

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report
CAPER
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

The City of Cumberland has made available for public review and comments its Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2009 fiscal year. The CAPER is the official report submitted to HUD that identifies accomplishments against our 5-year Consolidated Plan goals and objectives. The CAPER specifically describes the progress for projects funded using Community Development Block Grant funds during the year as described in the City's Annual Action Plan.

The CAPER covers the period from July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010. The report evaluates the progress towards meeting goals and objectives in areas such as housing, homelessness, public services, public facilities, economic development, and planning. Progress towards addressing issues such as fair housing, historic preservation, and addressing the needs of the physically handicapped and other special needs populations are discussed. The CAPER also details progress made within the City's STAR district.

In total, the City received \$998,307.00 in Community Development Block Grant funds for the year plus earned \$208,550.76 of program income. A total of 79 projects were open during the year and of those 27 are now complete. Services primarily included housing/housing rehabilitation, weatherization efforts, homeownership services, youth/mentoring programs, micro-enterprise assistance, etc.

This report will be submitted to HUD on Thursday, September 30, 2010 as scheduled. **The required 15-day comment period will run from Wednesday, September 15, 2010 through Wednesday, September 30, 2010.** Anyone wishing to review and provide comment related to the year end report should contact Jay Oliver, Community Development Manager, City of Cumberland, Department of Community Development, 57 North Liberty Street, Cumberland, Maryland 21502 at (301) 759-6433 or e-mail at joliver@allconet.org. All comments received will be forwarded to HUD for inclusion in the year-end report.

NOTES:

Infrastructure:
City Roads, Sidewalks and Sidewalk Accessibility underway with improvements scattered throughout Community Betterment areas of the City, Salvation Army community center floor imps complete, YMCA Gilcrest lighting project underway, HRDC new facility complete/108 Repayments on schedule, Cavanaugh Field imps underway, Banneker Gardens housing project under construction est completion date April 2011, Street paving funds available, CB Landscape and Cleanup underway, Virginia Avenue Reconstruction underway

Housing & Homeless Services:
21 families received homeownership assistance grants and 74 people received Homebuyer Education through Cumberland Neighborhood Housing Services, 2 new loans for first time homebuyers completed by CNHS and 45 loans serviced 54 housing units received rehabilitation assistance funded through several CDBG assisted programs: City Property Improvement Program, NAILS, Allegany County Homeowner Rehab, Friends Aware completed rehab (2) residential homes serving 8 clients 12 clients assisted through Resources for Independence's Home Choice program, HRDC Homeownership Homesteading program rehab/resell underway 3 properties within CB areas, 1 housing unit received façade assistance within Virginia Avenue area and 3 housing units received Home Improvement grants, HRDC's Office of Housing Opportunity served 34 homeless families

Public Services:
67 youth benefited Salvation Army programs,
1 Businesses received a micro-enterprise grant
34 low income people received emergency dental care through Allegany Health Right Dental Access program, MEDBANK prescription acquisition benefited 171, HRDC's Emergency housing fund benefited 117 households, Big Brothers/Big Sisters youth program served 173 children with 2008 funding, ACM's Pathways College prep served 4 additional students this year, 50 youth experienced the Arts Bus and Read to Succeed/Way 2 Go served 5 afterschool participants this year (funds remain to continue due to bad weather last year) 166 Archway Station clients continued to receive transportation through their Freedom Card program, Fair Housing services continue Citywide

Fair Housing Specialist conducted outreach and education to 420 City residents