

CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC 2018 (FY19) FEDERAL ACTION PLAN YEAR-END STATUS REPORT – DECEMBER 2018

ISSUE	ACTION ITEMS	RESULTS
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC and WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	 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. 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. 	 Connected WSFD with PTRC's Workforce Development team on orchestration and payment of workforce readiness testing, which saved the WSFD an estimated \$11,000. Action item repeated in 2019. Notices for reentry grants sent; not aware of applications submitted. Action item repeated in 2019. Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation awarded \$20,000 and River Run International Film Festival awarded \$10,000 under NEA's Art Works Program. Action item repeated, but modified in 2019.
PUBLIC SAFETY This section moved below Public Infrastructure in 2019 for alphabetical order.	 POLICE DEPARTMENT 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 fight human trafficking and to reduce gun violence. FIRE DEPARTMENT Direct more competitive grant funding to career fire departments. 	 Meet quarterly with Police Chief and Grants Coordinator to strategize on funding sources. Action item repeated, but modified in 2019. Not aware of additional competitive grants submitted, but see above regarding work readiness funding. Ongoing effort for more funding to career

	• Direct more competitive grant funding to implementation of previously successful research grants.	 departments. Action item repeated in 2019. No vehicle available yet for changes to research grants. Action item repeated in 2019.
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	 TRANSPORTATION 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. (TOD) 	 No application submitted this year. Program name changed to BUILD, action item repeated in 2019 but combined with other grant programs WSDOT may be seeking. TOD grant received, but related to Urban Circulator route. See below. Action item repeated but modified for 2019.
	• Expedite release of U.S. Federal Transit Administration funds and support flexibility in uses for operations.	• Position communicated to FTA and City's congressional delegation. For urbanized areas with populations < 200,000, operating assistance is an eligible expense, but not for \geq 200,000 unless identified as eligible under FTA Special Rule. Action item repeated in 2019.
	• Support opportunities to advance Community Streetcar System.	• \$1,000,000 grant received under FTA's TOD Pilot Program to develop comprehensive plan for 5.4- mile corridor along the North-South Urban Circulator, a proposed streetcar connecting colleges, jobs and the city's downtown area. Only 20 grants nationwide, only two in NC, the most awarded to any mid-size City. Action item repeated in 2019.
	WATER AND SEWER	
	• Support the City's application for a Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) grant.	• Application not submitted. Action item removed in 2019 by request.
	• Assist the City with U.S. Army Corps of Engineer negotiations related to Kerr Scott Dam & Reservoir.	• No developments; action item repeated in 2019.
	• Amend Clean Water Act 303D regulations to more reasonable levels so they do not require expensive upgrades.	• No developments, action item repeated in 2019.

QUALITY OF LIFE	 PARKS AND RECREATION: 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. 	• Although Senate passed legislation led by U.S. Senator Richard Burr (R-NC) to permanently reauthorize LWCF, and direct more money to state and local parks, the legislation has not been signed into law. Efforts are continuing to attach the provisions to any final appropriations measure for FY19. Action item repeated but modified in 2019.
	 Seek grant funding eligibility for local park and recreation departments to meet Americans with Disabilities Act compliance. HEALTH AND WELLNESS: 	• No developments. Action item repeated in 2019.
	• 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.	• Researching possible new provisions in Farm Bill that address food insecurity, nutrition and poverty reduction. Action item repeated but modified in 2019.
	 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: Community Food Project (CFP) Grant Farmers Market SNAP Support Grant Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) Local Food Promotion Program Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive 	 Ongoing position. Action item repeated in 2019. CFP and FMPP applied for unsuccessfully. Awaiting debriefings. Plan to apply again. Action item repeated by modified in 2019. However, Piedmont Triad Regional Council awarded \$35,000 for planning - Piedmont Triad Regional Food Policy Council.
AFFORDABLE HOUSING and HOMELESSNESS This section has been moved in 2019 to the top for	 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: 	 Many programs in these areas slated to receive higher funding levels in FY19, comparable to FY18 levels, which were up from FY17. Effort ongoing so action item repeated in 2019. Choice Neighborhoods Grant pending. Ongoing work with congressional support while awaiting

	 Neighborhoods - Continuum of Care Extend HUD audits beyond annually, which is duplicative and costly to local governments. 	• No developments. Action item repeated in 2019.
POVERTY	Support federal-state-local partnerships to fight poverty.	Effort ongoing. Action item repeated but moved up to line item under Community and Economic Development.
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.	As a result of Supreme Court ruling, action item no longer relevant and therefore removed in 2019.
UNFUNDED MANDATES	Oppose legislation that imposes unfunded mandates on local government.	Effort ongoing. Action item repeated in 2019.

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