

# WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

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St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department  
 Community Development Group  
 Five-Year Consolidated Plan (2025-2029)  
**Needs Assessment Survey**

The St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department, Community Development Group, is conducting a study of citizens and local organizations and agencies to identify community needs and priorities for the expenditure of federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The survey results will be one tool used to develop St. Clair County's Five-Year Consolidated Plan for the period 2025-2029. The Consolidated Plan is a strategic document that prioritizes expenditure of HUD funds. Each year, St. Clair County receives approximately \$3.3 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and \$1.2 million in HOME funds. The County will use these funds to carry out programs to assist low- and moderate-income persons, including the homeless, and to aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight.

As you fill-out this survey, please keep in mind the following: 1) the needs of your neighborhood and how it can be improved; 2) rate the relative need level for each of the following items by filling in the circle that best applies. Please also keep in mind that only limited funding is available, so prioritizing the need level is important. Where would you like to see the County spend these limited dollars?



**Complete the survey online!**

## Section I: Community Needs

Use the range from High Need-No Such Need to rate the relative importance. High indicates the highest, most critical need; No indicates no such need.

<b>Public Services</b>	<b>High Need</b>	<b>Medium Need</b>	<b>Low Need</b>	<b>No Need</b>
Senior Services.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Youth Services.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homeless Assistance/Prevention.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing Counseling.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Landlord/Tenant Services.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homeless outreach and Services .....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (explain at the end of this section).....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>Neighborhood Services</b>	<b>High Need</b>	<b>Medium Need</b>	<b>Low Need</b>	<b>No Need</b>
Demolition of Vacant Buildings.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housing Code Enforcement.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trash & Debris Removal.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (explain at the end of this section).....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>Public Improvements</b>	<b>High Need</b>	<b>Medium Need</b>	<b>Low Need</b>	<b>No Need</b>
Street Improvements.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sidewalk Improvements.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drainage Improvements.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Water/Sewer Improvements.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Street Lighting/Streetscape.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public & Community Facilities.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>High Need</b>	<b>Medium Need</b>	<b>Low Need</b>	<b>No Need</b>
Assist New/Expanding Businesses.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Small Business Loans.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employment Training/Education.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Job Creation/Retention.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Building Façade Improvements.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>Housing</b>	<b>High Need</b>	<b>Medium Need</b>	<b>Low Need</b>	<b>No Need</b>
Homeowner-Occupied Housing Rehab....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
First-Time Homeownership Assistance.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Senior Housing.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Single-Family Housing Production.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Multi-Family Housing Production.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fair Housing Services.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reduce Lead-Based Paint Hazards.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emergency Homeless Shelters, Permanent Supportive Housing.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (explain at the end of this section).....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please write in any needs not listed above:

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## **Section II: Fair Housing**

The Fair Housing Act of 1988 prohibits discrimination against a person for their choice of housing as long as the person can afford it. In your personal experience or that of people you know, do people face impediments in their search for housing in the community based on one of the following characteristics?

	<b>I have not experienced, nor do I know anyone who has experience difficulty in buying or renting in the community based on this characteristic.</b>	<b>I know people who have experienced difficulty in buying or renting in the community based on this characteristic.</b>	<b>I have personally experienced difficulty in buying or renting in the community based on this characteristic.</b>
Race	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Color	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Religion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Disability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Familial Status (with Children)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
National Origin	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you believe you have been discriminated against, have you reported the incident?

- Yes       No

If No, Why?

- Don't know where to report       Afraid of retaliation       Don't believe it makes any difference

Have you or anyone you know experienced landlords refusing to make reasonable exterior accommodations or refusing to allow the tenant to make reasonable interior accommodations for a disability?

- Yes       No

Have you or anyone you know experienced landlords refusing to allow service or assistance animals for disabled residents?

- Yes       No

### Section III: Demographics

This section of the survey is optional; however your response is greatly appreciated. Please keep in mind this survey is confidential and your responses are combined with those of many others and summarized in a report to further protect your anonymity.

1. Are you representing yourself as a:
  - Private Citizen
  - Employer
  - Non-profit organization
  - Unit of local government
  
2. Using the map below, what approximate geographic area do you live in:
  - North West
  - North East
  - South West
  - South East
  - I am neither a resident or representative of an organization or agency located in St. Clair County
  
3. What is your current living arrangement?
  - Renting
  - Buying/Own Home
  - Homeless
  - Living with Family or Friends
  
4. If you selected Renting or Buying for questions 3, how old is the home you live in?
  - Less than 28 Years
  - 29-50 Years
  - 51-75 Years
  - Over 75 Years
  
5. How many family members reside in your home?
  - 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
  - 5
  - 6
  - 7
  - 8 or more
  
6. Which category best represents the age of the head of household?
  - 18-24
  - 25-34
  - 35-44
  - 45-54
  - 55-64
  - 65 or older
  
7. How many years have you lived in St. Clair County?
  - 0-3 Years
  - 4-6 Years
  - 7-10 Years
  - Over 10 Years
  
8. Which of the following categories best describes your gross total family income during the last year?
  - Less than \$23,500
  - \$23,501-\$36,999
  - \$37,000-\$42,999
  - \$43,000-\$48,350
  - \$48,351-\$53,700
  - \$53,701-\$58,000
  - \$58,001-\$62,300
  - \$62,301-\$66,600
  - \$66,601-\$70,900
  - \$70,901 or higher
  
9. In what industry is the major wage earner in your home employed?
  - Agriculture
  - Mining
  - Construction
  - Manufacturing
  - Retail/Wholesale
  - Services
  - Transportation, Communications, and Public Utilities
  - Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
  - Homemaker
  - Government (includes Education)
  - Student
  - Retired
  
10. What was the last year or grade in school you completed?
  - Grade School
  - Some High School
  - High School Graduate
  - Some College
  - Bachelor's Degree
  - Some Graduate School
  - Graduate Degree

11. Do you have a disability?
  - Yes
  - No



Legend  
North  
West  
North

**THANK YOU!**