



CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC 2018 (FY19) FEDERAL ACTION PLAN

ISSUE	ACTION ITEMS
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC and WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the Administration and federal agencies to increase federal investment in local efforts on job creation, workforce development training, job placement, and development of business parks, as well as ending poverty and homelessness. For example, continue funding the YouthBuild program. • Support reentry programs that focus on areas vital to reintegration back into the community, including employment, education, mentoring, substance abuse, and mental health treatment. • Support competitive grant applications by local art organizations and non-profits that enhance access to the arts.
PUBLIC SAFETY	<p>POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support competitive grant applications from the Winston-Salem Police Department, which seeks federal assistance to support community law enforcement collaboration programs, forensic science and other crime solving technology enhancements, and initiatives to help local law enforcement agencies reduce gun violence. <p>FIRE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct more competitive grant funding to career fire departments. • Direct more competitive grant funding to implementation of previously successful research grants.
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	<p>TRANSPORTATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support funding for the TIGER program and the City’s re-application for a TIGER grant. • Support funding for developments at Union Station Intermodal Center, including Transit Oriented Development. • Expedite release of U.S. Federal Transit Administration funds and support flexibility in uses for operations. • Support opportunities to advance Community Streetcar System. <p>WATER AND SEWER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the City’s application for a Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) grant. • Assist the City with U.S. Army Corps of Engineer negotiations related to Kerr Scott Dam & Reservoir. • Amend Clean Water Act 303D regulations to more reasonable levels so they do not require expensive upgrades.

QUALITY OF LIFE	<p>PARKS AND RECREATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support funding for Urban Park Recreation and Recovery (UPARR), full funding of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), and a larger allocation of LWCF to the State Assistance Program. • Seek grant funding eligibility for local park and recreation departments to meet Americans with Disabilities Act compliance. <p>HEALTH AND WELLNESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support funding to combat food deserts and food insecurity by providing access to healthy foods, as well as programs that aid to reduce childhood obesity. • Support programs to treat mental health and oppose efforts to transfer the costs for mental health treatment from the federal government to the local level. • Support the City’s competitive grant applications in these areas, which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Food Project Grant - Farmers Market SNAP Support Grant - Farmers Market Promotion Program - Local Food Promotion Program - Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive
AFFORDABLE HOUSING and HOMELESSNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal funding for permanent affordable housing, fair housing, programs that assist housing for veterans, and resources to prevent and end chronic homelessness. • Support the City’s competitive grant applications in these areas, which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - YouthBuild - Healthy Homes Lead Abatement - Choice Neighborhoods - Continuum of Care • Extend HUD audits beyond annually, which is duplicative and costly to local governments.
POVERTY	Support federal-state-local partnerships to fight poverty.
TAX REFORM	Oppose efforts to eliminate tax-exempt private activity bonds; advance refunding authorization; state and local tax deductions; new market tax credits and historic tax credits as part of tax reform negotiations.
ONLINE SALES TAX LEGISLATION	Pass legislation, such as the Marketplace Fairness Act, that allows states and local governments the authority to collect taxes on internet and mail-order sales.
UNFUNDED MANDATES	Oppose legislation that imposes unfunded mandates on local government.



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