

CITY OF NORMAN, OK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT POLICY COMMITTEE

**Development Center, Room A, 225 N. Webster Ave., Norman, OK 73069
Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

MINUTES

The Community Development Block Grant Policy Committee of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 6:00 PM and notice of the agenda of the meeting was posted at the Norman Municipal Building at 201 West Gray, and on the City website at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm.

In Attendance

David Davila
Robert Bruce
Karen Canavan
Mary Katherine Long
Lee Hall
Evan Taylor
Kirk Hays
Cheri Lee
Kendra Martin
Karlinda Gravel
Kyle Lankford
Kathryn Morris
Cindy Gordon
Nancy Ashton

Staff Present

Lisa Krieg, CDBG Grants Manager
Tara Reynolds, CDBG Financial Management Analyst

REPORTS

1. OVERVIEW FOR CITY OF NORMAN CDBG & HOME PROGRAMS
 - Please see the attached slides.
2. 2024-2025 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) SUMMARY
 - Please see the attached slides.

3. 2026 CDBG MEETING SCHEDULE

MARCH 18TH, 2026

APRIL 15, 2026

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. GENERAL DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO THE NEEDS OF LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN NORMAN

- The general discussion expressed the need for more affordable housing in the city, and recommended publicizing the Housing Rehabilitation program. The Original Townsite neighborhood was discussed as an area in need of improvements. Citizens expressed appreciation for neighborhood projects including sidewalk repair, assistance with organization, and parks improvements.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

Lisa Krieg, CDBG Grants Manager

James Heath, Rehabilitation Specialist

Tara Reynolds, Financial Management Analyst



Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to states, cities, and counties to promote the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment; and expanded economic opportunities, **principally for persons of low and moderate incomes.**

FYE26 funding of \$984,443



HOME Investment Partnerships Program

- The HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) provides formula grants to states and localities that communities use - often in partnership with local nonprofit groups - to fund a wide range of activities including building, buying, and/or rehabilitating affordable housing for rent or homeownership or providing direct rental assistance to low-income people.
- In November of 2025 there was a groundbreaking for the latest affordable housing development on 521 Leaning Elm, a future single family 4-bedroom unit.



CDBG

Every CDBG activity must meet one of the three National Objectives:

- Benefit to low and moderate income persons – persons with income 80% below median.
Can either be direct benefit or area benefit
- Elimination of slum or blight.
- Meeting an urgent need – defined as a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of a community of recent origin and with no other funding available to remedy it.



Example of Eligible CDBG Activities

- Program Administration Costs
- Acquisition of Property
- Disposition of Property
- Public Facilities and Improvements
- Clearance
- Public Services
- Interim Assistance
- Relocation
- Loss of Rental Income
- Privately Owned Utilities
- Rehabilitation
- Construction of Housing
- Code Enforcement
- Special Economic Development Activities
- Microenterprise Assistance
- Special Activities by CBDO's
- Homeownership Assistance
- Planning and Capacity Building
- Multiple Minor Programs



Consolidated Plan – 5 Years

Effective Dates 7/1/2025 thru 6/30/2029

- Executive Summary
- Market Analysis
- First Year Action Plan
- Citizen Participation Process & Consultations
- Strategic Plan
- Needs Assessment

Priorities are :

- Continue to collaborate with homeless providers to supply a continuum of services.
- Improve the condition of housing for low-income homeowners.
- Support services aimed at the prevention and elimination of homelessness and Rapid Rehousing.
- Increase the viability of potential homeownership opportunities.
- Support improvement of infrastructure and public facilities in CDBG targeted areas in Norman.
- Address community needs through community-based public service programs.



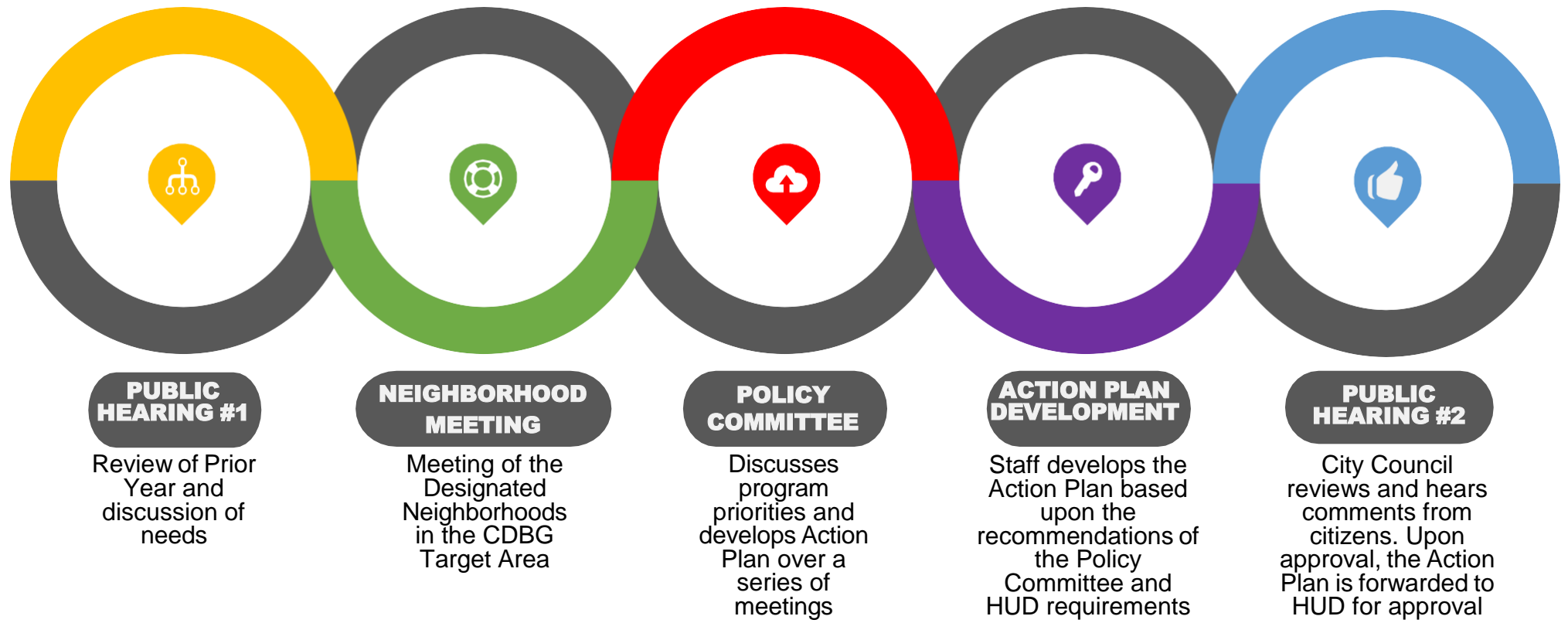
Action Plan – 1 year

- Identifies programs, projects, and budgets funding for the upcoming year through citizen participation process.
- Current Programs: Housing Rehabilitation
- Current Projects: Development of Affordable Housing



CDBG

CDBG Program identifies needs and activities by utilizing a defined citizen participation process.



Public Hearing – January 28, 2026

- This hearing helps us validate or redefine existing priorities, which will guide funding decisions later this spring.



CDBG Housing Rehabilitation

- Assists in the preservation of existing affordable housing for low-moderate income homeowners
- Provides opportunities for accessibility modifications for both owners and renters

80% and Below Median Family Income (2025)			
1 Person	2 Persons	3 Persons	4 Persons
\$54,750	\$62,550	\$70,350	\$78,150



CDBG Housing Rehabilitation

Emergency Repair Program

- Addresses only specific items that are health and safety concerns up to a total cost of \$25,000
- Examples: roof replacement, heat in winter, air conditioning in summer, collapsed sewer line, etc.
- General homeowner maintenance items are not eligible (\$500 threshold)

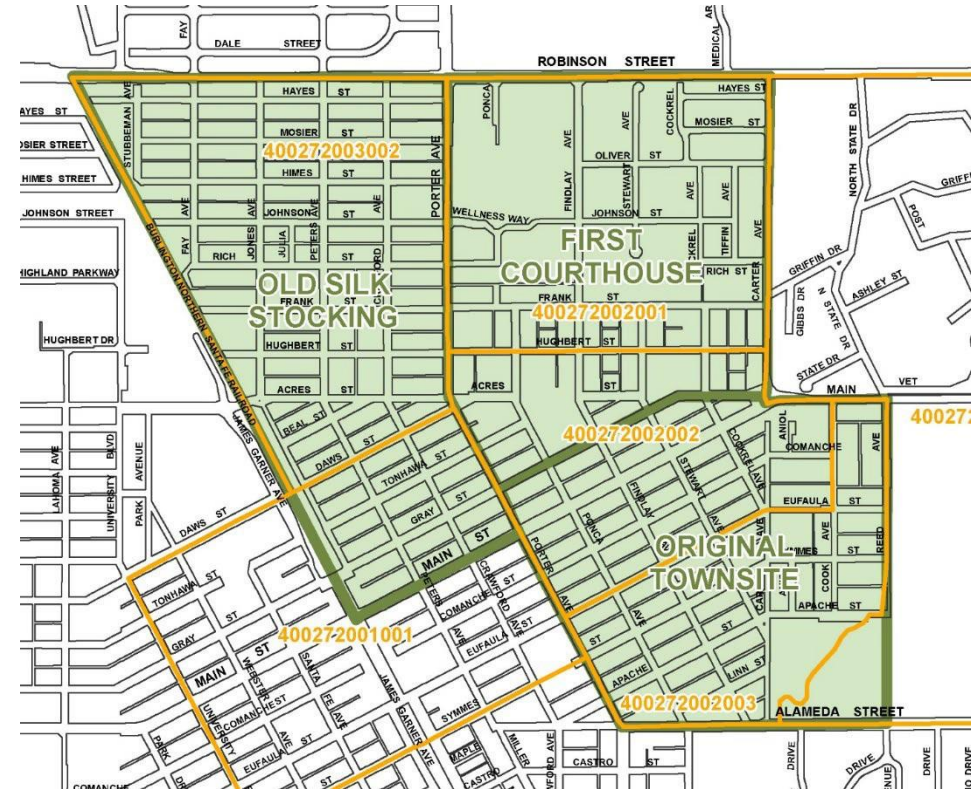
Accessibility Modification Program

- Owner occupied project eligible for \$25,000
- Renter Occupied eligible for \$8,000
- Typical modifications can range from installation of a handrail or grab bars, door widening, and ramp construction to major projects such as kitchen or bathroom reconstructions.



CDBG Neighborhood Program

The CDBG Neighborhood Program is to help strengthen and revitalize core neighborhoods, by engaging with neighborhood residents and stakeholders to develop strategies, programs and partnerships that will address housing, economic, infrastructure and social needs as well as be a catalyst to attract new residents and businesses.



Old Silk Stocking, Original Townsite, and First Courthouse neighborhoods

Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) 7/1/2024-6/30/2025

- **\$645,465 Total Expenditures of CDBG Funds**
- **16% Administration**
- **9% Public Service**
- **48% Housing Rehab**
 - 60 Projects Completed
- **27% Community Development**
 - Acquisition, Neighborhood projects, Senior Kitchen



Funding Update



\$984,443

CDBG FYE26

Administration
Public Services
Housing Rehabilitation
Neighborhood Projects
Acquisition of
Affordable Housing



\$441,286

HOME FYE26

Administration
Development of
Affordable Housing



\$1,1273,256

CDBG-CV1 & 3

First & Third installment
from the CARES Act
Rent & Utility start up
program
Homeless housing kits
100% expended



\$1,560,908

HOME ARP

Awarded in 2021, Plan
approved by HUD in 2023
1305 Triad Village Dr
purchased for Single Room
Occupancy/1-bedroom units
Operator search underway.
These funds must be
expended by 2030.



CDBG Commitments

- Fixed Commitments-
 - Administration – 20% of allocation
 - Ongoing Programs – Housing Rehabilitation
- Semi fixed commitments
 - Public services – Housing Navigator
 - Flexible funds - Neighborhood Programs
 - 140,000 Capital Projects – Affordable Housing Land Acquisition



2026 Meeting Schedule

- March 18, 2026
- April 15, 2026
- May 12, 2026 at City Council



Discussion

- Based upon this information, are there any needs missing, or areas that should be emphasized more strongly?



Questions?

Lisa Krieg, CDBG/Grants Manager

Tara Reynolds, Financial Management Analyst

