering to develop criteria when assessing CIP projects to better serve low- and moderate-income communities;
- Prioritizing services to the elderly and special needs populations through the Handy Helper Home Repair program and senior bus;
- Improving direct Township outreach to those households in need through development of new partnerships with the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Committee, local Neighborhood Associations and organizations serving minority populations; and
- Including bilingual staff for as many interactions with low- and moderate-income individuals as possible.

## **SP-80 Monitoring - 91.230**

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

Cherry Hill Township will ensure compliance with all program regulations for all funding sources, including CDBG. Monitoring includes compliance with National Objectives, HUD rules and administrative requirements as well as any cross-cutting requirements that may be required by other Federal or State agencies.

The Township has a CDBG Monitoring Plan that consists of reviewing sub-recipients' programmatic and administrative procedures. It begins with the grant award and subcontracting process, continues through invoicing, report submittal and standard site visits, and concludes at activity closeout. The Township of Cherry Hill recognizes that monitoring is an important and ongoing component of the CDBG programs and is committed to monitoring projects and activities. Monitoring priority will be given to new projects and/or organizations.

If issues are identified, the Township will make specific recommendations for addressing the problem and identify actions that must be taken, citing applicable laws, regulations, or program policies. Deadlines for such compliance issues are included in the monitoring letter. If issues are identified relative to an activity, a plan for corrective action must be submitted by the sub-recipient in writing to the Township and action must be taken within the time specified in the monitoring letter. If there is no response, the Township may suspend payment of funds for the activity until there is compliance. In severe cases of non-compliance, funding may be withheld or withdrawn.

Construction activities are inspected and monitored on a schedule determined by the entitlement program requirements. Since the construction activities are mainly funded by CDBG programs, the inspecting and monitoring procedures outlined for those programs will be used. If other funds (such as state or competitive federal grants) are used, the most stringent inspecting and monitoring procedures will be applied.

It is the policy of the Township to provide equal opportunities for firms owned by minority and women business enterprises to bid on all contracts awarded by the Township. It is also the policy of the Township to prohibit discrimination against any business in pursuit of these opportunities, to conduct its contracting activities so as to prevent such discrimination, and to resolve complaints of discrimination, which has never occurred.

## Expected Resources

### AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

The Township will receive \$407,498 for its first year of the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.

The Township is also including \$28,178.00 (\$6,628 + \$21,550) in Program Income, for a total 2025 Annual Budget of \$435,676.

#### Anticipated Resources

| Program | Source of Funds        | Uses of Funds  | Expected Amount Available Year 1 |                    |                          |            | Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$ | Narrative Description   |
|---------|------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|---|
|         |                        |  | Annual Allocation: \$            | Program Income: \$ | Prior Year Resources: \$ | Total: \$  |   |   |
| CDBG    | public<br>-<br>federal | Acquisition<br>Admin and<br>Planning<br>Economic<br>Development<br>Housing<br>Public<br>Improvements<br>Public<br>Services | 407,498.00                       | 28,178.00          | 0.00                     | 435,676.00 | 1,629,992.00                                      | Expected amount is annual allocation times four without Program Income included. Program income is only included in Expected Amount Available for Year 1. |

**Table 18 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

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

For program year 2025, the Township is receiving an entitlement grant from HUD in the amount of \$407,498. The Township also has recently receipted \$28,178 in Program Income. Additionally, the Township expects to leverage approximately \$100,000 in County HOME funds through the Home Improvement Program this program year.

Additionally, the Cherry Hill Affordable Housing Trust Fund (AHTF) currently has approximately \$3,976,000

to create and maintain affordable housing in the Township, as well as implement affordability assistance programs. The AHTF consists of mandatory residential and non-residential development fees, payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on sites zoned for affordable housing, recapture funds, repayments from affordable housing program loans, and any other funds collected by the municipality in connection with its affordable housing programs. Given the desire to be efficient and effective with limited resources, AHTF dollars allow the Township to concentrate its CDBG funding on infrastructure, public facilities and public services and support a comprehensive approach to community development and revitalization. Any required matching requirements for housing activities, such as through the HOME program, will be satisfied with Affordable Housing Trust Funds.

The Township continues to receive and apply for Federal, State, and County funds to leverage projects that benefit HUD's three (3) national objectives. Several other funding streams, such as State and County HOME funds, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, Green Acres, and other funds will be examined to increase the leverage of the Township's federal and local funds.

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

Most of the Township's publicly owned park and recreation land is deed restricted through the New Jersey Green Acres Program. The Township participates in the planning incentive program under the New Jersey Green Acres Program, which requires acquisition and planning for open space and recreation, so these sites are generally not available to meet affordable housing needs. Although this publicly owned land would not be available for CDBG-related housing activities, it is possible that park facilities that may be located on this land will be renovated utilizing CDBG dollars.

Additionally, this plan intends to improve low- and moderate-income neighborhood conditions by making improvements in the Township right of way, as well as improvements to existing parks and playgrounds, etc. The Township is also exploring the potential for improvements to school park facilities that serve the required threshold of low- and moderate-income students.

**Discussion**

## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

#### Goals Summary Information

| Sort Order | Goal Name                                      | Start Year | End Year | Category   | Geographic Area                             | Needs Addressed                               | Funding            | Goal Outcome Indicator   |
|------------|--|------------|----------|--|---|---|--------------------|--|
| 1          | Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities       | 2025       | 2029     | Affordable Housing   | Township-wide                               | Affordable Housing                            | CDBG: \$0.00       | Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 0 Household Housing Unit  |
| 2          | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure | 2025       | 2029     | Non-Housing Community Development                            | EXCEPTION AREA/UPPER QUARTILE Township-wide | Public Facility & Infrastructure Improvements | CDBG: \$349,551.30 | Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 2000 Persons Assisted |
| 3          | Support Public Services                        | 2025       | 2029     | Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development | Township-wide                               | Public Services                               | CDBG: \$61,124.70  | Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 250 Persons Assisted                     |
| 4          | Planning & Administration                      | 2025       | 2029     | Planning and Administration                                  | Township-wide                               | Planning & Administration                     | CDBG: \$25,000.00  | Other: 1 Other   |

**Table 19 – Goals Summary**

## Goal Descriptions

|   |                         |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| 1 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Acquire, rehabilitate and/or preserve decent, safe, and affordable rental and owner-occupied housing during PY 2025 using AHTF and unexpended CDBG funds from prior years. While no PY 2025 funds are being allocated at this time towards improving affordable housing opportunities, it is still a goal for Program Year 2025 - - the Township will just be using other resources.   |
| 2 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure   |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | The provision of public facilities and Infrastructure to benefit low to moderate persons and/or areas through eligible activities. This could include (but is not limited to) improvements to streets, sidewalks, utilities, stormwater management improvements, public right of ways, landscaping, park and playground improvements, streetscape improvements, and other neighborhood improvements. It could also include prevention/elimination of blight through acquisition, demolition, rehabilitation, building exterior improvements, etc. and removal of architectural barriers. |
| 3 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Support Public Services  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Support public/human service activities for low/moderate income persons including the homeless, elderly, domestic violence victims and populations with special needs.   |
| 4 | <b>Goal Name</b>        | Planning & Administration  |
|   | <b>Goal Description</b> | Administer a compliant and efficient CDBG program.   |

## AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

### Introduction

A listing of the 2025 projects is provided in the Project Table below and with additional descriptions in the Project Summary Chart below.

| # | Project Name   |
|---|--|
| 2 | Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements 2025 |
| 3 | Public Services 2025                                 |
| 4 | Planning & Administration 2025                       |

**Table 20 – Project Information**

### **Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs**

The Township seeks to revitalize existing neighborhoods and communities, and enhance the infrastructure necessary to support existing neighborhoods. It has been proven that people in crisis need a safe and secure environment to become stable, self-sufficient and ultimately thrive. In turn, thriving people have the ability to support the built environment and proactively participate in the community.

Projects have been selected for inclusion in this Plan based on the priorities proposed in this Five-Year Consolidated, informed by data and public input. In program year 2025, the Township will engage in community development activities through increasing the availability and quality of affordable housing (primarily outside of CDBG), the delivery of social services, such as the side by side program for victims of domestic violence, investment in neighborhood facilities and infrastructure, as well as housing activities that provide home repairs for owner-occupied dwellings, ensuring decent, safe, accessible living conditions for low-and moderate income residents and enabling senior and disabled persons to live in dignity and independence.

In addition, the Township balances the growing need for services/activities with HUD regulations and budget constraints. Therefore, as the Township has Affordable Housing Trust fund available for housing activities for deed restricted properties, the Township is attempting to use the limited federal dollars available in the most efficient manner, by using CDBG funds for other eligible activities. The Township plans to accomplish these objectives in the 2025 Plan by funding housing activities, including, but not limited to the Handy Helper Home Repair program and rehabilitation of ARHAT housing.

## AP-38 Project Summary

### Project Summary Information

|          |  |   |
|----------|--|---|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Project Name</b>  | Public Facilities & Infrastructure Improvements 2025  |
|          | <b>Target Area</b>   | EXCEPTION AREA/UPPER QUARTILE<br>Township-wide  |
|          | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure  |
|          | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Public Facility & Infrastructure Improvements   |
|          | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$349,551.30  |
|          | <b>Description</b>   | The provision of public facilities and infrastructure to benefit low to moderate persons and/or areas through eligible activities. This could include (but is not limited to) improvements to streets, sidewalks, utilities, stormwater management improvements, public right of ways, landscaping, park and playground improvements, streetscape improvements, and other neighborhood improvements. It could also include prevention/elimination of blight through acquisition, demolition, rehabilitation, building exterior improvements, etc and removal of architectural barriers. |
|          | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2026   |
|          | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | Approximately 2,000 residents will benefit.   |
|          | <b>Location Description</b>  | Township-wide   |

|                           |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
|                           | <b>Planned Activities</b>  | The provision of public facilities and Infrastructure to benefit low to moderate persons and/or areas through eligible activities. This could include (but is not limited to) improvements to streets, sidewalks, utilities, public right of ways, landscaping, park and playground improvements, and other neighborhood improvements. |
| <b>2</b>                  | <b>Project Name</b>  | Public Services 2025   |
|                           | <b>Target Area</b>   | Township-wide  |
|                           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Support Public Services  |
|                           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Public Services  |
|                           | <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$61,124.70  |
|                           | <b>Description</b>   | Support for public services to benefit low- and moderate-income persons, including but not limited to seniors and victims of domestic violence.  |
|                           | <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2026  |
|                           | <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>   | Approximately 250 individuals will be assisted.  |
|                           | <b>Location Description</b>  | Township-wide  |
| <b>Planned Activities</b> | Support for public services to benefit low- and moderate-income persons, including but not limited to seniors and victims of domestic violence. These efforts will include senior bus operations and the Side-By-Side Domestic Violence program. |  |
| <b>3</b>                  | <b>Project Name</b>  | Planning & Administration 2025   |
|                           | <b>Target Area</b>   | Township-wide  |
|                           | <b>Goals Supported</b>   | Planning & Administration  |
|                           | <b>Needs Addressed</b>   | Planning & Administration  |

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Funding</b>   | CDBG: \$25,000.00   |
| <b>Description</b>   | Compliant and efficient administration of the CDBG program.   |
| <b>Target Date</b>   | 6/30/2026   |
| <b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b> | N/A   |
| <b>Location Description</b>  | Township-wide   |
| <b>Planned Activities</b>  | The Township is committed to resourcing the Planning & Administration at a level that supports the time and expertise needed for effective implementation of the CDBG Program. These funds will supplement existing unexpended CDBG funds for this purpose. |

## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)**

### **Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed**

Low and moderate income Assistance will likely be directed to two general areas of the Township: Kingsway Village, which is an eligible exception area in the south central part of the Township, as well as the western side of the Township where a majority of the older housing stock and LMI exception areas are located. Services and ADA accessibility activities may occur Township-wide.

### **Geographic Distribution**

| <b>Target Area</b>            | <b>Percentage of Funds</b> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| EXCEPTION AREA/UPPER QUARTILE | 10                         |

**Table 21 - Geographic Distribution**

### **Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically**

HUD permits an exception to the LMI area benefit requirement that an area contain 51 percent LMI residents. This exception applies to entitlement communities that have few, if any, areas within their jurisdiction that have 51 percent or more LMI residents. These communities are allowed to use a percentage less than 51 percent to qualify activities under the LMI Benefit category. This exception is referred to as the “exception criteria” or the “upper quartile,” which applies to Cherry Hill Township. Cherry Hill’s 2023 exception rate is currently 35.70%. In such communities like Cherry Hill Township, activities must serve an area which contains a percentage of LMI residents that is within the upper quartile of all Census block groups within its jurisdiction in terms of the degree of concentration of LMI residents.

Most of the Township’s planned improvements to community facilities, parks, and infrastructure improvement projects are located in these block groups. Particular public facility and infrastructure projects may be targeted to specific locations which are deemed by Township staff or from public input to be most in need of revitalization or public investment.

### **Discussion**

Housing assistance programs, which benefit individual households are generally not targeted to specific areas but instead are provided on the basis of household need. Because low-income, elderly, disabled, and special needs residents are located throughout the Township, the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program and the Handy Helper Home Program are generally available Township-wide to eligible households with incomes under 80% of the area median income. In addition, financial assistance for Side-by-Side Domestic Violence Response Team (DVRT) and the Senior Bus is available Township-wide through CDBG funding. Public facilities and infrastructure improvements to remove architectural barriers are not limited geographically within the Township. However, it is anticipated that public

facilities and infrastructure improvements funded with 2025 CDBG funds will be limited to eligible neighborhoods.

The racial and ethnic composure of the Township has diversified in recent years and this is expected to continue. A striking trend is the diversity of the Golden Triangle Census Designed Place (CDP) where areas of minority growth are expanding. This follows a national trend of immigrant population growth in inner-ring suburbs.

**Allocation of Priorities.** The Township has made estimated allocations for PY2025 based upon the priorities of the 1) citizen and community input; 2) an analysis of prior budget and expenditures, 3) consultation with Department heads, and 4) Township Council suggestions.

Additional factors that contributed to targeting funds to specific areas of the Township or activities are:

- The stated needs, analysis, and objectives in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan;
- Priorities stated in each respective program's solicitation and award guidelines; and
- Compliance with HUD entitlement rules and regulations.

## **AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction**

The following narratives provide an overview for those other actions noted in 91.420 and 91.220(k).

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is the limited number of resources available that can be used for particular needs. There are increasing demands for emergency services by families whose income no longer provides for basic life necessities, which the Township has limited resources to respond to the needs of very low- and low-income, families in the Township.

Obstacles to addressing the growing need of underserved low- and moderate-income residents include:

- Prospective homebuyers lack substantial funds or access to credit to initiate homeownership (down payment/closing costs);
- The demand far surpasses the funding available for the various services required to adequately serve the needs of the region's low- and moderate-income individuals and neighborhoods;
- Households having difficulty meeting underwriting requirements (credit worthiness, bank accounts);
- The ability for prospective households to sustain necessary income for homeownership and current market rents;
- Fixed incomes (Social Security, Disability);
- Due to language barriers or low educational attainment, some residents are unaware of the services available to them; and
- Working families also encounter the unique challenge of often "making too much money" to qualify for various public services.

In order to mitigate language barriers, the Department of Community Development has recently updated its Language Assistance Plan. Pursuant thereto, it has translated documents, such as the Handy Helper Home Repair Application, and the Senior Bus Application into Chinese and Spanish. Public notices also include essential information in these languages.

The Township will explore the opportunity for credit counseling and housing counseling education opportunities this year for low- and moderate-income residents. See below for additional actions addressing obstacles to meeting underserved needs.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

1. The Township will continue to support and provide staffing for ARHAT, a non-profit arm of the

Township, that acquires market rate units and converts them to affordable rental units.

2. The Township will maintain its Development Fee Ordinance that collects 1.5% of equalized assessed value for new residences and 2.5% of equalized assessed value for non-residential development that gets deposited into an Affordable Housing Trust Fund used to preserve affordable units for additional 30 year terms, for affordability assistance, and for ARHAT acquisitions.

3. The Township will continue its mandatory set aside ordinance that requires new multi-family development in the Township to include 20% affordable units.

4. The Township will continue the ongoing maintenance of affordable housing and resident housing stability through rehabilitation programs. The Township's Handy Helper Program provides financial assistance to income-qualified senior citizens (62 years and older) and disabled individuals that need minor home repairs, accessibility improvements, and energy efficiency improvements to the home. Additionally, the Township participates in the County's Home Improvement Program that rehabilitates low/moderate income owner-occupied housing in the Township using HOME funds. As part of the Township's 4th Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, the Township will develop its own housing rehabilitation program using Affordable Housing Trust Funds (AHTF) for low and moderate income rental and owner occupied housing.

5. The Township, as part of its 4th Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, is initiating an Affordability Assistance Program. There will be 3 types of affordability assistance for low and moderate income households: (1) New Tenant Rental Assistance Program will pay for two months of rent for households moving into deed restricted affordable units; (2) Emergency Rental Assistance Program will pay for one month rent for households currently occupancy deed restricted affordable rental units who need emergency assistance to prevent eviction for non-payment; and (3) Down Payment and/or Closing Cost Assistance Program will help low and moderate income households achieve the goal of homeownership. It will provide financial assistance to income-qualified homebuyers moving into deed restricted affordable housing in Cherry Hill.

These actions will help to foster and maintain affordable housing in Cherry Hill.

### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

Cherry Hill requires the use of lead-safe practices and other actions aimed at preventing lead poisoning. Contractors performing renovation, repair and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in homes, child care facilities, and schools built before 1978 must be certified and must follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination.

Cherry Hill provides the "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" lead-based paint pamphlet. This

pamphlet is provided to the applicant at the time he/she receives an application.

Also, Cherry Hill uses lead-hazard safety activities depending on the level of Federal assistance, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 35.

**1) Up to and including \$5,000 per unit:** (1) Conduct paint testing or presume the presence of lead-based paint. If paint testing indicates that the painted surfaces are not coated with lead-based paint, safe work practices and clearance are not required. (2) Implement safe work practices during rehabilitation work in accordance with § 35.1350 and repair any paint that is disturbed. (3) After completion of any rehabilitation disturbing painted surfaces, perform a clearance examination of the worksite(s) in accordance with § 35.1340. Clearance is not required if rehabilitation did not disturb painted surfaces of a total area more than that set forth in § 35.1350(d).

**2) Greater than \$5,000 and up to \$25,000 per unit:** Identify all lead hazards at the affected units and common areas servicing those units and exterior painted surfaces by performing a lead-based paint risk assessment. Perform interim controls in accordance with 35.1330(c)(1) & (2). In addition to training that meets the EPA's RRP Rule requirements, HUD-approved interim control training is required for contractors and workers.

**3) Greater than \$25,000 per unit:** Identify all lead hazards at the property by performing a risk assessment and then abate all the hazards, except that interim controls are acceptable on exterior surfaces that are not disturbed and those that are de minimis limits of 35.1350(d). This approach requires certified abatement contractors perform the abatement part of the job.

When lead-based paint hazard reduction work is being performed on properties, it may be necessary to relocate rehabilitation participants, especially those households with children ages 6 and under. Relocation, while costly, is a necessary step to protect the health of the occupants and comply with HUD regulations. The temporary location must be decent, safe, sanitary and free of any lead-based paint hazards. Should it become necessary to relocate any Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Program participants in the future.

Also, under NJ law, homeowners must provide disclosure of known lead-based paint hazards to any potential buyer and all pre-1978 rental dwelling units must be inspected for lead-based paint hazards (unless otherwise exempt under the law). In Cherry Hill, rental dwelling units falling under the scope of the statute shall be subject to a visual inspection of all interior spaces within dwellings, including common areas, such as hallways and basements. Non-exempt units shall be inspected for lead-based paint hazards every 3 years, or upon tenant turnover, whichever is earlier. However, an inspection upon tenant turnover is not required if the owner has a valid lead-safe certificate.

### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

Cherry Hill will continue to provide CDBG funds to a variety of anti-poverty public service programs that

will assist low- and moderate-income residents. It is anticipated that the following programs will continue per the 2025 Annual Action Plan:

- Transportation for senior and disabled residents; and
- Advocacy for victims of domestic violence.

There are other year program funds being used for funding of the Cherry Hill Food Pantry and a Habitat for Humanity acquisition and rehabilitation project that will be sold to a qualified homeowner.

### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

The Township of Cherry Hill will continue to utilize both CDBG and other municipal resources to support the provision of housing and services to low- and moderate-income households. In addition, Cherry Hill will seek to utilize not-for-profit agencies where appropriate to advance the Consolidated Plan Goals. As part of capacity-building, the Township recently hired an affordable housing consultant to help develop and implement programs to preserve and expand the Township's inventory of affordable units, and to develop and implement new affordability assistance programs.

### **Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies**

The Township of Cherry Hill will continue to utilize both CDBG and other municipal resources to support the provision of housing and services to low- and moderate-income households.

### **Discussion**

The Township will explore strategies and actions during PY2025 to address identified obstacles to meeting underserved needs. As mentioned above, the Cherry Hill Police Department is now partnering with Volunteers of America, Delaware Valley, through the IMPACT Program. IMPACT, or Immediate Mobilization of Police Assisted Crisis Teams, provides communities with social services assistance at any point of contact with law enforcement

The Township will work with the recently hired affordable housing consultant to help develop and implement programs to preserve and expand the Township's inventory of affordable units, and to develop and implement new affordability assistance programs, such as homebuyer assistance programs, security deposit assistance programs.

Explore available funding opportunities from federal, state, and private resources to address:

- needs of the underserved;
- Leverage resources across Township Departments to better match resources to needs;
- Work with the Department Public Works and Engineering to develop criteria when assessing CIP

projects to better serve low- and moderate-income communities;

- Prioritize services to the elderly and special needs populations through the Handy Helper Home Repair program and senior bus;
- Improve direct Township outreach to those households in need through development of new partnerships with the Mayor’s Citizens Advisory Committee, local Neighborhood Associations and organizations serving minority populations; and
- Include bilingual staff for as many interactions with low- and moderate-income individuals as possible.

## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

#### Introduction

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

The Township's CDBG entitlement allocation for PY2025 is \$407,498. The Township is also including \$28,178 in program income in the plan (in the form of recaptured funds from our Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program). Township does not anticipate any income from a "float-funded" activity, as there are none.

The Township also does not have any updated reports on program income received in the preceding program year; proceeds from Section 108 loan guarantees, as there are none; surplus funds from urban renewal settlement projects, as there are none; grant funds returned to a line of credit, as there are none; income from "float-funded" activities, as there are none; and urgent need activities, as there are none.

It is anticipated that 80% of CDBG funds will be utilized for activities that benefit persons of low- and moderate-income.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| 1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed  | 28,178        |
| 2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan. | 0             |
| 3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements  | 0             |
| 4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan   | 0             |
| 5. The amount of income from float-funded activities   | 0             |
| <b>Total Program Income:</b>   | <b>28,178</b> |

#### Other CDBG Requirements

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. The amount of urgent need activities | 0 |
|---|---|

|                   |                      |    |
|-------------------|----------------------|----|
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|-------------------|----------------------|----|

2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan. 80.00%

## **Discussion**

The Township has historically utilized a three (3) year period to determine the minimum overall benefit of 80% of CDBG funds for low- and moderate-income households. For the third Program Year, the Township will utilize years 2025, 2026 and 2027.

## Attachments

## Appendix - Alternate/Local Data Sources

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Data Source Name</b><br>ACS 2019-2023   |
|          | <b>List the name of the organization or individual who originated the data set.</b><br>U.S. Census Bureau  |
|          | <b>Provide a brief summary of the data set.</b><br>Wide variety of data at the municipal level.  |
|          | <b>What was the purpose for developing this data set?</b><br>To include the most recent and accurate data in the planning process.   |
|          | <b>How comprehensive is the coverage of this administrative data? Is data collection concentrated in one geographic area or among a certain population?</b><br>Quite comprehensive on the municipal level. |
|          | <b>What time period (provide the year, and optionally month, or month and day) is covered by this data set?</b><br>2019-2023   |
|          | <b>What is the status of the data set (complete, in progress, or planned)?</b><br>Complete   |

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**TOWNSHIP OF CHERRY HILL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**  
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Topic: CDBG Public Hearing #1

Time: Feb 20, 2025 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Topic: CDBG Public Hearing #2

Time: Apr 10, 2025 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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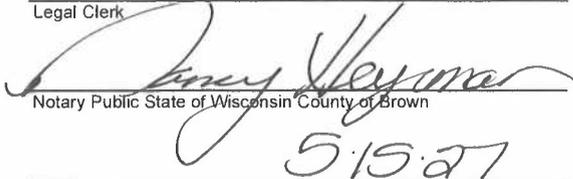
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Cherry Hill Township  
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
Hybrid Public Hearing 2.20.25

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2025 -2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan  
2025 Annual Action Plan

# WELCOME

## 1. Purpose

- Gather input on community needs
- Review program performance
- Review process for 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, 2025 Annual Action Plan
- Answer questions about CDBG funding

## 2. Format

- Hybrid Virtual/In-Person Public Hearing
- Short Presentation then Comments/Discussion

## 3. Getting Started

- If in-person, please sign in if you haven't already done so.
- If online, please type your name and affiliation.



# CDBG OVERVIEW

- Established 1974
- Annual grants on a formula basis to states, 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.
- CDBG activities include: housing, slum/blight, economic development (job creation/retention), public facilities & infrastructure, and public services.
- Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, CAPER are required
- **2025 CDBG Allocation Estimate = \$411,647 (based on 2024)**

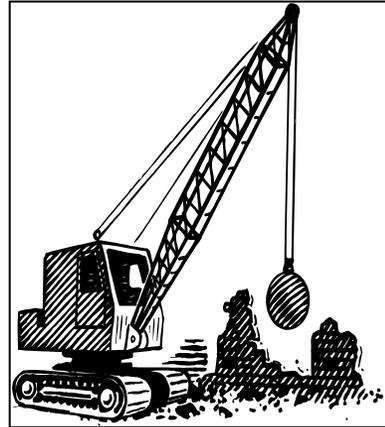


# CDBG NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Each activity must meet one of the  
Three National Objectives



**Benefit Low &  
Moderate  
Income Persons**



**Prevent or Eliminate  
Slum/Blight**



**Meet Urgent  
Need**



# **CDBG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

**CDBG funds may be used for activities which include, but are not limited to:**

- Acquisition of real property
- Relocation and demolition
- Removal of environmental contaminants
- Rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures
- Construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes
- Public services
- Job creation/retention activities



# **CDBG INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

## **The following activities are prohibited:**

- NO Political activities
- NO grants or non-emergency ongoing payments (more than 3 consecutive months) to individuals for food, clothing, rent, utilities, or income payments
- NO Construction of new housing units by a unit of local government
- NO Operation and maintenance of public facilities/improvements
- NO General government expenses including construction or repairs of general government buildings like City Hall, public works garages and police stations
- NO Purchase of equipment (except fire equipment)



# LOW & MODERATE INCOME ELIGIBILITY

A minimum of 70% of funds  
must go to benefit low-mod  
income residents

## 2024 Income Limits for Cherry Hill

| Family size | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4             | 5      | 6       | 7       | 8       |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| LOW INCOME  | 40,150 | 45,900 | 51,650 | <b>57,350</b> | 61,950 | 66,550  | 71,150  | 75,750  |
| MOD INCOME  | 64,250 | 73,400 | 82,600 | <b>91,750</b> | 99,100 | 106,450 | 113,800 | 121,150 |



# **PY2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

## **CR -15 Resources and Investments**

### **CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)**

**Identify the resources made available**

| <b>Source of Funds</b> | <b>Source</b>    | <b>Resources Made Available</b> | <b>Amount Expended During Program Year</b> |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| CDBG                   | public - federal | 914,929                         | 786,150                                    |

**Table 3 - Resources Made Available**

### **This includes:**

- \$481,980.54 of unexpended funds from previous years
- 2023 CDBG Grant = \$411,888
- \$21,060 in Program Income
- An unexpended CDBG amount of \$128,778.59 that will be carried forward into the 2024 program year.



# **PY2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

**PY 2023 CAPER (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)**

- Compliant Spending Caps
  - CDBG Administrative Cap = 20%
  - CDBG Public Services Cap = 14.94%
  
- Handy Helper = Home repairs for 44 senior/disabled homeowners
  
- Public Facilities & Infrastructure =
  - ADA Improvements at 42 Township intersections
  - Cherry Hill Food Pantry Parking Expansion serves over 1,700 new clients
  
- Senior Bus = services for 149 new registrants
  
- Side-By-Side DV Team = assisted 177 individuals



# PY 2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE

## CR -10 Racial and Ethnic Composition of Families Served

|   | CDBG         |
|---|--------------|
| White                                     | 4,684        |
| Black or African American                 | 691          |
| Asian                                     | 591          |
| American Indian or American Native        | 4            |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 797          |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>6,767</b> |
| Hispanic                                  | 1,098        |
| Not Hispanic                              | 5,669        |

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds



# PY2023 & PY2024 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE:

Program Years 2023 and 2024 have focused on high priority areas of:

- Maintaining housing stock
- Providing needed public services
- Improving public infrastructure and facilities



# **PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

## **PY 2024 to Date**

- Total Expenditures = \$50,878.27
- Administrative Cap = 7.06%
- Public Services Cap = 0
- 60-Day Timeless Test = On track, need to draw \$259,014
- Efforts in progress = Park improvements, Food Pantry public facilities project wrapping up, Handy Helper Home Repair Program, Senior Bus, and more



# **CONSOLIDATED PLAN OVERVIEW**

- **Plan Components**
  - Strategic Plan
    - Identifies 5-year funding priorities and goals
  - Annual Action Plan
    - Identifies projects and budget for the coming year
  
- **Additional Community Input to help set five-year goals**
  - Public Hearing
  - Community Survey
  - Listening sessions with community/sector leaders
  
- **Additional data analysis to help set five-year goals**
  - Demographic data
  - Needs and market analysis



# 2025 – 2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN PROCESS

- Public Hearing: February 20, 2025
- Community Survey: March
- Public Review: April – May
- Council approval: May
- Submission to HUD no later than May 16, 2025



# Questions and Discussion



- **What is Cherry Hill's greatest asset?**
- What is Cherry Hill's greatest challenge?
- **Is there an adequate supply of housing that is accessible to people with disabilities?**
- What are the greatest fair housing needs in the community?
  - Affordability?
  - Displacement?
  - Public Housing?
  - Availability?
  - Housing Conditions?
  - Location to Transportation?
- **Are people in the community segregated in where they live? What causes this segregation to occur?**

- **Describe the needs of the Township's youth. Are there services in place to address the needs that you see?**
- Describe the needs of the Township's seniors. Are there services in place to address the needs that you see?
- **Are there any gaps in the human services system? If so, what are they?**
- Are there any public facility or park improvement needs?
- **Are there any specific areas where CDBG funding can be helpful? Any existing projects?**

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## **CDBG 2025-2029 Comp Plan & 2025 AAP Public Hearing FEBRUARY 20, 2025 MINUTES**

The Cherry Hill Township Department of Community Development conducted a Public Hearing to develop the 2025-2029 5 Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan. There were zoom participants and in-person attendees in Conference Room 206.

### Attendees:

Kathy Cullen, Community Development Director, Cherry Hill Township (Zoom)  
Mara Wuebker, Community Development Deputy Director, Cherry Hill Township  
Annette Ludlow, Housing Coordinator, ARHAT and Cherry Hill Township (Zoom)  
Melissa Walsh, TRIAD Associates (Zoom)  
Beth Hastings, Domestic Violence Side by Side Coordinator (Zoom)

Melissa Walsh provided a power point presentation giving an overview of the CDBG program, national objectives, and anticipated funding. HUD allocates funds based on a formula. It is unknown what the allocations will be because there is currently not a federal budget; Congress is operating under a continuing resolution. March 15 is the next government funding deadline. Once federal budget is passed, then HUD has 60 days to allocate funds. The 2025 CDBG allocation estimate is \$411,000 based on last year's allocation. However, funding amount is uncertain. HUD Newark has advised Grantees should continue with the Con Plan and 2025 AAP planning process, but hold off on the public comment period until allocations come out.

There was also discussion of eligible and ineligible activities. Emergency rental assistance is allowed up to 3 consecutive months, but this would be considered public services subject to 15% cap. Cannot do maintenance of public improvements (i.e., can't fill pot holes, but can do complete reconstruction). Cannot do improvements to general government buildings, like Town Hall, with the exception of ADA improvements to remove architectural barriers. At least 70% of funds must benefit low/mod income residents. For public services, there are some presumed benefit populations where do not need to do full income review and verification; the recipients can do self-certification instead. However, for housing programs, still need to do income qualifications (for example, even though seniors are typically presumed low/mod for public services (like senior bus), for housing programs still need to income qualify the applicants).

Melissa Walsh provided a recap of program income received, CAPER program performance, funds expended and unexpended from previous years, and timeliness. High priority goals have been maintaining housing stock, providing needed public services, and improving public infrastructure and facilities. Affordable Housing creation was not included in last year's plan because the Township is using its affordable housing trust fund to fund the purchase of ARHAT units since those source of funds can only be used for housing activities. Need to draw \$259,014 to stay on track for timeliness. It is hoped that Still Park planned improvements will assist with meeting this requirement.

Melissa discussed the Con Plan and AAP process. Triad will be pulling together demographic data, needs, and market analysis. This additional data with triangulate with community input to inform what next set of 5 year goals should be. There will be another hybrid public hearing meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a community survey, focus group sessions with department heads and community leaders. There will be a 30-day public review and comment period for

the Plans, anticipated to take place between April 10-May 10, 2025 with adoption by Council in May. However, if we don't have funding allocations by then it'll likely be pushed back to June.

Melissa Walsh asked various questions related to needs analysis. With regard to Cherry Hill's strengths, there is a large commercial base, which provides job opportunities for nearby residents. However, the challenge is that the Township is very auto-oriented, making it challenging for persons without vehicles to get to those jobs. More extensive and convenient public transportation is needed.

As for community needs, decent and affordable family housing for low income residents is a significant need. The most requested need is rental assistance, which is not something that the CDBG program can do (unless emergency assistance and it will be considered a public service). County HOME funds may be more appropriate – Melissa will send Rob at the County a note about potential for running a tenant-based program.

The group discussed that even in situations where there is available housing, many low-income families struggle with low credit scores because their financial hardships have made it difficult to pay bills on time, so they don't qualify for the housing. It's not clear how much security deposits reflect a challenge for low and moderate income residents. It would be good to talk to various inclusionary developments to get an understanding of their experience. They may be a good future target group to talk to. Developments need to be reminded that security deposits must be reflective of affordable unit rent, not market rents.

More senior housing is needed. There was also a discussion about needing more housing stock where residents can age in place – near family, but not necessarily in the same dwelling unit. There is pending State legislation that requires municipalities to allow ADU in zoning ordinance, which is believed will pass soon. Also, seniors struggle finding age-restricted housing in general (not necessarily affordable). Seniors need units on the first floor.

We will talk to the parks and recreation director and Director of Engineering during department meetings to discuss any public facility or park improvement needs.

The Senior bus and the side by side domestic violence program typically takes up the entire 15% public services budget. In the future if those programs are funded in other ways then additional public services could be explored, such as the emergency rental assistance, which the Township receives calls about all of the time. However, the Township can assist public services agencies in other ways, like the Food Pantry expansion under public facility project.

Anyone with additional thoughts or comments are encouraged to email Mara and Melissa.

Meeting ended at 4:45PM



Cherry Hill Township  
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
Hybrid Public Hearing 4.10.25

Hybrid Public Hearing  
2025 -2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan  
2025 Annual Action Plan

# WELCOME

## 1. Purpose

- Review CDBG basics and program performance
- Answer questions about CDBG funding
- Gather input on 2025 – 2029 Consolidated Plan Goals
- Gather input on 2025 Annual Action Plan and budget

## 2. Format

- Hybrid Virtual/In-Person Public Hearing
- Short Presentation then Comments/Discussion

## 3. Getting Started

- If in-person, please sign in if you haven't already done so.
- If online, please type your name and affiliation.



# CDBG OVERVIEW

- Established 1974
- Annual grants on a formula basis to states, 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.
- CDBG activities include: housing, slum/blight, economic development (job creation/retention), public facilities & infrastructure, and public services.
- Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, CAPER are required
- **2025 CDBG Allocation Estimate = \$411,650 (based on 2024)**

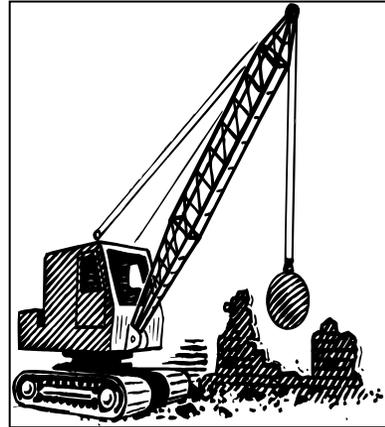


# CDBG NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Each activity must meet one of the  
Three National Objectives



**Benefit Low &  
Moderate  
Income Persons**



**Prevent or Eliminate  
Slum/Blight**



**Meet Urgent  
Need**



# **CDBG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

**CDBG funds may be used for activities which include, but are not limited to:**

- Acquisition of real property
- Relocation and demolition
- Removal of environmental contaminants
- Rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures
- Construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes
- Public services
- Job creation/retention activities



# **CDBG INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

## **The following activities are prohibited:**

- NO Political activities
- NO grants or non-emergency ongoing payments (more than 3 consecutive months) to individuals for food, clothing, rent, utilities, or income payments
- NO Construction of new housing units by a unit of local government
- NO Operation and maintenance of public facilities/improvements
- NO General government expenses including construction or repairs of general government buildings like City Hall, public works garages and police stations
- NO Purchase of equipment (except fire equipment)



# LOW & MODERATE INCOME ELIGIBILITY

A minimum of 70% of funds  
must go to benefit low-mod  
income residents

## 2025 Income Limits for Cherry Hill

| Family size | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4             | 5       | 6       | 7       | 8       |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| LOW INCOME  | 41,800 | 47,800 | 53,750 | <b>59,700</b> | 64,500  | 69,300  | 74,050  | 78,850  |
| MOD INCOME  | 66,850 | 76,400 | 85,950 | <b>95,500</b> | 103,150 | 110,800 | 118,450 | 126,100 |



# **PY2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

## **CR -15 Resources and Investments**

### **CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)**

**Identify the resources made available**

| <b>Source of Funds</b> | <b>Source</b>    | <b>Resources Made Available</b> | <b>Amount Expended During Program Year</b> |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| CDBG                   | public - federal | 914,929                         | 786,150                                    |

**Table 3 - Resources Made Available**

### **This includes:**

- \$481,980.54 of unexpended funds from previous years
- 2023 CDBG Grant = \$411,888
- \$21,060 in Program Income
- An unexpended CDBG amount of \$128,778.59 that will be carried forward into the 2024 program year.



# **PY2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

**PY 2023 CAPER (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)**

- Compliant Spending Caps
  - CDBG Administrative Cap = 20%
  - CDBG Public Services Cap = 14.94%
  
- Handy Helper = Home repairs for 44 senior/disabled homeowners
  
- Public Facilities & Infrastructure =
  - ADA Improvements at 42 Township intersections
  - Cherry Hill Food Pantry Parking Expansion serves over 1,700 new clients
  
- Senior Bus = services for 149 new registrants
  
- Side-By-Side DV Team = assisted 177 individuals



# PY 2023 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE

## CR -10 Racial and Ethnic Composition of Families Served

|   | CDBG         |
|---|--------------|
| White                                     | 4,684        |
| Black or African American                 | 691          |
| Asian                                     | 591          |
| American Indian or American Native        | 4            |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 797          |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>6,767</b> |
| Hispanic                                  | 1,098        |
| Not Hispanic                              | 5,669        |

Table 2 – Table of assistance to racial and ethnic populations by source of funds



# PY2023 & PY2024 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE:

Program Years 2023 and 2024 have focused on high priority areas of:

- Maintaining housing stock
- Providing needed public services
- Improving public infrastructure and facilities



# **PROGRAM PERFORMANCE**

## **PY 2024 to Date**

- Total Expenditures = \$92,721.09
- Administrative Cap = 7.44%
- Public Services Cap = 8.25%
- 60-Day Timeliness Test = On track with two large projects moving forward
- Efforts in progress = Park improvements, Food Pantry public facilities project wrapping up, Handy Helper Home Repair Program, Senior Bus, Side by Side Program and more



# **CONSOLIDATED PLAN OVERVIEW**

- **Plan Components**
  - Strategic Plan
    - Identifies 5-year funding priorities and goals
  - Annual Action Plan
    - Identifies projects and budget for the coming year
  
- **Additional Community Input to help set five-year goals**
  - Public Hearing
  - Community Survey
  - Listening sessions with community/sector leaders
  
- **Additional data analysis to help set five-year goals**
  - Demographic data
  - Needs and market analysis



# **FIVE-YEAR PRIORITIES & GOALS**



## ➤ **Priorities**

- Affordable Housing
- Public Services
- Public Facilities & Infrastructure
- Planning & Administration

## ➤ **Five-Year Goals**

- Improve Affordable Housing Opportunities: Acquire, develop, rehabilitate and preserve inclusive, safe, and affordable rental and owner-occupied housing.
- Support Public Services: Support public/human service activities for low/moderate income persons including the homeless, elderly, domestic violence victims and populations with special needs.
- Invest in Public Facilities and Infrastructure: Create, improve and preserve facilities, infrastructure, and spaces that serve the public.
- Planning & Administration: Administer a compliant and efficient CDBG program.

# 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET DRAFT



2025 Estimated Allocation = \$411,650

## 2025 Proposed Budget

| Project   | Funding          |
|---|------------------|
| Planning & Administration                       | \$20,000         |
| Public Services – Senior Bus                    | \$50,000         |
| Public Services – Side by Side DV Response Team | \$10,000         |
| Public Facilities                               | \$281,650        |
| Public Infrastructure                           | \$50,000         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                    | <b>\$411,650</b> |

# 2025 – 2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN PROCESS

- Public Hearings: February 20<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>
- Community Survey: March - April
- Public Review: April 10 – May 10
- Council approval: May
- Submission to HUD via County Plan in June



# Questions and Discussion

**Written comments are encouraged and will be accepted by mail and email.**

**Mail comments to:**

Cherry Hill Township Department  
of Community Development, 820  
Mercer Street, Cherry Hill, NJ  
08002,  
ATTN: Mara Wuebker, Deputy  
Director of Community  
Development  
or

**Email comments to:**

[MWuebker@chnj.gov](mailto:MWuebker@chnj.gov)





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## **CDBG 2025-2029 Comp Plan & 2025 AAP Public Hearing APRIL 10, 2025 MINUTES**

The Cherry Hill Township Department of Community Development conducted a Public Hearing to develop the 2025-2029 5 Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan. There were zoom participants and in-person attendees in Conference Room 206.

### Attendees:

Kathy Cullen, Community Development Director, Cherry Hill Township (Zoom)  
Annette Ludlow, Housing Coordinator, ARHAT and Cherry Hill Township (Zoom)  
Melissa Walsh, TRIAD Associates (Zoom)

### Notes:

Melissa Walsh provided a power point presentation giving an overview of the CDBG program, national objectives, and anticipated funding. HUD allocates funds based on a formula. HUD Allocation announcements are expected by My 14, 2025. Until then, we are planning utilizing a 2025 CDBG allocation estimate of \$411,000 based on last year's allocation. However, funding amount is uncertain. HUD Newark has advised Grantees should continue with the Con Plan and 2025 AAP planning process, but hold off on the public comment period until allocations come out.

Melissa discussed eligible and ineligible activities, shared program performance and reviewed the Con Plan and AAP process. The proposed Five-Year Priorities, Five-Year Goals and 2025 Annual Budget were presented for participant feedback and public comment. There will be a 30-day public review and comment period for the Plans, anticipated to take place between April 10-May 10, 2025 with adoption by Council in May. However, if we don't have funding allocations by then it'll likely be pushed back to June.

Anyone with additional thoughts or comments are encouraged to email Mara and Melissa.

Welcome!

**The Township of Cherry Hill is a recipient of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD requires the Township to develop a Consolidated Plan every five years to guide the programming of CDBG funding. Funds must be used to: (1) benefit low-to-moderate income persons, (2) prevent or eliminate slums or blight, or (3) address an urgent need that poses a serious and immediate threat to the community.**

**In preparation of the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, Cherry Hill encourages residents to participate in this survey to provide input on community needs and priorities. The survey contains 3 sections: Demographic Information of the person completing the survey, questions about Community Needs and Priorities in Cherry Hill, and questions about Fair Housing experiences of the respondent.**

**This survey will take approximately 6 minutes to complete.**

## Resident Information

1. What neighborhood in Cherry Hill do you live in?

2. What racial or cultural group do you consider yourself to be a part of?

- White/Caucasian
- Black/African American
- Asian
- Pacific Islander
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Two or more races
- Prefer not to answer
- Other (please specify)

3. Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

4. What is your household's yearly income range (from all sources)?

- Less than \$10,000
- \$10,000 - \$20,000
- \$20,000 - \$40,000
- \$40,000 - \$60,000
- \$60,000 - \$80,000
- \$80,000 - \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$120,000
- More than \$120,000
- Prefer not to answer

5. Please identify your household type:

- Single person household
- Couple household
- Single parent household
- Two parent household
- Related adults living together
- Unrelated adults living together
- Household with at least one Senior
- Formerly or currently experiencing homelessness
- Household with individuals with disabilities
- Other (please specify)

## Community Needs & Priorities

6. Please rank the most common HOUSING problems your community faces using the choices below (1 = most common, 6 = least common):

- Homelessness
- Availability of affordable housing (rental and ownership)
- Overcrowded housing conditions
- Unsafe/poor quality housing
- Poor neighborhood conditions/property maintenance code violations
- Unsafe neighborhood conditions: safety, fear of crime, theft, vandalism

7. Using the drop down feature, please rank the following eligible HOUSING activities that you think should be prioritized in Cherry Hill (1 =highest priority, 8 = least priority).

- Affordable housing for renter-occupied dwellings
- Affordable housing for owner- occupied dwellings
- Transitional housing (temporary housing for people experiencing homelessness)
- Rehabilitation assistance for owner-occupied housing (senior and non-senior)
- Rehabilitation assistance for owner-occupied senior housing (seniors only)
- Housing that is accessible for seniors or for people with disabilities
- Down payment assistance for households to purchase a dwelling unit
- Lead-based paint testing/abatement
- Energy Efficiency Improvements

8. Describe the needs of the Township's youth. What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

9. Describe the needs of the Township's seniors. What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

10. Are there any gaps in the human services system? What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

11. Cherry Hill funds the senior and disabled transportation bus and domestic violence services with CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES funds. Please check any other programs for low and moderate income persons that you, or people you know, would be interested in (Check all that apply):

- Youth Services/Activities
- Child Care
- Adult Education Programs (ESL, GED, etc.)
- Senior Programs (Health Services, Exercise Classes, etc.)
- Food Resources (Food Pantry, Community Dining/Soup Kitchen Programs, etc.)
- Household Budgeting
- Credit Repair
- Homebuyer Education
- Renter's Rights
- Fair Housing Law
- Job Training
- Homeless Services
- Other (please specify)

12. Using the dropdown boxes, please rate the need for PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS in your neighborhood (1 =highest priority, 8 = least priority).

- Sidewalks
- Streets and road reconstruction
- ADA Accessibility (ADA curb cuts)
- Park improvements
- Water/Sewer Line Improvements
- Stormwater Management/Drainage Improvements
- Street Lighting Improvements
- Clearance of Dilapidated Buildings

13. Other than the needs and priorities previously listed, are there any additional needs that could be addressed for low and moderate income persons?

14. In your opinion, what is the best way to communicate with the community about community development issues? (Check all that apply)

- Email
- Text/Phone Notifications
- Social Media
- Municipal/County Public Meetings
- Government Publications
- Neighborhood Associations/Public Housing Agencies
- Churches/Non-Profit Organizations
- Other (please specify)

## Fair Housing

15. Discrimination in housing comes in many forms. It is often difficult to detect. Both federal and state laws make it illegal to deny housing to a person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or familial status. Have you ever been discriminated against when trying to access any of the following? (Check all that apply)

Yes, while trying to rent a housing unit

Yes, while trying to buy a home

Yes, when applying for a mortgage

No

Other (please specify)

16. If you answered yes, please check the reason you think may have caused the unfair treatment you received. (Check all that apply)

Race/Ethnicity

Disability

Source of Income

Sex/Gender/Gender Identity

Ancestry

Criminal History/Record

Pregnant or having children

Religion

Sexual Orientation

Marital Status

National Origin

Age

Familial Status

Other (please specify)

Not applicable

17. If you felt you were treated unfairly when seeking housing, did you report the incident to:

- A government agency
- A fair housing group
- I did not report an incident
- Other (please specify)

- Not applicable

18. If you did not report the incident, why did you decide not to report it?

- I did not know where to report it
- I was not sure of my rights
- I was afraid of retaliation
- I did not think it would make a difference
- It was too much trouble
- Other (please specify)

- Not applicable

**Thank you for your participation in our community needs survey!**

## Cherry Hill Township Survey Results

### 134 Respondents:

- 120 in English
- 14 in Chinese

### Themes:

1. Top Housing Priority = Affordable Housing for Owner-Occupied Housing
2. Top Housing Problem = Availability of Affordable Housing (Rental and Ownership)
3. Top Public Improvements = Sidewalks and Streets/Road Reconstruction
4. Top Service Needs =
  - a. Senior Programs (Health Services, Exercise Classes, etc.) (22)
  - b. Food Resources (Food Pantry, Community Dining/Soup Kitchen Programs, etc.) (14)
  - c. Youth Services/Activities (13)
  - d. Child Care (10)
5. Youth Needs =
  - a. More activities, programs and events
  - b. Maintenance of existing recreation space and creation of new spaces, including a youth center or community center
  - c. More athletic activities
  - d. Workforce development and life skills training and youth job opportunities
  - e. Summer programs, academic programs and mentoring programs
6. Senior Needs =
  - a. Programs, activities, Senior Center offerings
  - b. Transportation services
  - c. Affordability: tax relief, public benefits, affordable housing, local discount programs
  - d. Assistance with home repairs and landscaping
  - e. Need for more senior daycare, assisted living, medical services
  - f. Linguistically and culturally diverse programs, activities and services
7. Service Gaps =
  - a. Better communication of existing services and correspondence from Township

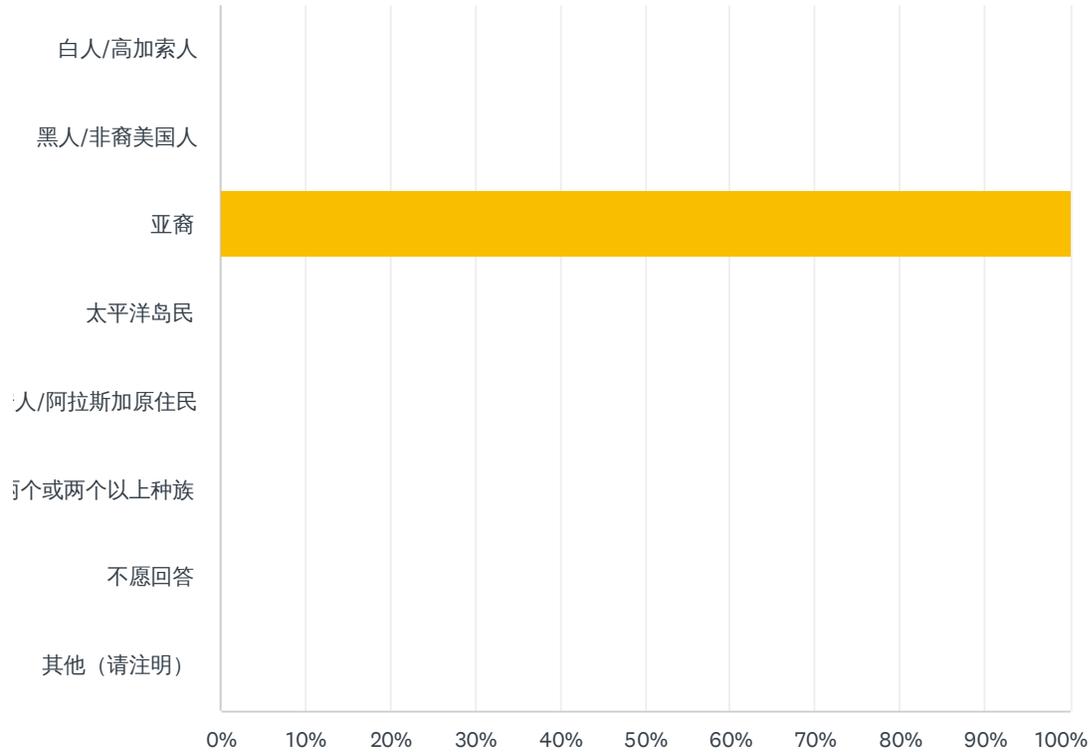
- b. Increased access: more mental health services, affordable child care, senior transportation, food resources, DV services
  - c. Better and more reliable transportation
  - d. Spaces, programs and resources for persons with disabilities
  
- 8. Other Needs Not Mentioned = Jobs and Workforce Development for adults and youth, drainage and sidewalk improvements, tax preparation sites, services and subsidy in multiple life areas to assist with the cost of living
  
- 9. Top Communication Methods = Email, Social Media, Text/Phone
  
- 10. Housing Discrimination = 10 respondents experienced (out of 134)
  - a. Cause = Race/Ethnicity (2), Sex/Gender/Gender Identity (2), Religion (2)
  - b. 8/10 did not report because they didn't know how (3) or didn't think it would make a difference (3)

## Q1 您居住在 Cherry Hill 的哪个社区？

Answered: 14 Skipped: 0

## Q2 您认为自己属于哪个种族或文化群体？

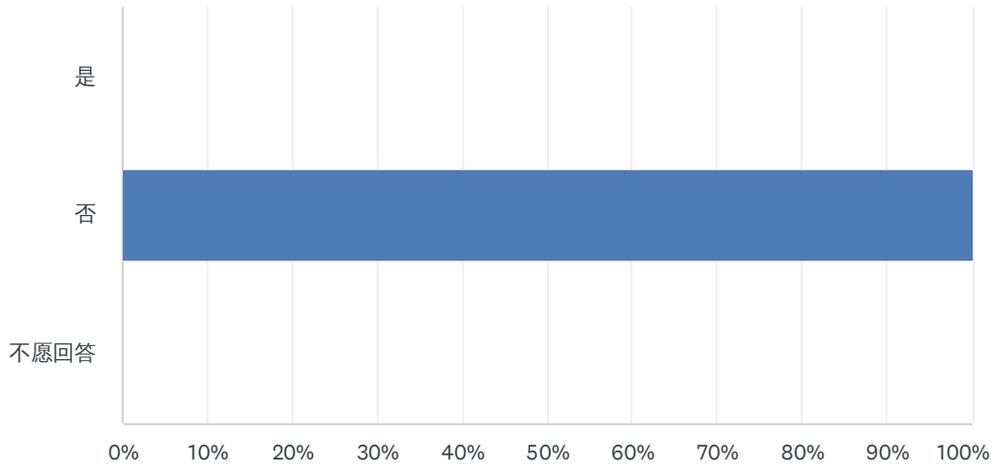
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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 白人/高加索人        | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 黑人/非裔美国人       | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 亚裔             | 100.00%   | 14        |
| 太平洋岛民          | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 美洲印第安人/阿拉斯加原住民 | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 两个或两个以上种族      | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 不愿回答           | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 其他 (请注明)       | 0.00%     | 0         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |           | <b>14</b> |

### Q3 您是否认为自己是西班牙裔或拉丁裔？

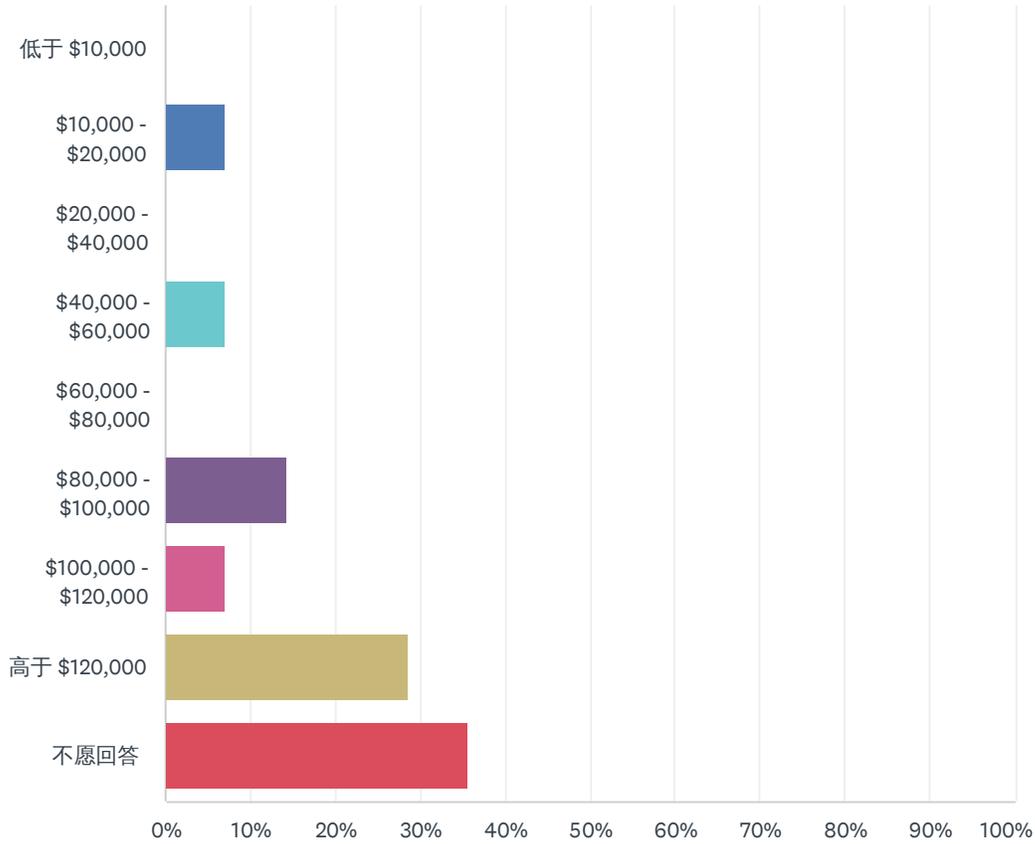
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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| 是              | 0.00%     | 0  |
| 否              | 100.00%   | 14 |
| 不愿回答           | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL          |           | 14 |

### Q4 您的家庭年收入范围是多少（包括所有来源）？

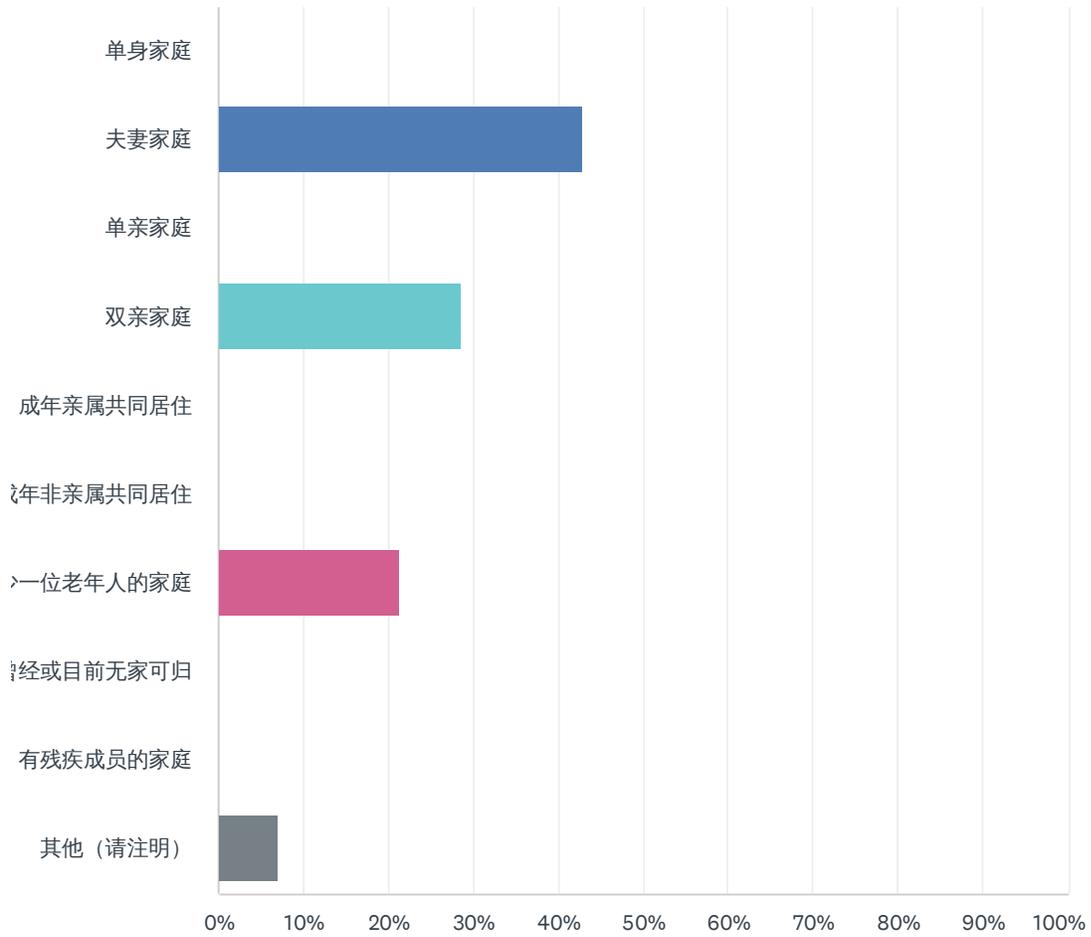
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| ANSWER CHOICES        | RESPONSES |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 低于 \$10,000           | 0.00%     | 0         |
| \$10,000 - \$20,000   | 7.14%     | 1         |
| \$20,000 - \$40,000   | 0.00%     | 0         |
| \$40,000 - \$60,000   | 7.14%     | 1         |
| \$60,000 - \$80,000   | 0.00%     | 0         |
| \$80,000 - \$100,000  | 14.29%    | 2         |
| \$100,000 - \$120,000 | 7.14%     | 1         |
| 高于 \$120,000          | 28.57%    | 4         |
| 不愿回答                  | 35.71%    | 5         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>          |           | <b>14</b> |

### Q5 请选择您的家庭类型：

Answered: 14 Skipped: 0

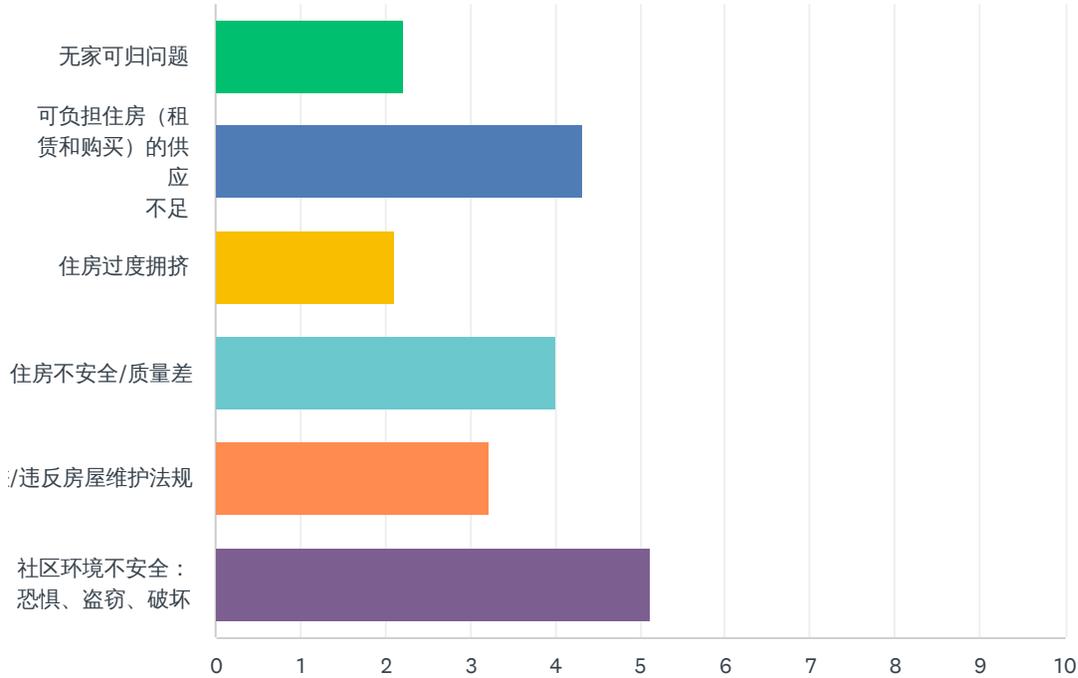


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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 单身家庭           | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 夫妻家庭           | 42.86%    | 6         |
| 单亲家庭           | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 双亲家庭           | 28.57%    | 4         |
| 成年亲属共同居住       | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 成年非亲属共同居住      | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 有至少一位老年人的家庭    | 21.43%    | 3         |
| 曾经或目前无家可归      | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 有残疾成员的家庭       | 0.00%     | 0         |
| 其他 (请注明)       | 7.14%     | 1         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |           | <b>14</b> |

Q6 请根据以下选项，对您所在社区最常见的住房问题进行排序（1 = 最常见，6 = 最不常见）：

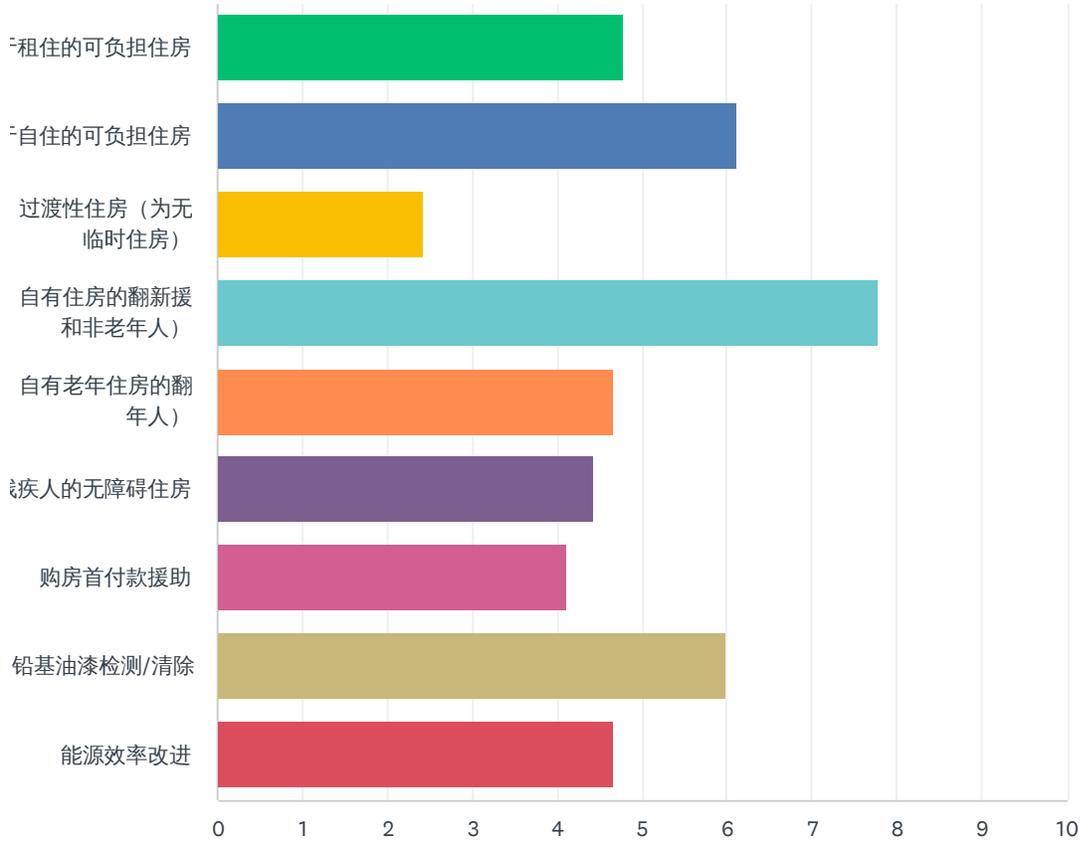
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|                           | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | TOTAL | SCORE |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| 无家可归问题                    | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 55.56%<br>5 | 9     | 2.22  |
| 可负担住房（租赁和购买）的供应不足         | 33.33%<br>3 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 4.33  |
| 住房过度拥挤                    | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 33.33%<br>3 | 44.44%<br>4 | 9     | 2.11  |
| 住房不安全/质量差                 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 55.56%<br>5 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 4.00  |
| 社区环境差/违反房屋维护法规            | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 55.56%<br>5 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 3.22  |
| 社区环境不安全：治安问题、犯罪恐惧、盗窃、破坏行为 | 66.67%<br>6 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 5.11  |

Q7 请使用下拉菜单功能，对您认为 Cherry Hill 应优先考虑的下列符合条件的住房活动进行排序（1 = 最高优先级，8 = 最低优先级）。

Answered: 9 Skipped: 5



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|                          | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           | 8           | 9           | TOTAL | SCORE |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| 用于租住的可负担住房               | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 9     | 4.78  |
| 用于自住的可负担住房               | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 6.11  |
| 过渡性住房<br>(为无家可归者提供的临时住房) | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 44.44%<br>4 | 9     | 2.44  |
| 自有住房的翻新援助 (针对老年人和非老年人)   | 44.44%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 7.78  |
| 自有老年住房的翻新援助 (仅限老年人)      | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 44.44%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 4.67  |
| 适合老年人或残疾人的无障碍住房          | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 33.33%<br>3 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 9     | 4.44  |
| 购房首付款援助                  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 9     | 4.11  |
| 铅基油漆检测/清除                | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 44.44%<br>4 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 6.00  |
| 能源效率改进                   | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 9     | 4.67  |

Q8 描述镇上青少年的需求。您希望本镇做出哪些改进来满足他们的需求？

Answered: 6 Skipped: 8

Q9 描述镇上老年人的需求。您希望本镇做出哪些改进来满足他们的需求？

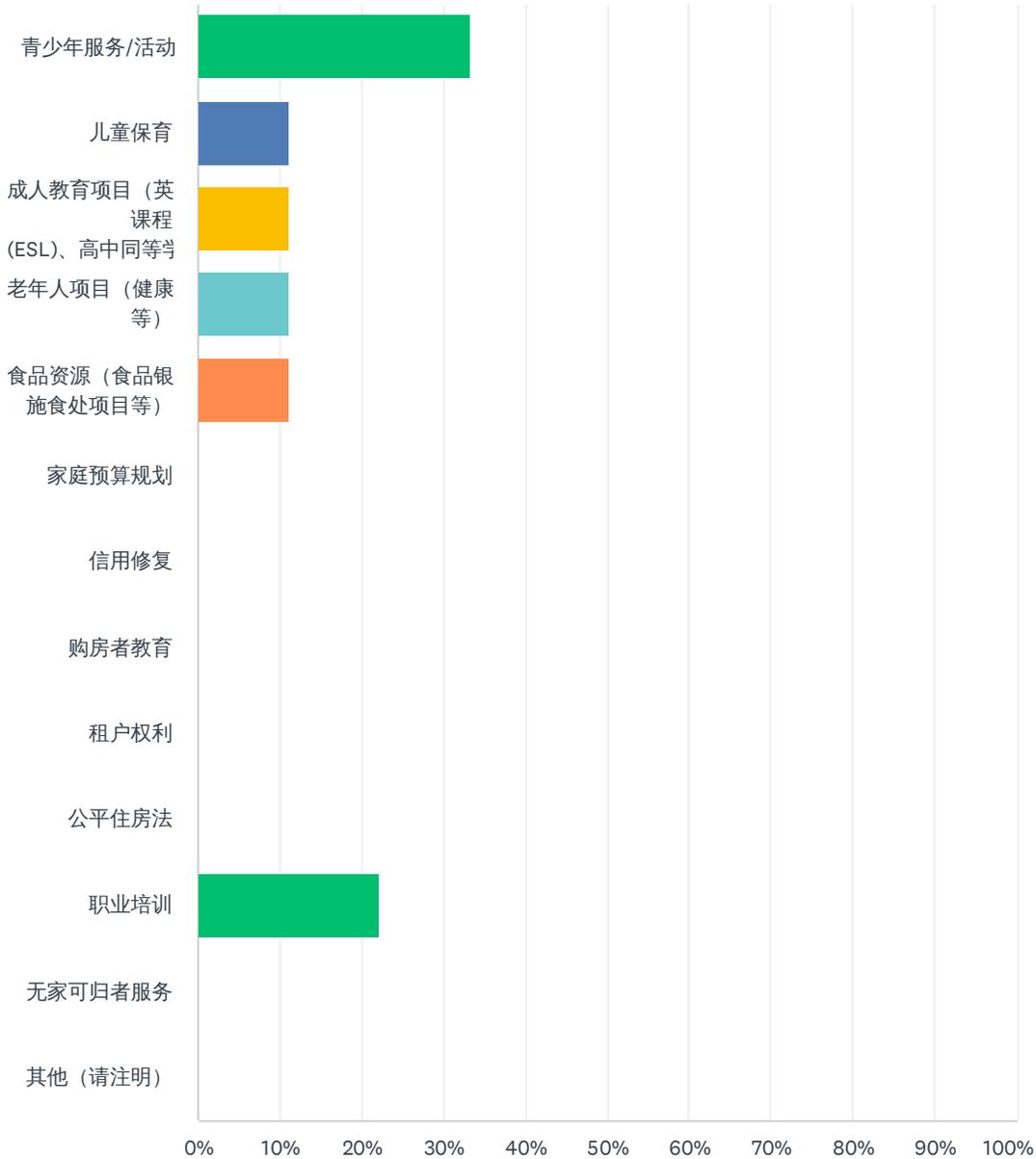
Answered: 5 Skipped: 9

Q10 人类服务系统是否存在不足？您希望本镇做出哪些改进来满足他们的需求？

Answered: 3 Skipped: 11

### Q11 Cherry Hill 使用 CDBG 公共服务资金资助老年人和残疾人交通巴士以及家庭暴力服务。请勾选您或您认识的人可能感兴趣的其他针对中低收入人群的项目（请选择一项）：

Answered: 9 Skipped: 5

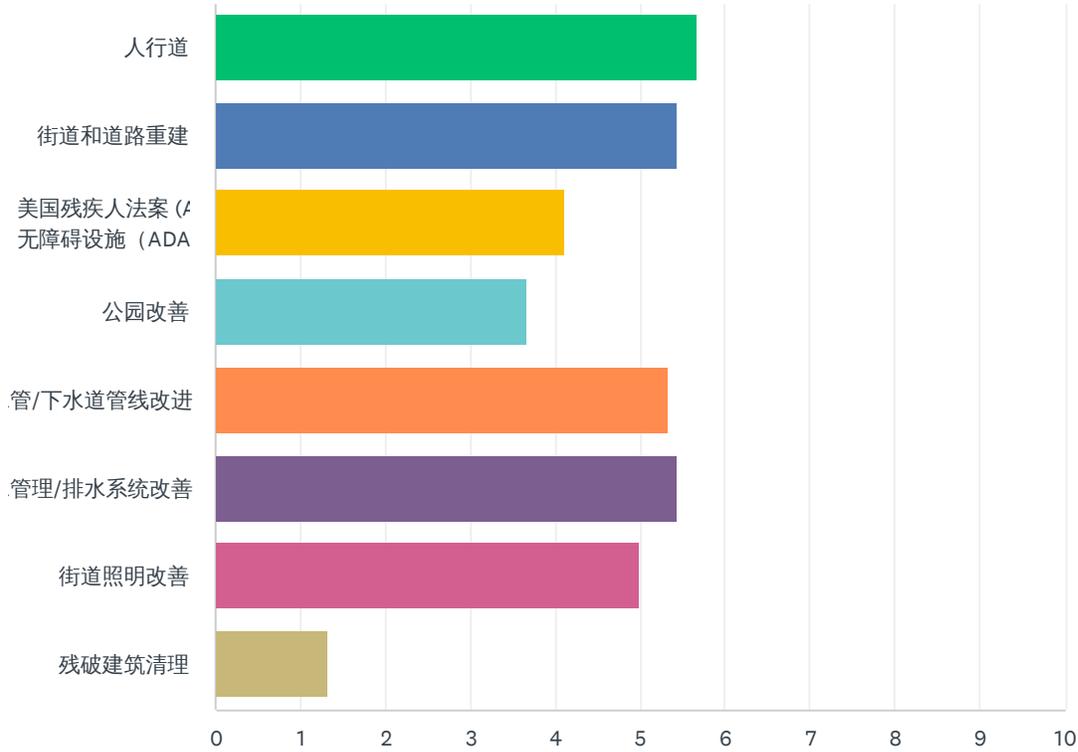


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| ANSWER CHOICES                             | RESPONSES |          |
|--|-----------|----------|
| 青少年服务/活动                                   | 33.33%    | 3        |
| 儿童保育                                       | 11.11%    | 1        |
| 成人教育项目 (英语作为第二语言课程 (ESL)、高中同等学力文凭 (GED) 等) | 11.11%    | 1        |
| 老年人项目 (健康服务、健身课程等)                         | 11.11%    | 1        |
| 食品资源 (食品银行、社区餐饮/施食处项目等)                    | 11.11%    | 1        |
| 家庭预算规划                                     | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 信用修复                                       | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 购房者教育                                      | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 租户权利                                       | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 公平住房法                                      | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 职业培训                                       | 22.22%    | 2        |
| 无家可归者服务                                    | 0.00%     | 0        |
| 其他 (请注明)                                   | 0.00%     | 0        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               |           | <b>9</b> |

Q12 请使用下拉框，对您所在社区的公共设施改善需求进行评级（1 = 最高优先级，8 = 最低优先级）。

Answered: 9 Skipped: 5



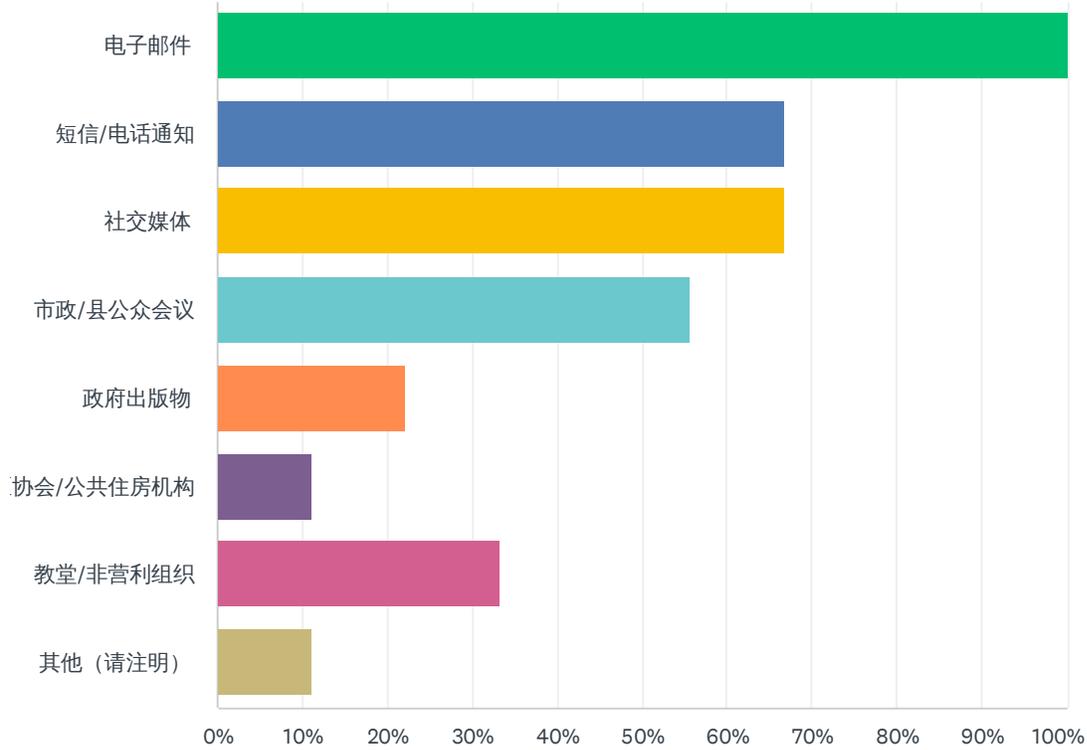
|                                | 1           | 2           | 3           | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           | 8           | TOTAL | SCORE |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| 人行道                            | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 33.33%<br>3 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 5.67  |
| 街道和道路重建                        | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 5.44  |
| 美国残疾人法案 (ADA) 无障碍设施 (ADA 路缘坡道) | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 4.11  |
| 公园改善                           | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 44.44%<br>4 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 9     | 3.67  |
| 水管/下水道管线改进                     | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 33.33%<br>3 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 5.33  |
| 雨水管理/排水系统改善                    | 22.22%<br>2 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 0.00%<br>0  | 9     | 5.44  |
| 街道照明改善                         | 33.33%<br>3 | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 22.22%<br>2 | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 22.22%<br>2 | 11.11%<br>1 | 9     | 5.00  |
| 残破建筑清理                         | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 0.00%<br>0  | 11.11%<br>1 | 11.11%<br>1 | 77.78%<br>7 | 9     | 1.33  |

**Q13 除了前面列出的需求和优先事项外，中低收入人群是否还有其他需要解决的需求？**

Answered: 4 Skipped: 10

## Q14 在您看来，与社区沟通社区发展问题的最佳方式是什么？（勾选所有适用项）

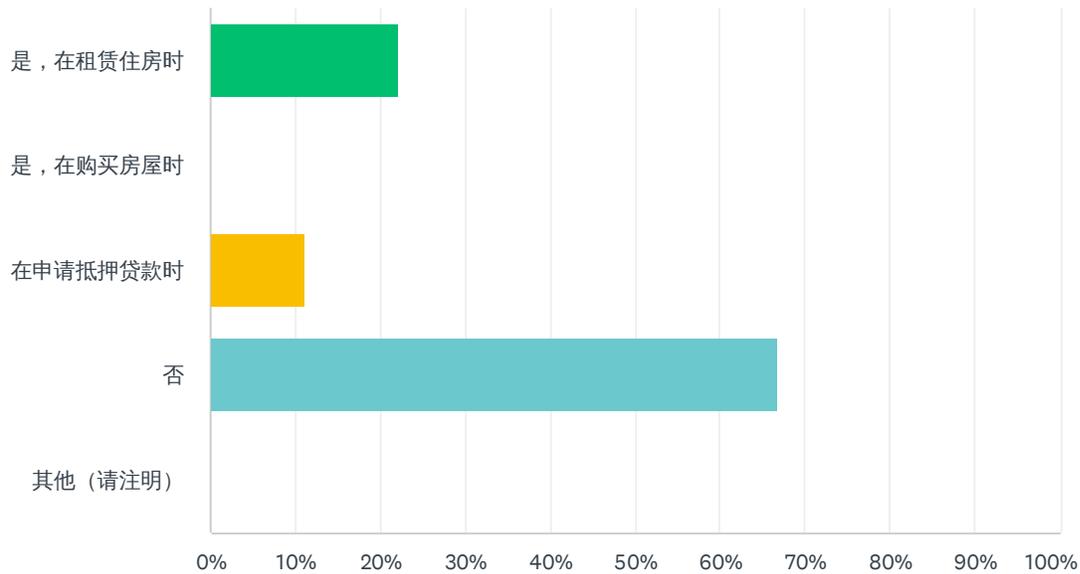
Answered: 9 Skipped: 5



| ANSWER CHOICES       | RESPONSES |
|----------------------|-----------|
| 电子邮件                 | 100.00% 9 |
| 短信/电话通知              | 66.67% 6  |
| 社交媒体                 | 66.67% 6  |
| 市政/县公众会议             | 55.56% 5  |
| 政府出版物                | 22.22% 2  |
| 社区协会/公共住房机构          | 11.11% 1  |
| 教堂/非营利组织             | 33.33% 3  |
| 其他 (请注明)             | 11.11% 1  |
| Total Respondents: 9 |           |

**Q15 住房歧视有多种形式，通常难以察觉。联邦和州法律均规定，基于种族、肤色、宗教、国籍、性别、残疾或家庭状况拒绝提供住房是违法的。您在尝试获取以下任何服务时是否曾遭受过歧视？（勾选所有适用项）**

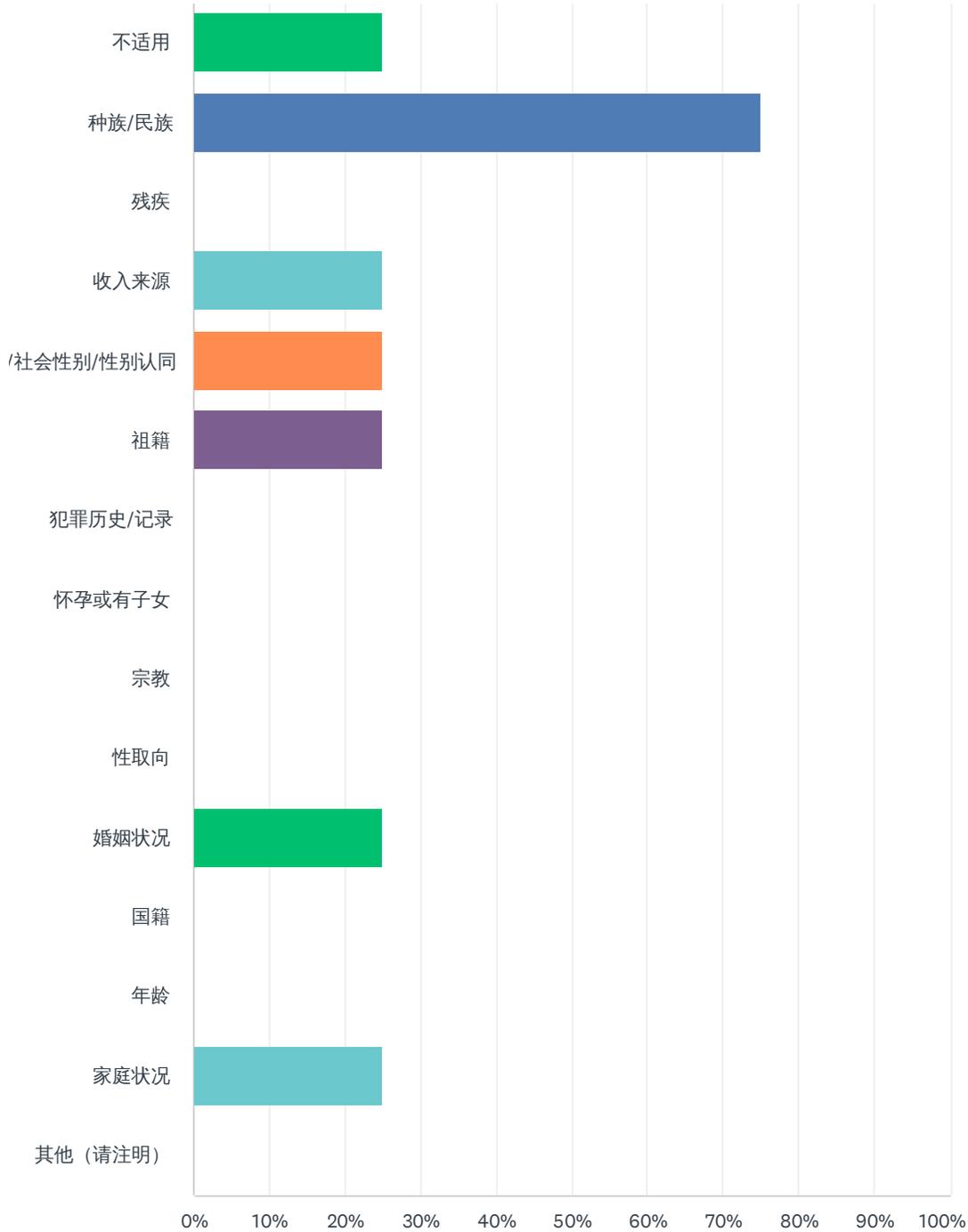
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| ANSWER CHOICES       | RESPONSES |   |
|----------------------|-----------|---|
| 是，在租赁住房时             | 22.22%    | 2 |
| 是，在购买房屋时             | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 是，在申请抵押贷款时           | 11.11%    | 1 |
| 否                    | 66.67%    | 6 |
| 其他 (请注明)             | 0.00%     | 0 |
| Total Respondents: 9 |           |   |

### Q16 如果您回答“是”，请勾选您认为可能导致不公平待遇的原因。（勾选所有适用项）

Answered: 4 Skipped: 10

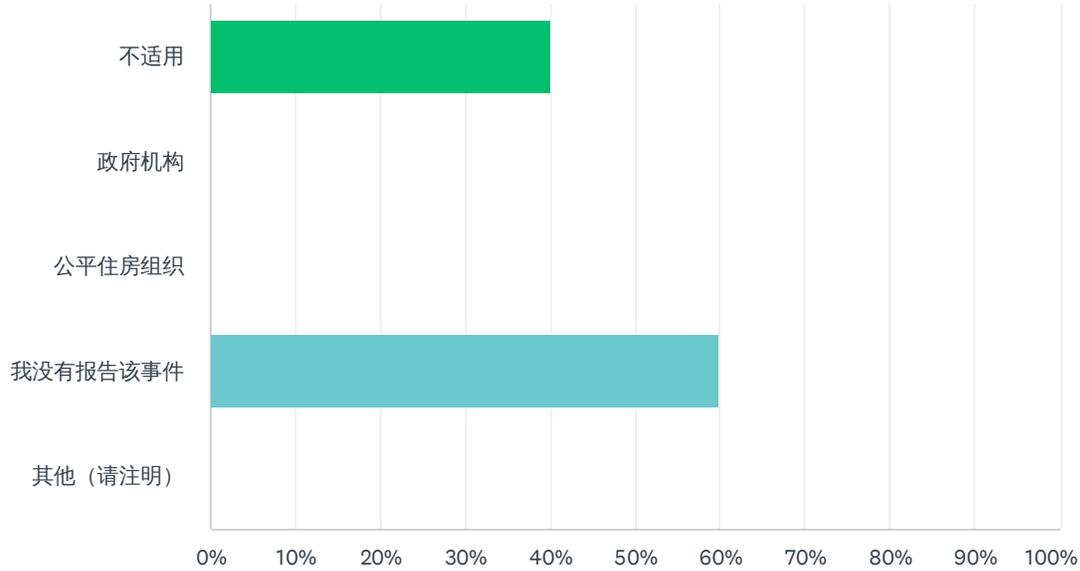


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| ANSWER CHOICES       | RESPONSES |   |
|----------------------|-----------|---|
| 不适用                  | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 种族/民族                | 75.00%    | 3 |
| 残疾                   | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 收入来源                 | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 生理性别/社会性别/性别认同       | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 祖籍                   | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 犯罪历史/记录              | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 怀孕或有子女               | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 宗教                   | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 性取向                  | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 婚姻状况                 | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 国籍                   | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 年龄                   | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 家庭状况                 | 25.00%    | 1 |
| 其他 (请注明)             | 0.00%     | 0 |
| Total Respondents: 4 |           |   |

## Q17 如果您在寻求住房时感觉受到不公平对待，您是否向以下机构报告了该事件？

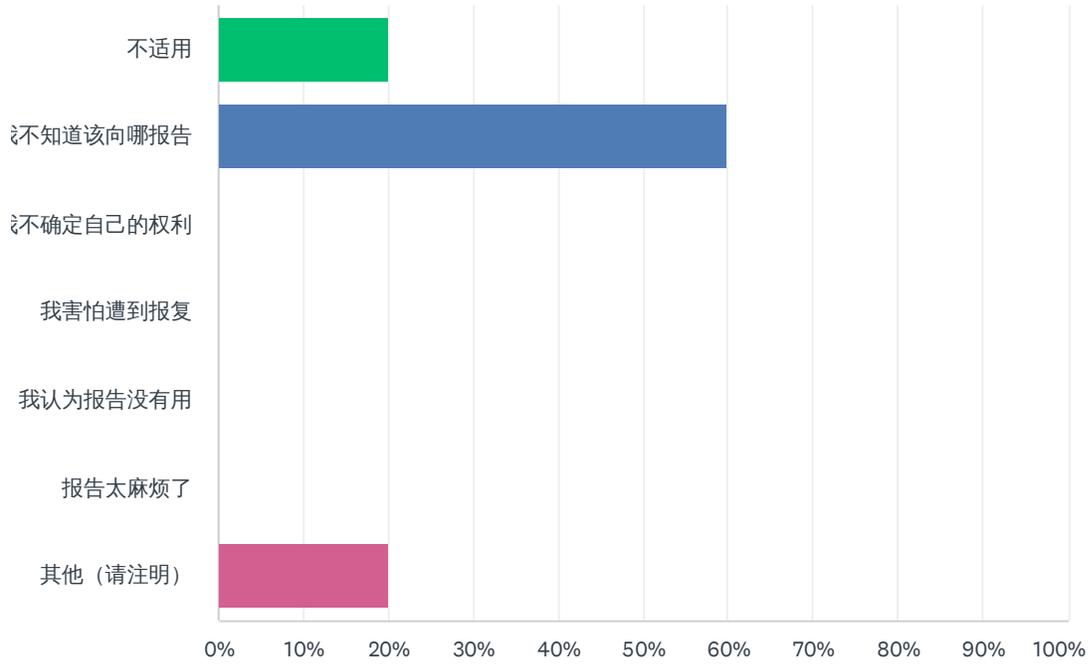
Answered: 5 Skipped: 9



| ANSWER CHOICES       | RESPONSES |   |
|----------------------|-----------|---|
| 不适用                  | 40.00%    | 2 |
| 政府机构                 | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 公平住房组织               | 0.00%     | 0 |
| 我没有报告该事件             | 60.00%    | 3 |
| 其他 (请注明)             | 0.00%     | 0 |
| Total Respondents: 5 |           |   |

## Q18 如果您没有报告该事件，那么您决定不报告的原因是什么？

Answered: 5 Skipped: 9



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |
|----------------|-----------|
| 不适用            | 20.00% 1  |
| 我不知道该向哪报告      | 60.00% 3  |
| 我不确定自己的权利      | 0.00% 0   |
| 我害怕遭到报复        | 0.00% 0   |
| 我认为报告没有用       | 0.00% 0   |
| 报告太麻烦了         | 0.00% 0   |
| 其他 (请注明)       | 20.00% 1  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>5</b>  |

## Q1 What neighborhood in Cherry Hill do you live in?

Answered: 114 Skipped: 6

| #  | RESPONSES                                      | DATE               |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1  | Kingston                                       | 5/6/2025 5:59 PM   |
| 2  | Woodcrest                                      | 4/26/2025 5:03 PM  |
| 3  | Northwood ave                                  | 4/24/2025 11:51 PM |
| 4  | Old Orchard                                    | 4/23/2025 12:31 PM |
| 5  | Locustwood                                     | 4/23/2025 12:20 PM |
| 6  | Kingston                                       | 4/23/2025 12:13 PM |
| 7  | Kingston Estates                               | 4/23/2025 12:03 PM |
| 8  | Kingston                                       | 4/23/2025 11:57 AM |
| 9  | Kingston                                       | 4/23/2025 11:47 AM |
| 10 | Kingston                                       | 4/23/2025 11:38 AM |
| 11 | Windsor West                                   | 4/23/2025 11:37 AM |
| 12 | Barclay Woods                                  | 4/21/2025 11:25 PM |
| 13 | On Chapel, near the Merchantville Country Club | 4/21/2025 8:47 PM  |
| 14 | Knollwood                                      | 4/21/2025 7:15 PM  |
| 15 | Erlton North                                   | 4/21/2025 4:53 PM  |
| 16 | Woodland                                       | 4/21/2025 1:47 PM  |
| 17 | Locustwood                                     | 4/20/2025 10:12 AM |
| 18 | Knollwood                                      | 4/19/2025 9:24 PM  |
| 19 | Kingsway Village                               | 4/19/2025 8:02 PM  |
| 20 | Kingston                                       | 4/19/2025 4:28 PM  |
| 21 | Kenilworth                                     | 4/18/2025 9:25 PM  |
| 22 | Uxbridge                                       | 4/18/2025 1:21 PM  |
| 23 | Knollwood                                      | 4/18/2025 11:30 AM |
| 24 | Lakeview                                       | 4/18/2025 11:20 AM |
| 25 | Bel Aire Ave                                   | 4/18/2025 8:44 AM  |
| 26 | Kings croft                                    | 4/18/2025 7:52 AM  |
| 27 | Barclay Farm                                   | 4/18/2025 7:46 AM  |
| 28 | Woodcrest                                      | 4/18/2025 6:46 AM  |
| 29 | Willowdale                                     | 4/18/2025 6:18 AM  |
| 30 | Europa   | 4/18/2025 5:56 AM  |
| 31 | Willow dale                                    | 4/17/2025 11:50 PM |
| 32 | Erlton north                                   | 4/17/2025 11:21 PM |
| 33 | Kingston                                       | 4/17/2025 10:47 PM |

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| 34 | Estates  | 4/17/2025 10:39 PM |
| 35 | Cherry Valley                                    | 4/17/2025 10:21 PM |
| 36 | Eastwick   | 4/17/2025 8:55 PM  |
| 37 | Forest park                                      | 4/17/2025 8:47 PM  |
| 38 | Barclay Farm                                     | 4/17/2025 8:32 PM  |
| 39 | Uxbridge   | 4/17/2025 8:10 PM  |
| 40 | Old orchard                                      | 4/17/2025 7:50 PM  |
| 41 | St. Mary's residences (Diocese of Camde housing) | 4/17/2025 7:50 PM  |
| 42 | Surrey Place East                                | 4/17/2025 7:46 PM  |
| 43 | Hunt Tract                                       | 4/17/2025 7:10 PM  |
| 44 | Erlton   | 4/17/2025 7:02 PM  |
| 45 | Erlton   | 4/17/2025 6:39 PM  |
| 46 | Cherry Hill Estates                              | 4/17/2025 6:35 PM  |
| 47 | Haddontowne                                      | 4/17/2025 6:34 PM  |
| 48 | Barckay  | 4/17/2025 6:31 PM  |
| 49 | Erlton south                                     | 4/17/2025 6:10 PM  |
| 50 | Barclay  | 4/17/2025 6:09 PM  |
| 51 | Barclay Farm                                     | 4/17/2025 6:04 PM  |
| 52 | Kresson Road                                     | 4/17/2025 6:03 PM  |
| 53 | Wexford Leas                                     | 4/17/2025 5:57 PM  |
| 54 | Fox Hollow                                       | 4/17/2025 5:29 PM  |
| 55 | Barclay Farm                                     | 4/17/2025 5:27 PM  |
| 56 | Barclay Farm                                     | 4/17/2025 5:19 PM  |
| 57 | Colwick  | 4/17/2025 5:12 PM  |
| 58 | Kingston   | 4/15/2025 9:36 PM  |
| 59 | ASHLAND  | 4/15/2025 3:59 PM  |
| 60 | Woodcrest  | 4/15/2025 2:27 PM  |
| 61 | woodcrest  | 4/15/2025 1:29 PM  |
| 62 | Kingston/Greenhaven                              | 4/13/2025 9:30 PM  |
| 63 | Barclay  | 4/13/2025 1:54 PM  |
| 64 | Woodcrest  | 4/13/2025 10:33 AM |
| 65 | Willowdale                                       | 4/12/2025 7:49 AM  |
| 66 | Kingston   | 4/12/2025 6:36 AM  |
| 67 | Greenhaven                                       | 4/12/2025 2:12 AM  |
| 68 | Cherry hill estate                               | 4/11/2025 8:34 PM  |
| 69 | Old Orchard Cherry Downs                         | 4/11/2025 8:06 PM  |
| 70 | Tavistock Condominium                            | 4/11/2025 7:42 PM  |
| 71 | Deer Road  | 4/11/2025 6:36 PM  |

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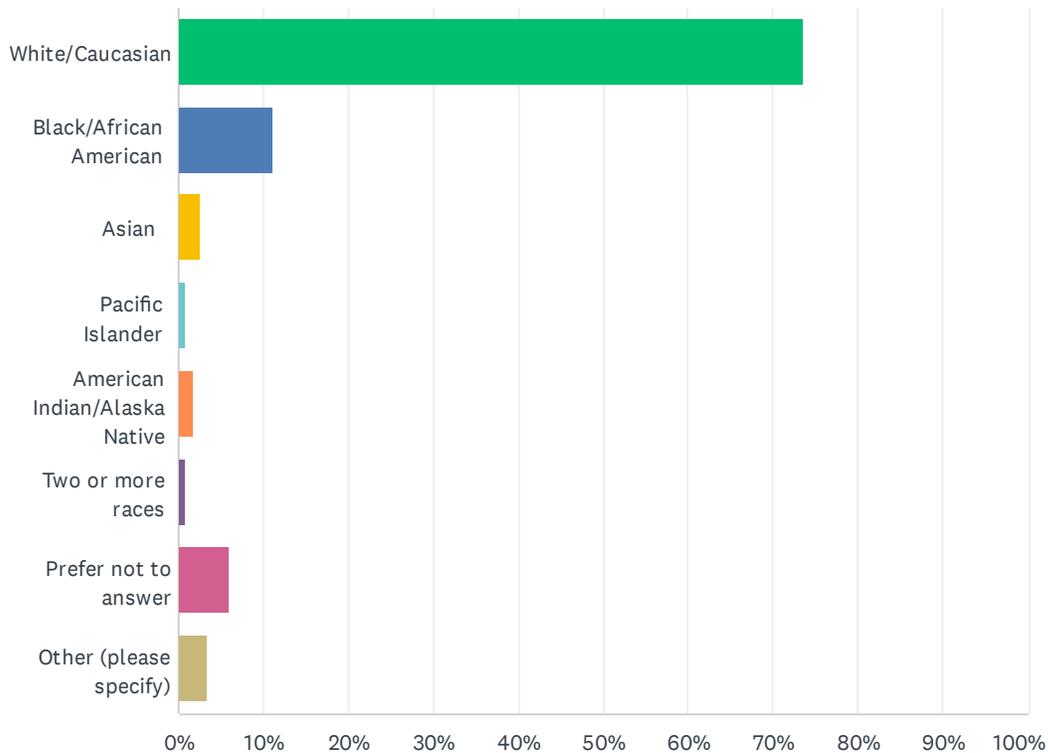
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| 73  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 1:13 PM  |
| 74  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 12:53 PM |
| 75  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 12:42 PM |
| 76  | Kingston Estates    | 4/11/2025 10:34 AM |
| 77  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 9:16 AM  |
| 78  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 8:53 AM  |
| 79  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 6:42 AM  |
| 80  | Greenhaven          | 4/11/2025 4:08 AM  |
| 81  | Kingston            | 4/11/2025 12:17 AM |
| 82  | Kingston            | 4/10/2025 11:24 PM |
| 83  | Kingston            | 4/10/2025 11:21 PM |
| 84  | hj                  | 4/10/2025 12:31 PM |
| 85  | Old Orchard         | 4/9/2025 12:42 PM  |
| 86  | Kingston            | 4/9/2025 11:22 AM  |
| 87  | Fox Hollow          | 4/9/2025 9:45 AM   |
| 88  | Woodlyn             | 4/8/2025 7:35 PM   |
| 89  | Kingston Estates    | 4/8/2025 4:02 PM   |
| 90  | Windsor West        | 4/8/2025 6:19 AM   |
| 91  | Hunt Tract          | 4/7/2025 10:56 PM  |
| 92  | Kingston            | 4/7/2025 8:08 AM   |
| 93  | Siena               | 4/6/2025 10:39 PM  |
| 94  | Barclay Farm        | 4/4/2025 10:06 PM  |
| 95  | Lakeview            | 4/3/2025 10:58 PM  |
| 96  | Kingston            | 4/3/2025 8:52 PM   |
| 97  | Point of woods      | 4/2/2025 9:04 PM   |
| 98  | Point of Woods      | 4/2/2025 9:01 PM   |
| 99  | Point of Woods      | 4/2/2025 7:51 PM   |
| 100 | Golden Triangle     | 4/2/2025 7:45 PM   |
| 101 | Boundbrook          | 4/2/2025 6:38 PM   |
| 102 | Point of woods      | 4/2/2025 6:37 PM   |
| 103 | Lake View           | 4/2/2025 6:23 PM   |
| 104 | Point of woods      | 4/2/2025 5:34 PM   |
| 105 | Kingston/Greenhaven | 4/2/2025 4:27 PM   |
| 106 | Cherry Valley       | 4/2/2025 4:02 PM   |
| 107 | District 12         | 4/2/2025 4:02 PM   |
| 108 | Still Park          | 4/2/2025 3:53 PM   |
| 109 | Old orchard         | 4/2/2025 3:43 PM   |

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| 110 | Brookfield          | 4/2/2025 2:35 PM |
| 111 | Golden triangle     | 4/2/2025 1:33 PM |
| 112 | Barclay Farm        | 4/2/2025 1:32 PM |
| 113 | Cherry Hill Estates | 4/2/2025 1:24 PM |
| 114 | Locustwood          | 4/2/2025 1:20 PM |

## Q2 What racial or cultural group do you consider yourself to be a part of?

Answered: 117 Skipped: 3

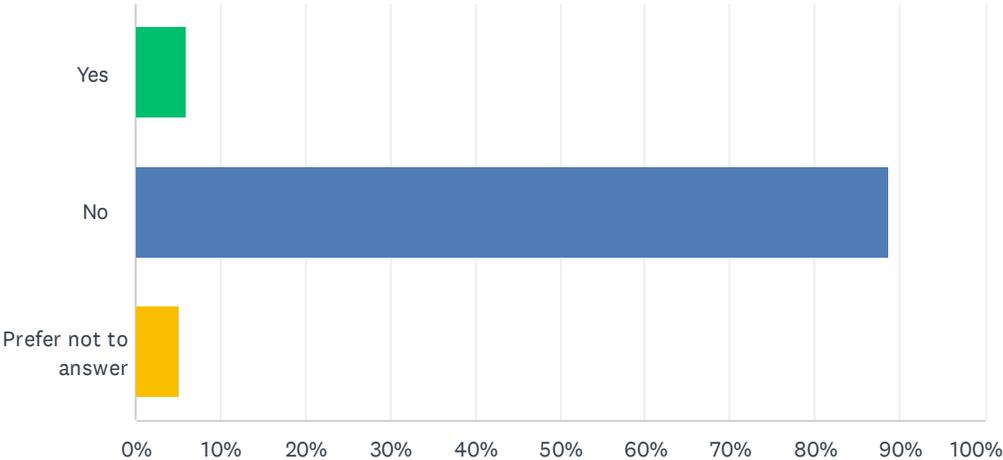


| ANSWER CHOICES                | RESPONSES  |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| White/Caucasian               | 73.50% 86  |
| Black/African American        | 11.11% 13  |
| Asian                         | 2.56% 3    |
| Pacific Islander              | 0.85% 1    |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 1.71% 2    |
| Two or more races             | 0.85% 1    |
| Prefer not to answer          | 5.98% 7    |
| Other (please specify)        | 3.42% 4    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>117</b> |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE              |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | three races            | 4/17/2025 6:34 PM |
| 2 | Native American        | 4/8/2025 7:35 PM  |
| 3 | Latino                 | 4/2/2025 6:37 PM  |
| 4 | American               | 4/2/2025 5:34 PM  |

### Q3 Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

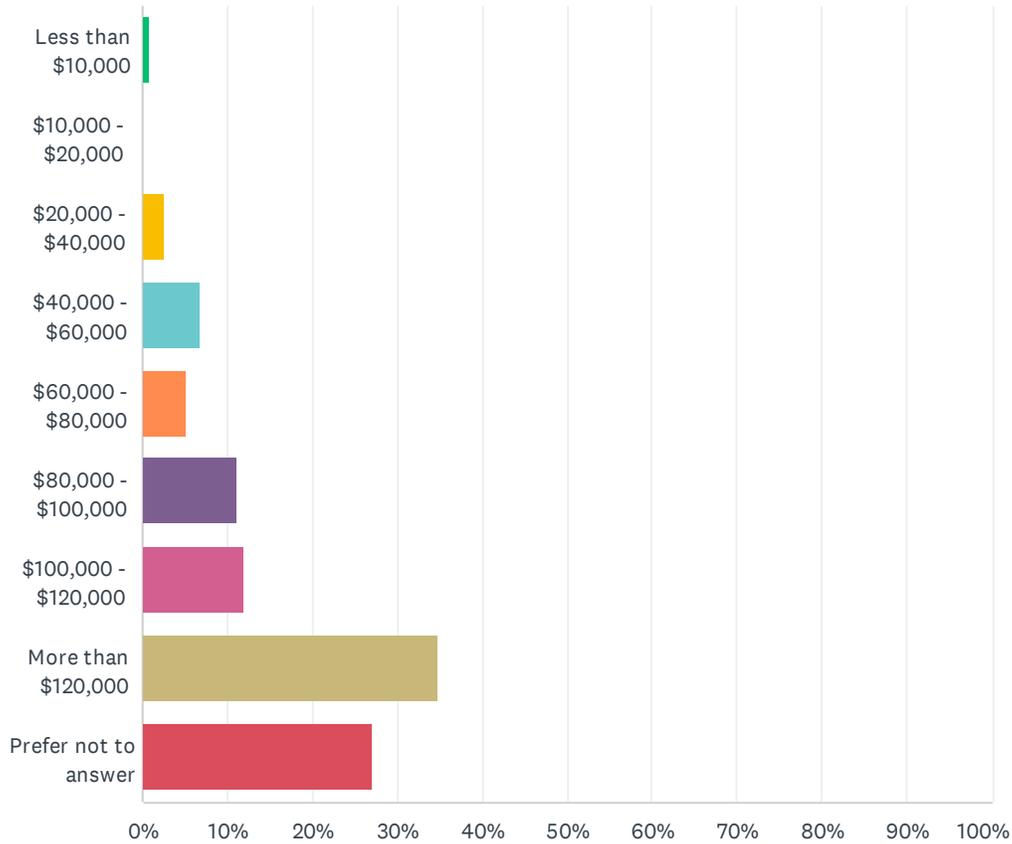
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| ANSWER CHOICES       | RESPONSES |            |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|
| Yes                  | 6.03%     | 7          |
| No                   | 88.79%    | 103        |
| Prefer not to answer | 5.17%     | 6          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         |           | <b>116</b> |

## Q4 What is your household's yearly income range (from all sources)?

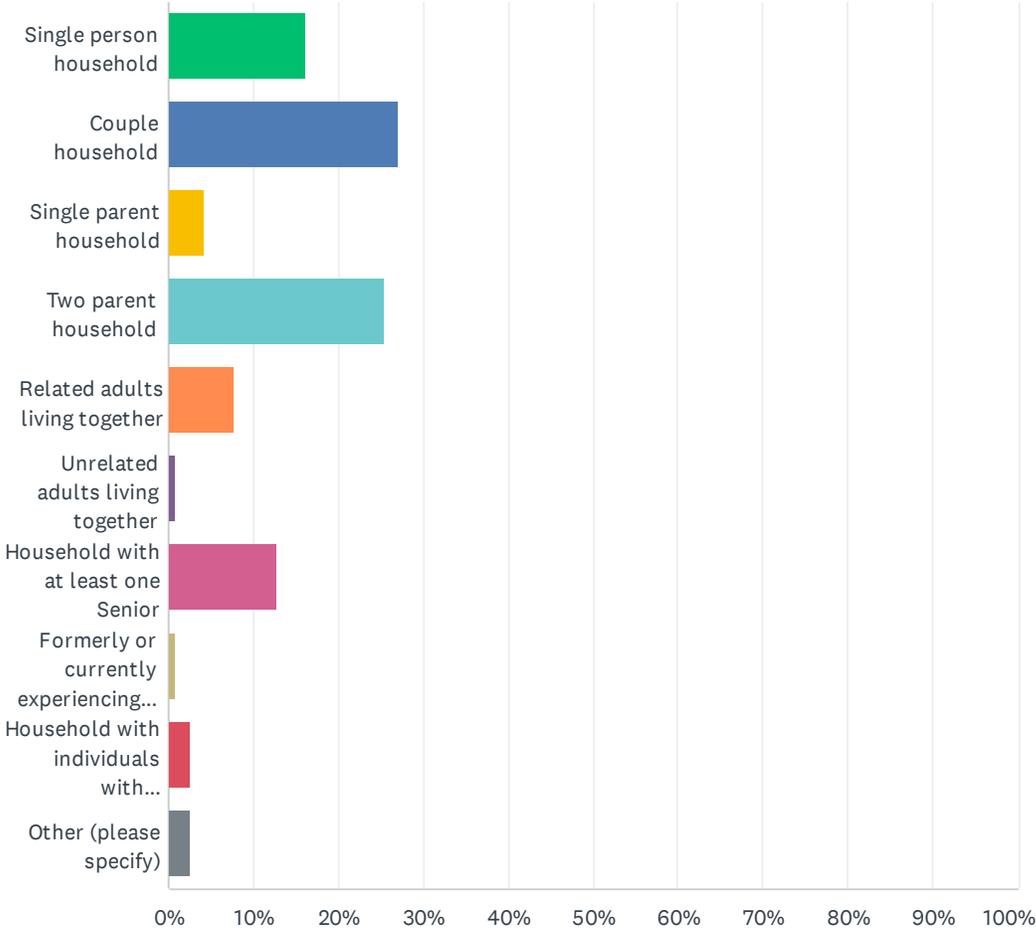
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| ANSWER CHOICES        | RESPONSES |            |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|
| Less than \$10,000    | 0.85%     | 1          |
| \$10,000 - \$20,000   | 0.00%     | 0          |
| \$20,000 - \$40,000   | 2.54%     | 3          |
| \$40,000 - \$60,000   | 6.78%     | 8          |
| \$60,000 - \$80,000   | 5.08%     | 6          |
| \$80,000 - \$100,000  | 11.02%    | 13         |
| \$100,000 - \$120,000 | 11.86%    | 14         |
| More than \$120,000   | 34.75%    | 41         |
| Prefer not to answer  | 27.12%    | 32         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>          |           | <b>118</b> |

### Q5 Please identify your household type:

Answered: 118 Skipped: 2



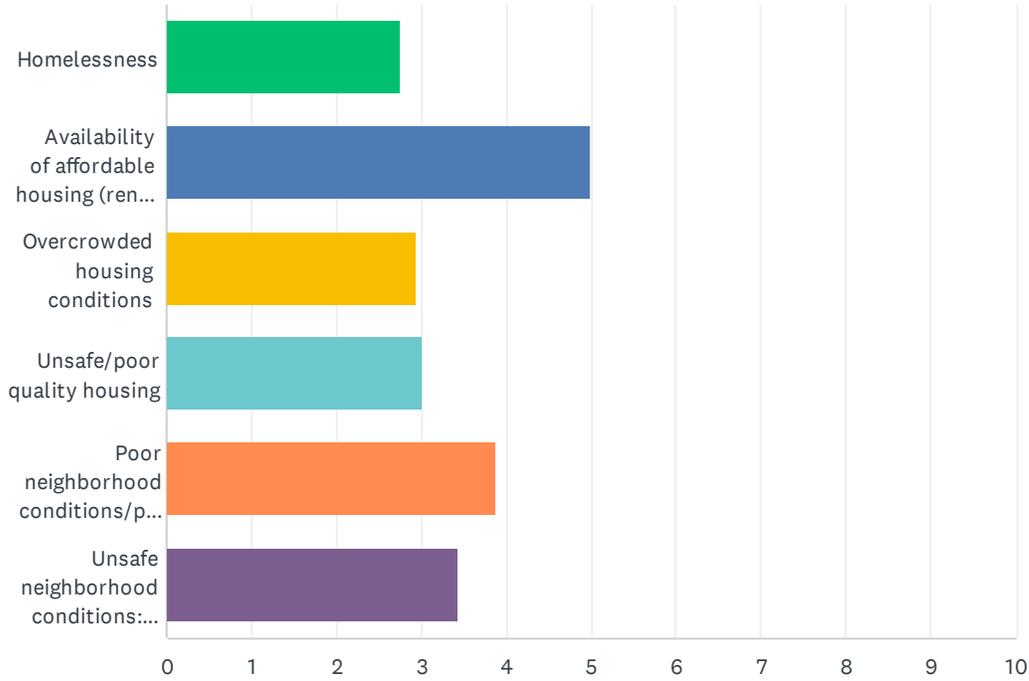
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| ANSWER CHOICES                                  | RESPONSES |            |
|---|-----------|------------|
| Single person household                         | 16.10%    | 19         |
| Couple household                                | 27.12%    | 32         |
| Single parent household                         | 4.24%     | 5          |
| Two parent household                            | 25.42%    | 30         |
| Related adults living together                  | 7.63%     | 9          |
| Unrelated adults living together                | 0.85%     | 1          |
| Household with at least one Senior              | 12.71%    | 15         |
| Formerly or currently experiencing homelessness | 0.85%     | 1          |
| Household with individuals with disabilities    | 2.54%     | 3          |
| Other (please specify)                          | 2.54%     | 3          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                    |           | <b>118</b> |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)               | DATE               |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Senior couple with disabled daughter | 4/21/2025 11:25 PM |
| 2 | two married seniors                  | 4/17/2025 6:34 PM  |
| 3 | married Seniors                      | 4/17/2025 6:03 PM  |

**Q6 Please rank the most common HOUSING problems your community faces using the choices below (1 = most common, 6 = least common):**

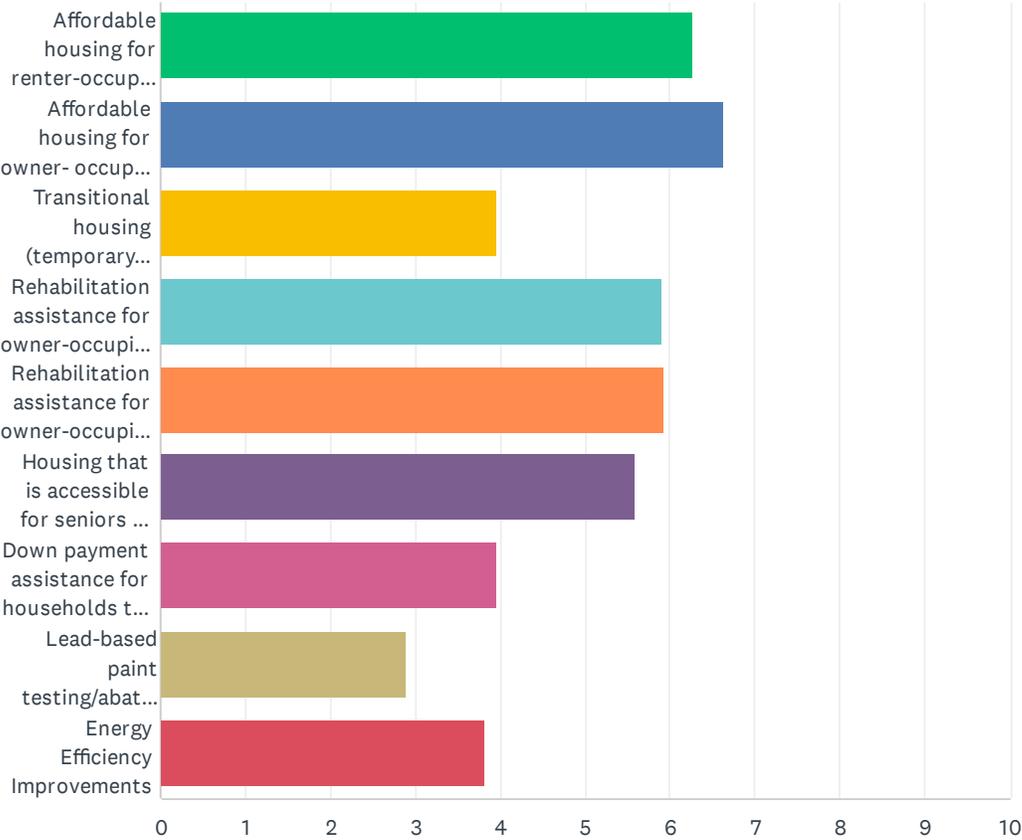
Answered: 75 Skipped: 45



|   | 1            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            | 6            | TOTAL | SCORE |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| Homelessness  | 13.33%<br>10 | 10.67%<br>8  | 6.67%<br>5   | 17.33%<br>13 | 12.00%<br>9  | 40.00%<br>30 | 75    | 2.76  |
| Availability of affordable housing (rental and ownership)               | 50.67%<br>38 | 21.33%<br>16 | 14.67%<br>11 | 5.33%<br>4   | 5.33%<br>4   | 2.67%<br>2   | 75    | 4.99  |
| Overcrowded housing conditions  | 2.67%<br>2   | 13.33%<br>10 | 14.67%<br>11 | 25.33%<br>19 | 33.33%<br>25 | 10.67%<br>8  | 75    | 2.95  |
| Unsafe/poor quality housing   | 1.33%<br>1   | 13.33%<br>10 | 20.00%<br>15 | 30.67%<br>23 | 18.67%<br>14 | 16.00%<br>12 | 75    | 3.00  |
| Poor neighborhood conditions/property maintenance code violations       | 14.67%<br>11 | 18.67%<br>14 | 34.67%<br>26 | 10.67%<br>8  | 13.33%<br>10 | 8.00%<br>6   | 75    | 3.87  |
| Unsafe neighborhood conditions: safety, fear of crime, theft, vandalism | 17.33%<br>13 | 22.67%<br>17 | 9.33%<br>7   | 10.67%<br>8  | 17.33%<br>13 | 22.67%<br>17 | 75    | 3.44  |

Q7 Using the drop down feature, please rank the following eligible HOUSING activities that you think should be prioritized in Cherry Hill (1 =highest priority, 8 = least priority).

Answered: 76 Skipped: 44



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|   | 1            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            | 6            | 7            | 8            | 9            | TOTAL | SCORE |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| Affordable housing for renter-occupied dwellings                              | 31.58%<br>24 | 13.16%<br>10 | 10.53%<br>8  | 5.26%<br>4   | 9.21%<br>7   | 9.21%<br>7   | 7.89%<br>6   | 11.84%<br>9  | 1.32%<br>1   | 76    | 6.1   |
| Affordable housing for owner-occupied dwellings                               | 23.68%<br>18 | 23.68%<br>18 | 6.58%<br>5   | 19.74%<br>15 | 5.26%<br>4   | 7.89%<br>6   | 13.16%<br>10 | 0.00%<br>0   | 0.00%<br>0   | 76    | 6.1   |
| Transitional housing (temporary housing for people experiencing homelessness) | 5.26%<br>4   | 2.63%<br>2   | 14.47%<br>11 | 13.16%<br>10 | 6.58%<br>5   | 6.58%<br>5   | 13.16%<br>10 | 11.84%<br>9  | 26.32%<br>20 | 76    | 3.1   |
| Rehabilitation assistance for owner-occupied housing (senior and non-senior)  | 6.58%<br>5   | 22.37%<br>17 | 14.47%<br>11 | 13.16%<br>10 | 15.79%<br>12 | 17.11%<br>13 | 5.26%<br>4   | 3.95%<br>3   | 1.32%<br>1   | 76    | 5.1   |
| Rehabilitation assistance for owner-occupied senior housing (seniors only)    | 14.47%<br>11 | 9.21%<br>7   | 15.79%<br>12 | 19.74%<br>15 | 15.79%<br>12 | 13.16%<br>10 | 6.58%<br>5   | 3.95%<br>3   | 1.32%<br>1   | 76    | 5.1   |
| Housing that is accessible for seniors or for people with disabilities        | 7.89%<br>6   | 13.16%<br>10 | 13.16%<br>10 | 14.47%<br>11 | 14.47%<br>11 | 21.05%<br>16 | 14.47%<br>11 | 1.32%<br>1   | 0.00%<br>0   | 76    | 5.1   |
| Down payment assistance for households to purchase a dwelling unit            | 2.63%<br>2   | 5.26%<br>4   | 13.16%<br>10 | 3.95%<br>3   | 9.21%<br>7   | 10.53%<br>8  | 26.32%<br>20 | 19.74%<br>15 | 9.21%<br>7   | 76    | 3.1   |
| Lead-based paint testing/abatement  | 1.32%<br>1   | 3.95%<br>3   | 2.63%<br>2   | 2.63%<br>2   | 14.47%<br>11 | 6.58%<br>5   | 6.58%<br>5   | 32.89%<br>25 | 28.95%<br>22 | 76    | 2.1   |
| Energy Efficiency Improvements  | 6.58%<br>5   | 6.58%<br>5   | 9.21%<br>7   | 7.89%<br>6   | 9.21%<br>7   | 7.89%<br>6   | 6.58%<br>5   | 14.47%<br>11 | 31.58%<br>24 | 76    | 3.1   |

## Q8 Describe the needs of the Township's youth. What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

Answered: 61 Skipped: 59

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE               |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1  | More things to do in the evening besides sports  | 5/6/2025 6:05 PM   |
| 2  | More event and activities contests rec center mental health support and resources.   | 4/29/2025 11:00 PM |
| 3  | More after school and summer programs provided by the township that are free for attend  | 4/23/2025 12:39 PM |
| 4  | Community youth center   | 4/23/2025 12:34 PM |
| 5  | Community spaces for the youth, after school programs or places for them to go to be able to safely engage with one another  | 4/23/2025 12:27 PM |
| 6  | Life lessons for the youth, skills that the youth can take on for the rest of their life   | 4/23/2025 12:15 PM |
| 7  | More recreational options  | 4/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 8  | More interaction with seniors  | 4/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 9  | Playground maintenance   | 4/23/2025 11:48 AM |
| 10 | More tech learning opportunities in the summer and program to foster team building and cooperation.  | 4/21/2025 11:54 PM |
| 11 | Reach out to working parents of teenagers to find out how to address their unsupervised time on the street.  | 4/19/2025 4:43 PM  |
| 12 | More athletic activities, sending out information to the youth about volunteering, maybe certain businesses would encourage movie night or bowling night skating, etc at a discount. | 4/18/2025 9:57 PM  |
| 13 | Assistance with finding good jobs. Training, school, counseling. Mental health assistance for those in need. Housing etc.  | 4/18/2025 11:33 AM |
| 14 | More affordable twp sponsored youth club activities. There are lots of sports but need other types such as crafts, science, etc  | 4/18/2025 8:00 AM  |
| 15 | More social activities   | 4/18/2025 6:51 AM  |
| 16 | More effective anti-bullying education in school   | 4/18/2025 6:31 AM  |
| 17 | Condition of school buildings  | 4/18/2025 12:00 AM |
| 18 | More free or low cost social activities, job information, training for babysitting, lower fees for rec activities.   | 4/17/2025 10:51 PM |
| 19 | Drainage problems  | 4/17/2025 9:01 PM  |
| 20 | After school activities or places to go that do not require a parent's transportation or attendance.   | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |
| 21 | The township should be mindful of quality of life including overdevelopment of land and excessive building that will diminish quality of life for residents of all ages.             | 4/17/2025 7:56 PM  |
| 22 | Better park maintenance  | 4/17/2025 6:58 PM  |
| 23 | Better outdoor recreational facilities and community centers in each neighborhood providing a safe space for all children  | 4/17/2025 6:51 PM  |
| 24 | N/A  | 4/17/2025 6:14 PM  |
| 25 | Youth center   | 4/17/2025 5:30 PM  |
| 26 | Consistency among our schools  | 4/17/2025 5:15 PM  |

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| 27 | Renovate, maintain, refurbish schools, including playgrounds.   | 4/15/2025 9:53 PM  |
| 28 | na  | 4/15/2025 4:10 PM  |
| 29 | Team sports   | 4/15/2025 2:34 PM  |
| 30 | worthwhile activities when schools are closed. maybe even community service   | 4/15/2025 1:35 PM  |
| 31 | Community centers for kids offering programs for ages 7 to 20. Including sports, arts and crafts, etc.  | 4/13/2025 9:43 PM  |
| 32 | Mentorship ( life, career) and other ways to help develop the social skills youth struggle with due to excessive technology (screen) use. It would be nice to see a teen youth center for Cherry Hill students. Not every student is plugged into after-school activities but they still want a sense of belonging among peers.   | 4/13/2025 2:11 PM  |
| 33 | More extracurricular activities   | 4/12/2025 7:53 AM  |
| 34 | Recreation center that teaches the youth to be good citizens. Eradication of bullying through tougher disciplinary actions and accountability from incapable parents who can not teach their kids right from wrong. Removal of youth who do not pay their fair share of taxes and are using a cherry hill address to use our school system. Hire more cherry hill staff to expel youth who do not belong in cherry hill because of tax dodging. | 4/12/2025 2:37 AM  |
| 35 | More free activities and job opportunities  | 4/11/2025 6:40 PM  |
| 36 | Continue sport and afterschool programs for youths  | 4/11/2025 1:21 PM  |
| 37 | We have pretty much criminalized being a tween or teen with curfews at the mall and movies. How about improving the parks and adding bike paths, courts, and fund more rec leagues for older kids to take advantage of.   | 4/11/2025 12:52 PM |
| 38 | More parks with youth facilities. Basketball courts, hockey courts, Meeting places for teens  | 4/11/2025 8:59 AM  |
| 39 | Someplace for them to go that's not school.   | 4/11/2025 6:48 AM  |
| 40 | More parental guidance, not so many rogue bicycle gangs blocking our streets. In my opinion, today's youth have no respect for anyone's, property. When asked to STOP whatever demolition they are engaging in, they become abusive, confrontational & scary to most of us Seniors. We have owned our property in Cherry Hill for 41 years this coming winter.  | 4/11/2025 4:39 AM  |
| 41 | Afterschool programs  | 4/11/2025 12:23 AM |
| 42 | We need preschools available to our young children. We are such a large township with one option for preschool that is lottery based.   | 4/10/2025 11:33 PM |
| 43 | mental health workshops and activities  | 4/9/2025 1:46 PM   |
| 44 | Additional and more varied athletic facilities  | 4/9/2025 12:16 PM  |
| 45 | a walkable area for families and teens  | 4/8/2025 7:48 PM   |
| 46 | Overall, more consistent curriculum areas to increase competency for all students.  | 4/8/2025 6:30 AM   |
| 47 | More recreational facilities for organized athletics, particularly for youth athletics which is extremely popular in town. Other towns have far superior fields, bathrooms and parking for large events and tournaments. Cherry Hill cannot handle them and loses money from it. Field hockey is a very popular local sport, and there are no township fields that the sport can be played on - e.g. DeCou turf not lined for field hockey.     | 4/7/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 48 | More community activities/clubs with more personal social interaction, less social media  | 4/7/2025 8:14 AM   |
| 49 | It was reported there is an increase of alcohol and drug use at the high schools.   | 4/6/2025 10:57 PM  |
| 50 | Places for the youth to gather and play. More courts with suitable equipment.   | 4/4/2025 10:14 PM  |
| 51 | More youth engagement activities that are pertinent to today's generation and available in community locations that youth frequent.   | 4/3/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 52 | None  | 4/2/2025 9:07 PM   |
| 53 | More after hours and summer programming   | 4/2/2025 7:51 PM   |

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| 54 | Improved open spaces that are walkable. Common spaces, with seating, updated athletic spaces (basketball)  | 4/2/2025 6:33 PM |
| 55 | After school activities  | 4/2/2025 5:41 PM |
| 56 | Cherry Hill needs more afterschool and summer programs to provide safe, engaging, and enriching opportunities for our youth. Afterschool programs offer critical academic support, mentorship, and extracurricular activities that help students build confidence and skills beyond the classroom. They also provide working families with reliable options for their children during the hours after school ends. Similarly, expanding summer programs is essential to prevent learning loss and keep students engaged in meaningful activities when school is out. Summer programs can offer academic enrichment, sports, arts, and career exploration opportunities that keep young people motivated and on track for success. In addition, there is a pressing need for more Pre-K programs in partnership with the school district. Currently, there is a waiting list for Pre-K, demonstrating the high demand for early childhood education in our community. Expanding access to Pre-K ensures that more children have the opportunity to start school ready to succeed. Strengthening partnerships between schools and community organizations can help bridge the gap in early learning and provide families with the resources they need. By investing in afterschool, summer, and Pre-K programs, Cherry Hill can better support children's growth, working families, and the future success of the community. | 4/2/2025 4:20 PM |
| 57 | There should be more money put into green spaces and bike paths for youths to get outside more.  | 4/2/2025 4:08 PM |
| 58 | Lower taxes so parents can better provide.   | 4/2/2025 3:47 PM |
| 59 | More safe places for kids to hang out together.  | 4/2/2025 2:39 PM |
| 60 | I actually feel Cherry hill has a lot of activities for the youth. I'm impressed with the recreation department  | 4/2/2025 1:44 PM |
| 61 | Safer bike paths & sidewalks especially on busy roads where they travel from their homes to shops, parks & other popular places.   | 4/2/2025 1:36 PM |

## Q9 Describe the needs of the Township's seniors. What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

Answered: 58 Skipped: 62

| #  | RESPONSES   | DATE               |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | Affordable housing, transportation  | 5/6/2025 6:05 PM   |
| 2  | No copays on medication on things under \$50.00 and a food SNAP program geared for seniors all bills especially rent utilities should be deducted from their SSD total amount to see how much they have left to survive.  | 4/29/2025 11:00 PM |
| 3  | More community based day trips for residents, more transportation   | 4/23/2025 12:39 PM |
| 4  | Discount for school taxes, more activities  | 4/23/2025 12:34 PM |
| 5  | Community center with Spanish speakers  | 4/23/2025 12:27 PM |
| 6  | Taxes. After age 65, taxes should go down 20%, 70 years old - 25%, 75 years old - 30% etc.  | 4/23/2025 12:15 PM |
| 7  | More activities   | 4/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 8  | More funds available for seniors home repairs for people in \$100,00 -\$150,000 range. The cost of living in Cherry Hill has gone up but seniors on a fixed income salaries remain the same. Also they are talking about raising the school tax by 20%. Why do seniors have to pay this tax. Real estate taxes are high enough. | 4/23/2025 12:02 PM |
| 9  | Facilitation of programs and activities   | 4/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 10 | Transportation, senior services and activities  | 4/23/2025 11:48 AM |
| 11 | Improved transit opportunities including into the early evenings. Also improvement of assistance to maintain in-home living.  | 4/21/2025 11:54 PM |
| 12 | Greater programming for seniors. Including intellectual discussions.  | 4/21/2025 7:20 PM  |
| 13 | 1.Tax relief. 2.Reach out to get seniors with different knowledge to help and/or teach those who are interested in learning something new.  | 4/19/2025 4:43 PM  |
| 14 | Respect, free lawn service or curb cleaning , tree limbs removals volunteers that might want to help such as young adults .Endorsed by businesses with discounting from their business.Help with repairs to homes.  | 4/18/2025 9:57 PM  |
| 15 | Help with home repairs, landscape maintenance. Reliable individuals to call. Some people seem to take advantage of seniors.   | 4/18/2025 11:36 AM |
| 16 | Continue transportation services and activities. Perhaps have people check in on seniors who live alone.  | 4/18/2025 11:33 AM |
| 17 | More discounts at local businesses  | 4/18/2025 6:51 AM  |
| 18 | Lower taxes so seniors may remain in homes longer rather than be forced to move out of single family unit once retired.   | 4/18/2025 6:31 AM  |
| 19 | Senior transportation schedule  | 4/18/2025 12:00 AM |
| 20 | Overcoming landscape challenges   | 4/17/2025 9:01 PM  |
| 21 | Availability of housing with access, i.e., no stairs, wide doorways. More affordable housing. Far lower property taxes for those CH residents who wish to stay in their homes. Affordable rental and accessible properties for those who wish to stay in Cherry Hill but cannot afford their lifelong residence or the taxes.   | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |
| 22 | Improve the bus schedule re: frequency of trips, & variety of trips.  | 4/17/2025 7:56 PM  |
| 23 | Better access to senior transportation  | 4/17/2025 6:58 PM  |

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| 24 | Lower taxes for seniors. Cap on utilities. Offer assistance with meals, meds and transportation   | 4/17/2025 6:51 PM  |
| 25 | Better public transportation (private and township).  | 4/17/2025 6:14 PM  |
| 26 | Park for seniors, exercise classes  | 4/17/2025 5:30 PM  |
| 27 | Tax savings for seniors   | 4/17/2025 5:15 PM  |
| 28 | Senior food banks, meals on wheels...   | 4/15/2025 9:53 PM  |
| 29 | Continue to provide all the current programs  | 4/15/2025 4:10 PM  |
| 30 | Transportation  | 4/15/2025 2:34 PM  |
| 31 | affordable housing  | 4/15/2025 1:35 PM  |
| 32 | medical transport, handyman help  | 4/13/2025 9:43 PM  |
| 33 | Property tax relief. I do know most seniors have a fixed income that cannot handle the property tax increases.  | 4/13/2025 2:11 PM  |
| 34 | Senior services such as adult day care. For those who want to live in their home longer then subsidy for vetted caregivers to take care of senior citizens in their home. More subsidized lending for seniors to do more home improvements.   | 4/12/2025 2:37 AM  |
| 35 | More free services and transportation options   | 4/11/2025 6:40 PM  |
| 36 | Help seniors with property Maintenance  | 4/11/2025 1:21 PM  |
| 37 | I think many feel the taxes are too high. Maybe some kind of tax relief and help with property maintenance.   | 4/11/2025 12:52 PM |
| 38 | Property tax freeze   | 4/11/2025 8:59 AM  |
| 39 | Help keeping up with improvements on their homes  | 4/11/2025 6:48 AM  |
| 40 | I know that the police department is STRETCHED to they're limit, I see them patrolling ALL THE TIME !! Where are the parents ??? I knew where my sons were 24/7 until they started driving at age 17. They were not perfect & neither am I, but I made them accountable for they're actions. Scary Situations for Seniors in Cherry Hill today. | 4/11/2025 4:39 AM  |
| 41 | Newer smaller affordable housing so seniors can sell or move out of their big houses and live comfortable on lower incomes  | 4/10/2025 11:41 PM |
| 42 | more transportation   | 4/9/2025 1:46 PM   |
| 43 | Senior transportation daily activities Senior transportation medical needs Assistance helping seniors with socializing activities Senior technology assistance (training)   | 4/9/2025 12:16 PM  |
| 44 | programs and events of diverse cultures   | 4/8/2025 7:48 PM   |
| 45 | Housing and transportation are major areas that need improvement. Communication seems to be increasing.   | 4/8/2025 6:30 AM   |
| 46 | More tax abatement. Don't see the value of spending \$30k on property taxes when we don't have children in school system, roads are terrible in our neighborhood and public space is not well maintained.   | 4/7/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 47 | anything to help seniors be able to stay in their homes comfortably   | 4/7/2025 8:14 AM   |
| 48 | For the Asian community, there is an increasing need for senior day care and senior housing that provides services to non-English speaker and culturally adaptive services  | 4/6/2025 10:57 PM  |
| 49 | More advertised senior assistance.  | 4/4/2025 10:14 PM  |
| 50 | Increased access to care (more public transportation for seniors, financial services)   | 4/3/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 51 | Available financial assistance.   | 4/3/2025 9:02 PM   |
| 52 | Lower property tax. We don't have any children, yet we pay a ridiculous amount of property tax for schools. Even with NJ Stay, we are thinking of moving out of state.  | 4/2/2025 9:07 PM   |
| 53 | Availability to additional services such as low or no cost home improvement.  | 4/2/2025 7:51 PM   |

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| 54 | They need things to do  | 4/2/2025 5:41 PM |
| 55 | Cherry Hill needs more senior support housing, including assisted living and affordable independent living communities, to help older residents age in place with dignity and security. As the senior population grows, many individuals are looking for housing options that provide a balance of independence and essential support services. Affordable independent living communities designed for seniors can offer a safe and comfortable environment, allowing residents to maintain their independence while having access to on-site amenities and community engagement. Additionally, more assisted living facilities are needed to provide personalized care for seniors who require daily support but do not need full-time nursing care. Beyond housing, there is also a critical need for communities that integrate support services such as healthcare, transportation, and social programs. Reliable transportation ensures seniors can access medical appointments, grocery stores, and community activities, helping them stay connected and engaged. On-site health services and wellness programs can further enhance their quality of life, reducing hospital visits and improving overall well-being. By expanding senior housing options and integrating essential support services, Cherry Hill can better serve its aging population, allowing more seniors to remain in the community they know and love while receiving the care and resources they need. | 4/2/2025 4:20 PM |
| 56 | Not sure  | 4/2/2025 3:47 PM |
| 57 | I feel the township has a lot of events and activities for seniors. Also they provide adequate transportation as well.  | 4/2/2025 1:44 PM |
| 58 | AFFORDABLE Over 55 housing  | 4/2/2025 1:36 PM |

## Q10 Are there any gaps in the human services system? What would you like to see improved in the Township to address their needs?

Answered: 43 Skipped: 77

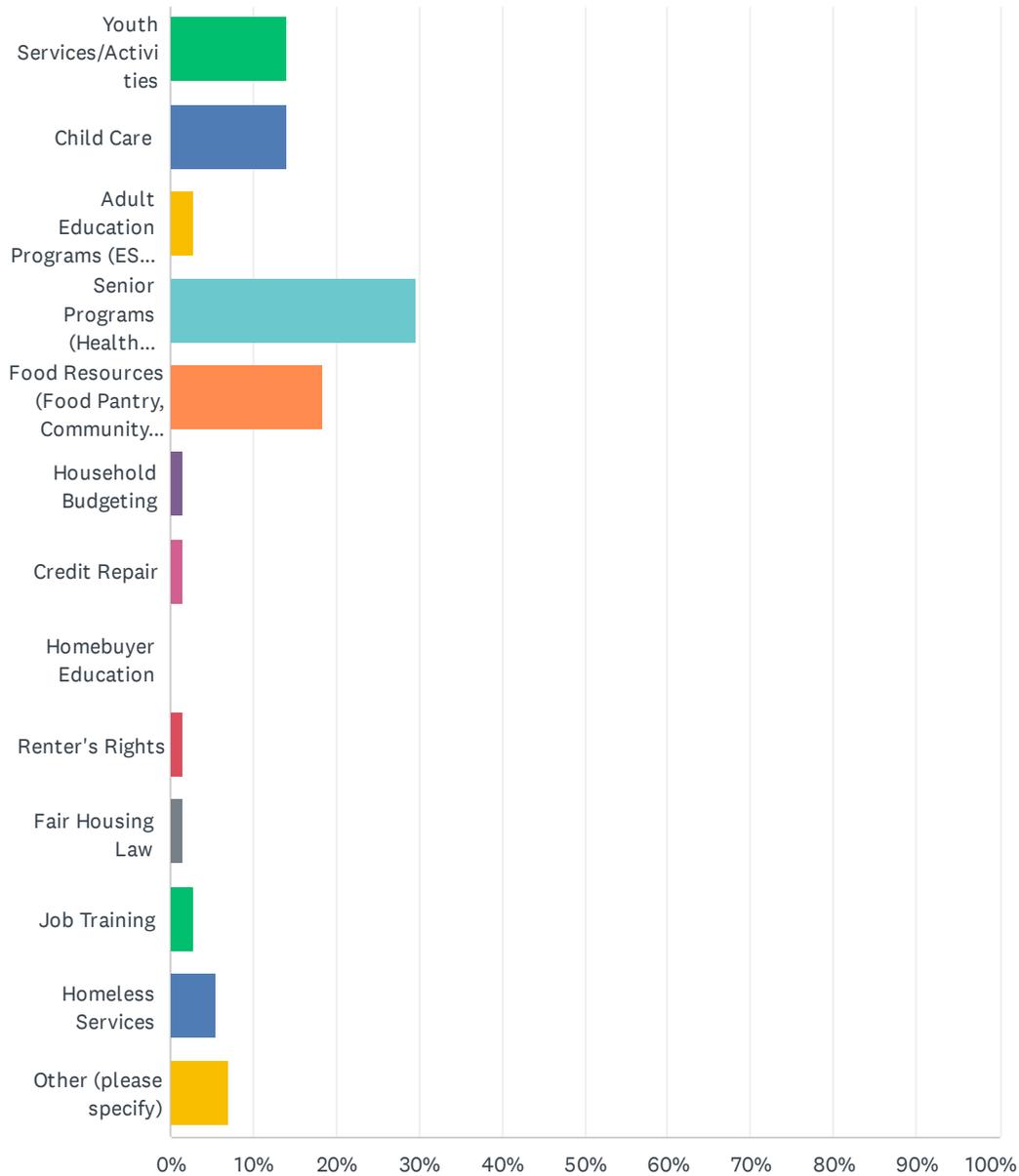
| #  | RESPONSES   | DATE               |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | Not sure  | 5/6/2025 6:05 PM   |
| 2  | Lack of development and affordable housing. Hire x-felons that don't have violent charges put them to work.   | 4/29/2025 11:00 PM |
| 3  | Roads   | 4/23/2025 12:39 PM |
| 4  | General assistance  | 4/23/2025 12:27 PM |
| 5  | Homelessness  | 4/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 6  | Better communication of services available  | 4/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 7  | Uncertain. It would be nice to raise the participation of retirees in volunteer opportunities within the community  | 4/21/2025 11:54 PM |
| 8  | People with special needs always can use support and help with socializing, job skills and personal care.   | 4/19/2025 4:43 PM  |
| 9  | More correspondence, regarding certain neighborhoods and the present water usage.   | 4/18/2025 9:57 PM  |
| 10 | Mental health services  | 4/18/2025 11:33 AM |
| 11 | Affordable child care   | 4/18/2025 8:00 AM  |
| 12 | Easy access to free food for needy people   | 4/18/2025 12:00 AM |
| 13 | Transport seniors   | 4/17/2025 9:01 PM  |
| 14 | Better and more reliable transportation for everyone. Help at home for things an older or physically challenged homeowner cannot do, i.e., cutting up tree branches that fall into 4" pieces and budling them at the curb. Some folks have no local family to do this, and do not have the money to pay someone. An agency/office that matches CH residents willing to help with those who need help. | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |
| 15 | Township provides significant services. They should focus on fiscal management.   | 4/17/2025 7:56 PM  |
| 16 | We need to fill the gaps the current federal admin is going to leave  | 4/17/2025 6:51 PM  |
| 17 | Don't know.   | 4/17/2025 6:14 PM  |
| 18 | Mental health sevices   | 4/17/2025 5:30 PM  |
| 19 | Availability of things in the evening   | 4/17/2025 5:15 PM  |
| 20 | I don't know  | 4/15/2025 9:53 PM  |
| 21 | na  | 4/15/2025 4:10 PM  |
| 22 | Remain consistent with health and mental health initiatives, support, and assistance with resources.  | 4/13/2025 2:11 PM  |
| 23 | A separate building for special needs kids, ESL kids and at risk youth with violent and criminal behaviors. Children need to be able to learn in a safe environment. Any distractions will degrade learning. Eliminate those who are tax dodging so their kids unlawfully get an education from honest tax paying residents.  | 4/12/2025 2:37 AM  |
| 24 | More options for adult Medicaid recipients  | 4/11/2025 6:40 PM  |
| 25 | I am not aware of any gaps  | 4/11/2025 1:21 PM  |

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|    |  |                    |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 26 | Would be nice to offer kids free lunch.  | 4/11/2025 12:52 PM |
| 27 | I don't know   | 4/11/2025 6:48 AM  |
| 28 | When a long time home owner passes away, many, many spouses find themselves unable to afford the same lifestyle they have lived for 40 / 50 years. More Help for Seniors, we do all we can for Cherry Hill school district. Most of us who stay in our homes, haven't used C.H. School System in 20/30 years.  | 4/11/2025 4:39 AM  |
| 29 | affordable housing   | 4/9/2025 1:46 PM   |
| 30 | Unaware  | 4/9/2025 12:16 PM  |
| 31 | more outreach in diverse languages   | 4/8/2025 7:48 PM   |
| 32 | More communication/active efforts for senior resources;all communication to be done on regular basis; not one and done!!   | 4/8/2025 6:30 AM   |
| 33 | No   | 4/7/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 34 | continued improvement in communication and outreach is always helpful  | 4/7/2025 8:14 AM   |
| 35 | In the Asian community, there was a fear for targeted robbery. One family was robbed twice with three years.   | 4/6/2025 10:57 PM  |
| 36 | No gaps to my knowledge.   | 4/4/2025 10:14 PM  |
| 37 | Increased funding for mental health for all ages in the community  | 4/3/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 38 | Nothing  | 4/2/2025 9:07 PM   |
| 39 | Cherry Hill would greatly benefit from a centralized clearinghouse for social programs—a dedicated hub where nonprofits can access support, share resources, and build capacity to better serve township residents. Establishing a coordinating body to facilitate collaboration among organizations would allow the township to address pressing community needs more effectively while ensuring that services reach those who need them most. In addition, there is a clear need for stronger support programs for parents within the township's school district. Many parents struggle to navigate available resources due to a disconnect in communication between the district and families. A social service arm dedicated to bridging this gap could help build trust, improve outreach, and ensure parents are equipped with the tools they need to support their children's education. By creating a central hub for social programs and strengthening parental support services, Cherry Hill can foster a more connected, informed, and empowered community. | 4/2/2025 4:20 PM   |
| 40 | I think there should be a township composting effort and then giving away the soil to residence to help people grow their own food if they want.   | 4/2/2025 4:08 PM   |
| 41 | Township needs to focus on lowering taxes. The gap is how much we pay vs what we can afford. The pre-k disaster is not the answer.   | 4/2/2025 3:47 PM   |
| 42 | The township is lacking services for victims of domestic violence, rape, human trafficking, LGBTQ+ and women and children in transition  | 4/2/2025 1:44 PM   |
| 43 | Senior services, Meals on Wheels   | 4/2/2025 1:36 PM   |

**Q11 Cherry Hill funds the senior and disabled transportation bus and domestic violence services with CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES funds. Please select another program for low and moderate income persons that you, or people you know, would be interested in (Please select one):**

Answered: 71 Skipped: 49



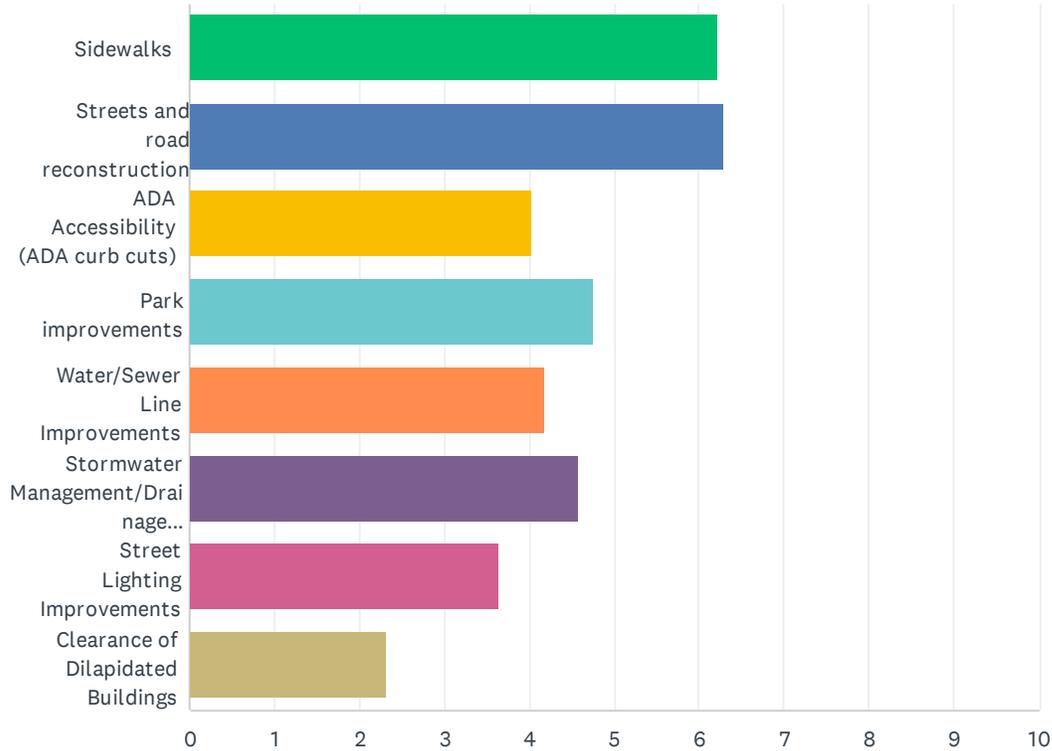
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| ANSWER CHOICES   | RESPONSES |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Youth Services/Activities  | 14.08%    | 10        |
| Child Care   | 14.08%    | 10        |
| Adult Education Programs (ESL, GED, etc.)                                  | 2.82%     | 2         |
| Senior Programs (Health Services, Exercise Classes, etc.)                  | 29.58%    | 21        |
| Food Resources (Food Pantry, Community Dining/Soup Kitchen Programs, etc.) | 18.31%    | 13        |
| Household Budgeting  | 1.41%     | 1         |
| Credit Repair  | 1.41%     | 1         |
| Homebuyer Education  | 0.00%     | 0         |
| Renter's Rights  | 1.41%     | 1         |
| Fair Housing Law   | 1.41%     | 1         |
| Job Training   | 2.82%     | 2         |
| Homeless Services  | 5.63%     | 4         |
| Other (please specify)   | 7.04%     | 5         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |           | <b>71</b> |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE               |
|---|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Adult care services   | 4/23/2025 12:39 PM |
| 2 | Senior yardwork, carrying heavy items, moving large trash to the curb. These are far greater concerns to many seniors than an exercise class. | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |
| 3 | I would check the top eight above. The survey is only letting me pick one   | 4/11/2025 9:22 AM  |
| 4 | Youth services, senior programs, household budgeting, homebuyer education   | 4/10/2025 11:33 PM |
| 5 | Youth services/Activities; Food Resources; Senior Programs (Multiple choices not allowed!)  | 4/4/2025 10:14 PM  |

## Q12 Using the dropdown boxes, please rate the need for PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS in your neighborhood (1 =highest priority, 8 = least priority).

Answered: 74 Skipped: 46



|   | 1            | 2            | 3            | 4            | 5            | 6            | 7            | 8            | TOTAL | SCORE |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|-------|
| Sidewalks                                   | 22.97%<br>17 | 24.32%<br>18 | 28.38%<br>21 | 10.81%<br>8  | 6.76%<br>5   | 4.05%<br>3   | 1.35%<br>1   | 1.35%<br>1   | 74    | 6.22  |
| Streets and road reconstruction             | 31.08%<br>23 | 21.62%<br>16 | 17.57%<br>13 | 14.86%<br>11 | 6.76%<br>5   | 5.41%<br>4   | 2.70%<br>2   | 0.00%<br>0   | 74    | 6.28  |
| ADA Accessibility (ADA curb cuts)           | 2.70%<br>2   | 2.70%<br>2   | 18.92%<br>14 | 22.97%<br>17 | 13.51%<br>10 | 12.16%<br>9  | 16.22%<br>12 | 10.81%<br>8  | 74    | 4.03  |
| Park improvements                           | 10.81%<br>8  | 12.16%<br>9  | 12.16%<br>9  | 20.27%<br>15 | 13.51%<br>10 | 17.57%<br>13 | 9.46%<br>7   | 4.05%<br>3   | 74    | 4.76  |
| Water/Sewer Line Improvements               | 8.11%<br>6   | 13.51%<br>10 | 4.05%<br>3   | 6.76%<br>5   | 24.32%<br>18 | 22.97%<br>17 | 13.51%<br>10 | 6.76%<br>5   | 74    | 4.18  |
| Stormwater Management/Drainage Improvements | 13.51%<br>10 | 12.16%<br>9  | 12.16%<br>9  | 8.11%<br>6   | 16.22%<br>12 | 17.57%<br>13 | 13.51%<br>10 | 6.76%<br>5   | 74    | 4.58  |
| Street Lighting Improvements                | 6.76%<br>5   | 9.46%<br>7   | 5.41%<br>4   | 9.46%<br>7   | 12.16%<br>9  | 13.51%<br>10 | 31.08%<br>23 | 12.16%<br>9  | 74    | 3.64  |
| Clearance of Dilapidated Buildings          | 4.05%<br>3   | 4.05%<br>3   | 1.35%<br>1   | 6.76%<br>5   | 6.76%<br>5   | 6.76%<br>5   | 12.16%<br>9  | 58.11%<br>43 | 74    | 2.32  |

## Q13 Other than the needs and priorities previously listed, are there any additional needs that could be addressed for low and moderate income persons?

Answered: 36 Skipped: 84

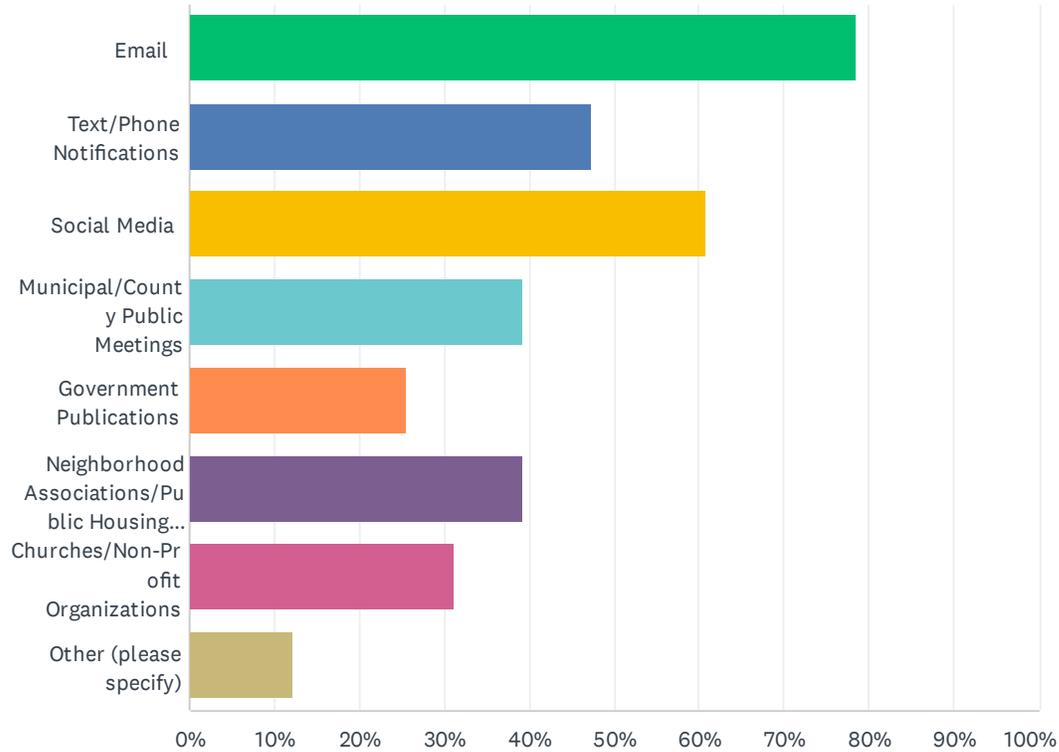
| #  | RESPONSES   | DATE               |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | not sure  | 5/6/2025 6:05 PM   |
| 2  | Give people teens a job cleaning the community.   | 4/29/2025 11:00 PM |
| 3  | Raised income limits for seniors  | 4/23/2025 12:34 PM |
| 4  | Activities  | 4/23/2025 12:05 PM |
| 5  | Available transportation  | 4/23/2025 11:49 AM |
| 6  | Resources for utility & home maintenance discounts  | 4/19/2025 4:43 PM  |
| 7  | Free health care,free vaccines, dental care. Maybe certain days of the week designated to a certain location (s).   | 4/18/2025 9:57 PM  |
| 8  | Finding jobs and training.  | 4/18/2025 11:33 AM |
| 9  | Continuing training or education for free   | 4/18/2025 12:00 AM |
| 10 | Any kind of help that is necessary to keep one's house and property in repair and looking respectable without charge.   | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |
| 11 | None  | 4/17/2025 7:56 PM  |
| 12 | Job offerings   | 4/17/2025 6:51 PM  |
| 13 | Cleaner streets. Public waste contains for trash.   | 4/17/2025 6:14 PM  |
| 14 | Snow removal and grass cutting options at a discount  | 4/17/2025 5:15 PM  |
| 15 | perhaps transportation to food bank   | 4/15/2025 1:35 PM  |
| 16 | Resources that would help with improving income opportunities.  | 4/13/2025 2:11 PM  |
| 17 | Affordable housing. Rents are too high.   | 4/12/2025 7:53 AM  |
| 18 | Programs to teach them to vote for the right president. Financial literacy programs like what they teach in high school. Diet and nutrition programs on healthy eating habits and living. | 4/12/2025 2:37 AM  |
| 19 | More free housing and transportation options  | 4/11/2025 6:40 PM  |
| 20 | Property maintenance  | 4/11/2025 12:52 PM |
| 21 | Many of these projects have been done however not fully completed in all areas of kingston  | 4/11/2025 9:22 AM  |
| 22 | I don't know  | 4/11/2025 6:48 AM  |
| 23 | I don't know right now, just very Sad about how my neighborhood has changed in 40 years.  | 4/11/2025 4:39 AM  |
| 24 | How to learn about and understand local, county, state and federal programs   | 4/9/2025 12:16 PM  |
| 25 | tax prep education or workshops or assistance   | 4/8/2025 7:48 PM   |
| 26 | Communication/Communication!  | 4/8/2025 6:30 AM   |
| 27 | No  | 4/7/2025 11:06 PM  |
| 28 | Job skills training opportunities, and mentorship by retired people   | 4/6/2025 10:57 PM  |
| 29 | None  | 4/4/2025 10:14 PM  |

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|----|---|------------------|
| 30 | Property Tax relief programs for households   | 4/2/2025 7:51 PM |
| 31 | I have had 2 cars flooded out. I know it's listed above but storm drains need to be improved  | 4/2/2025 5:41 PM |
| 32 | Affordable Housing  | 4/2/2025 4:20 PM |
| 33 | A need would be to make sure a house is energy efficient and to help with upgrades of energy efficient heating/ cooling systems and general home repairs. | 4/2/2025 4:08 PM |
| 34 | We're all going to be low income of taxes keep going up.  | 4/2/2025 3:47 PM |
| 35 | Financial classes for residents   | 4/2/2025 1:44 PM |
| 36 | Safer sidewalks and bike lanes.   | 4/2/2025 1:36 PM |

## Q14 In your opinion, what is the best way to communicate with the community about community development issues? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 74 Skipped: 46



| ANSWER CHOICES                                    | RESPONSES |    |
|---|-----------|----|
| Email   | 78.38%    | 58 |
| Text/Phone Notifications                          | 47.30%    | 35 |
| Social Media                                      | 60.81%    | 45 |
| Municipal/County Public Meetings                  | 39.19%    | 29 |
| Government Publications                           | 25.68%    | 19 |
| Neighborhood Associations/Public Housing Agencies | 39.19%    | 29 |
| Churches/Non-Profit Organizations                 | 31.08%    | 23 |
| Other (please specify)                            | 12.16%    | 9  |
| Total Respondents: 74                             |           |    |

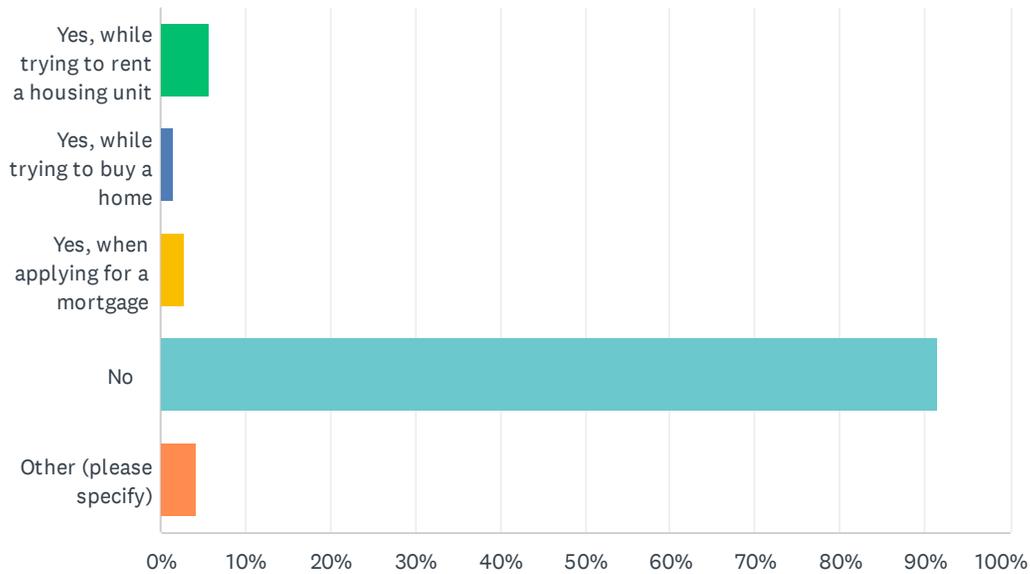
| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)                   | DATE               |
|---|--|--------------------|
| 1 | Mailers about information and activities | 4/23/2025 11:48 AM |
| 2 | Township newsletter                      | 4/18/2025 6:31 AM  |
| 3 | 1. Mail 2. Email                         | 4/17/2025 8:45 PM  |

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|   |  |                   |
|---|--|-------------------|
| 4 | Worst is social media-not everyone puts their lives and interest on the internet or do they spend every day checking social media sites to see if they can get out of their neighborhoods safely | 4/17/2025 6:51 PM |
| 5 | Multiple means   | 4/17/2025 5:15 PM |
| 6 | Consider using paid social media to improve reach and target the zip codes only for cherry hill  | 4/13/2025 2:11 PM |
| 7 | Tv commercials   | 4/12/2025 2:37 AM |
| 8 | Mailings   | 4/11/2025 6:48 AM |
| 9 | I don't know what the answer is, I have atleast 1 friend that fits into each catagory. friend  | 4/11/2025 4:39 AM |

**Q15 Discrimination in housing comes in many forms. It is often difficult to detect. Both federal and state laws make it illegal to deny housing to a person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or familial status. Have you ever been discriminated against when trying to access any of the following? (Check all that apply)**

Answered: 70 Skipped: 50

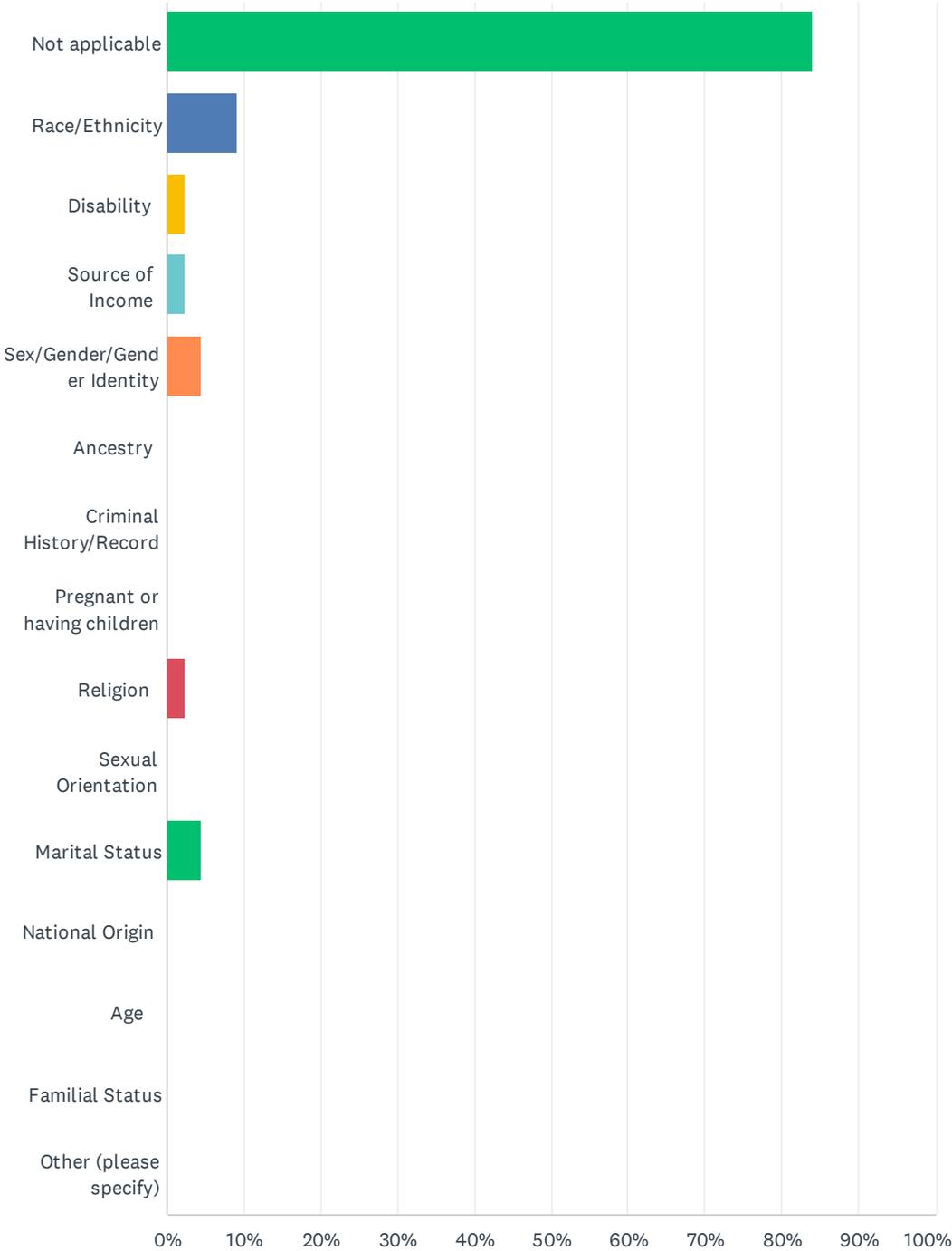


| ANSWER CHOICES                           | RESPONSES |
|--|-----------|
| Yes, while trying to rent a housing unit | 5.71% 4   |
| Yes, while trying to buy a home          | 1.43% 1   |
| Yes, when applying for a mortgage        | 2.86% 2   |
| No                                       | 91.43% 64 |
| Other (please specify)                   | 4.29% 3   |
| Total Respondents: 70                    |           |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE               |
|---|---|--------------------|
| 1 | but it was many years ago and in another state  | 4/18/2025 11:38 AM |
| 2 | Feds just made DEI illegal. As a female and a certain age-we couldn't buy homes or get mortgages without a male co signer | 4/17/2025 6:54 PM  |
| 3 | financing an auto received higher interest rate   | 4/8/2025 7:50 PM   |

### Q16 If you answered yes, please check the reason you think may have caused the unfair treatment you received. (Check all that apply)

Answered: 44 Skipped: 76



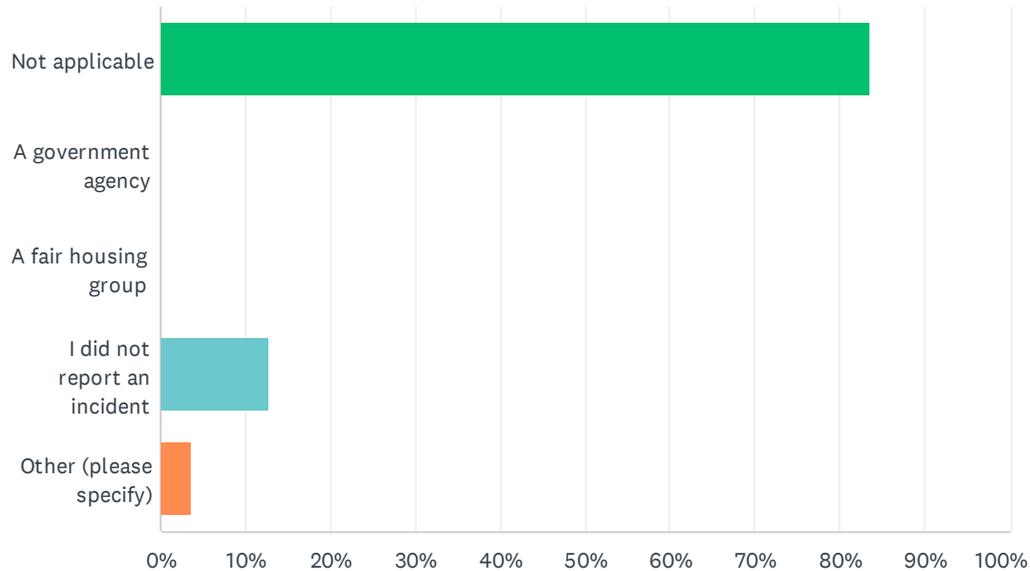
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| ANSWER CHOICES              | RESPONSES |    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----|
| Not applicable              | 84.09%    | 37 |
| Race/Ethnicity              | 9.09%     | 4  |
| Disability                  | 2.27%     | 1  |
| Source of Income            | 2.27%     | 1  |
| Sex/Gender/Gender Identity  | 4.55%     | 2  |
| Ancestry                    | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Criminal History/Record     | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Pregnant or having children | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Religion                    | 2.27%     | 1  |
| Sexual Orientation          | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Marital Status              | 4.55%     | 2  |
| National Origin             | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Age                         | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Familial Status             | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Other (please specify)      | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Total Respondents: 44       |           |    |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE |
|---|-------------------------|------|
|   | There are no responses. |      |

## Q17 If you felt you were treated unfairly when seeking housing, did you report the incident to:

Answered: 55 Skipped: 65

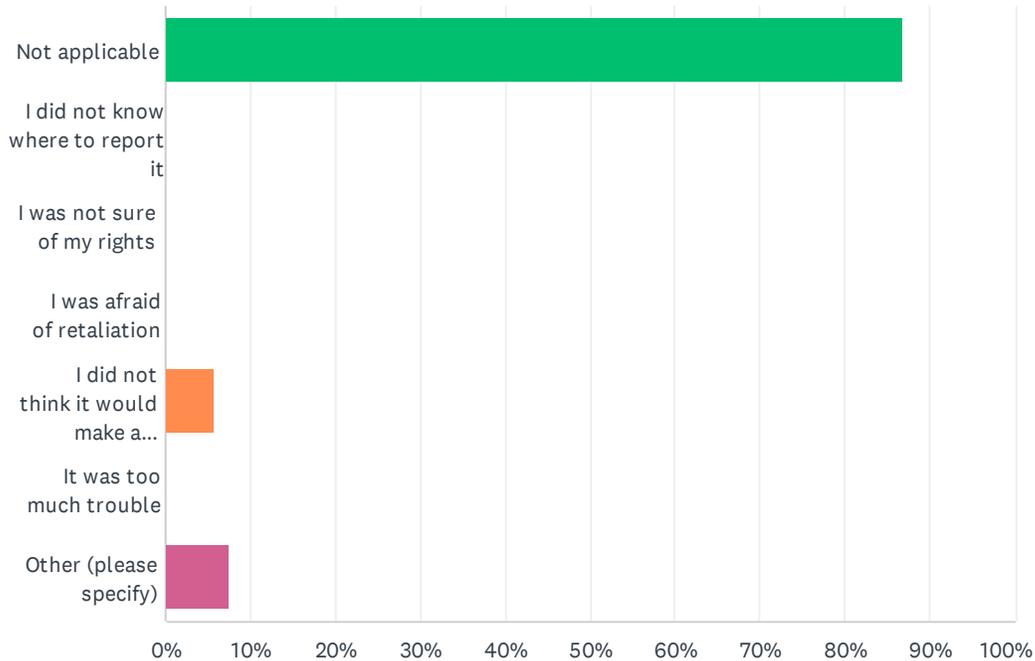


| ANSWER CHOICES               | RESPONSES |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Not applicable               | 83.64% 46 |
| A government agency          | 0.00% 0   |
| A fair housing group         | 0.00% 0   |
| I did not report an incident | 12.73% 7  |
| Other (please specify)       | 3.64% 2   |
| Total Respondents: 55        |           |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE              |
|---|---|-------------------|
| 1 | No It was the law   | 4/17/2025 6:54 PM |
| 2 | As a retired Realtor/ Notary, I encouraged all my friends/ clients to legally report any & all forms of discrimination. | 4/11/2025 4:44 AM |

## Q18 If you did not report the incident, why did you decide not to report it?

Answered: 53 Skipped: 67



| ANSWER CHOICES                             | RESPONSES |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Not applicable                             | 86.79%    | 46        |
| I did not know where to report it          | 0.00%     | 0         |
| I was not sure of my rights                | 0.00%     | 0         |
| I was afraid of retaliation                | 0.00%     | 0         |
| I did not think it would make a difference | 5.66%     | 3         |
| It was too much trouble                    | 0.00%     | 0         |
| Other (please specify)                     | 7.55%     | 4         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               |           | <b>53</b> |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)  | DATE               |
|---|---|--------------------|
| 1 | I was in NC and they seemed to discriminate against everyone except white males.  | 4/18/2025 11:38 AM |
| 2 | It was the law  | 4/17/2025 6:54 PM  |
| 3 | I always try to report anomysily, Afraid of Retaliation from the younger generation when they know who you are.                               | 4/11/2025 4:44 AM  |
| 4 | Just want to say I grew up living in a small apartment and had to work hard my entire life. It kills me to see my tax money go towards people | 4/2/2025 5:51 PM   |

**EXHIBIT B**  
**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

Cherry Hill Township

Community Development

Block Grant (CDBG)

Program

# Citizen Participation Plan



Amended as of May 2025

# CITIZENS PARTICPATION PLAN

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**Township of Cherry Hill**  
**Citizen Participation Plan**  
**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program**  
**Dated: 4/10/2025**

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This document sets forth the Township of Cherry Hill's policies and procedures for citizen participation related to the development, implementation and amendment of the Consolidated Plan (Con Plan), Annual Action Plans (AAP), and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). This Citizen Participation Plan has been revised in accordance with guidelines established by the US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) in 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.505, as well as with recently updated 24 CFR Part 58 regulation for environmental reviews. This Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) shall be reviewed at least every five years during the planning process of the Five-year Consolidated Plan.

## 2. PURPOSE

The primary goal of a Citizen Participation Plan is to provide citizens an opportunity to participate in a role in the planning, implementation, and assessment of the federally funded programs and projects.

## 3. DEVELOPMENT OF CON PLANS AND ANNUAL ACTION PLANS

### A. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Participation of all Cherry Hill residents and stakeholders is encouraged, especially low-and moderate-income persons, non-English speaking persons, persons with disabilities, residents of predominantly low-and moderate-income neighborhoods, residents of areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, Continuums of Care, businesses and developers, public, private and non-profit organizations (philanthropic organizations, community-based and faith-based organizations). This will be accomplished through outreach, consultation (stakeholder meetings/interviews), informal resident meetings, and formal public participation (public hearings and public comment periods). Additional consultation is required during the development of the Five-year Consolidated Plan, which could include methods such as community surveys and focus groups/workshops with stakeholders and interested parties. Public input is essential in the following areas of the CDBG process:

- Identification of housing and community development needs;
- Proposed Strategies & Actions for Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing;
- Development of the Five-year CDBG Consolidated Plan;
- Development of the Annual Action Plans (one for each year for five years);
- Development of the Citizen Participation Plan;
- Substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or the Annual Action Plan; and

- Review of program performance (Annual performance report (CAPER)).

## B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

HUD requires a minimum of two (2) public hearings for each program year, held at different stages of the planning and reporting process. Currently, the Township has committed to holding three (3) hearings during a typical program year, two (2) in the planning phase and one (1) in the reporting phase. Additional public hearings may occur, if desired. **Notice and requirements for all public hearings shall be held in accordance with the 'General Requirements for all Public Hearings' set forth in Section 7 of this Plan.**

### 1. PUBLIC HEARING #1

The first public hearing shall be held to gather input and ideas for the development of the Five-year CDBG Consolidated Plan and each subsequent Annual Action plan (one each year for five years). The first public hearing shall occur before any proposed consolidated or annual plan is published for comment and shall include the following topics:

- Total amount of anticipated CDBG Grant Funds available
- CDBG program National Objectives
- CDBG program Eligible Activities and targeted populations
- Public input on community development and housing needs, particularly of low- and moderate-income residents and targeted populations
- Public input on strategies and actions to affirmatively further fair housing (when preparing an Assessment of Fair Housing as part of Consolidated Plan)
- Review of previous program year(s) use of CDBG funds
- Public input on proposed use of CDBG funds
- Public comment on CDBG program performance

### 2. PUBLIC HEARING #2

A second public hearing will be held after the proposed document is drafted. It shall be held **during, or after, the thirty (30) day comment period.** It shall include the following topics:

- Review of proposals and comments from any prior public hearings
- Review of Goals and Objectives
- Proposed Budget, including amount of grant funds and program income expected to be received
- Projects and/or activities proposed to be undertaken, including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low-and -moderate income
- Comments, suggestions, and input in response to the proposed Plan
- Public input and comment on all aspects of the Township's CDBG program performance

## C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice of the availability of the document will be published as a display ad in the non-legal section of the official newspaper of the Township (currently the *Courier Post*), posted on the Township website, at the Municipal Clerk's Office, and at the Cherry Hill library prior to its availability. Also, notice of the availability

of the document will be sent to the Camden County Department of Community Development, the Township Public Works Department, the Township Parks and Recreation Department, Senior Services, Controller's Office, Affordable Rental Housing at Tavistock (ARHAT), and any persons who participated in the first public hearing. The document will be available for review at the Municipal Clerk's office, Cherry Hill Department of Community Development, the Cherry Hill Public Library, and online on the Township website.

The draft Consolidated or Annual Action Plans will be available for public comment for a minimum of **thirty (30) days** as detailed in the published notice. All comments and views will be considered, and a summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be included in the final document submitted to HUD. During the comment period, opportunities must be provided for activities proposed to be added, deleted, or changed.

#### D. FINALIZATION AND ADOPTION OF DOCUMENTS

After both the second public hearing and the close of the comment period, the Department of Community Development shall finalize the Plan and Budget, and refer it to Township Council for a Resolution adopting the Plan and Budget at a public meeting. Once approved by Township Council, the Plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) and a copy of the Plan shall be posted on the Township website.

### 4. PLAN AMENDMENTS

There are times when the Township must amend its Five-Year CDBG Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan after the plans have already been approved. Amendments to approved plans are required whenever the Township makes one of the following decisions:

- (1) to make a change in its allocation priorities or a change in the method in the distribution of funds;
- (2) to carry out a project using funds from any program covered by the consolidation plan including program income, reimbursements, repayment, recaptures, or reallocations from HUD), not previously described in the action plan; or
- (3) to change the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

#### A. MINOR AMENDMENTS

A minor amendment is an amendment that is not included in the definition of a Substantial Amendment. Minor amendments do not require a citizen participation process, i.e., public hearing or public comment. However, they do require adoption by Township Council and must be entered into HUD's Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS).

## B. SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS

Substantial Amendments require a public hearing, a public comment period, adoption by Township Council, plan amendment submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS). A Substantial Amendment is an amendment that consists of any of the following:

- (1) The addition of a new Project, or
- (2) The cancellation of an approved Project or Activity; or
- (3) The re-programming of funds between one eligible Project or Activity to another in an amount greater than 35% of CDBG resources for the applicable program year(s), as set forth in AP-15 Expected Resources, as amended. (i.e., Entitlement allocation PLUS Program Income PLUS Prior Year Resources).<sup>1</sup>

For these purposes, a Project is a broad category specifically listed in the Action Plan as a Project in AP-35;<sup>2</sup> a Project consists of one or more Activities. The addition of an eligible Activity is not considered a Substantial Amendment. The allocation of new Program Income received to an existing approved Project or Activity is not considered a Substantial Amendment.

### 1. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A proposed Substantial Amendment shall be available for review and public comment for a minimum of **thirty (30) days** following the published notice of availability. The notice will be published as a display ad in the non-legal section of the Official Newspaper of the Township (currently *Courier Post*), posted on the Township website, and sent to the Camden County Department of Community Development, the Township Public Works Department, the Township Parks and Recreation Department, Senior Services, Controller's Office, Affordable Rental Housing at Tavistock (ARHAT), and other recent sub-recipients. The document will be available for review at the Municipal Clerk's office, Cherry Hill Department of Community Development, the Cherry Hill Public Library, and online on the Township website. All comments and views will be considered, and a summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be included in the final document submitted to HUD.

### 2. PUBLIC HEARING

Additionally, a public hearing on the proposed Substantial Amendment will be held during, or after, the

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<sup>1</sup> Only the pertinent program year(s) are taken into consideration when doing the calculation. In an instance where both the receiving program year and the originating program year are affected, both program years shall be reviewed.

<sup>2</sup> In a hypothetical example where the 2025 Housing Rehabilitation 'Project' consists of a 2025 Home Improvement Program (HIP) Activity and a 2025 Senior Home Repair Program (Handy Helper) Activity, a reprogramming of funds from the 2025 Home Improvement Program (HIP) Activity to the 2025 Senior Home Repair Program (Handy Helper) Activity would not be a Substantial Amendment if the amount was less than 35% of CDBG resources in the 2025 Program Year.

**thirty (30) day** comment period to review the proposed changes. Notice of the scheduled public hearing shall be in accordance with the 'General Requirements for all Public Hearings' set forth in Section 7 of this Plan.

## 5. CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (CAPER)

The CAPER (Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report) is a tool used to evaluate accomplishments and actions taken during the previous program year. The CAPER report to HUD will include the following:

- Progress towards addressing priorities, goals, and objectives outlined in Consolidated Plan
- Progress of each CDBG activity
- Financial report for each CDBG activity
- The demographics of persons and households assisted

### A. PREPARATION OF DRAFT REPORT

The Department of Community Development shall prepare a Draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). The report will be available for public review prior to the public hearing as described below.

### B. PUBLIC HEARING #3

This public hearing shall be held to share program performance information on the Township's CDBG Program with the community. A presentation will be made reflecting the information reporting in the CAPER annual report. Notice of the scheduled public hearing shall be in accordance with the 'General Requirements for all Public Hearings' set forth in Section 7 of this Plan.

This public hearing will review the following matters:

- CDBG program National Objectives
- CDBG program Eligible Activities and targeted populations
- CDBG program requirements
- Review of previous program year(s) use of CDBG funds
- Public input and comment on all aspects of the Township's CDBG program performance (see general requirements below)

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice of the availability of the CAPER (Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report) for public review and comment will be published as a display ad in the non-legal section of the Official Township Newspaper (currently the *Courier Post*), posted on the Township website, and sent to local public agencies and other interested parties, including program participants. The CAPER will be available for public comment for a minimum of **fifteen (15) days** as detailed in the published notice. The document will be available for review at the Municipal Clerk's office, Cherry Hill Department of Community Development, the Cherry Hill library, and online on the Township website. All comments and views will

be considered, and a summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be included in the final document submitted to HUD. During the comment period, opportunities must be provided for information proposed to be added, deleted, or changed.

## 6. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS OF PLANNED ACTIVITIES

The updated 24 CFR Part 58 regulation allows grantees to utilize online publication of Notices of Intent to Request Release of Funds (NOI-RROF) and Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) starting May 23, 2024. In accordance with HUD guidance, the Township will post these notices on its website in the same manner as all HUD programs and plans, as well as any sites where the Township displays notices on a regular basis. The Township will maintain proof of publication and notice to the public. For online publications, required documentation may include: a print to PDF of the web hosting that includes the website address and date of printing; certification from the Certifying Officer or other official to include the dates of publication and website address along with a copy of the publication made; or other like affidavit of publication that includes the notice, date of the notice, and website address where it was published. This proof of publication will need to be provided with the Form 7015.15 Requests for Release of Funds submitted to HUD.

## 7. GENERAL PROVISIONS

### A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Notice of the time, date and place of the public hearings shall be provided **at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled public hearing as a display ad** in the non-legal section of the official newspaper of the Township (currently the *Courier Post*) and shall be posted on the Township website, at the Clerk's office, and at the Cherry Hill library. Additionally, notice of public hearings will be emailed to the Camden County Department of Community Development, the Township Recreation Department, Township Public Works Department, Senior Services, Controller's Office, Affordable Rental Housing at Tavistock (ARHAT), and other recent sub-recipients.
2. Public hearings will be scheduled at times and locations convenient to potential and actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for persons with disabilities.
3. Public hearings shall be held with accommodation for persons with disabilities. They will be held in facilities that are physically accessible to individuals with disabilities.
4. Public hearing notices will state that non-English speaking persons and others needing special assistance to participate in the public hearing process should contact the Township to make the necessary accommodations. It will be stated in English and other languages required in the Language Assistance Plan (LAP). As of the November 2023 LAP, these languages are Spanish and

Chinese.

5. Copies of notice and affidavits of publication from the newspaper shall be retained.
6. Minutes of public hearing, with list of attendees, shall be kept.
7. All comments and views received in writing, or orally at the public hearings, will be considered and a summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be included in the final document submitted to HUD.
8. At all public hearings, citizens and citizen organizations will be given the opportunity to assess and comment on all aspects of the Township's CDBG performance.
9. Virtual only public hearings do not meet the minimum regulatory requirements, but can be used in conjunction with in person hearings, unless there is a declared emergency. In accordance with the 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), in emergency circumstances, in-person public hearings are not required. The grantee will make a good faith effort to provide an opportunity for the public to participate using whatever means are available, including electronic communications and virtual meetings. Grantees may meet public hearing requirements with virtual public hearings if: 1) national/local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons; and 2) virtual hearings provide reasonable notification and access for citizens in accordance with the grantee's certifications, timely responses from local officials to all citizen questions and issues, and public access to all questions and responses.

## B. DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION

The Township of Cherry Hill shall be committed to the minimization of displacement of persons in the conduct of its redevelopment efforts. If any dislocation takes place through government action, a relocation plan will be prepared to provide the necessary funding for moving, dislocation and rental assistance. Relocation benefits will be paid according to applicable state or federal regulations. If any persons are displaced from their rental property due to housing code violations, they will be assisted by the Township as required under the State of New Jersey Workable Relocation Assistance Program (WRAP), which provides for moving and dislocation costs, and a rental subsidy, if necessary. In the case of code violations, the Township will seek reimbursement of such moving, dislocation and rental assistance costs from the property owner of record. If no reimbursement is forthcoming, a lien will be placed on the subject property.

## C. ASSESSMENT OF LANGUAGE NEEDS

The Township of Cherry Hill Community Development Department has in place a Language Assistance Plan (LAP) for identifying the need for translation of notices and other vital documents, which is available on the Township website. As of November 2023, CDBG Public notices and vital documents currently utilize translations in Spanish and Chinese. The Language Access Plan, as amended, shall continue to serve as

the Township's procedures for assessing its language needs and identifies any need for translation of notices and other vital documents.

#### D. ACCESS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Access will be provided at all stages of the planning process for those with disabilities. Specifically, all public hearings will be held in accessible locations and shall be held with accommodation for persons with disabilities. Informal meetings will be held in facilities that are physically accessible to individuals with disabilities, or if that is not possible, the information will be provided through alternative methods that allow for the most integration possible.

#### E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION COORDINATOR

The Community Development Deputy Director, or his/her designee, shall serve as the Citizen Participation Coordinator. He or she can be reached at Cherry Hill Township, Community Development Department, 820 Mercer Street, Room 202, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002. Phone: (856) 488-7870.

#### F. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Township will provide technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals, subject to a limitation determined by the Township with respect to the resources available to the Township and the overall objectives of the CDBG program. Requests for technical assistance should be made to: CDBG Program, Cherry Hill Township, Department of Community Development 820 Mercer Street, Room 202, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 (856) 488-7870

#### G. AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION

The Township of Cherry Hill will make available, upon written request for a specific record, copies of program records and information concerning the CDBG program, to any person or organization, to the extent that such requests are consistent with consideration of personal privacy and obligations of confidentiality of HUD-assisted client information. Any Open Public Records Request (OPRA) may be submitted through the Township website at: <https://www.chnj.gov/376/Requesting-Records-Information-OPRA> or to the following office: Cherry Hill Township, Office of the Municipal Clerk, 820 Mercer Street, Room 105 Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

#### H. COMPLAINTS & GRIEVANCES

Complaints and grievances must be filed in writing with the Director of Community Development, 820 Mercer Street, Room 202, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002. Written answers to properly filed complaints and grievances will be provided within 15 working days, where practicable.

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

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| <b>* 1. Type of Submission:</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application | <b>* 2. Type of Application:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New<br><input type="checkbox"/> Continuation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Revision | <b>* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):</b><br>_____<br><b>* Other (Specify):</b><br>_____ |
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| <b>* 3. Date Received:</b><br>_____ | <b>4. Applicant Identifier:</b><br>_____ |
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| <b>5a. Federal Entity Identifier:</b><br>_____ | <b>5b. Federal Award Identifier:</b><br>_____ |
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**State Use Only:**

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| <b>6. Date Received by State:</b> _____ | <b>7. State Application Identifier:</b> _____ |
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**8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

**\* a. Legal Name:**

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| <b>* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):</b><br><input type="text" value="21-6000523"/> | <b>* c. UEI:</b><br><input type="text" value="NWK5T4U3AMM6"/> |
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**d. Address:**

**\* Street1:**   
**Street2:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\* City:**   
**County/Parish:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\* State:**   
**Province:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\* Country:**   
**\* Zip / Postal Code:**

**e. Organizational Unit:**

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| <b>Department Name:</b><br><input type="text" value="Community Development"/> | <b>Division Name:</b><br>_____ |
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**f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:**

**Prefix:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\* First Name:**   
**Middle Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\* Last Name:**   
**Suffix:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:**

**Organizational Affiliation:**

**\* Telephone Number:**  **Fax Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Email:**

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

**\* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

\* Other (specify):

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

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**11. Assistance Listing Number:**

14.218

Assistance Listing Title:

**\* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

\* Title:

**13. Competition Identification Number:**

Title:

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

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

PY 2025: Public facility and infrastructure improvements, provision of public services to low and moderate income persons (senior bus and domestic violence program), and Planning/Administration.

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

\* a. Applicant

\* b. Program/Project

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

**17. Proposed Project:**

\* a. Start Date:

\* b. End Date:

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

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| * b. Applicant      | <input type="text"/>                    |
| * c. State          | <input type="text"/>                    |
| * d. Local          | <input type="text"/>                    |
| * e. Other          | <input type="text"/>                    |
| * f. Program Income | <input type="text" value="28,178.00"/>  |
| * g. TOTAL          | <input type="text" value="435,676.00"/> |

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

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

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

Yes  No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

**21. \*By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications\*\* and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances\*\* and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)**

\*\* I AGREE

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

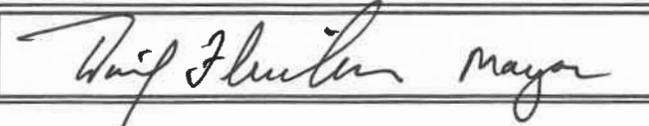
**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix:  \* First Name:   
Middle Name:   
\* Last Name:   
Suffix:

\* Title:

\* Telephone Number:  Fax Number:

\* Email:

\* Signature of Authorized Representative: 

\* Date Signed:

**Applicant and Recipient  
Assurances and Certifications**

U.S. Department of Housing  
and Urban Development

OMB Number: 2501-0044  
Expiration Date: 02/28/2027

**Instructions for the HUD-424-B Assurances and Certifications**

As part of your application for HUD funding, you, as the official authorized to sign on behalf of your organization or as an individual, must provide the following assurances and certifications, which replace any requirement to submit an SF-424-B or SF-424-D. The Responsible Civil Rights Official has specified this form for use for purposes of general compliance with 24 CFR §§ 1.5, 3.115, 8.50, and 146.25, as applicable. The Responsible Civil Rights Official may require specific civil rights assurances to be furnished consistent with those authorities and will specify the form on which such assurances must be made. A failure to furnish or comply with the civil rights assurances contained in this form may result in the procedures to effect compliance at 24 CFR §§ 1.8, 3.115, 8.57, or 146.39.

By submitting this form, you are stating that all assertions made in this form are true, accurate, and correct.

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

\*Authorized Representative Name:

Prefix: Mr. \*First Name: David  
Middle Name:  
\*Last Name: Fleisher  
Suffix:

\*Title: Mayor

\*Applicant Organization: Cherry Hill Township

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, has the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds to pay the non-Federal share of program costs) to plan, manage and complete the program as described in the application and the governing body has duly authorized the submission of the application, including these assurances and certifications, and authorized me as the official representative of the application to act in connection with the application and to provide any additional information as may be required.

2. Will administer the grant in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C 2000(d)) and implementing regulations (24 CFR part 1), which provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance OR if the applicant is a Federally recognized Indian tribe or its tribally designated housing entity, is subject to the Indian Civil Rights Act (25 U.S.C. 1301-1303).

3. Will administer the grant in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 8, the American Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), and implementing regulations at 28 CFR part 35 or 36, as applicable, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07) as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 146 which together provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of disability or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance; except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

4. Will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), as amended, and the implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin and will affirmatively further fair housing; except an applicant which is an Indian tribe or its instrumentality which

is excluded by statute from coverage does not make this certification; and further except if the grant program authorizes or limits participation to designated populations, then the applicant will comply with the nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

5. Will comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including those listed at 24 CFR §§ 5.105(a) and 5.106 as applicable.

6. Will not use Federal funding to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) mandates, policies, programs, or activities that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws.

7. Will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24 and, as applicable, Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(d)) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 42, subpart A.

8. Will comply with the environmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and related Federal authorities prior to the commitment or expenditure of funds for property.

9. That no Federal appropriated funds have been paid, or will be paid, by or on behalf of the applicant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of this Federal grant or its extension, renewal, amendment or modification. If funds other than Federal appropriated funds have or will be paid for influencing or attempting to influence the persons listed above, I shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying. I certify that I shall require all subawards at all tiers (including sub-grants and contracts) to similarly certify and disclose accordingly. Federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by Federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage by the Byrd Amendment, but State-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established under State law are not excluded from the statute's coverage.

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true, accurate, and correct.

WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§287, 1001, 1010, 1012, 1014; 31 U.S.C. §3729, 3802; 24 CFR §28.10(b)(1)(iii)).

\*Signature:

*W. J. Fluker Mayor*

\*Date:

6/24/25

## CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** --The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

**Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

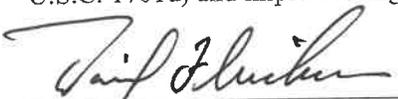
**Anti-Lobbying** --To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**Authority of Jurisdiction** --The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

**Consistency with plan** --The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

**Section 3** -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Official

6/27/25  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Mayor of Cherry Hill Township  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

## Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

**Citizen Participation** -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

**Community Development Plan** -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

**Following a Plan** -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

**Use of Funds** -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2025, 2026, 2027 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

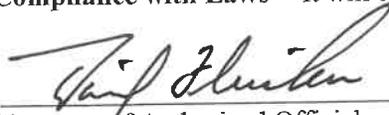
**Excessive Force** -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

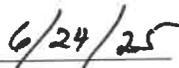
1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

**Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws** -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

**Lead-Based Paint** -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K and R.

**Compliance with Laws** -- It will comply with applicable laws.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Official

  
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Date

Mayor of Cherry Hill Township  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

## **APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS**

### **INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:**

#### **Lobbying Certification**

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

**TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE**  
**CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY**

I, Patti Chacker, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Cherry Hill, situated in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby affirm that the attached document is an accurate reproduction of

**RESOLUTION 2025-6-25**

Adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, on the 23rd day of June 2025, as extracted from and cross-referenced with the original document presently maintained in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have affixed my signature and the official seal of the Township of Cherry Hill, at Cherry Hill, New Jersey, on this 24th day of June, 2025.



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**PATTI CHACKER, RMC**  
Municipal Clerk  
Cherry Hill Township

**RESOLUTION 2025-6-25**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2025-2029 FIVE-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN,  
2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN, AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Township is an Entitlement Community under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and receives annual allocations of entitlement funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which may be used for various eligible activities authorized by Title 1 of the Housing & Community Development Act (HCDA) of 1974, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, CDBG program activities must meet one of three national objectives: benefit low- and moderate- income (LMI) persons; aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or meet a need having a particular urgency (referred to as urgent need).

**WHEREAS**, every five years the Township is required to adopt a community development and housing strategic plan, known as the Five-Year Consolidated Plan (Consolidated Plan). As part of the process, the Township assesses its affordable housing and community development needs, housing and economic conditions, priorities, multi-year goals, as well as available resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans (AAPs), which provide a summary of the projects and actions, as well as specific resources that will be used each year to address the needs and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Consolidated Plans and Annual Action Plans must be approved by Township Council and submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development after a public hearing, 30-day comment period, and consideration of public comments received; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community Development held public hearings on February 20, 2025 and on April 10, 2025, as well as a public comment period from April 10, 2025 to May 10, 2025 concerning the Consolidated Plan, the 2025 Annual Action Plan, and the Citizen Participation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community Development also conducted a housing and community needs survey with 134 respondents; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2025, HUD announced the Township's annual CDBG allocation for the 2025 Program Year in the amount of \$407,498.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has received \$28,178.00 in program income from housing rehabilitation loan paybacks (\$6,628.00 from Client #231 and \$21,550.00 from Client #34-D-231), for a total combined 2025 Program Year budget of \$435,676.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township seeks to amend its Citizen Participation Plan to clarify the steps and requirements for public input during the planning and reporting process; to revise

actions that would qualify as a Substantial Amendment; to allow environmental review notices for activities to be posted on the Township website, as permitted by updated 24 CFR Part 58; and to identify the tool for staff to assess language needs for notices and vital documents, as required by 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.505.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That Township Council approves the attached 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan and budget (attached hereto as Exhibit "A"), which shall be submitted to HUD along with all required documentation; and
2. That in accordance therewith, Township Council approves the following budget for Program Year (PY) 2025 projects and activities set forth in the 2025 Annual Action Plan, and:

|   | <u>Entitlement</u><br><u>Allocation</u> | <u>Program</u><br><u>Income</u> | <u>Total</u>         |
|---|---|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Planning and Administration</b>          | \$ 20,000.00                            | \$ 5,000.00                     | \$ 25,000.00         |
| <b>Public Services</b>                      |   |                                 |                      |
| DV Side-By-Side Activity                    | \$ 10,000.00                            |                                 | \$ 10,000.00         |
| Senior Bus Activity                         | \$ 51,124.70                            |                                 | \$ 51,124.70         |
| <b>Public Facilities and Infrastructure</b> |   |                                 |                      |
| <b>Improvements Projects</b>                | <u>\$ 326,373.30</u>                    | <u>\$ 23,178.00</u>             | <u>\$ 349,551.30</u> |
| <b>Total PY 2025 AAP Budget</b>             | <b>\$ 407,498.00</b>                    | <b>\$ 28,178.00</b>             | <b>\$ 435,676.00</b> |

3. That Township Council approves the amended Citizen Participation Plan (attached hereto as Exhibit "B"), which shall be submitted to HUD along with all required documentation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor or designee is hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution.

**ADOPTED: JUNE 23, 2025**

  
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**ATTEST:**

  
**PATTI CHACKER, RMC**  
**MUNICIPAL CLERK**