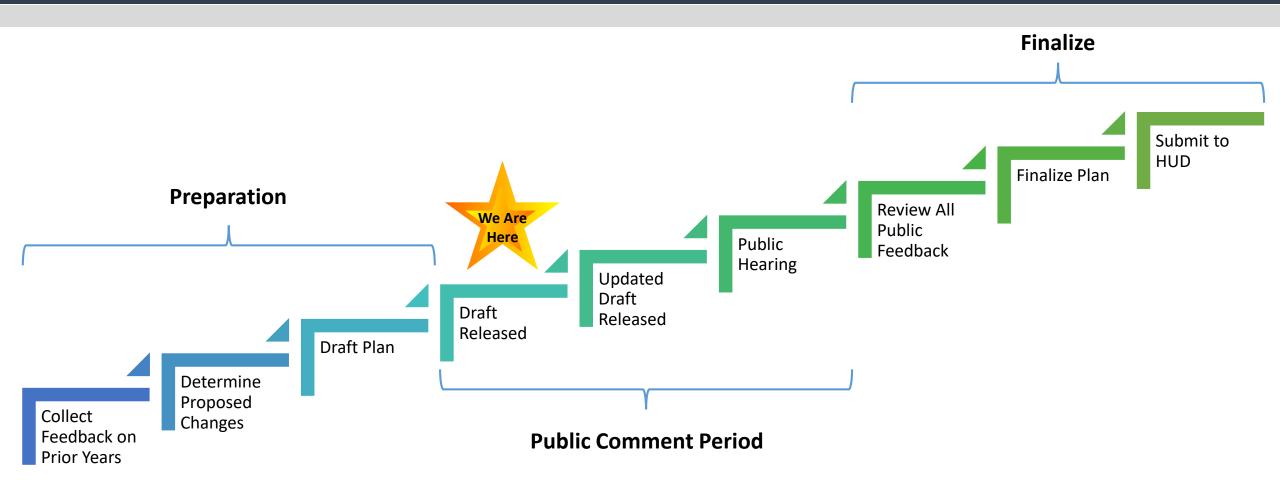
## 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan Overview of Proposed Changes



Agency under the Office of Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch

## **Consolidated Plan Process**





## **Proposed Allocations for FY 2020**

Estimated Allocation in Draft –

\$30,500,000

Actual Allocation - \$31,772,377

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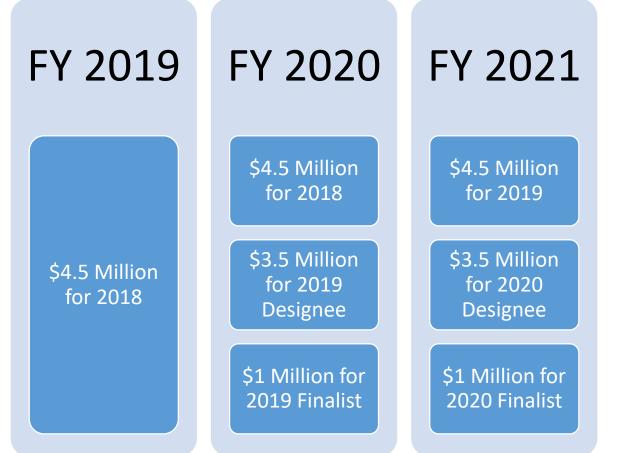
Program	Amount
Housing Program (IHCDA)	\$3,177,237
Stellar Regions Program	\$9,000,000
Blight Clearance Program (BCP)	\$750,000
Main Street Revitalization Program (MSRP)	\$1,200,000
Public Facilities Program (PFP)	\$2,000,000
Wastewater Drinking Water (WDW)	\$10,500,000
Stormwater Improvements Program (SIP)	\$3,000,000
Responsive Needs Fund	\$0
Urgent Needs Fund	\$0
Planning Fund	\$1,310,000
Technical Assistance	\$200,000
Administration	\$635,140

# Stellar Regions

**Recap of Program Changes from Prior Years** 



## **Stellar Allocation Breakdown**



- 2018 Stellar
  - Moved to Two Regions
  - Increased Award to \$4.5 Million per Region for a total of \$9 Million
- 2019 Stellar
  - Moved to a Single Region
  - Award for Designee of \$8 Million
  - Finalists split award of \$1 Million



## **Stellar Impacted Communities**

### **2018 Stellar Regions**

- New Allen Alliance
  - Harlan (1670)
  - Hoagland (885)
  - Grabill (1,455)
  - Leo-Cedarville (3,785)
  - Monroeville (1,125)
  - New Haven (15,730)
  - Woodburn (1,550)
  - Allen County East

- Health and Heritage
  - Greenfield (20,580)
  - Fortville (4,095)
  - Hancock County



## **Stellar Impacted Communities**

### **2019 Stellar Region**

- Argos (1,945)
- Bourbon (1,695)
- Bremen (4,455)
- Culver (1,375)
- Plymouth (9,785)
- La Paz (640)
- Marshall County

### 2019 Finalists

- Jay! County
  - Dunkirk, Portland, Redkey, Pennville, and Jay County
- Safe & Welcome
  - New Castle, Knightstown, and Henry County
- Constellation of Starke
  - Hamlet, North Judson, Knox, and Starke County



# **Proposed Program Changes**

Changes being proposed to MSRP, PFP, SIP, and WDW



## Main Street Revitalization Program (MSRP)

### Why

- Align with changes to the National Main Street program and Indiana Main Street program
- Ensure capacity of local Main Streets to complete funded projects
- Implement recommendations from the Main Street Council

- Align with New MS Groups
- Nationally Accredited Set-Aside
- Adjust Local Match for Façade projects to match HRGP
  - FY 2020 30%
  - FY 2021 40%
  - FY 2022+-50%
- Local Match for Streetscapes stays at 20%



### New Main Street Groups

#### National Accredited MS

• Eligible for Planning and MSRP funds

#### Indiana Accredited MS

- Eligible for Planning Funds
- Eligible for MSRP Funds after 3 years in active status

#### OCRA's Downtown Alliance

• Not Eligible for CDBG Funds

## Main Street Revitalization Program (MSRP)

### Why

- Recognize Streetscape and Façade projects should be scored differently
- Reward communities that have transformational or unique projects

- Add program-specific items
  - Streetscapes
    - Points for unique design or branding efforts
  - Facades
    - Points for projects that have a higher density



## Public Facilities Program (PFP)

### Why

• Distribute funds more widely across the state

- Reduce the maximum amount to \$400,000 for 2020
  - Further reduce to \$300,000 for 2021 and beyond
- Increase the Local Match to 20%



## Wastewater Drinking Water (WDW) Stormwater Improvements Program (SIP)

### Why

 Reward communities for sustainable projects and actions

- Adjust Program-specific points
  - Reduce Financial Gap
  - Update User Rate benchmarks
  - Reward projects with Green Infrastructure components



### User Rate Adjustments

- Address legislative taskforce recommendations
- Better align with other common funding sources
- Create automatic updates so changes in the User Rates are predictable
- Update OCRA's dated benchmark user rates

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FY 2020	<ul> <li>Under \$40</li> <li>\$40 to \$70</li> <li>Over \$70</li> </ul>
FY 2021	<ul> <li>Under \$50</li> <li>\$50 to \$90</li> <li>Over \$90</li> </ul>
FY 2022	<ul> <li>Under \$60</li> <li>\$60 to \$110</li> <li>Over \$110</li> </ul>
FY 2023+	<ul> <li>Adjust for Inflation Annually</li> </ul>

## **Responsive Needs Fund**

**NEW PROGRAM!** Create opportunity to **use CDBG funds on projects that are eligible but not currently available** under existing OCRA programs. Respond to community needs. Offer more **flexibility**.

**ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES** CDBG eligible activities not currently funded under existing OCRA programs

#### **EXAMPLES**

Public services programs to address opioid epidemic and other health services

Housing Activities such are residential demolition or upper story renovations





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