

# **Abstract**

## **2015 amended Consolidated Plan**

### **Five-Year Strategic Plan/One-Year Action Plan**

New York City's *2015 Proposed Consolidated Plan* was formulated using HUD's new electronic Consolidated Planning system (eConPlanning) and consists of the following sections: Executive Summary, Citizen Participation; Needs Assessment; Market Analysis; (Five-Year) Strategic Plan; (One-Year) Action Plan; and, four (4) Appendices.

This version of New York City's Consolidated Plan is part of the City's activities to fulfill federal Consolidated Plan citizen participation regulations regarding availability of the Plan to the public which require localities to provide the public with reasonable access and opportunity to examine the document. In addition, the Needs Assessment/Market Analysis, and Five-Year Strategic Plan serve as the basis for describing the need for and justification by the City's public housing authorities, and not-for-profit organizations for proposed projects when applying for HUD competitive grant program funds under the federal NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) Process.

#### **VOLUMES**

##### **[Executive Summary and Formulation Process](#)**

The Executive Summary summarizes New York City's overall strategic objectives and outcomes as identified in the Proposed Plan's Needs Assessment section. The volume includes a summary of the citizen participation process used by the City to solicit input for the formulation of the Proposed Plan.

##### **[Needs Assessment and Market Analysis](#)**

The volume describes New York City's estimated composition of its low- and moderate-income households (renter and owner), and an analysis of New York City's housing market and housing needs in terms of: housing availability/vacancy; housing quality, including physical defects and overcrowding; and housing costs, including contract rents and households suffering from cost burden. In addition, the volume describes the New York City Housing Authority's (NYCHA's) public housing population, its housing unit inventory by number of bedrooms and age of physical plant.

Furthermore, the volume examines the housing market and needs assessment for the homeless and non-homeless special needs populations, such as the mentally ill, the chemically dependent, and, the mentally and developmentally disabled, persons with HIV/AIDS and their families, victims of domestic violence, the elderly and frail elderly, and persons with a disability.

##### **[Five-Year Strategic Plan](#)**

The Five-Year Strategy describes the city's priorities and proposed actions for Consolidated Plan years 2015-2019 which relate to: housing funded by HUD and the City including NYCHA public housing, transitional housing, permanent housing, and homeless prevention programs; CDBG-

funded non-housing activities; and actions to address the needs of persons with HIV/AIDS, the elderly, and persons with a disability.

### **One-Year Action Plan**

The One-Year Action Plan describes the City's amended use the formula entitlement funds for affordable housing, homelessness, supportive housing services and community development needs programs which were conceived either to directly or indirectly benefit low- and moderate-income households.

### **Appendices**

In addition, there is a fifth volume which includes four (4) appendices: Description of Monitoring Activities for the four entitlement grants; Emergency Solutions Grant Written Standards; Definitions; and, Certifications.

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

The amended 2015 Consolidated Plan constitutes a substantial amendment to the One-Year Action Plan (AP-) because it reflects the addition and deletion of certain Community Development Block Grant-funded programs (city tax levy funds are now paying for the deleted programs). These changes were approved by the City Council as part of the City Fiscal Year 2016 Executive Budget and Adoption process.

In addition, the two of the City's 2015 HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs were substantially amended in 2016 to reflect the reallocation of funds between two existing programs: the HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program (HOME TBRA) and the HOME-funded Supportive Housing Program (SHP). The amendment also revises the proposed accomplishments for each program reflective of the reallocation of funds. Specifically, the amendment shows that \$17,000,000 of HOME TBRA funding were transferred to the SHP to support additional new construction projects for affordable housing units. \$3,000,000 of the originally allocated \$20,000,000 in the City's 2015 HOME Program funding remains with the TBRA program, better reflecting the needs of the overall 2015 HOME Program Year (Calendar 2015).

New York City's amended 2015 Consolidated Plan also contains minor amendments to the: Market Analysis (MA-) module MA-20., Housing Market Analysis: Condition of Housing; and, Strategic Plan (SP-) module SP-45., Goals, in response to HUD's comments made in its Proposed 2015 Consolidated Plan review and acceptance letter. (The City's Proposed Plan was accepted by HUD in late May 2015.)

Module MA-20 now contains New York City's definition of Standard (Housing) Condition. Module SP-45 contains a table which clarifies the City's five-year Section 215 Affordable Housing Goals, by tenure, by income level.

Lastly, the amended 2015 Consolidated Plan incorporates minor revisions to Action Plan module AP-35., Projects, to reflect the change to Grant Based Accounting (GBA) for the City's HOPWA-funded programs.