



NORTH BERGEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

DRAFT 2024 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

September 10, 2025 – September 25, 2025

The public comment period for the 2024 CAPER will be held from September 10, 2025 through September 25, 2025, a period of no less than 15 days. Citizens have 15 days to review the document and submit comments. Citizen comments on the plan should be submitted to the Office of Community Development, Municipal Building, 4233 Kennedy Boulevard, North Bergen, New Jersey 07047 or via email to EVargas@NorthBergen.org. All citizen comments submitted on or before September 25, 2025 will be considered in preparing the final report. A summary of these comments or views, and a summary of any comments or views not accepted and the reasons therefore, will be attached to the final CAPER.

CR-05 - Goals and Outcomes

Progress the jurisdiction has made in carrying out its strategic plan and its action plan. 91.520(a)

This could be an overview that includes major initiatives and highlights that were proposed and executed throughout the program year.

The Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) describes the activities undertaken during the program year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds allocated to the Township of North Bergen by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Activities and accomplishments described in this year's report primarily benefitted low-income and moderate-income residents.

The Township of North Bergen made significant progress carrying out its strategic plan and action plan during the 2023 program year. During the program year, the Township focused on the following three activities, including 1) Completing construction of the North Bergen Community Center and beginning the Stan Newman Field Improvement Project; 2) Community Safety Initiatives; and 3) Planning and Administration.

The Township completed the construction of the community center, located at 111 13th St, 1219 Kennedy Boulevard and 1231 Kennedy Boulevard. This center is intended to be used as a library annex and as an additional recreation space. Funds were used toward the site preparation, including engineering and architectural work, and general construction work for the facility. Over the course of completion of this project, North Bergen was awarded \$250,000 from Open Space for the rooftop field and another \$500,000 for the gym. North Bergen had also been awarded \$1 million in Green Acres funding to help complete the project. A total of \$487,708 in CDBG funding was allocated for this activity and \$450,657 was drawn in the 2023 Program Year. The remaining \$36,850.45 was drawn in the 2024 Program Year, closing the project out. Accomplishments for this project were reported in the 2023 CAPER.

The Township also began working on the Stan Newman Field project. This reconstruction project include multiple upgrades, including a new turf field, field house, walking path, walking track, baseball dugouts and field work, and fitness stations. This project is expected to be completed in the 2025 Program Year.

The Township utilized their CDBG Public Service dollars to support Community Safety Initiatives in the Urban Enterprise Zone (UEZ) and low- to moderate-income neighborhoods. North Bergen allocated and drew \$110,170 to support two additional police officers to patrol and build relationships in the UEZ and low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. The Township remained under the 15% public service cap, limiting their public service spending to 14.43%.

Lastly, the Township utilized CDBG funding for the overall administration and implementation of the program, including project reporting, closeouts and activity reports. The Township stayed well below their 20% planning and administration cap, spending only 6.04% of the funds on this type of activity.

Please note that the tables below, based of course on the current Consolidated Plan and 2024 Annual Action Plan, were incorrectly set up because those plans were incorrectly completed. The numbers in the "Program Year" chart are correct and are based on the fact that the Community Center project and the Stan Newman Field project will both benefit the entire North Bergen population of 61,202 and the police public service activity benefited the 9,326 residents of the Township's Urban Enterprise Zone.

Goals and cumulative accomplishments for the "Strategic Plan to Date" chart are indecipherable based on the poorly done Consolidated Plan. Those numbers have all been changed to 0 to avoid confusion. Future Consolidated Plans and Annual Action Plans will be more clearly and concisely written to allow accurate tracking of future accomplishments. The Township apologizes for any inconvenience.

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

Categories, priority levels, funding sources and amounts, outcomes/objectives, goal outcome indicators, units of measure, targets, actual outcomes/outputs, and percentage completed for each of the grantee’s program year goals.

Goal	Category	Source / Amount	Indicator	Unit of Measure	Expected – Strategic Plan	Actual – Strategic Plan	Percent Complete	Expected – Program Year	Actual – Program Year	Percent Complete
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0				

Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	150	0	0.00%			
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation	Business	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Brownfield acres remediated	Acre	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Rental units constructed	Household Housing Unit	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Rental units rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	0				

Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Homeowner Housing Added	Household Housing Unit	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated	Household Housing Unit	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers	Households Assisted	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing	Households Assisted	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter	Persons Assisted	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Overnight/Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds added	Beds	0	0				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Homelessness Prevention	Persons Assisted	0	0				

Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	100	0	0.00%				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	200	0	0.00%				
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Housing for Homeless added	Household Housing Unit	0	0					
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Housing for People with HIV/AIDS added	Household Housing Unit	0	0					
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	HIV/AIDS Housing Operations	Household Housing Unit	0	0					
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Buildings Demolished	Buildings	0	0					
Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	Household Housing Unit	0	0					

Economic Development	Homeless Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	0	0				
Fair and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0				
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Fair and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$	Jobs created/retained	Jobs	0	0				
Fair and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	0	0				

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Fair and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	Household Housing Unit	500	0	0.00%			
Fair and Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing Homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	0	0				

Physical Neighborhood Enhancement	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	18000	61202	340.01%	34001	61202	180.00%
Physical Neighborhood Enhancement	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	7000	0	0.00%			
Physical Neighborhood Enhancement	Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0				
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Program Administration	Administration	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	0	0				
Program Administration	Administration	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	3600	0	0.00%	3600	1	0.03%

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Program Administration	Administration	CDBG: \$	Housing Code Enforcement/Foreclosed Property Care	Household Housing Unit	0	0				

Program Administration	Administration	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	3	1	33.33%			
Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	7000	0	0.00%	7000	0	0.00%
Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	5000	0	0.00%	5000	0	0.00%
Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Persons Assisted	8000	0	0.00%			
Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit	Households Assisted	7000	0	0.00%			
Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation	Business	0	0		100	0	0.00%

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Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Businesses assisted	Businesses Assisted	100	87	87.00%			

Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Housing for Homeless added	Household Housing Unit	0	0				
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Public Services	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	CDBG: \$	Other	Other	0	0				

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

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

A high priority for this program year in North Bergen is the construction at Stan Newman Field. This is an overall \$5.4 million project of which an overall \$1,738,441 is being funded from CDBG sources from program years 2023 – 2025.

Stan Newman Field is located at 1308 64th Street, North Bergen, zoned for public use and preserved open space. Due to its dense urban environment, North Bergen has minimal opportunities for expanding space for recreation and parks. While the Township has 20 municipal recreational areas and parks in total, Stan Newman Field is one of the largest and most heavily utilized parks in North Bergen. This makes it one of the few locations suitable for renovations to expand recreation opportunities in the Township through existing space. The overall project includes a variety of upgrades, including a new turf field, field house, walking path, walking track, baseball dugouts and field work, and fitness stations.

CR-10 - Racial and Ethnic composition of families assisted

Describe the families assisted (including the racial and ethnic status of families assisted).

91.520(a)

	CDBG
White	21,322
Black or African American	2,573
Asian	4,080
American Indian or American Native	727
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	32,500
Total	61,202
Hispanic	42,003
Not Hispanic	19,199

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

North Bergen Township continues to provide an array of services to all families and individuals of various racial and ethnic groups ensuring opportunities to services that serve and meet HUD's national objectives. Data reported here are taken from an evaluation of each individual activity completed during the 2023 Program Year rather than from the PR-23 report, which is often inaccurate. The number reported for "Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander" is actually the total of all other groups not listed above it.

CR-15 - Resources and Investments 91.520(a)

Identify the resources made available

Source of Funds	Source	Resources Made Available	Amount Expended During Program Year
CDBG	public - federal	1,705,637	767,481

Table 3 - Resources Made Available

Narrative

The CDBG totals above include \$ 941,979.41 of unexpended funds from previous years, plus the new CDBG grant funds of \$763,658. An unexpended CDBG amount of \$ 938,155.94 will be carried forward into the 2024 program year. The Township has stayed within its required spending caps, at 14.43% for Planning & Admin and 6.04% for Public Services.

Additionally, the Township has now expended \$971,263.20 of its CDBG-CV allocation of \$1,107,950. They have \$136,687 left to spend down.

Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Target Area	Planned Percentage of Allocation	Actual Percentage of Allocation	Narrative Description
Township Wide	76	86	See description below.
Urban Enterprise Zone	24	14	See description below.

Table 4 – Identify the geographic distribution and location of investments

Narrative

14% of the funds were allocated to Community Policing Services in the UEZ area. The larger portion of funds were allocated to the remaining activities.

Leveraging

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

The Community Center project included \$250,000 from the state Open Space Fund for the rooftop field and another \$500,000 for the gym. North Bergen had also been awarded \$1 million in NJ Green Acres funding to help complete the project.

The Stan Newman Field Project includes \$148,440 from the Local Recreational Improvement Fund, \$500,000 from the Hudson County Open Space Fund and the municipality is funding their local share at \$3,095,435.

Funds for the Community Policing in the Urban Enterprise Zone enabled North Bergen to assign additional officers to secure the area and prevent crime.

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CR-20 - Affordable Housing 91.520(b)

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

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Non-Homeless households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Number of Special-Needs households to be provided affordable housing units	0	0
Total	0	0

Table 5 – Number of Households

	One-Year Goal	Actual
Number of households supported through Rental Assistance	0	0
Number of households supported through The Production of New Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Rehab of Existing Units	0	0
Number of households supported through Acquisition of Existing Units	0	0
Total	0	0

Table 6 – Number of Households Supported

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

North Bergen’s 2024 Action Plan did not including any housing activities. Township CDBG activities were aimed at enhancing low/mod neighborhoods and services for Township residents.

Discuss how these outcomes will impact future annual action plans.

North Bergen will consider Affordable Housing issues in future Annual Action Plans. Current and future developments that are in the planning and design phases will designate a specific percentage of units towards affordable housing. The Township also plans to attempt to work with developers who are specifically interested in incorporating affordable housing.

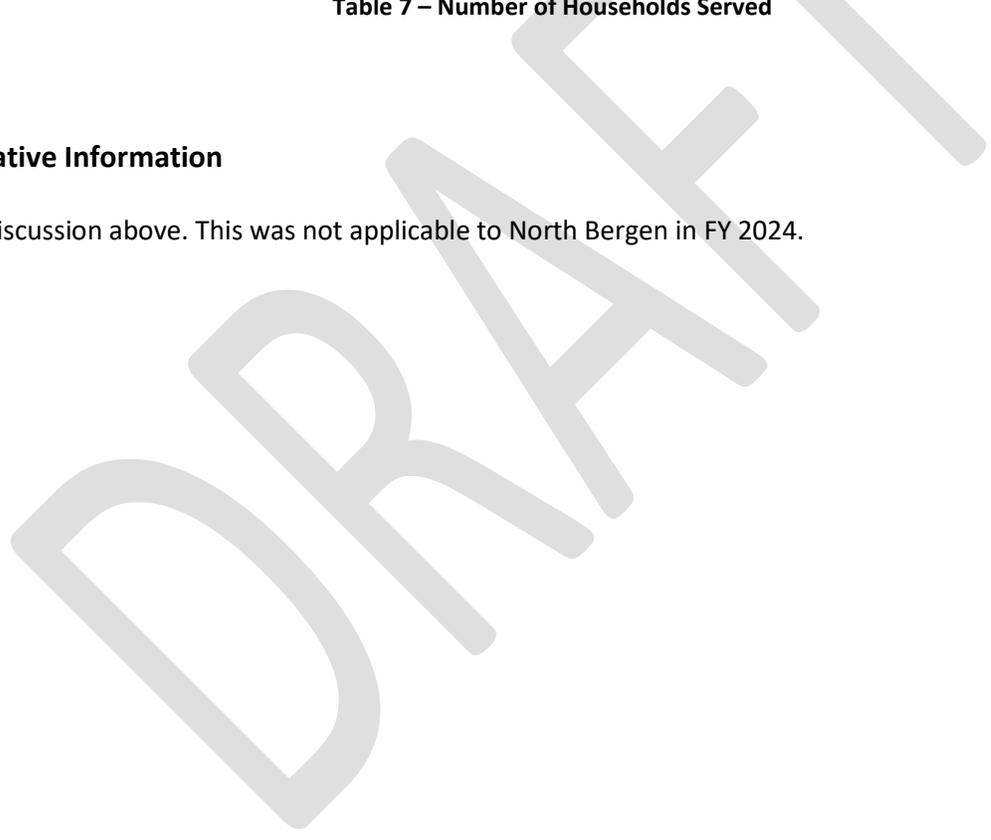
Include the number of extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income persons served by each activity where information on income by family size is required to determine the eligibility of the activity.

Number of Households Served	CDBG Actual	HOME Actual
Extremely Low-income	0	0
Low-income	0	0
Moderate-income	0	0
Total	0	0

Table 7 – Number of Households Served

Narrative Information

See discussion above. This was not applicable to North Bergen in FY 2024.



CR-25 - Homeless and Other Special Needs 91.220(d, e); 91.320(d, e); 91.520(c)

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

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

While not conducting direct outreach to homeless persons, the Township of North Bergen is supportive of the community services and shelter serving Township residents. The Township is a member of the Hudson County Consortium and thus connected to the housing and homelessness work the County implements, including the Continuum of Care, the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH), which conducts the annual Point In Time (PIT) count.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

While not providing direct services to homeless persons, the Township of North Bergen is supportive of the community services and shelter serving Township residents. The Township is a member of the Hudson County Consortium and thus connected to the housing and homelessness work the County implements, including the Continuum of Care, the Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness (HCAEH).

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

North Bergen did not directly address helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless in their 2024 Annual Action Plan. The Township is a partner in countywide planning and implementation to head off homelessness for those most at risk, including populations being discharged from public institutions and systems.

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

North Bergen did not directly address helping homeless persons make the transition to permanent housing and independent living in their 2024 Annual Action Plan. However, the Township remains committed to supporting new developments that include a variety of affordable housing options as a percentage of the overall development. On a broader scale, the Township is active in countywide planning and implementation to head off homelessness for those most at risk, including populations being discharged from public institutions and systems.

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

Actions taken to address the needs of public housing

While there were no activities funded in the 2024 Action Plan to address the needs of public housing, both the Township and the North Bergen Housing Authority coordinate their efforts and activities to ensure adequate and efficient service in the areas of public housing and housing assistance.

Additionally, public housing residents were among those to benefit from public services supported with CDBG and CDBG-CV funds as well as CDBG-supported public infrastructure and facilities projects.

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

The North Bergen Housing Authority has residents councils in place at each public housing complex. Through them, residents have input into management and operations.

The Housing Authority provides homeownership information to interested residents.

Actions taken to provide assistance to troubled PHAs

The Township of North Bergen is not a troubled PHA. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has designated the North Bergen Housing Authority as a “high performer” after scoring 96 out of 100 on their Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) Score Report in 2023.

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

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

North Bergen Township has worked to address its zoning and land use regulations in an attempt to make them as equitable and open as possible. Efforts have been made to streamline and facilitate the permitting process locally. The Township employs impact and linkage fees for new development in an attempt to pay for the construction of roads, sewers and other infrastructure improvements required by new development.

Furthermore, North Bergen Township has a Rent Control Ordinance, to address affordability of housing. The Township Rent Control office assists landlords and tenants in understanding the North Bergen Rent Control Ordinance and how it may impact their properties. Assistance is provided on a variety of rental issues such as: which apartments are subject to local rent control laws; what is the legal base rent; what rent increases the law permits; capital improvement surcharges; hardship increases and annual registration requirements.

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

The Township is committed to the construction of a new community center in order to better meet the needs of all Township residents, especially those who are low-income, moderate-income and currently underserved.

The primary obstacle to meeting underserved needs is a lack of funds. There are many needs in all of the areas - public facilities, public services, infrastructure, and economic development – and municipal resources go only so far. The Township, through both staff and consultants, is constantly looking for additional funding sources to address the unmet needs identified in our community.

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

As the Township does not run a Housing Rehabilitation Program, there were no direct actions taken to reduce lead-based paint hazards by the Township of North Bergen. However, the Township remains committed to providing homeowners with information on the risk of lead-based paint, particularly to small children, and with information on how to reduce those risks.

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

The Township has historically taken advantage of all programs that provide assistance to persons living below the poverty level. The Township has also made continued and significant investment

in businesses, jobs and community improvements in the Urban Enterprise Zone area.

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

The Finance Department provides the funding and technical assistance to Township agencies and authorities for projects that meet the needs documented in the plan. The Township is also a member of the Hudson County Consortium. Both the Township and the North Bergen Housing Authority coordinate their efforts and activities to ensure adequate and efficient service in the areas of public housing and housing assistance. The Housing Authority manages the Section 8 program.

Actions taken to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies. 91.220(k); 91.320(j)

The Township does provide referrals and linkages as appropriate in the course of operating all program activities. Ongoing dialogues with township agencies, the public housing authority and local service providers and with provider organizations facilitate these efforts.

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

There were no actions taken to overcome the effects of any impediments identified in the jurisdiction/s analysis of impediments to fair housing choice, however the Township remains committed to improving the safety and quality of living for all residents.

CR-40 - Monitoring 91.220 and 91.230

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

The Township's Community Development Program standards and procedures for compliance monitoring are designed to ensure that:

- 1) objectives of the National Affordable Housing Act are met,
- 2) program activities are progressing in compliance with the specifications and schedule for each program, and
- 3) recipients are in compliance with other applicable laws, implementing regulations, and with the requirements to affirmatively further fair housing and minimize displacement of low-income households.

The CD Program will carryout monitoring activities and internal audits to ensure that it complies with all CDBG program requirements. The Program has followed the procedures and requirements published by HUD. The Township worked closely with particular entities in the execution and monitoring of the programs described in the Action Plan.

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

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

The Township placed the CAPER document on public display with digital copies of the draft CAPER available on the Township's website, and paper copies available for inspection and review at North Bergen Township Hall at 4233 John F. Kennedy Blvd. Public review was held for a period in excess of the required 15 days, from September 10, 2025 through September 25, 2025. A public hearing was held on September 19, 2025.

The public has been notified of the public comment period and public hearing by a display ad run in the non-legal section of the local paper. The ad was run in both English and Spanish. A copy of the advertisement is provided with this report.

CR-45 - CDBG 91.520(c)

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

The Township of North Bergen has a history of compliance and optimal use of CDBG funding. Ongoing assessments of community needs and ongoing successes of the Township's CDBG program in addressing those needs suggest that no significant changes are needed in the program's objectives. While always aware of opportunities to improve, the Township believes that the overall direction and implementation of its CDBG program meet both the requirements of the federal government and the needs of our local residents.

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

No

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

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CR-58 – Section 3

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

Total Labor Hours	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Total Number of Activities	0	0	0	0	0
Total Labor Hours	0				
Total Section 3 Worker Hours	0				
Total Targeted Section 3 Worker Hours	0				

Table 8 – Total Labor Hours

Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	HTF
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Public Housing Targeted Workers					
Outreach efforts to generate job applicants who are Other Funding Targeted Workers.					
Direct, on-the job training (including apprenticeships).					
Indirect training such as arranging for, contracting for, or paying tuition for, off-site training.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 workers compete for jobs (e.g., resume assistance, coaching).					
Outreach efforts to identify and secure bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Technical assistance to help Section 3 business concerns understand and bid on contracts.					
Division of contracts into smaller jobs to facilitate participation by Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with assistance in seeking employment including: drafting resumes, preparing for interviews, finding job opportunities, connecting residents to job placement services.					
Held one or more job fairs.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that can provide direct services or referrals.					
Provided or connected residents with supportive services that provide one or more of the following: work readiness health screenings, interview clothing, uniforms, test fees, transportation.					
Assisted residents with finding child care.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend community college or a four year educational institution.					
Assisted residents to apply for, or attend vocational/technical training.					
Assisted residents to obtain financial literacy training and/or coaching.					
Bonding assistance, guaranties, or other efforts to support viable bids from Section 3 business concerns.					
Provided or connected residents with training on computer use or online technologies.					
Promoting the use of a business registry designed to create opportunities for disadvantaged and small businesses.					
Outreach, engagement, or referrals with the state one-stop system, as designed in Section 121(e)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.					

Other.					
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Table 9 – Qualitative Efforts - Number of Activities by Program

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