

Resources Available

The Harris County Community and Economic Development Department (HCCEDD) has grown to become an organization funded almost exclusively through federal entitlement funds from a variety of grants including CDBG, HOME, ESG, and ADDI funds. In addition to HCCEDD, many other public and private agencies and other county departments offer services to low-income persons and, in many cases, complement community development efforts.

Federal Entitlement Resources

Harris County receives funds through four major formula grants issued by HUD: CDBG, HOME, ESG and ADDI. Harris County anticipates receiving approximately \$14,075,530 in CDBG, HOME, ESG and ADDI funds and \$47,190 in program income for PY 2007. See Appendix B for Source of Program Income for PY2007.

Figure 1: Anticipated PY2007 Entitlement Funds Allocation

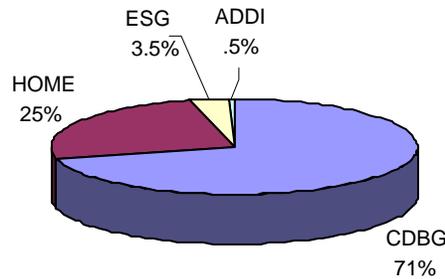


Table 2 provides a numerical representation of the changes in funding over the past five years.

Table 2: Harris County Entitlement Funds, PY2003 to PY2007

Program Year	CDBG	HOME	ESG	ADDI	TOTAL
PY2003	\$12,822,000	\$3,893,168	\$387,000	\$200,305	\$17,302,473
PY2004	\$12,729,000	\$3,878,760	\$469,021	\$236,366	\$17,313,147
PY2005	\$12,131,506	\$3,709,549	\$465,561	\$134,781	\$16,441,397
PY2006	\$10,985,813	\$3,484,971	\$466,583	\$67,255	\$15,004,622
<i>PY2007</i>	<i>\$9,887,232</i>	<i>\$3,484,971</i>	<i>\$466,583</i>	<i>\$67,255</i>	<i>\$13,906,041</i>

Table 3: Harris County PY2007 Funding Sources

Entitlement Grant, includes reallocated funds	
CDBG	\$9,887,232
HOME	\$3,484,971
ESG	\$466,583
ADDI	\$67,255
Total Entitlement Grants	\$13,906,041
Prior Years' Program Income NOT previously programmed or reported	
CDBG	\$0
HOME	\$0
ESG	\$0
Total	\$0
Reprogrammed Prior Years' Funds	
CDBG 2006	\$122,299
HOME	\$0
ESG	\$0
Total	\$122,299
Total Estimated Program Income	
CDBG Subtotal	\$47,190
Total Estimated Program Income	\$47,190
Section 108 Loan Guarantee Fund	
Total	\$0
Total Funding Sources	
	\$14,075,530
Proposed Projects	44

As an urban county, Harris County receives funds to cover all of unincorporated Harris County in addition to fifteen smaller cities within the county that agree to allow services within their jurisdiction. There are four entitlement jurisdictions within Harris County that receive HUD funds: Harris County and the cities of Houston, Pasadena, and Baytown. Cumulatively, these jurisdictions will receive over \$80 million in CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA and ADDI entitlement funds. The portion received by Harris County accounts for less than 20 percent of those funds. The City of Houston, on the other hand, represents 65 percent of the combined funds.

Largely, as a result of their proximity to Harris County and the region's significant growth, Fort Bend County, Brazoria County, and Montgomery County have also been designated as urban counties. In comparison to Houston and Harris County, the entitlement funds available to these counties remain small, but they play an important role in addressing regional community revitalization.

Table 4: Entitlement Funds Throughout the Area, PY2006¹

	CDBG	HOME	ESG	HOPWA	ADDI	TOTAL
<i>Harris County</i>	\$10,985,813	\$3,484,971	\$466,583	\$0	\$67,255	\$15,004,622
Houston	\$30,757,450	\$13,214,303	\$1,317,133	\$6,039,000	\$266,336	\$51,594,222
Pasadena	\$1,982,257	\$763,368	\$84,954	\$0	\$0	\$2,830,579
Baytown	\$851,294	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$851,294
League City	\$281,984	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$281,984
Missouri City	\$297,710	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$297,710
Sugar Land	\$339,686	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$339,686
Galveston	\$1,471,890	\$554,937	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,026,827
Fort Bend Cty	\$1,882,646	\$524,235	\$79,358	\$0	\$8,566	\$2,494,805
Brazoria Cty	\$2,022,151	\$664,259	\$85,207	\$0	\$13,705	\$2,785,322
Montgomery Cty	\$1,811,672	\$488,029	\$0	\$0	\$8,582	\$2,308,283
Total	\$52,684,553	\$19,694,102	\$2,033,235	\$6,039,000	\$364,444	\$80,815,334

¹ U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development - CPD Appropriations Budget Report
www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/budget/

Other Resources - Federal

In an effort to further its pursuit of decent, affordable housing, a suitable living environment, economic opportunities and overall improvement in quality of life for low-income persons throughout the service area, Harris County continues to pursue competitive grants which complement the department's entitlement resources.

Continuum of Care

The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, Inc., in conjunction with Harris County and the City of Houston, produces Harris County's Continuum of Care, which details the evolving network of comprehensive housing and services available to the homeless in Harris County. The Continuum of Care describes a pathway enabling homeless individuals and/or families to access emergency shelter; move into transitional housing; receive supportive services and find permanent supportive housing or live independently in market housing.

In HUD's FY2006 Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Competition, Harris County, the Coalition for the Homeless, and the City of Houston requested \$20,293,643 in funding from HUD's Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C) Program and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Program (SRO). This request represented 29 organizations with 64 projects to assist homeless individuals and families. Harris County administers 15 of those projects, receiving \$3.7 million in funding. These organizations will provide SRO units, transitional housing, permanent housing for people with disabilities, and supportive services, including case management, literacy/education training, employment skills training, preventive health care, transportation, and substance abuse counseling.

Other Resources - Non-Federal

State Funding

Low-Income Housing Tax Credits. Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) provide a financial incentive to developers to build affordable rental units for low-income families and individuals. At the time the PY2007 AAP was submitted to HUD, Harris County had received notice from 24 developers of their intent to apply for LIHTC and construct a total of 4,109 affordable rental housing units in 22 developments within the Harris County service area.

Other Sources of Funding

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ). Harris County utilizes special TIRZ funds designated for the creation of affordable housing to provide additional funding for homeless shelters, downpayment assistance, and other affordable housing related projects. These funds are utilized to provide assistance to eligible participants in the form of loans and grants, in order to increase the availability of affordable, decent, safe, and sanitary housing to low-income individuals and families.

Harris County Housing Finance Corporation (HCHFC). During PY2006, HCCEDD received \$1 million from HCHFC that will be carried over into PY2007 to help support the DAP and Home Repair Programs.

HCCEDD represents only one of the many departments within Harris County working to improve the quality of life for all Harris County residents, including those low-income individuals and families within Harris County's HUD service area. In fact, the majority of County departments work toward improving quality of life and enhancing community revitalization. Even without the use of HUD funds, the County's many departments serve families through prevention, investigation, protective services, and treatment of sexually abused children. At the same time, they serve thousands of persons in education, health, public services, and public safety -- all priorities of the Consolidated Plan. Furthermore, infrastructure and civic enrichment are always priorities with over 5,000 road miles maintained by Harris County precincts as well as 121 parks and community centers.

Analysis of PY2007 grant expenditures in the major areas of the PY2003-2007 Consolidated Plan, such as housing, public facilities, infrastructure, youth services and health, indicate that activities implemented in other County departments complement those funded through HCCEDD. For example, the Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services Department spends a large amount of its annual budget providing health services such as immunization, prenatal care, and pediatric health care.