

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM (NSP) AMENDMENT TO THE SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT CITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

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The City of Columbus proposes to make a budget amendment to the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). The budget amendment will reallocate \$157,796 from the City’s Administrative and Demolition Activities to the Rehabilitation Activity. The budget amendment will provide additional funds to rehabilitate foreclosed homes purchased under the NSP program.

B. DISTRIBUTION AND USES OF FUNDS

Provide a narrative describing how the distribution and uses of the grantee’s NSP funds will meet the requirements of Section 2301(c)(2) of HERA that funds be distributed to the areas of greatest need, including those with the greatest percentage of home foreclosures, with the highest percentage of homes financed by a subprime mortgage related loan, and identified by the grantee as likely to face a significant rise in the rate of home foreclosures.

The budget amendment will provide additional funds to rehabilitate foreclosed homes purchased under the NSP program. Due to higher than anticipated rehabilitated cost, additional funds are needed. Currently, the City has purchased and/or has under sales contract 14 foreclosed properties. The additional rehabilitation funds are needed to complete these properties and any additional foreclosed homes, which may be purchased. The funds will be divided equally between the City’s two sub-recipients, NeighborWorks Columbus and the Housing Authority of Columbus.

The funds will be reallocated from the Demolition Activity and the City’s Administration funds. The City has not encountered the anticipated number of foreclosed homes that need to be demolished. A greater number of foreclosed homes than anticipated can be rehabilitated rather than be demolished. Therefore, we are reallocating these funds to the Rehabilitation activity. The City has other funding sources for the administration of the NSP program. This reallocation of administrative funds will not effect the administration of the program and will provide the additional funds to the program area.

Activity	Current Budget	Amendment	New Budget
Administration – City	\$57,796	(\$32,796)	\$25,000
Demolition	\$150,000	(\$125,000)	\$25,000
Rehabilitation - NeighborWorks	\$172,007	\$78,898	\$250,905
Rehabilitation – Housing Authority	\$172,007	\$78,989	\$250,905