

HUD CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS APPLICATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

OVERVIEW

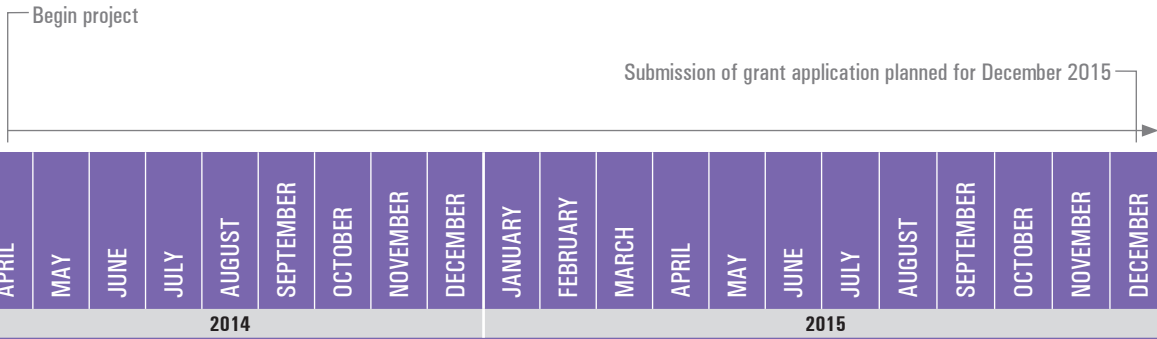
The Detroit Future City Implementation Office (DFC) is providing technical assistance to the City of Detroit to develop a competitive application for the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Choice Neighborhoods that is in line with the Detroit Future City Framework (Framework) and other resilience planning, including the transformation of vacant and underutilized land into innovative open spaces. The Choice Neighborhoods Program supports locally driven strategies to address struggling neighborhoods with distressed public or HUD-assisted housing through a comprehensive approach to neighborhood transformation. The program is designed to catalyze critical improvements in neighborhood assets, including vacant property, housing, services and schools through Implementation Grant funding of up to \$30 million.

OBJECTIVES

- Support the City's application for HUD's Choice Neighborhoods Program to:
 1. Housing: Replace distressed public and assisted housing with high-quality mixed-income housing that is well-managed and responsive to the needs of the surrounding neighborhood;
 2. People: Improve educational outcomes and intergenerational mobility for youth with services and supports delivered directly to youth and their families; and
 3. Neighborhood: Create the conditions necessary for public and private reinvestment in distressed neighborhoods to offer the kinds of amenities and assets, including safety, good schools, and commercial activity, that are important to families' choices about their community.
- Ensure alignment with and implementation of Framework
- Improve City resilience and overall quality of life

EVALUATION METRIC

- Award of HUD Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant
- Integration of resilience and key elements of the Framework in application



INITIATIVE VITALS



CONTRIBUTING ORGANIZATIONS:

City of Detroit

DFC INITIATIVE TYPE: Partner

DFC REPRESENTATIVE: Chris Dorle

INITIATIVE SCALE: Brewster-Douglass Housing Project Site and surrounding neighborhood

INITIATIVE DURATION: Quarter 2, 2014 to Quarter 2, 2015, ongoing

RELEVANT PLANNING ELEMENTS:

Economic Growth, Land Use, City Systems, Neighborhoods, Land and Buildings Assets

DFC APPROACH

Detroit Future City has supported the City in developing scoping documentation for the application and potential implementation, if awarded. DFC has supported the City in identifying projects and partners that could help bolster a competitive Choice application, and continues to engage with potential partners in cooperation with the City. DFC has also advocated for the inclusion of resilience best practices in developing an innovative but also successful application that would promote the overall quality of life for neighborhood residents more specifically and Detroiters more broadly.

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

B	USE A PLACED-BASED STRATEGY FOR GROWTH
E	LAND REGULATIONS, TRANSACTIONS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIONS
B	SUPPORT A NETWORK OF NEW AND EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD TYPES
C	INTRODUCE NEW FORMS OF DEVELOPMENT
D	CREATE A NEW AND DIVERSE OPEN SPACE SYSTEM FOR THE CITY
A	REFORM SERVICE DELIVERY
B	CREATE LANDSCAPES THAT WORK
A	ADDRESS QUALITY OF LIFE CHALLENGES THAT AFFECT ALL DETROITERS
B	CREATE DENSE, WALKABLE, MIXED-USE NEIGHBORHOODS
C	REPURPOSE VACANT LAND TO CREATE GREEN NEIGHBORHOODS
E	RENEW TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOODS
C	TRANSFORM LARGELY VACANT AREAS THROUGH BLUE AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE
D	LINK PUBLIC FACILITY AND PROPERTY DECISION TO LARGER STRATEGIES
E	MAKE LANDSCAPE INTERVENTIONS CENTRAL TO DETROIT'S RENEWAL