

Environmental Review for Activities/Projects that are Categorically Excluded Subject to Section 58.5

Pursuant to 24 CFR 58.35(a)

Project Information

Project Name: Consolidated Plan – Program Year 2021-2022
Responsible Entity: City of Rochester
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Project Location: City-wide locations

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]:

This is a programmatic review of the programs listed below. Each project subsequently identified for funding under these programs MUST have a site-specific environmental review BEFORE a grant or loan agreement is executed between the City and the recipient of federal funds:

<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Program/Project Name</u>	<u>Environmental Determination</u>
1	Business Development Financial Assistance Program	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(iii) – Rehab of non-residential structures
4	Home Rochester Program Management	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab
8	Demolition Program	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(4), for 1-4 housing unit building
9	Housing Rehabilitation Program	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab
10	Emergency Assistance Program (EAP) – Replacement of furnaces and hot water heaters only. Repairs and equipment do not require this review.	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab
15	Residential Street Rehabilitation	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(1) – Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction or rehab of public facilities and improvements of public facilities in place
17	DRHS Play Apparatus	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(1) – Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction or rehab of public facilities and improvements of public facilities in place
25	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab
26	Affordable Housing Fund	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab

See attached *City of Rochester Consolidated Plan – Program Year 2021-2022 – Environmental Review Statement of Activities* for a description and listing of activities for each project / program.

Funding Information

Federal Funding Source(s):	CDBG HOPWA ESG HOME
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Level of Environmental Review Determination:

Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a)1-6, and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5

The project falls into the category below, which is listed at 24 CFR 58.35(a) as Categorically Excluded Subject to 24 CFR 58.5

1. Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of public facilities and improvements (other than buildings) when the facilities and improvements are already in place and will be retained in the same use without change in size or capacity for more than 20 percent. Examples:
 - Replacement of water or sewer lines
 - Reconstruction of curbs and sidewalks
 - Repaving of streets
2. Special projects directed toward the removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility of and accessibility to the elderly and handicapped persons.
3. Rehabilitation of buildings and improvements under the following conditions
 - i. In the case of a building for residential use (with one to four units), the density is not increased beyond four units, the land use is not changed, and the footprint of the building is not increased in a floodplain or in a wetland;
 - ii. In the case of multifamily residential buildings:
 - A. Unit density is not changed more than 20%
 - B. The project does not involve changes in land use from residential to non-residential; and
 - C. The estimated cost of rehabilitation is less than 75% of the total estimated cost of replacement after rehabilitation.
 - iii. In the case of non-residential structures, including commercial, industrial, and public buildings:
 - A. The facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity by more than 20 percent; and
 - B. The activity does not involve a change in land use, such as from non-residential to residential, commercial to industrial, or from one industrial use to another.
4. An individual action
 - i. Up to four dwelling units where there is a maximum of four units on any one site. The units can be four one-unit buildings or one four-unit building or any combination in between; or
 - ii. A project of five or more housing units developed on scattered sites when the sites are more than 2,000 feet apart and there are not more than four housing units on any one site.
5. Acquisition (including leasing) or disposition of an existing structure or acquisition (including leasing) of vacant land provided that the structure or land acquired or disposed of will be retained for the same use;
6. Combinations of the above activities

The determination of the category listed above is supported by the following information (explain how you determined that the project satisfied the condition of the category you checked above and document as appropriate):

None of the projects/programs listed above will change the land use, or increase density of units by more than 20%, or cost more than 75% of the replacement cost of the structure after the rehab is completed. Projects beyond this scope will be subject to an environmental assessment per 24 CFR 58.36.

When addresses are determined for each of the programs a statutory checklist review will be completed before the project begins.

You must complete the compliance checklist for 24 CFR 58.6 and the Statutory Worksheet on the following pages.

COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST FOR THE "OTHER REQUIREMENTS" IN 24 CFR 58.6

Project Name:	Consolidated Plan 2021-2022
Project Address:	Various addresses, city-wide. Specific addresses have not yet been identified

STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 & 58.6

Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>New construction, major rehab and/or increase in density are <u>prohibited</u> from being funded with federal dollars, if located within the Airport Clear Zone.</i></p> <p>There are certain addresses within the Rochester Airport Clear Zone. The addresses are clearly indicated within the green trapezoidal shape on the <u>attached map</u>, and include portions of the following streets: Kinsboro, Devon, Genesee Park, Virginia, and Winbourne.</p>
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>There are no Coast Barrier Resource Areas in the city of Rochester.</p> <p>See attached map of the <i>Great Lakes Coastal Barrier Resource System</i>.</p>
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p><i>If a property to be assisted with federal dollars is located in the Special Flood Hazard Area – 100 year flood plain, the purchase of flood insurance is <u>mandatory</u>.</i> This refers to any parcel located in the 1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard area as indicated on the FEMA Flood Map:</p> <p>https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search?AddressQuery=Rochester%2C%20ny#searchresultsanchor</p> <p><u>Note:</u></p> <p>If the federal funds assistance is a grant, flood insurance must be maintained for the life of the property.</p> <p>If the federal funds assistance is a loan (except for loans less than \$5,000 <u>and</u> repaid within 1 year), flood insurance must be maintained for the life of the loan.</p>

STATUTORY WORKSHEET per 24 CFR 58.5

Use this worksheet only for projects which are Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR Section 58.35(a).

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DIRECTIONS - Write “**A**” in the Status Column when the project, by its nature, does not affect the resources under consideration; OR write “**B**” if the project triggers formal compliance consultation with the oversight agency, or requires mitigation (see Statutory Worksheet Instructions). Compliance documentation must contain verifiable source documents and relevant base data. Attach reviews, consultations, and special studies as appropriate.

Compliance Factors:

Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5	Status A/B	Compliance Documentation
Historic Preservation [36 CFR Part 800] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/historic-preservation/	A	<p>When the specific addresses are identified for rehabilitation the Designated Building of Historic Value List will be reviewed and consultation with SHPO will be initiated if the property is a <i>Designated Building of Historic Value</i>, or is located within a <i>City of Rochester Preservation District</i>. <i>In such cases, project will not commence until consultation with SHPO is complete.</i></p> <p>If after consultation with SHPO a project is determined to have an Adverse Impact, a MOA should be negotiated. These projects will not be covered by this tiered review, and will therefore require publication of a notice and separate Authority to Use Grant Funds from HUD before the funding agreement is signed with the sub-grantee.</p>
Floodplain Management [24 CFR 55, Executive Order 11988] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/floodplain-management/	A	<p>When the addresses are identified (city-wide) for rehabilitation the FEMA website will be consulted for floodplain locations: https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home</p> <p>If the project occurs in a 100- or 500-yr floodplain initiate 8-Step process and required notices before project may commence.</p> <p>If the project occurs in a floodway HUD funds may not be used in the project.</p>
Wetland Protection [Executive Order 11990] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/wetlands-protection/	A	<p>When the addresses are identified (city-wide) for rehabilitation, and if rehab will expand the footprint of the building or any ground disturbance, the National Wetlands Inventory will be searched for each address: http://www.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/Mapper.html</p> <p>If required, the City will initiate the 8-Step process and required notices before project may commence.</p>
Coastal Zone Management Act [Sections 307(c), (d)] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/coastal-zone-management/	A	<p>If the project involves new construction or major rehab, and is located within a coastal zone, a review will be done to see if the project conforms to the policies of the Coastal Zone Management Program. See Coast Zone map at:</p> <p>http://appext20.dos.ny.gov/coastal_map_public/map.aspx</p> <p>The City of Rochester is a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Community. Access the online map here and activate the <i>Landward Coastal Boundary</i> layer and zoom in to determine its location. Ensure proposed activities are in line with the City's Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan. See Planning and Zoning staff for direction.</p>
Sole Source Aquifers [40 CFR 149] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/sole-source-aquifers/	A	<p>There are no federally designated Sole Source Aquifers in the city of Rochester. See online EPA map for Sole Source Aquifers at https://epa.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9ebb047ba3ec41ada1877155fe31356b</p>

Endangered Species Act [50 CFR 402] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/endangered-species/	A	<p>If the project does not go beyond interior renovations, replacement/repair of roofs, replacing exterior paint or siding on existing buildings, it is not likely to have an effect on endangered species.</p> <p>Additionally, for residential rehabilitation projects see letter from Fish & Wildlife Service outlining certain allowances.</p> <p>For projects beyond this level, check resource at https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/</p>
Wild and Scenic Rivers Act [Sections 7(b), and (c)] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/wild-and-scenic-rivers/	A	<p>There are no Wild and Scenic Rivers in the city of Rochester. See the map of New York on the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System website: https://www.rivers.gov/new-york.php</p>
Clean Air Act [Sections 176(c), (d), and 40 CFR 6, 51, 93] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/air-quality/	A	<p>There are no Non-Attainment areas in Monroe County. See list of, "Current Nonattainment Counties for All Criteria Pollutants" printed from the EPA Green Book online at: https://www3.epa.gov/airquality/greenbook/ancl.html</p>
Farmland Protection Policy Act [7 CFR 658] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/farmlands-protection/	A	<p>All the projects will be located within the urban area in the city. There are no prime farmlands regulated under the Farmland Protection Policy Act.</p>
Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898] Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/environmental-justice/	A	<p>None of the sites has a disproportionate potential for high and adverse human health and environmental effects on minority or low-income populations.</p>

<p>HUD ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS</p> <p>Noise Abatement and Control</p> <p>[24 CFR 51B]</p> <p>Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/noise-abatement-and-control/</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>The airport noise contour map will be reviewed for airport noise impact. Each site will be plotted on a map and distance to any road with average daily trips of 10,000 or more and within 1,000 feet of the site, and any active railroad will be measured.</p> <p>Use the HUD noise calculator to determine noise impact to the site.</p> <p>HUD's Site Acceptability Standards are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exterior noise levels: Proposed HUD-assisted projects with a day-night average sound level of below 65 decibels are acceptable (see Standards in 24 CFR Part 51.103) 2. Interior noise levels: Proposed HUD-assisted projects with a day-night average sound level of below 45 decibels are acceptable <p><u>Resources:</u></p> <p>HUD Noise Calculator: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/dnl-calculator</p> <p>Sound transmission class guidance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=DOC_16419.pdf</p> <p>Sound transmission classification assessment tool: https://www.hudexchange.info/stracat/</p> <p>Projects impacted with noise levels between 65dB and 70dB can be mitigated by various well documented means. Refer to the resources above.</p>
<p>Explosive and Flammable Operations</p> <p>[24 CFR 51C]</p> <p>Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/explosive-and-flammable-facilities/</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>If the project involves rehabilitation only that doesn't increase residential densities, convert a building for habitation, or make a vacant building habitable the project is not subject to review for this element.</p> <p>For other projects, determine whether there are any above-ground storage tanks within 1 mile of the project site that are more than 100 gallons in size. If so, determine the chemical that is stored in the tank, and if flammable or explosive, calculate acceptable separation distance and determine whether mitigation will bring the project into compliance. If not, project cannot be funded with federal dollars.</p>
<p>Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones</p> <p>[24 CFR 51D]</p> <p>Guidance: https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/airport-hazards/</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>Check online map to determine whether project site is located within 3,000 feet of The Monroe County Airport.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, check the Monroe County Land Use map to determine whether the project is located in the Clear Zone. • If so, is the project new construction, major rehab or will it substantially prolong the physical or economic life of the facility, and will the project site be used or occupied by people? • If yes, HUD funds may not be used to assist the project. • If no, document finding and carry on with the project.

Toxic Chemicals and Radioactive Materials

[24 CFR 58.5(i)(2)]

Guidance:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/environmental-review/site-contamination/>

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For all Property Rehab Projects:

Lead: If the building was built before 1978, and is mixed residential use, a City Rehab Specialist will conduct a visual inspection to determine the existence of lead-based paint and whether it will be disturbed. The project managers will be directed to require the use of Lead Safe Work Practices. For commercial only rehab projects, lead testing is not required if intended occupants will not include children. For residential only projects a lead-wipe test is conducted before and after the rehab and a clearance report is issued.

Asbestos (all rehab projects): If the building was built before 1977 a City Rehab Specialist will conduct a visual inspection to determine whether ACM will be disturbed as part of the proposed rehab. If suspect ACM will likely be disturbed project staff will be directed to require the use of a licensed, certified contractor to undertake the project.

* For rehab, new construction or acquisition of one-to-four family residential, check

<https://www.epa.gov/superfund/search-superfund-sites-where-you-live#npl> for location near EPA superfund national priorities, CERCLA or equivalent State list;

<https://data.ny.gov/Energy-Environment/Landfill-Solid-Waste-Management-Facilities-Map/afg5-7i6u> and

<https://enviro.epa.gov/> for location near a toxic or solid waste landfill site;

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=2> for spills incidents

Determine whether any known contamination can be mitigated and document any environmental or soils management plans. Follow up with their implementation as the project proceeds. If a project requires cleanup or an EMP it will be excluded from the programmatic review and processed separately.

Another tool to use is NEPAassist

(<https://www.epa.gov/nepa/nepassist>), which "facilitates the environmental review process and project planning in relation to environmental considerations. The web-based application draws environmental data dynamically from EPA Geographic Information System databases and web services and provides immediate screening of environmental assessment indicators for a user-defined area of interest."

Mitigation Measures and Conditions [40 CFR 1505.2(c)]

Summarize below all mitigation measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to reduce, avoid, or eliminate adverse environmental impacts and to avoid non-compliance or non-conformance with the above-listed authorities and factors. These measures/conditions must be incorporated into project contracts, development agreements, and other relevant documents. The staff responsible for implementing and monitoring mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the mitigation plan.

Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure
N/A	

Determination:

- ☐ This categorically excluded activity/project converts to **EXEMPT** per Section 58.34(a)(12), because it does not require any mitigation for compliance with any listed statutes or authorities, nor requires any formal permit or license; **Funds may be committed and drawn down after certification of this part** for this (now) EXEMPT project;


OR

- ☒ This categorically excluded activity/project cannot convert to Exempt status because one or more statutes or authorities listed at Section 58.5 requires formal consultation or mitigation. Complete consultation/mitigation protocol requirements, **publish NOI/RROF and obtain "Authority to Use Grant Funds"** (HUD 7015.16) per Section 58.70 and 58.71 before committing or drawing down any funds;

OR

- ☐ This project is not categorically excluded OR, if originally categorically excluded, is now subject to a full Environmental Assessment according to Part 58 Subpart E due to extraordinary circumstances (Section 58.35(c)).

CERTIFICATION:

Preparer Signature: 
Name, Title: Lindsay A. Nabozny, Senior Community Housing Planner

Date: 6/2/21

Certifying Officer Signature: 
Name, Title: Lovely A. Warren, Mayor

Date: 6/2/21

This original, signed document and related supporting material must be retained on file by the Responsible Entity in an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the activity/project (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with recordkeeping requirements for the HUD program(s).

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Activity #	Project Name	Priority Need	Project Description	Activities/Summary	Environmental Determination
1	Business Development Financial Assistance Program	Economic and Workforce Development	<p>The program provides loans, grants, grant-to-loans/loans-to-grants and interest rate subsidies to city businesses or businesses which are relocating to the City which are expanding and creating jobs. Funding can be used for purchase and renovation (interior and exterior) of real estate, purchase of machinery and equipment (including security equipment), predevelopment services including environmental testing, feasibility & planning studies and architectural assistance, targeted support to M/WBEs, and working capital including payroll, insurance, utilities, lease/mortgage, inventory, supplies, and accounting services. Funds may also be used in environmental remediation associated with projects in development.</p> <p>CDBG: \$475,000 15 Businesses Assisted, 100 Jobs</p>	All activities focus on facilitating business growth for established and new businesses which are creating and retaining jobs. Funds for building construction, expansions and facades improve the appearance of neighborhood commercial corridors and industrial parks. Funds are utilized to recruit a diverse set of new businesses and increase the number of entrepreneurial firms.	<p>Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(iii) - Rehab of non-residential structures</p> <p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5, 24 CFR 58.35(b)(4) - Purchase of equipment</p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(1), (2),(6) & (8) – Environmental and studies; information and financial services; insurance; design.</p>
2	Neighborhood Commercial Assistance Program	Economic and Workforce Development	<p>This program supports two activities: small business grant programs, including 1) the Small Business Matching Grant program and the ORDER grant program, for essential neighborhood service businesses and micro-enterprises and businesses that create jobs for low and moderate income individuals and 2) business association support.</p> <p>CDBG: \$75,000 9 Businesses Assisted</p>	All activities focus on facilitation of business growth for established and new businesses which are creating and retaining jobs. Funding for this program is aligned with the strategic plan to facilitate business growth and enhance neighborhoods by retaining anchor businesses, growing existing businesses, increasing the capacity of business associations, and creating and retaining jobs.	<p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5, 24 CFR 58.35(b)(4) - Economic development activities</p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) & (4) – Administrative and management activities; public services</p>
3	Street Liaison	Economic and Workforce Development	<p>Function as a liaison between the City of Rochester Business Development Team, Neighborhood Service Center Administrator and neighborhood businesses; Provide detailed reports of business activities and concerns faced by businesses to City of Rochester staff; Work collaboratively with business associations, neighborhood groups, residents and City of Rochester staff to attract and populate business corridors with products and services that meet the consumer needs of the local and greater community.</p> <p>CDBG: \$90,000 200 Businesses Assisted</p>	Street liaisons function as a liaison between the City of Rochester Business Development Team, Neighborhood Service Center Administrator and neighborhood businesses; Provide detailed reports of business activities and concerns faced by businesses to City of Rochester staff; Work collaboratively with business associations, neighborhood groups, residents and City of Rochester staff to attract and populate business corridors with products and services that meet the consumer needs of the local and greater community.	<p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) & (4) – Administrative and management activities; public services</p>

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4	Home Rochester Program Management	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	Funds provide operating support to facilitate development from a City-designated Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), resulting in reduced blight and increased homeownership opportunities for low-moderate income households. CDBG: \$186,000 Estimated number assisted to be determined.	Complete high-quality rehab of vacant properties and sell to income-qualified owner occupants.	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) - Rehab Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) – Administrative and management activities
5	Legal Services for Seniors	Provide Public Services	Provides assistance with legal services for the elderly that would improve their quality of life. This includes but is not limited to wills and estates, elder abuse, consumer fraud, home repair complaints, accessing medical services, and foreclosure prevention. CDBG: \$30,000 50 Persons Assisted	Provides assistance with legal services for the elderly that would improve their quality of life. This includes but is not limited to wills and estates, elder abuse, consumer fraud, home repair complaints, accessing medical services, and foreclosure prevention.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
6	Tenant and Landlord Services	Provide Public Services	Services to low/mod income tenants who face eviction due to improperly issued eviction notices, loss of income, or warrant habitability issues receive legal representation, workshops proactively educate tenants on rights and responsibilities. Landlords seeking immediate assistance regarding their rental property and tenant management receiving counseling on a one-one-one basis to maintain their properties and businesses to the highest standards. CDBG: \$30,000 72 Households Assisted	Legal advocacy, assistance in avoidance of immediate eviction, alternative dispute resolution and counseling to landlords and tenants, tenant workshops, landlord assistance including the housing hotline.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
7	Foreclosure Prevention	Provide Public Services	Two projects work interdependently to assist low to moderate income households to avoid foreclosures due to mortgage default, predatory loans, or tax default. The Housing Council program analyzes the financial and household situation and work with the client, mortgage lender, realtors, lawyers, and other appropriate parties to prevent the loss of the property to foreclosure. Strategies include budget restructuring, forbearance options, reinstatement, sale and bankruptcy, and assistance related to New York State mandated settlement conferences. Empire Justice helps households avoid foreclosure with direct legal services and/or representation for mandatory settlement conferences or to combat predatory/unfair lending and servicing practices. Additional households receive expert advice on loans and referrals to appropriate agencies. CDBG: \$44,600 42 Households Assisted	Funds go to a HUD-certified counseling agency (The Housing Council) or statewide legal agency (Empire Justice), both with decades of experience, to provide direct counseling services to households at risk of mortgage or tax default.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a) (2) & (4) – Financial services; Public services

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8	Demolition Program	Eliminate Slum/Blighting Influences	Funds will be used for demolition of residential, industrial and/or commercial properties. Includes implementation of a Clean Demo Strategy, which requires the removal of all subsurface concrete structures and utilizing clean virgin soil for backfill focused on targeted areas of past and future development. CDBG: \$1,800,000 100 Buildings Assisted	Demolish approximately 100 vacant and blighted buildings.	Environmental Assessment per 24 CFR 58.36 – New Construction for larger buildings and/or other land uses Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(4)(i) – 1-4 housing unit building
9	Housing Rehabilitation Program	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	This program will provide financial assistance for rehabilitation to eligible property owners to address blight and hazards. The funds will be distributed through a variety of efforts including to: enhance targeted areas of development, address city-wide blight and health and safety hazards, and combine with other funding for more impactful results. CDBG: \$575,522 22 Household Housing Units Assisted	Rehabilitation grants	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab
10	Emergency Assistance Program (EAP)	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	This program will provide financial assistance to address emergencies including, but not limited to, heat and/or hot water tanks for income eligible owner-occupants. CDBG: \$100,000 50 Household Housing Units Assisted	Repair/replacement of furnaces or hot water heaters for low/mod owner occupants.	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) – Rehab Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(3) – Maintenance and equipment see HUD maintenance notice CPD-16-02
11	Mayor’s Leadership Training Program	Provide Public Services	This program will build the capacity of civically-minded community members to be skillful and effective leaders of neighborhood-based organizations. CDBG: \$5,000 30 Persons Assisted	MNLT will train annually 30 residents in leadership skills that will bring leadership at the local grassroots level of block clubs and neighborhood groups.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
12	Neighborhood Planning – Lyell Ave	Planning	The funds will be used to help facilitate the development of strategic neighborhood plans that would complement current assets and help guide future investments for neighborhood revitalization and enhancement. CDBG: \$40,000 Estimated number assisted to be determined.	This funding will help build on the work of Community Design Center for the Lyell Avenue neighborhood corridor. The neighborhood planning process will result in the development of impactful intersection changes and potential streetscape improvements.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(1) – Studies, plans, and strategies

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13	Neighborhood Planning - CONEA	Planning	<p>The funds will be used to help facilitate the development of strategic neighborhood plans that would complement current assets and help guide future investments for neighborhood revitalization and enhancement.</p> <p>CDBG: \$40,000 Estimated number assisted to be determined.</p>	The funding will be leveraged to hire a consultant to facilitate the community planning process and develop strategic neighborhood plans.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(1) – Studies, plans, and strategies
14	Fire Department Small Equipment	Provide Public Services	<p>The Rochester Fire Department (RFD) provides and installs free smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to low and moderate income families living in residential properties. The RFD coordinates and implements fire prevention and education programs to reach at-risk target populations.</p> <p>CDBG: \$55,000 1700 Households Assisted</p>	Distribution of smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.	<p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(3) – Maintenance and equipment</p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services</p> <p>see HUD maintenance notice CPD-16-02</p>
15	Residential Street Rehabilitation	Improve Public Infrastructure and Facilities	<p>This project will support residential street rehabilitation, new curbs, sidewalks, water, receiving basins, and street lighting improvements for residential streets.</p> <p>CDBG: \$400,000 Estimated number assisted to be determined</p>	Residential street rehabilitation, new curbs, sidewalks, water, receiving basins, and street lighting improvements for residential streets.	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(1) – Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction or rehab of public facilities and improvements of public facilities in place
16	STEAM Engine	Provide Public Services	<p>The S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) Engine is a mobile education and recreation program that will engage youth in free, high quality STEM and visual/performing arts activities in parks, playgrounds, recreation centers, and cultural art institutions. The program will be delivered using the Rec on the Move model, which brings activities, equipment, staff, and all of the benefits of R Centers right to youth and families in their neighborhoods.</p> <p>A portion of the STEAM Engine funds will continue to support the delivery of community-based music instruction through the ROCmusic program, an after-school and summer music education program that offers tuition-free instrumental music instruction, small and Large group lessons, and performance opportunities at R-Centers</p> <p>CDBG: \$155,000 3,000 Persons Assisted</p>	Deliver weekly neighborhood-based mobile arts engagement & STEM program in at least 15 Rochester neighborhoods and 13 R-Center locations. Deliver weekly classical music instruction, instrument lessons, and performance opportunities to Rochester youth in grades 1-12 at 4 R-Centers.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services

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17	DRHS Play Apparatus	Improve Public Infrastructure and Facilities	Includes design and construction of play apparatus at several parks and playgrounds, including the installation of updated equipment and safety surface as needed and to maintain compliance with current Consumer Product Safety Commission and ADA guidelines. CDBG: \$1,000,400 Estimated number assisted to be determined	Play apparatus at various City parks and playgrounds	Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(1) – Acquisition, repair, improvement, reconstruction or rehab of public facilities and improvements of public facilities in place Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(8) – Engineering or design costs
18	Job Creation/Youth Development	Provide Public Services	This project will support City of Rochester Department of Recreation and Human Services programs and activities, including the Summer of Opportunity program, that provide year-round job readiness, work awareness, and basic occupational skills development for low/mod income youth seeking employment or career exploration services. The funds will be used to lend support to programs or activities that are identified as providing an integrated environment for the provision of job readiness, work awareness, and basic occupational skills development for low/mod income city residents seeking employment or vocational or career exploration services. It will also provide asset development opportunities for youth and skills development for adults. CDBG: \$400,000 800 Persons Assisted	The activity will include programs and activities that provide job readiness, work readiness, basic occupational skills development, asset development opportunities and skills development. Both youth and adults may be served by the activity.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
19	Connecting Children to Nature	Provide Public Services	This project will expand on the Mayor's 10-Minute Walk to Parks pledge and the City's commitment to the Cities Connecting Children to Nature initiative by providing park activation and environmental education programming for City of Rochester residents. CDGA: \$50,000 1,000 Persons Assisted	Coordinate and implement a wide array of environmental and parks programming tailored to diverse audiences, including parks stewardship, environmental education, volunteer activities, family-friendly fitness activities in parks, and nature-based play activities.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services

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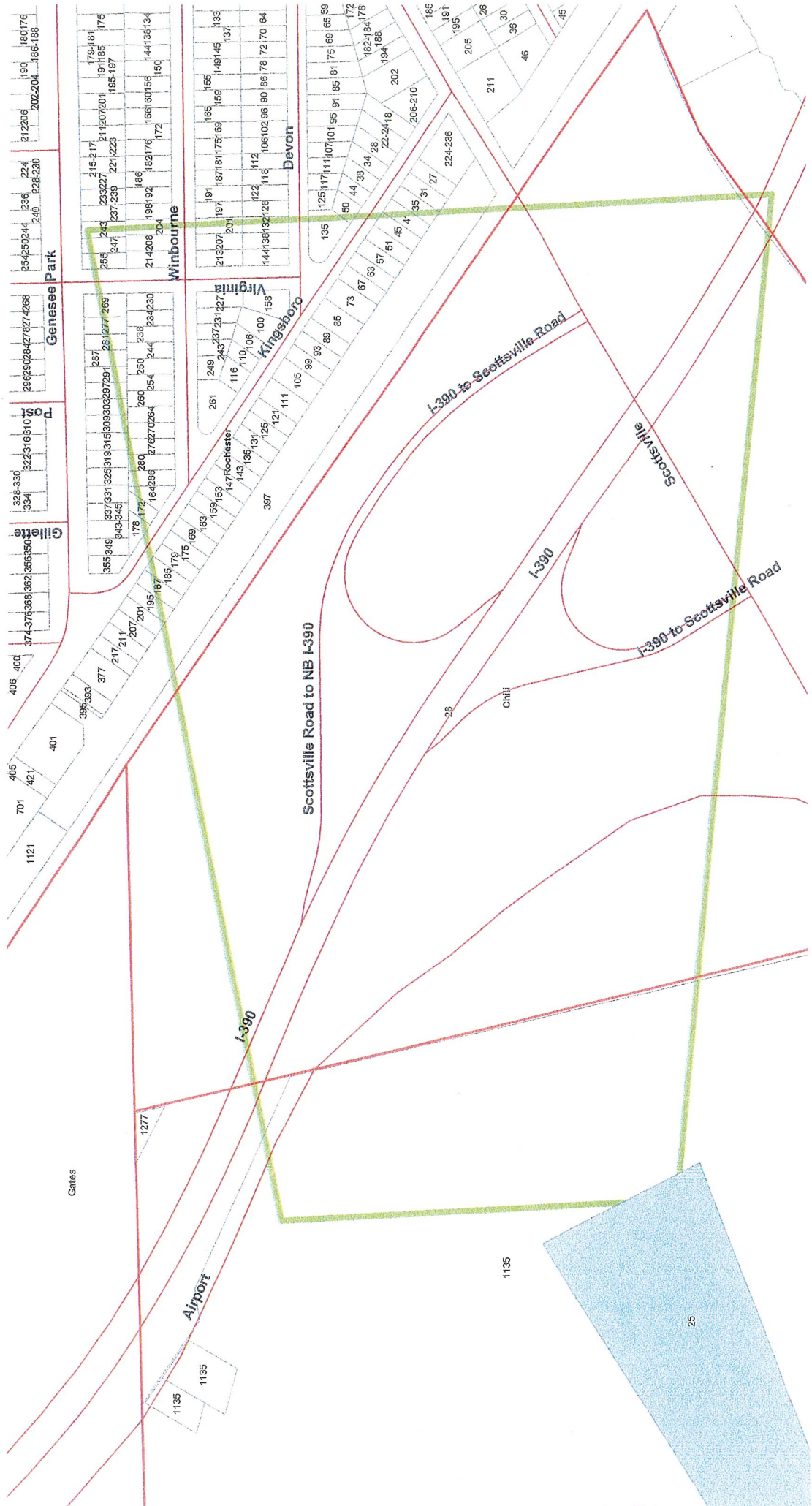
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20	Employment Opportunity Job Training Support	Provide Public Services Economic and Workforce Development	<p>This program will fund staff to coordinate employment readiness and career awareness training to city students, ages 14-20, as well as leadership skills development including social and interpersonal skills, conflict resolution, team building, and decision making. Additionally, students will participate in internships with the City and/or local employers. Funding will provide workforce development support to low/mod income city youth participating in the program in the form of resume consultation and development, interview skills development, and job placement assistance.</p> <p>CDBG: \$52,500 100 Persons Assisted</p>	The focus of the program is to train youth ages 14-20 on the soft and hard skills needed to obtain and maintain a job, exposure to community members who can talk to the importance of education and how it is a direct link to picking a career, and moving out of poverty and giving back to the community through community service. The youth who participate in the program move on to apply for the Summer of Opportunity Program for job placement.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
21	Youth Leadership and Civic Engagement (YVOV)	Provide Public Services	<p>Provide youth-led civic engagement support to low/mod income youth ages 10-19 participating in City of Rochester leadership training and youth development programs. Funding will support staff to coordinate youth civic engagement and entrepreneurship opportunities and leadership skills development including social and interpersonal skills, conflict resolution, event planning, service learning, team building, decision making, and work readiness. It will support the Youth Voice, One Vision – the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council, Roc My Brother's Keeper, and other youth development programming. Each R-Center will have its own leadership group of at least 10 members. Programming will take place in school and community-based settings.</p> <p>CDBG: \$70,000 200 Persons Assisted</p>	Youth engaged in this program will work to alleviate problems within their neighborhoods, R-Centers, and schools. Youth learn life skills by attending workshops and by developing positive peer relationships and mentoring relationships with adults. Also, they gain college through attending and participating in Nazareth College Community Youth Development classes. Youth members learn concrete skills related to civic engagement and advocacy, politics and government, and producing community events that prepare them for planning for future life events, college and careers. They see real improvements to their communities as they carry out community service projects thus gaining confidence in their personal efficacy.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services
22	International Plaza	Provide public services	<p>CDBG funding will be used to support the management and daily operations of La Marketa at the International Plaza. International Plaza is a public gathering and event space for community and culturally relevant programming as well as a market space that will offer a variety of vending options ranging from pop-up tents and carts to more permanent retail locations housed in converted shipping containers. Local entrepreneurs can sell their products and services in a low risk, low cost, flexible environment that is envisioned to become an incubator for neighborhood economic development.</p> <p>CDBG: \$46,000 20,000 Persons Assisted</p>	Oversee International Plaza operations including vendor recruitment and management, special event & promotional development activities, site maintenance, community engagement activities, nutrition education, and culturally relevant experiential learning opportunities.	<p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(3) – Operating costs</p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) & (4) – Administrative and management activities; Public services</p>

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23	Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)	Provide Housing and Services to Homeless and At-Risk	<p>The program will support homelessness prevention, emergency shelter operations, coordinated entry, rapid re-housing, street outreach, and planning and administration efforts.</p> <p>ESG: \$707,618 45 Households Assisted Tenant-based Rental Assistance/Rapid Rehousing 945 Persons Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter 54 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention 45 Persons Assisted Other (Street Outreach programs with case management and housing search as 2 main components)</p>	Street outreach, coordinated access/entry, rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention, emergency shelter operations and support services to qualified households that meet the appropriate definition of “homeless” or, for homelessness prevention activities, households that meet the HUD definition of “at risk of homelessness.” \$53,071 of the funds (7.5% of the allocation) will be used for the City's administration of the ESG Program. That amount is included in this project as only one activity can be listed for this funding source.	<p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 – per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(1) & (2) – TBRA; <i>Supportive services</i></p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) – Administrative & management activities</p>
24	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Provide Housing and Services for Persons with Special Needs	<p>Provides rental assistance and other supportive services to low income households where a member of the household has been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS.</p> <p>HOPWA: \$972,892 189 Households Assisted</p>	Rental assistance and other supportive services to those with HIV/AIDS.	<p>Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 – per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(1) & (2) – TBRA; <i>Supportive services</i></p> <p>Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(4) – Public services</p>
25	Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO)	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	<p>Subsidy funds to facilitate development from a City-designated Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), resulting in reduced blight and increased homeownership opportunities for low-moderate income households.</p> <p>HOME: \$371,742 7 Homeowner Housing Added</p>	Development and rehabilitation assistance to complete high-quality rehab of vacant properties and sell to income-qualified owner occupants.	<p>Environmental Assessment per 24 CFR 58.36 – Major rehab and new construction</p> <p>Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) - Rehab</p>
26	Affordable Housing Fund	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	<p>Provides gap financing for the development and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing. Funds may be for costs associated with new and/or rehabilitated housing; energy efficiency and sustainability features, enhancements, and/or improvements; approved soft costs or limited pre-development costs necessary to create or continue the availability of affordable rental and homeownership housing.</p> <p>HOME: \$1,608,711 24 Household Housing Units: 17 Rental Units Constructed 4 Homeowner Housing Units Added 3 Homeowner Housing Units Rehabilitated</p>	Gap financing for the development of affordable housing.	<p>Environmental Assessment 24 CFR 58.36 – Major rehab and new construction</p> <p>Categorically Excluded Subject to 58.5, per 24 CFR 58.35(a)(3)(i) - Rehab</p>

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27	Homebuyer Assistance	Increase Supply and Access To and Quality of Affordable Housing	Provides down payment and closing cost assistance of up to \$8,000. HOME: \$300,000 90 Households Assisted	Down payment and closing cost assistance	Categorically Excluded NOT Subject to 58.5 per 24 CFR 58.35(b)(5) – Activities to assist home buyers
28	Planning	Planning	Funds are used for Planning staff. CDBG: \$249,000	Planning staff	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(1) & (3) – Studies, plans, and strategies; Administrative and management activities
29	Administration	Administration	This project provides funds to administer and monitor federal programs, including CDBG Program Management (\$415,500), CDBG Indirect Costs like legal and financial services (\$450,000), HOPWA administration (\$30,089), and HOME administration (\$247,828). CDBG: \$865,500 HOPWA: \$30,089 HOME: \$247,828	Program management, monitoring, legal and financial services, contracting, coordination, and administration of federal programs.	Exempt per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(3) – Administrative and management activities
30	Neighborhood and Business Program Delivery	Program Delivery	The allocation provides funds for the development of overall economic development policies and provides support services, coordination of real estate development, management of feasibility and consultant studies, monitoring of legal and professional service agreements, reparation of site and financial analyses, performing market research, outreach to businesses, preparation of loan packages and support, pre-development services, outreach, financial, technical and site selection assistance to businesses, organization of neighborhood commercial business assistance programs. HOPWA funds are used for the administration of the HOPWA program. Funds are used for staff involved in the planning, coordinating, and monitoring of the City's housing initiatives. Funds also support the goal of Promote Economic Stability. CDBG: \$2,050,100	Development of overall economic and community development policies and provides support services, coordination of real estate development, management of feasibility and consultant studies, monitoring of legal and professional service agreements, preparation of site and financial analyses, performing market research, outreach to businesses, preparation of loan packages and support, pre-development services, outreach, financial, technical and site selection assistance to businesses, organization of neighborhood commercial business assistance programs. Funds are also used for staff involved in the planning, coordinating, and monitoring of the City's housing initiatives.	Exempt 24 CFR 58.34(a)(1), (2) & (3): Development of plans & strategies; Information & financial services; Program management and administration



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