

2010 Town of Colonie Consolidated Plan Resident Survey

This survey will assist the Town of Colonie in identifying the general areas of need for using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Partnership (HOME) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Aggregate information from this survey will be shared at public meetings in March and April of 2010. No personally identifiable information will be shared. HUD requires that the programs and services provided with CDBG and HOME funds are used to meet the housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income residents of Colonie. With this information in mind, please complete the following survey. You may return your completed survey by fax to 518-786-6525 or by mail to the Town of Colonie Community Development Department, Memorial Town Hall, P.O. Box 508, Newtonville, NY 12128.

What is your zip code? _____

Are you a:

Homeowner

Renter

Below are areas of need identified in prior plans. Please rank the following items in order of which you feel is the greatest need for low-and moderate-income residents of Colonie (1-6 with 1 being the greatest need). If you feel there are additional needs for low- and moderate-income residents that are not identified below, please list them in the comments box at the end of the survey.

- Inadequate supply of affordable housing
- Inadequate financial resources of low-and moderate-income residents to acquire or remain in affordable housing
- Housing and services for underserved groups including homeless, transitional housing clients and people with special needs
- Condition of available infrastructure including streets, sewers, sidewalks, shelters, community centers or other non-governmental buildings
- Availability of job training and access to employment
- Availability of social services that meet the social, health, recreational, and educational needs of low-and moderate-income residents

Within each of the following categories please select the one activity which you feel is the most crucial to address for low- and moderate-income residents of Colonie.

General Housing

- Construction/acquisition/rehab of affordable housing
- Assisting first time homebuyers with downpayment and closing cost assistance
- Assisting homeowners with rehab
- Assisting with rehab of rental properties

Housing for people with special needs

- Homeless prevention
- Supportive housing for physically and mentally handicapped
- Emergency shelters for homeless
- Emergency shelters for persons fleeing domestic violence

Public facilities and infrastructure in low-and moderate-income census tracts

- Streets, sewers, sidewalks
- Construction of shelters, community centers or other non-governmental buildings

Expand economic opportunities

- Job creation/retention/training for existing businesses
- Attracting new business to locate in Colonie
- Assisting Colonie residents start businesses

CDBG funds may be allocated to agencies providing social, health, recreational, and educational programs. Listed below are population groups eligible to receive programs and services funded in part through the CDBG program. Which population groups do you feel should receive the majority of available funding for programs and services?

- Youth and teens
- Seniors
- Physically and mentally handicapped
- Victims of domestic or sexual abuse
- Homeless
- Other Please identify _____

Additional Areas of Need: _____

General Comments: _____

Name and Address (optional): _____
