

2025-2029 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Plan



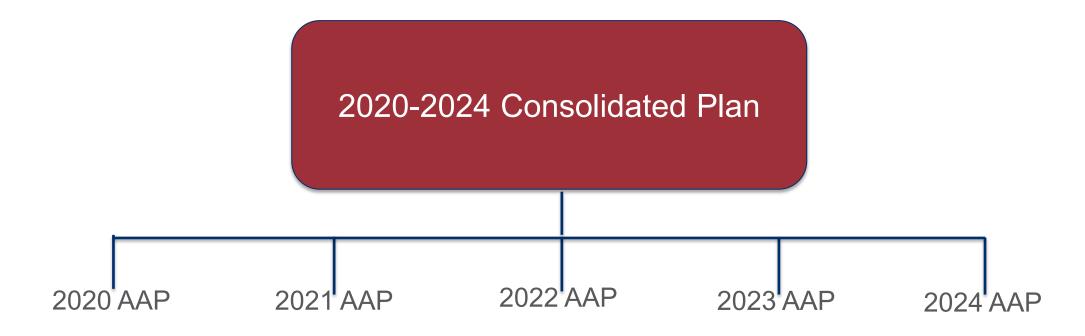
## Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- CDBG is an annual entitlement grant that Ramsey County receives directly from the Department of U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- It is generally for projects and activities that serve low-to-moderate income residents and neighborhoods.
- Eligible activities include public services, infrastructure/facilities, and housing rehabilitation, and administration.
- Ramsey County's CDBG can only be used in Suburban Ramsey County (outside the City of Saint Paul).

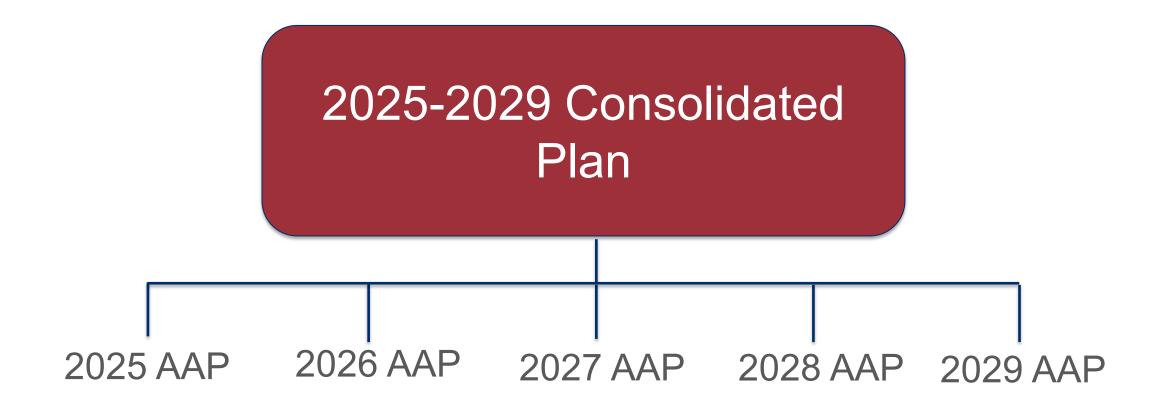
## **Consolidated Planning Process**

- Every five years each CDBG grantee must complete a Consolidated Plan.
- The goal of the planning process:
  - Assess affordable housing and community development needs.
  - Prioritize funding for eligible activities.
- The plan requires resident participation and consultation with community partners.
- The Con Plan is implemented through 5 separate Annual Action Plans (AAP).
- The AAP sets the use of funds for that fiscal year.
  - activities are selected during a competitive solicitation
  - Proposed Use of Funds considered annually by the HRA Board.

## Review of 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan



- \$5,963,225 available funding during this five-year period.
- Annual awards varied from \$1,164,097 to \$1,215,369.
- Funding went to eligible housing rehabilitation, infrastructure/improvements, public services and administrative costs.



## 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan

- Normally the Con Plan and/or AAP would be submitted in May.
- HUD provided guidance in 2025 to postpone submittal of Con Plan and AAP until a federal budget is passed.
- Staff will postpone annual CDBG Solicitation.
  - Prevent extra work by applicants and staff.
  - Communication with community partners informing of delay.
- CED staff will continue to work on community engagement and needs assessment during delay.
- We still believe final HUD approval of 2025-2029 Con Plan and the 2025 AAP must be completed by mid-August 2025.