



CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC 2019 (FY20) FEDERAL ACTION PLAN

ISSUE	ACTION ITEMS
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 programs that help renters move into home ownership. • Support the City’s competitive grant applications in these areas, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Healthy Homes Lead Abatement - Choice Neighborhoods - Continuum of Care • Extend HUD audits beyond annually, which is duplicative and costly to local governments.
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC and WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase federal investment in local efforts on job creation, workforce development training, job placement, and development of business parks. • 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 Youth Build Program and City’s competitive grant application. • Create code education and workforce development grant opportunity for teaching low-income children computer science. • Fund programs that remove blight and revitalize underserved neighborhoods. • Support programs that fight poverty. • Support funding to enhance Historic Districts. • Expand Opportunity Zones Program or establish method for amending first round designations.
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	<p>TRANSPORTATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support funding and the City’s applications for BUILD and Bus and Bus Facilities programs, and connectivity through active transportation such as greenways, stroll ways, bike paths, and trails. • Support funding for developments in and surrounding the Union Station Intermodal Center. • Fund bridge replacement programs and give leverage to applicants with private donations. • Expedite release of Federal Transit Administration funds and support flexibility to use for operations. • Support opportunities to advance Urban Circulator and technology transformative and innovative public private partnerships in midsize cities.

	<p>WATER AND SEWER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist City with U.S. Army Corps of Engineer negotiations related to Kerr Scott Dam & Reservoir. • Amend Clean Water Act 303D regulations to levels that do not require expensive upgrades.
<p>PUBLIC SAFETY</p>	<p>POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal funding to help local law enforcement agencies with community collaboration programs / community policing; school resource officers; forensic science, computer forensics units, and other crime solving technology enhancements; rape kit testing, processing and prosecuting; initiatives to fight human trafficking; and reducing gun violence. • Support efforts to pass Criminal Justice Reform. • Support competitive grant applications from the Winston-Salem Police Department. • Support passage of the Grant Reporting Efficiency and Agreements Transparency (GREAT) Act. <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.
<p>QUALITY OF LIFE</p>	<p>ARTS AND HUMANITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund programs like NEA’s ArtWorks that enhance access to arts and humanities at the local level and support competitive grant applications by the City’s local organizations and non-profits. • Set aside funds for African-American historically significant projects. • Create grant opportunity to help low income children learn career options in the arts. <p>PARKS AND RECREATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanently reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), allocate larger portions to the State Assistance Program, and set-aside percentage for urban parks. • 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, encouraging community gardens, as well as programs that aid to reduce childhood obesity. • Support the City’s competitive grant applications in these areas, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Food Projects - Farmers Market Promotion Program - Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive - Farmers Market SNAP Support - Local Food Promotion Program - Farm Bill Pilot Programs • 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.
<p>UNFUNDED MANDATES</p>	<p>Oppose legislation that imposes unfunded mandates on local government.</p>



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