COMMUNITY SERVICES

HOUSING REPAIR PROGRAM REPORT 2019

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AUBURN VALUES

SERVICE

ENVIRONMENT

ECONOMY

CHARACTER

SUSTAINABILITY

WELLNESS

CELEBRATION

GENERAL FUND VS CDBG



- General Fund Human Services dollars
 - **\$490,000**
 - Competitive funding for direct service nonprofit agencies
 - Guided by Human Services Funding Priorities set by Council
 - Approved by City Council every other year during budget process

CDBG dollars

- **\$595,742**
- Funds support city's Housing Repair program, public facility ADA improvements, public services (limited), and some economic development activities
- Guided by Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans
- Approved by City Council every year

AUBURN'S HOUSING REPAIR PROGRAM

To qualify applicants must:

- Live inside Auburn city limits
- Own home needing repairs
- Have lived there at least one year & plan to stay at least one year after repairs are done
- Meet low to moderate income guidelines
 - 30% King County median income = up to \$23,250/year for one person
 - 50% King County median income = up to \$38,750/year for one person
- Once approved can access funds for up to 3 years

HISTORICAL FACTS AND FIGURES

FISCAL YEAR	2016	2017	2018	2019
Households served	56	72	69	38
Clients aged 62+	32	49	49	26
Female head of household	34	50	54	24
Disabled	36	41	35	19
Veteran	4	2	10	7
Under 30% AMI	47	51	50	22
30-50% AMI	9	21	19	16
Built before 1978	24	32	34	16
Average cost per household	\$3529	\$6208	\$5125	\$4952

2019 HOUSING REPAIR TRENDS

- Projects most frequently requested (there may be multiple projects per household):
 - Plumbing repairs -- 37
 - Water leaks, water heaters, ADA showers, sinks, toilets, clogged drains, shut off valves, faucets
 - Roofs/awnings 24
 - Flooring/walls/ceiling/mold damage 22
 - Furnace/heat pumps/ducts 14
 - Steps/porch/ramp/lift 13
 - Doors 11









BEFORE



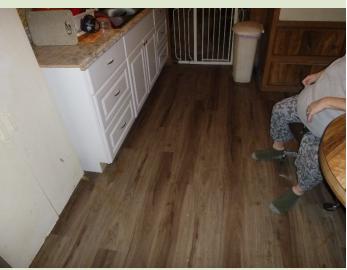
























HOUSING REPAIR PROGRAM CHANGES

Current program

- Coordinator doesn't have construction background
 - Initial & Final Evals done by Building Inspectors – 2 done per week
- Contractors bid
 - Three bids
 - Slow response time, i.e.
 minor repairs become worse
 - Fewer contractors participating

Future program

- Housing Repair Coord. has construction knowledge
 - Will do Initial & Final Evals
 - Broaden scope to include health & safety
- Hiring HR Technician to do minor repairs before they become major
 - Will be able to respond quicker
 - Able to assist more clients with funds available

QUESTIONS?

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