



# City of Jonesboro 2012 Action Plan

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## Department of Community Development Community Development Block Grant

City of Jonesboro  
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**JONESBORO, ARKANSAS**  
**Community Development Block Grant Program**

**2012 Program Year**  
**B-12-MC-05-0012**

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# STANDARD FORM 424

**City of Jonesboro Community Development Block Grant  
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**APPLICATION FOR  
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE**

OMB Approved No. 3076-0006

Version 7/03

<b>1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION:</b> Application		<b>2. DATE SUBMITTED</b> 11/15/2011	Applicant Identifier Duns# 073540288
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction		<b>3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE</b>	State Application Identifier
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		<b>4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY</b>	Federal Identifier
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-application			
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction			
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction			
<b>5. APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>			
Legal Name: City of Jonesboro		Organizational Unit: Department: City Government-Municipality	
Organizational DUNS: 073540288		Division:	
<b>Address:</b> Street: PO BOX 1845, 515 W Washington Ave City: Jonesboro		<b>Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)</b> Prefix: First Name: Emma	
County: Craighead		Middle Name	
State: Arkansas		Last Name Agnew	
Zip Code 72403		Suffix:	
Country: USA		Email: Eagnew@jonesboro.org	
<b>6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN):</b> 71-6013749		Phone Number (give area code) 870-933-4635	Fax Number (give area code) 870-933-4626
<b>8. TYPE OF APPLICATION:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify)		<b>7. TYPE OF APPLICANT:</b> (See back of form for Application Types) Municipal Other (specify)	
<b>10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER:</b> TITLE (Name of Program): Labor Management Cooperation Program 14-218		<b>9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:</b> U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development	
<b>12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):</b> LOW/MODERATE INCOME AREA OF JONESBORO		<b>11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT:</b> Community Development Entitlement Block Grant Projects include, Housing Rehab, Demolition, New Homeownership, Public Improvements, Code Enforcement, Planning and Administration	
<b>13. PROPOSED PROJECT</b> Start Date: 1/1/12		<b>14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:</b> a. Applicant b. Project	
Ending Date: 12/31/12			
<b>15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:</b>		<b>16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?</b>	
a. Federal	\$ 505,998. <sup>00</sup>	a. Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON	
b. Applicant	\$ . <sup>00</sup>	DATE:	
c. State	\$ . <sup>00</sup>	b. No. <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372	
d. Local	\$ . <sup>00</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
e. Other	\$ . <sup>00</sup>	<b>17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?</b>	
f. Program Income	\$ . <sup>00</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
g. TOTAL	\$ 505,998. <sup>00</sup>		
<b>18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.</b>			
<b>a. Authorized Representative</b>			
Prefix	First Name Harold	Middle Name	
Last Name Perrin			Suffix
b. Title Mayor			c. Telephone Number (give area code) 870-932-1052
d. Signature of Authorized Representative			e. Date Signed

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## **2012 Action Plan Statement of Community Development Objectives and Projected Use of Funds for 2012**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The CDBG Program was established by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The primary objective of this program is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunities, principally for lower income persons (defined as 80 percent or less of the City of Jonesboro area median household income).

The statutes for formula grant programs set forth three basic goals against which the Consolidated Plan, and the jurisdiction's performance under the plan will be evaluated the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Those goals are:

- Create a Suitable Living Environment
- Provide Decent Housing
- Create Economic Opportunities

Through the CDBG Program, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funds to local governments for a wide range of community development activities for low-income persons. In order for an activity to be eligible for CDBG funding, it must be shown to address one of the following national objectives:

- Benefit people with low incomes (up to 80 percent of median)
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight; or
- Meet an urgent need (such as earthquake, flood, or hurricane relief)

The City of Jonesboro, Arkansas is beginning its Fifteenth year with the Community Development Block Grant Program. The Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2012 represents the first year of the City of Jonesboro's Five Year Consolidated Plan submitted for program years 2012-2016. It is prepared in direct correlation with the specific goals and objectives stated therein. The Action Plan is in compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development guidelines for submission for Federal entitlement funds.

The City began its First program year on July 1, 1997. In August 1999 the City received approval from HUD to change our program year to January 1 of each year. Therefore, our third year program was for six months and our fourth year program began on January 1, 2000 and ended on December 31, 2000. Our fifth year and all subsequent program years begin as of January 1, of each year.

The actual level of funding Jonesboro receives from HUD is determined annually and is based upon a formula that all entitlement communities are subject to in relation to HUD's overall annual budget.

The City does not receive HOME, HOPWA, or ESG funds at this time. The City anticipates applying for HOME funds in 2012. The anticipated HUD Community Development Block Grant allocation for the fiscal year 2012 is \$505,998. The City is also reallocating \$385,790.81 from

program years 2006-2010. The annual Action Plan has been prepared in accordance with existing regulations governing the Community Development Block Grant Program and the Consolidated Plan format. The activities and programs described herein are aligned with the Strategic Plan, as outlined in the 2012-2016 Five Year Consolidated Plan.

The 2012 Community Development Program highlights the number one goal in the 5 Year Consolidated Plan – Improve Livability and Availability of Affordable Housing to our low income residents with the highest priority being housing rehabilitation. Acceptance in the HOME Program will allow the City to complete between 10 and 20 housing rehabilitation projects. Additional projects will include home reconstruction and new construction projects. CDBG funds will also be used for housing rehabilitation in addition to emergency rehabilitations. A total of 16 individual projects are listed with 30% of the entitlement funding allocated to housing projects directly serving low income individuals; 34% allocated to the improvement of low income neighborhoods; 17% allocated to the North Jonesboro Initiative for Neighborhood Revitalization and economic development, and 8% allocated for providing the social service programs that address a multitude of needs including education, life skills, employment, and homelessness. This percentage is lower than usual because reallocated funds cannot be used for Public Service Projects. Project priorities are given to designated low-income CDBG areas, and to those projects that serve the highest number of low income participants, and impact. The Jonesboro's 2012 Action Plan continues to reflect the true intention of the HUD Community Development Block Grant: *seeking to develop viable communities by promoting integrated approaches that provide decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expand economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons.*

As stated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan, all of the City's Housing and Community Development projects serve in the Census tract areas that represent the highest density of low income populations, and/or serve as a direct benefit to low income individuals. Maintaining the current housing stock in these areas is a high priority. Neighborhood revitalization is also a predominant consideration. The City of Jonesboro's priority objectives are to improve the housing and neighborhood livability and the quality of life for low income, disadvantaged, and often underserved citizens.

**City of Jonesboro Priority Objectives:**

- Housing - Rehabilitation/Homeownership
- Neighborhood Revitalization/Beautification
- Economic Opportunity/Development/Job creation/Business Development
- Public Services – Quality of Life/Life Skills/Special Needs

The City of Jonesboro is committed to the proper implementation of a balanced Community Development Program that maximizes benefits to low and moderate income persons both directly and through the improvement of their immediate neighborhoods. Through the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment, educational and supportive services, and the expansion of economic opportunities, we intend to change the face of our low income neighborhoods and provide our citizens with the needed resources to assist them in breaking both generational and circumstantial poverty. This year's primary focus remains on housing, economic development, neighborhood revitalization, and a broad range of public and social services addressing the core needs of our low income residents.

While the needs of the City of Jonesboro continue to far exceed the financial resources available through the Community Development Block Grant Program and the city's financial means, this funding makes it possible for Jonesboro to provide meaningful housing improvements, public improvements, and community restoration and development activities.

It is through these activities that we address the quality of life issues that are essential in achieving a truly beneficial level of neighborhood specific community improvements. The following pages define the distribution of funds and outline the proposed projects and activities to be undertaken with the federal fund allocation.

## **STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2012 ACTION PLAN**

The City of Jonesboro continues to place major emphasis on HUD's priority goals of Housing, Neighborhood Revitalization, and the improvement of the quality of life through the provision of needed social services and education. This year's projects and activities address these goals directly as it increases accessibility of affordable housing and the viability for potential homeownership through the provision of homeownership counseling, as well as, direct homeownership financial assistance. The City will address the sustainability of our existing affordable housing through its preservation, improvement, and foreclosure counseling projects. The plan prioritizes Neighborhood Revitalization through the improvement of neighborhood safety and aesthetics, and the elimination of slum and blight. Quality of life issues are addressed through various forms of education including life skills, financial, employment training, translation services, and other educational and supportive services for the elderly, disabled, youth, and other low income citizens.

The City of Jonesboro's Department of Community Development is in the process of instituting a community initiative which includes the aforementioned partners as well as residents, churches, and the business community. This Community Change Initiative includes a citizen-driven strategy for addressing and meeting needs in low-income areas, the banking and financial community, non-profits organizations, area businesses and a supporting partner in the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation. It is the intention of the city to build a model of community involvement that directly addresses the poverty issues we face, provides community leadership, and enables this low income neighborhood to see marked change in the fiscal year 2012. This initiative has created four neighborhood networks in our extremely low income area to individually address specific needs and become a part of the solution.

There are many community stakeholders willing to further our efforts to address the needs of their individual neighborhoods. Through the 2012 CDBG program funds the city will be serving not only specific low income neighborhoods, but directly serving our low income and special needs populations including youth, elderly, disabled, and otherwise disadvantaged.

Our primary goal is to promote, sustain and preserve an excellent quality of life in the City of Jonesboro. Through the Community Development Objectives cited below we are continuing to conduct our activities in a manner designed to benefit our most vulnerable populations.

### **2012 Action Plan Goals**

The following are the Goals to be addressed with the 2012 Program Year funding as they are stated in the Five Year Consolidated Plan:

#### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING & PUBLIC HOUSING**

1. Goal: Improve livability and availability of affordable housing and assist in the improvement of housing opportunities.

#### **BARRIERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

2. Goal: Address barriers to affordable and fair housing.

**LEAD-PAINT HAZARDS - GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGIES**

3. Goal: Increase lead safe housing stock.

**SUITABLE LIVING ENVIRONMENT - NON HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

4. Goal: Improve livability, create better functioning, and more attractive neighborhoods

**SPECIAL NEEDS - HOMELESSNESS**

5. Goals: Increase housing and service opportunities extended to homeless and potentially homeless persons.

**ANTI-POVERTY STRATEGY**

6. Goal: To assist in the reduction of households with incomes below the poverty line.

**NON-HOMELESS SPECIAL NEEDS**

7. Goal: Explore the possibility of expanding services and/or access to services for our special needs population.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

8. Goal: Explore the possibility of job creation through technical and life skills training and micro business development

**PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS**

According to NARAN (Northeast Arkansas Regional Aids Network), there remain approximately 50 residents in Craighead County recorded with AIDS. In addition, there have been an additional 100 plus recorded cases of people with HIV in the County. The city will continue to support NARAN and their efforts to address the shelter needs of this population.

**PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS**

The City of Jonesboro's 2012 allocation is anticipated to be \$505,998 for the Fifteenth Year Community Development Program. Additionally, the city has some \$385,790.81 for 2012 in reallocated funds, for a total of \$891,788.81. The plan was developed using an all inclusive citizen participation process in compliance with the regulations set forth in 24 CFR Part 91. The city has evaluated all projects, conducted public hearings, held citizen advisory committee meetings, invited public comments and suggestions, and obtained the Mayor and City Council approval for the expenditures of the following projects:



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<b>Housing</b>		
1	Emergency Homeowner Rehabilitation	100,000
2	Homeownership Assistance	30,000
3	Homelessness	110,000
4	Rehabilitation Administration	27,489
<b>Neighborhood Revitalization</b>		
5	Demolition & Clearance	50,000
6	Sewer Improvement Projects	100,000
7	Parks	150,000
<b>Quality of Life/Life Skills/Special Needs - Public Services</b>		
8	Public Service - Summer/After School Mentoring (CYM)	10,000
9	Public Service - Bridges Between Two Cultures (HCSI)	10,000
10	Public Service - Housing Counseling (JURHA)	10,000
11	Public Service - Housing Subsistence of Severely Mentally Ill (MSHS)	8,100
12	Public Service - Foundation Of Arts	10,000
13	Public Service - West End Neighborhood Association	5,000
14	Public Service - Habitat for Humanity	10,000
15	Public Service - NAHRAN – Subsistence for HIV/AIDS	10,000
<b>Economic Development/Job Creation/Business Development</b>		
16	North Jonesboro Neighborhood Initiative	150,000
<b>Other</b>		
17	Administration	101,199
<b>Total</b>		<b>891,788</b>

The above listed activities are the proposed and approved projects for the 2012 Program Year. The 2012 Action Plan has gone through a 30-day comment period and input from the community has been taken into consideration. The Mayor and the City Council have approved the Plan, the specific projects, and their amounts by Resolution, thereby approving the allocated and reallocated funds in the amount of \$891,788.81, and the implementation of said projects.

These projects were selected after careful consideration of the City of Jonesboro's needs in relation to HUD's national objectives. As reflected in the table below Jonesboro has a higher percentage of poverty, and lower percentage of homeownership than our county, state, and nation. Therefore, the City has chosen to select the programs that will most directly address the immediate areas of need.

According to the US Census Bureau

	<b>Jonesboro</b>	Craighead City	Arkansas State	United States
Persons below <b>POVERTY</b> percent, 1999	<b>17.4%</b>	15.4%	15.8%	12.4%
<b>HOMEOWNERSHIP</b> rate, 2000	<b>57.7%</b>	63.9%	69.4%	66.2%

<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/05/05031.html>

The projects are designed with maximum feasible benefit for the low and moderate-income citizens. The City will continue to strive to meet the HUD national objectives as we increase the number of opportunities for our citizens to move from homelessness and/or poverty to housing, self sufficiency, and the possibility of homeownership.

## **Effectiveness**

The 2012 Action Plan coincides with the national objectives and the 2012-2016 Consolidated Plan. The City of Jonesboro included in its consideration not only the information obtained during public hearings but through various agency and public collaborations, studies, focus groups, and surveys performed throughout the City.

Notices of all public hearings and the availability of the 2012 CDBG proposed projects for a 30 day public review were published in the Jonesboro Sun newspaper and the CDBG website. Copies of the complete 2012 Action Plan are available for public review and inspection during normal business hours Monday through Friday in the offices of the Department of Community Development located next to City Hall at 519 West Washington, Jonesboro, Arkansas. Copies of the plans are also available on the Community Development web page and the public library.

## **ELEMENTS OF THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

### **Managing the Process**

The City of Jonesboro's Department of Community Development is responsible for the development and implementation of the Consolidated Plan. Various City Departments and local agencies assist in the collection of the needs data for preparation of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. This year, J-Quad Planning Consulting Group assisted in writing portions of the Consolidated Plan. J-Quad Planning was hired by the City of Jonesboro to conduct a comprehensive housing study, funded by the Residential Housing and Health Care Facilities Board. Portions of that study have been used in the completion of the Consolidated Plan and the 2012 Action Plan.

### **Citizen Participation Process**

The City of Jonesboro follows its Citizen Participation Plan in the development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. It is the goal of the city to encourage and facilitate participation of residents in the formulation of priorities, strategies, and funding allocations for the Community Development Block Grant Program. The process emphasizes the involvement of extremely low, very low, and low income persons (especially those living in low income neighborhoods and diverse populations) including people who do not speak English and persons with disabilities.

The preparation of the 2012 Action Plan builds upon the public participation and input provided in developing the 2012-2016 Consolidated Plan Priority Needs Summary, as approved by the City Council. This plan sets forth a five year plan citing Housing and Community Development Needs. The Action Plan follows the Consolidated Plan in its focus on those goals that will benefit lower income households and identifies which goals are anticipated to be carried out using federal CDBG funds allocated to the City.

Public input was obtained from two public hearings, and participation in public and service provider meetings. In an effort to broaden the public participation process for development of the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan, the city seriously encourages involvement in the process and holds the meetings in locations in service- recipient neighborhoods. Efforts are also made to reach persons with disabilities by utilizing agencies that serve persons with disabilities.

## **Institutional Structure**

The institutional structure for implementation of the Consolidated Plan includes non-profit organizations and other public agencies and educational institutions. The City of Jonesboro Department of Community Development is responsible for implementation of the Consolidated and Annual Action Plans.

The city provides funding and coordinates with nonprofit organizations that provide public services that benefit Jonesboro residents. The city also works with non-profit housing developers in the development of affordable housing in the city. Non-profit organizations are critical to achieving the Consolidated Plan goals.

The city is available to assist the Housing Authority in submitting applications for funding to increase Section 8 vouchers or provide additional funding for affordable housing or services in the city. The city coordinates its activities with other public agencies. The city regularly participates in JURHA, and non-profit meetings, focus groups, and faith-based activities.

The city assists non-profit agencies in securing other state and federal funding by writing letters of support and assisting agencies in completing applications for funding. The city is also active in supporting the continued funding of the Section 8 Program and other programs that are crucial for affordable housing programs and public services.

The major strengths of the city's institutional structure is in the access to the various city departments and to a large number of very capable non-profit organizations who are highly competent in using available resources and leveraging funding in order to achieve the desired housing and services.

## **Monitoring**

The City of Jonesboro intends to use the existing delivery/reporting system to achieve its production and service goals. While this includes managing in-house programs, many programs and services will be contracted out to sub-grantees. The city plans to conduct an on-site monitoring assessment of the program activities of each sub-recipient in order to ensure strict compliance with program guidelines as stated in their contractual agreement. The monitoring process includes quarterly reports and a review of contract compliance, program capacity, performance, and timeliness.

Financial monitoring occurs on a quarterly basis with a review of invoices and supporting documentation to ensure that all costs correspond to project services as outlined in the recipient's contract budget. The quarterly report includes additional information including client data, project activities, progress in meeting goals/objectives and specific achievements.

At the end of the contract year, the department compiles all the client demographic data and prepares a comprehensive statistical report that becomes part of the CAPER.

The City of Jonesboro includes the following statement on every bid document in order to encourage minority business participation:

### **Minority Business Participation**

Minority Business Policy – It is the policy of the City of Jonesboro that minority business enterprises shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the city purchasing process. Therefore the City of Jonesboro encourages all minority businesses to compete for, win, and receive contracts for goods, services, and construction. The city also encourages all companies to sub-contract portions of any city contract to minority business enterprises.

### **Lead Based Paint Strategy**

According to the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X), lead based paint hazard is defined as any condition that causes exposure to lead from lead contaminated dust, lead contaminated soil or lead contaminated paint that is deteriorated or present in chewable surfaces, friction surfaces, or impact surfaces that would result in adverse human health effects. As required by Title X, the City of Jonesboro is carrying out CDBG funded activities in tandem with our Inspection Department.

Owners of properties to be rehabilitated are informed of the risks of lead based paint. As part of the rehabilitation process, the property is inspected for signs of defective paint. Defective paint in older homes that is suspected to be lead based is removed following the lead based paint standards. If there are children in the home, the parents are provided information regarding the benefits of having the children tested for lead based paint and also where they can go to get this done.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE YEAR 15, 2012 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY 2012 ACTION PLAN**

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**WHEREAS**, it is the intention of the City of Jonesboro to allocate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in such a manner that the maximum feasible priority is given to activities which will benefit low to moderate income families and eliminate slum and blight.

**WHEREAS**, the use of these monies are strictly mandated including the mandate that an annual action plan be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development in accordance with Title 1 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a projected total of \$891,788 for Year 15 funds allocated to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for budgetary purposes;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS THAT:**

**SECTION 1:** The Year Fifteen Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program totaling five hundred five thousand, nine hundred ninety eight dollars (\$505,998) plus three hundred eighty-five thousand, seven hundred ninety dollars and eight-one cents (\$385,790.81) in reallocated funds from 2006-2010. For budgeting purposes, a total of eight hundred ninety one thousand, seven hundred eighty eight dollars (\$891,788) is adopted by reference to the attached project/activity budget table;

**SECTION 2:** The in-house certifications as included in this documents are reaffirmed;

**SECTION 3:** The coordinator of Community Development is authorized to prepare, and submit the 2012 Action Plan to HUD for review and approval, to administer and carry out the activities and projects in said plan as identified in the Five Year Consolidated Plan to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Once the approval from HUD has been obtained, the Mayor is authorized to execute contractual agreements with his signature being attested by the City Clerk, for the execution of the Fiscal Year 2012 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan as per attached project/activity table.

**SECTION 4:** All approved agencies of CDBG funds will use the city's procurement procedures for any services or contracts.

**SECTION 5:** Any activity that is proposed to be altered in terms of its purpose, scope, or beneficiaries to such an extent that it can no longer reasonably be construed as the activity reviewed by the public and approved by the City Council will be canceled.

**THIS RESOLUTION APPROVED:**

# CERTIFICATIONS

**THE FOLLOWING PAGES** ----- are certifications that have been signed by Mayor Harold Perrin, City of Jonesboro, Arkansas for the **CDBG BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR -- 2012.**

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the Housing and Community Development Plan regulations, the City of Jonesboro certifies that:

**Citizen Participation Plan**-- Following is the detailed citizen participation plan which:

1. Provides for and encourages citizen participation, with particular emphasis on participation by persons of low and moderate income who are residents of slum and blighted areas in which funds are proposed to be used, and provides for participation of residents in low and moderate income neighborhoods as defined by the local jurisdiction;
2. Provides citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information, and records relating to the City of Jonesboro's proposed use of funds, as required by the regulations of the Secretary, and relating to the actual use of funds under the Act;
3. Provides for technical assistance to groups representatives of persons of low and moderate income that provides for technical assistance to groups representatives of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals with the level and type of assistance to be determined by the City of Jonesboro;
4. Provides for public hearings to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions at all stages of the community development program, including at least the development of needs, the review of proposed activities, and review of program performance, which hearings shall be held after adequate notice, at times and locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries, and with accommodation for the handicapped;
5. Provides for a timely written answer to written complaints and grievances, within 15 working days where practicable; and
6. Identifies how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the cause of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can be reasonably expected to participate;
7. The City of Jonesboro stands ready to provide any and all necessary assistance to persons with visual or hearing impairments to assure that these individuals are fully informed and included in the Consolidated Plan process. The City shall provide assistance up to and including interpreters and persons that sign for the hearing impaired, as well as any appropriate listening devices. The City stands ready to utilize alternative media as requested.

**Citizen Participation** — Prior to submission of its Housing and Community Development Plan to HUD, the City of Jonesboro has:

1. Met the citizen participation requirements of §91.10
2. Prepared its housing and community development plan and annual use of funds in accordance with §91.105 and made its Housing and Community Development Plan submission available to the public.

**Affirmatively Further Fair Housing** -The City of Jonesboro will continue to affirmatively further fair housing as set out under 24 CFR 91.220, and has prepared an analysis previously that identifies impediments to fair housing choice, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified, and maintain records pertaining to carrying out this certification. The cost and condition of housing in our low income areas will to be addressed directly with the project listed herein. CDBG funds will be used to acquire land for single family unit homes in our most impoverished area. Low income individuals and families will be assisted in homeownership through education and matching grants for down payment and closing costs. For those who cannot afford to maintain their homes CDBG will be used to provide grants for rehabilitation. The City has undertaken several activities to address emergency shelters and the transitional housing needs of our homeless individuals and families.

The City continues to improve neighborhoods with the improvements of parks, sewer improvements and the elimination of substandard housing and unsightly lots through demolition and clearance. The City has plans to apply for HOME funds through ADFA in order expand our home rehabilitation program. The activities to be completed are either located in or will be directly serving our low and moderate income areas, and the areas of minority concentration. The attached maps show said areas.

In addition to the projects outlined the Jonesboro Urban Renewal and Housing Authority, Salvation Army, Consolidated Youth Systems, Mid South Health Systems, and Women's Crisis Center of Northeast Arkansas are assisting homeless and potentially homeless individuals and families with the programs that they administer. We are continuing to monitor the services that are provided by other entities in Jonesboro.

Regarding those persons that are not homeless as identified in accordance with 91.215 (d), the City is also monitoring those areas. These persons are the elderly, frail elderly, persons with disabilities, alcohol or other drug addictions, HIV/AIDS and their families along with public housing residents. Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Abilities Unlimited Inc., Consolidated Youth Services, Jonesboro Human Development Center, FOCUS, NARAN, Mid South Health Systems, East Arkansas Area Agency on Aging, as well as several others assist many handicapped persons and families along with the Housing Authority. The City is actively involved in assisting these organizations and does not intend to step in and duplicate these services. We will continue to monitor the organizations.

Our monitoring of the agencies reflects that the agencies are providing assistance within their guidelines and scope of work. There are no changes that are needed except that additional monies to expand their services. The City will endorse and support new applications for the agencies to apply for funding, as well as monitor the housing and general needs of the citizens of Jonesboro.

**Anti-Discrimination** — The grants will be conducted and administered in compliance with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3620), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Executive Orders 11063, 11625, 12138, 12432 and 12892, Section 504 of the (title II) and implementing regulations.

**Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan** — The City of Jonesboro will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, as required under §91.xxx and Federal implementing regulations; and that it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104 (d) of the Housing and



Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and the relocation requirements of §91.xxx governing optional relocation assistance under section 105 (a) (11) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;

**Drug Free Workplace** - The city will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by enacting certain requirements:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about –
  - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
  - b. The City of Jonesboro's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
  - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
  - d. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will-
  - a. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
  - b. Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug status occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4 (b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant actively the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted
  - a. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
  - b. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such proposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

8. The City of Jonesboro has provided the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with this specific grant:

Demolition of substandard housing units, various park improvements in the City and Administrative Responsibilities, all in the City of Jonesboro, will be carried out from 519 West Washington, Jonesboro, Craighead County, Arkansas 72401.

**Anti Lobbying** — To the best of the City of Jonesboro’s knowledge and belief:

1. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal Grant, the making of any Federal Loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the City of Jonesboro will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, in accordance with its instructions; and
3. The City will require that the language of paragraph (n) of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly; The City of Jonesboro is in compliance with restrictions on lobbying required by 24 CFR part 87, together with disclosure forms, if required by that part.

**Legal Authority** ---The City of Jonesboro possesses legal authority under State and Local Law to make grant submissions and to execute Community Development and Housing programs and the City Council has duly adopted or passed as an official act a resolution, motion or similar action authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the grantee to submit the Housing and Community Development Plan and amendments thereto and all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the grantee to act in connection with the submission of Housing and Community Development Plan and to provide such additional information as may be required;

**Applicable Laws** ---The City of Jonesboro will comply with the other provisions of the Acts covering programs covered by the Housing and community Development Plan and with other applicable laws.

In accordance with the certifications as set out under 24 CFR Part 91.225 of the Federal Register dated January 5, 1995, the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas further certifies that:

**Consistency with plan** ---The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

**Section 3 Compliance** ---The City of Jonesboro, Arkansas in the administration of it's Community Development Program will comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

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**Signature: Harold Perrin, Mayor**

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**Date**

### **SPECIFIC CDBG CERTIFICATIONS**

The City of Jonesboro certifies that:

**Use of Funds** — It has developed it's Housing and Community Development Plan one-year projected use of funds so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; (the projected use of funds may also include activities which the City of Jonesboro certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health of welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available); except that the aggregate use of CDBG funds received under section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and if applicable, under section 108 of the same Act, shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that not less than 70 percent of such funds are used for activities that benefit such persons during such period;

**Community Development Plan** — The City of Jonesboro has developed a Community Development Plan, for the period specified in the paragraph above, that identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective and requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended;

**Special Assessments** — The City of Jonesboro will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted in whole or in part with funds provided under section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, or with amounts resulting from a guarantee under section 108 of the same Act by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements, unless:

1. Funds received under section 106 of the housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, are used to pay the proportion of such fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of such public improvements that are financed from revenue sources other than under Title I of that Act; or
2. For purposes of assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of moderate income, the City of Jonesboro certifies to the Secretary that it lacks sufficient funds received under section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to comply with the requirements of subparagraph (1) above;

**Lead-Based Paint** — The City of Jonesboro's notification, inspection, testing and abatement procedures concerning lead-based paint will comply with §570.608;

**Excessive Force** — The City of Jonesboro has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

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**Signature: Harold Perrin, Mayor**

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**Date**

## APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

Instructions Concerning Lobbying and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements:

### **A. Lobbying Certification**

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making of entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352; title 31, U. S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

### **B. Drug-Free Workplace Certification**

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement the grantee is providing the certification set out in paragraph (o).
2. The certification set out in paragraph (o) is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. For grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies. (This is the information to which entitlement grantees certify).
4. For grantees that are individuals, Alternate II applies. (Not applicable to CDBG Entitlement grantees.)
5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (i.e. All vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, and performers in concert halls or radio stations).
7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).

8. Definitions of terms in the Non-procurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees; attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:
9. “Controlled substance” means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);
10. “Conviction” means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;
11. “Criminal drug statute” means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;
12. “Employee” means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All “direct charge” employees; (ii) all “indirect charge” employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and (iii) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are not on the grantee’s payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee’s payroll; or employees of sub-recipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

# TABLE 3

## Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects

**THE FOLLOWING PAGES** ----- reflect the Projects in which the CDBG Program dollars will be directed in the City of Jonesboro.

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Improvement of Housing Conditions

**Project Title**

Emergency Homeowner Rehabilitation

**Description**

Assist in the improvement of housing conditions for LMI homeowners, thereby preserving our existing affordable housing stock.

**Location/Target Area**

City Wide LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 507.202
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective LMH
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Housing Units	Annual Units 10
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$100,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$100,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>



**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Homeownership Assistance

**Project Title**

Homeownership Assistance

**Description**

Increase the viability for potential homeownership through provision of homeownership assistance programs, such as down payment assistance, and partnering with JURHA (see public service section) for housing counseling services.

**Location/Target Area**

City Wide LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (N)
Type of Recipient Households	CDBG National Objective LMH
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Homeowner Assist.	Annual Units 12
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$30,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$30,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$30,000

**Table 3  
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

**Public Service:** Homelessness

**Project Title**

Homeless Shelters

**Description**

Assist in the structural rehabilitation or expansion of local facilities for the homeless and those at-risk of being homeless, including Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army, and the Women's Crisis Center/Shelter.

**Location/Target Area**

Jonesboro, AR

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.204
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Subsistence	Annual Units 25
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	..... \$110,000
ESG	.....
HOME	.....
HOPWA	.....
Total Formula	..... \$110,000
Prior Year Funds	.....
Assisted Housing	.....
PHA	.....
Other Funding	.....
Total	..... \$110,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Rehabilitation Administration

**Project Title**

Rehabilitation Administration

**Description**

Housing Rehabilitation Activity Delivery Cost; pays 50% of salary for CDBG Project Coordinator and part-time salary for Rehabilitation Specialist.

**Location/Target Area**

Administrative Activity

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 507.202
Type of Recipient Local Government	CDBG National Objective LMH
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Rehab. Admin.	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$27,489
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$27,489
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$27,489

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction’s Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Neighborhood Revitalization – Demolition & Clearance

**Project Title**

Demolition

**Description**

Demolish blighted structures in LMI areas

**Location/Target Area**

Jonesboro LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator	Annual Units N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$50,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$50,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$50,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Neighborhood Revitalization – Sewer Improvements

**Project Title**

**Sewer Improvements**

**Description**

Sewer improvements in CDBG area. Funds will be used to complete 2011 Sewer Improvements in CDBG area, and start new project.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG LI Area

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (c)
Type of Recipient Local Government	CDBG National Objective LMH
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Neighborhood Rev.	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$100,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$100,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$100,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Facilities - Park Playground Equipment & Renovation

**Project Title**

Miracle Field

**Description**

To construct Southside Ballpark's softball field located in CDBG area, specifically designed for the physically and mentally challenged. This field will allow handicapped children and adults to participate in organized sports. Funding will contribute to the city's total renovations of this field, and specially designed playground equipment for handicapped children.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (C)
Type of Recipient Local Government	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Recreation Facilities	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$100,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$100,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$100,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name :** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Facilities - Park Playground Equipment & Renovation

**Project Title**

Lewellyn Park

**Description**

To expand and renovate Lewellyn Park in North Jonesboro. Includes new playground equipment and pavilion.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG LMI Area

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (C)
Type of Recipient Local Government	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Recreation Facilities	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$50,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$50,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$50,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service-Youth Mentorship for low income youth

**Project Title**

Youth Mentorship

**Description**

Mentorship and education program for low income youth to enhance the learning process. Pays portion of salary for youth mentor.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG/Jonesboro

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (E)
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator P.S. - Youth	Annual Units 100
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	..... \$10,000
ESG	.....
HOME	.....
HOPWA	.....
Total Formula	..... \$10,000
Prior Year Funds	.....
Assisted Housing	.....
PHA	.....
Other Funding	.....
Total	..... \$10,000



**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service-Translation/Community Outreach Services

**Project Title**

Bridges between Two Cultures

**Description**

Provide referrals, community outreach, bilingual phone line, translation services, and job placement.  
Pay portion of salary for staff.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG/Jonesboro

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (E)
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator P.S. Education	Annual Units 200
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$10,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$10,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$10,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service-Housing Counseling

**Project Title**

Housing Counseling and Financial Education

**Description**

Counseling - including credit repair, foreclosure, financial training, home ownership assistance to low income citizens. Pays portion of salary for housing counselor.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG/Jonesboro, AR

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.204
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator P.S. Homeownership	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$10,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$10,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$10,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service – Homeless/Potentially Homeless Prevention.

**Project Title**

Subsistence Program

**Description**

Short term subsistence assistance. Provide emergency subsistence for the severely mentally ill.

**Location/Target Area**

Citywide/ Jonesboro, AR

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.204
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Subsistence	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$8,100
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$8,100
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$8,100

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**  
Public Service

**Project Title**  
Art Reaches

**Description**  
Provide art education, supplies, materials for LMI and disabled children to participate in dance and drama .

**Location/Target Area**  
Foundation of the Arts  
City wide LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$10,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$10,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$10,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction’s Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service – Health & Safety

**Project Title**

West End Neighborhood Health & Safety Fair

**Description**

Support West End Neighborhood Association Health and Safety Fair. Organization will educate and demonstrate proper use of smoke detectors, bike helmets, carbon monoxide detectors. Demonstrations of oral care and healthy eating habits will also be available in addition to the health fair.

**Location/Target Area**

West End Neighborhood Association, Inc.  
Jonesboro, AR

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (c)
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Job Training	Annual Units 200
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$5,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$5,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$5,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service - Homelessness

**Project Title**

Prevention of Homelessness

**Description**

To provide temporary subsistence in the form of utilities and/or rental assistance to Habitat for Humanity clients in transition.

**Location/Target Area**

Habitat for Humanity  
Jonesboro LMI

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$10,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$10,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$10,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction’s Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Public Service – Prevention of Homelessness

**Project Title**

Prevention of Homelessness for persons with HIV/AIDS

**Description**

To provide counseling and medical services to LMI individuals with HIV/AIDS

**Location/Target Area**

NAHRAN  
Jonesboro, AR

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Subrecipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	..... \$10,000
ESG	.....
HOME	.....
HOPWA	.....
Total Formula	..... \$10,000
Prior Year Funds	.....
Assisted Housing	.....
PHA	.....
Other Funding	.....
Total	..... \$10,000

**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction’s Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

Economic Development – Jonesboro Better Neighborhoods Initiative

**Project Title**

Jonesboro Better Neighborhoods Initiative

**Description**

Leverage funds for long-term partnership with Rockefeller Foundation. Include economic and community development activities i.e. business and job creation, job training and skills development, support services for jobseekers; neighborhood revitalization, support for capacity building/neighborhood networks, and neighborhood revitalization.

**Location/Target Area**

CDBG LMI Area

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.201 (E)
Type of Recipient	CDBG National Objective LMC
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Neighborhood Revitaliz.	Annual Units
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$150,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$150,000
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$150,000



**Table 3**  
**Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects**

**Jurisdiction's Name:** City of Jonesboro

**Priority Need**

CDBG Program Planning & Administration

**Project Title**

Planning & Administration

**Description**

CDBG administration costs necessary for project management, implementation, compliance reporting, and planning.

**Location/Target Area**

Administrative Activity

Objective Number	Project ID
HUD Matrix Code	CDBG Citation 570.206
Type of Recipient Local Government	CDBG National Objective
Start Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 01/01/2012	Completion Date(mm/dd/yyyy) 12/31/2012
Performance Indicator Admin.	Annual Units N/A
Local ID	Units Upon Completion

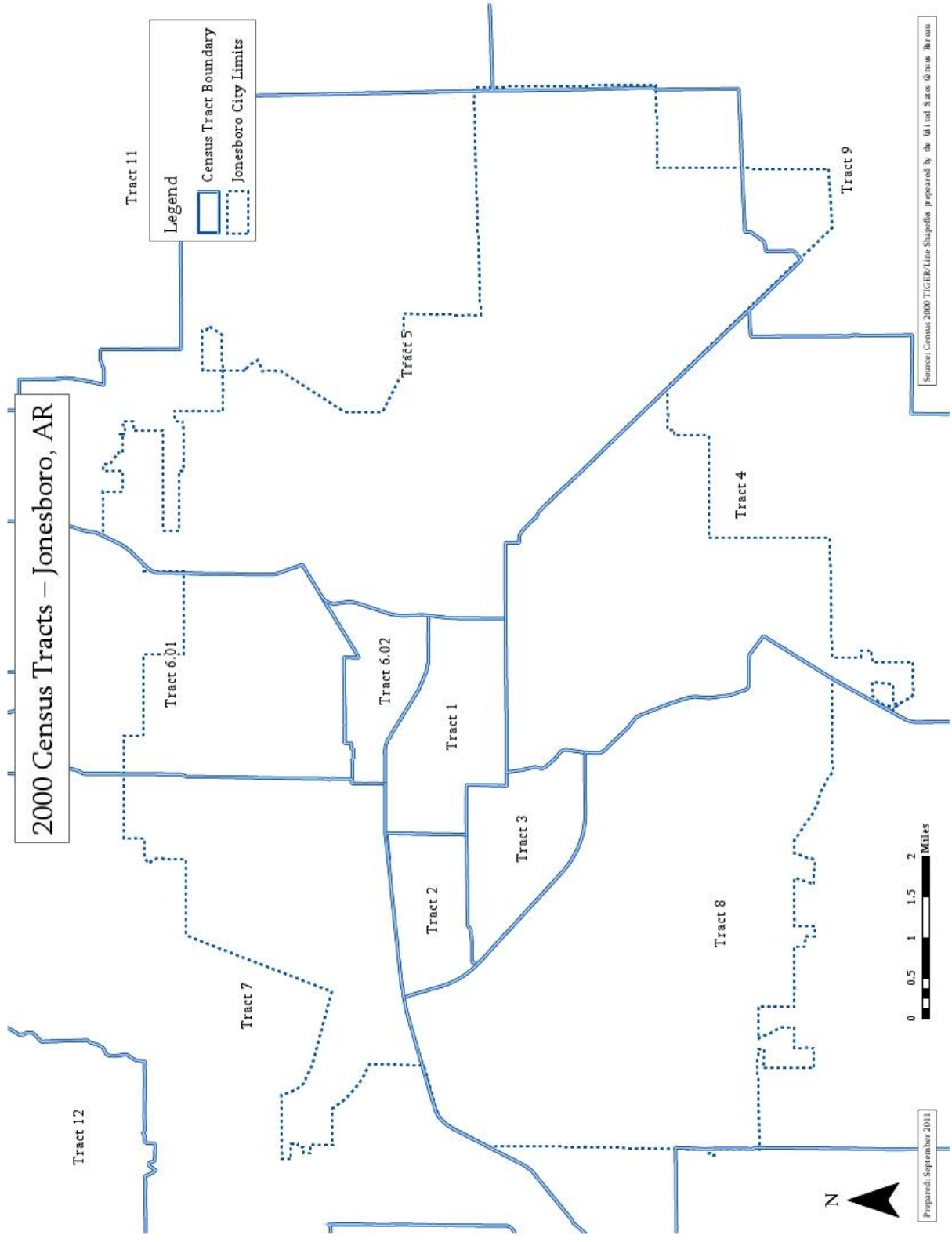
**Funding Sources:**

CDBG	\$101,199
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	\$101,199
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PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$101,199

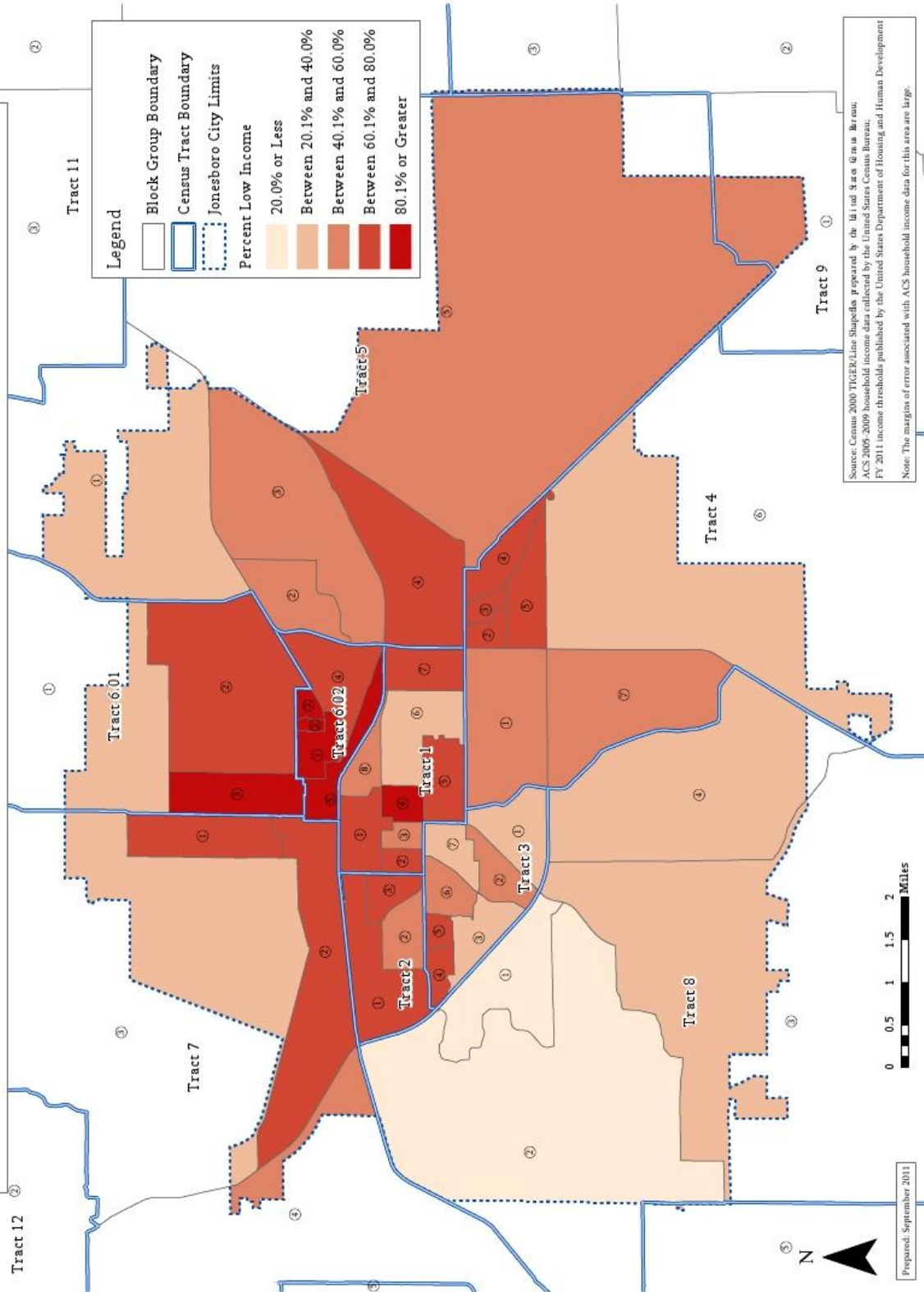
# MAPS

**THE FOLLOWING PAGES** ----- reflect the income and minority areas in which the CDBG Program dollars will be directed in the City of Jonesboro.

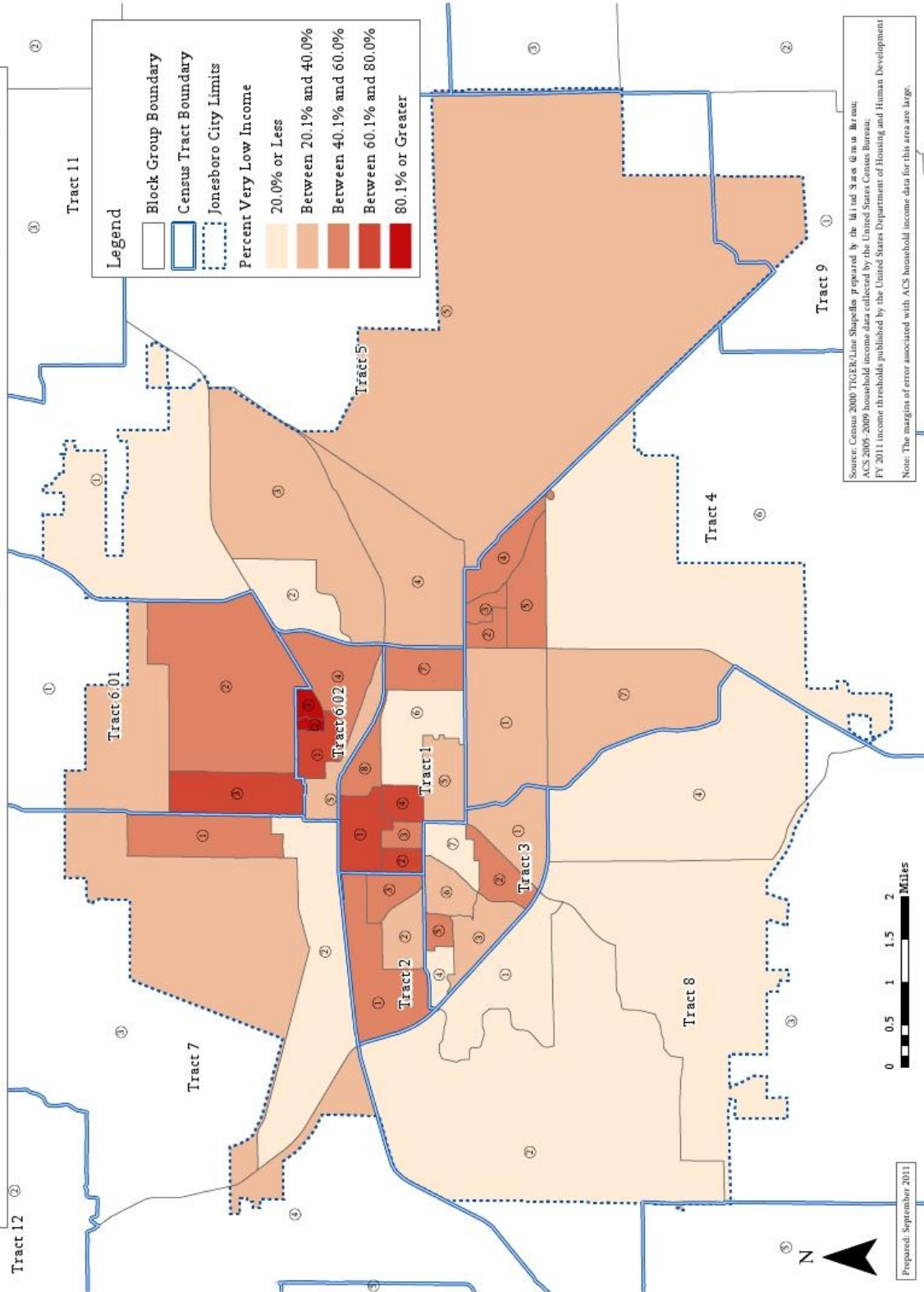
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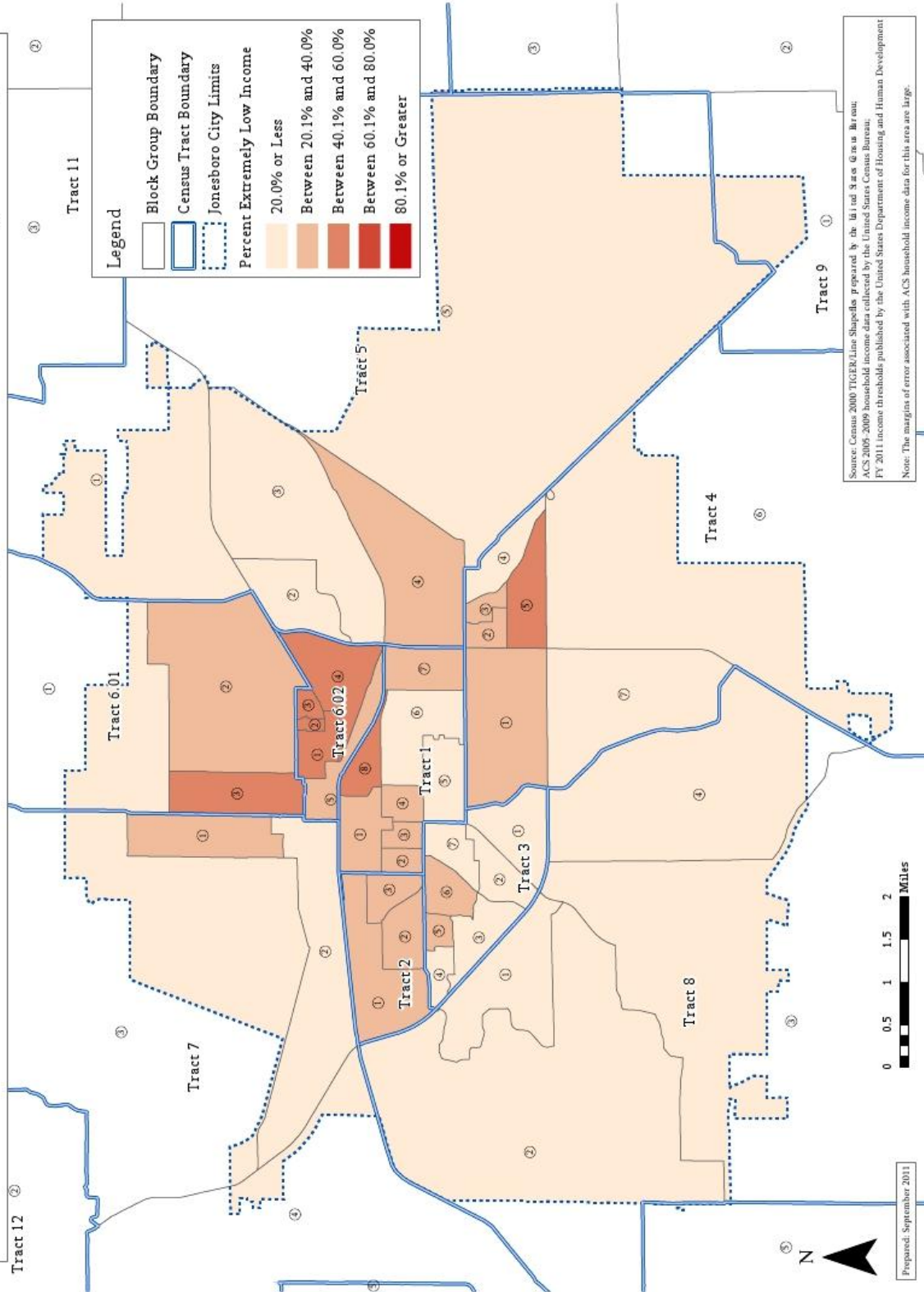
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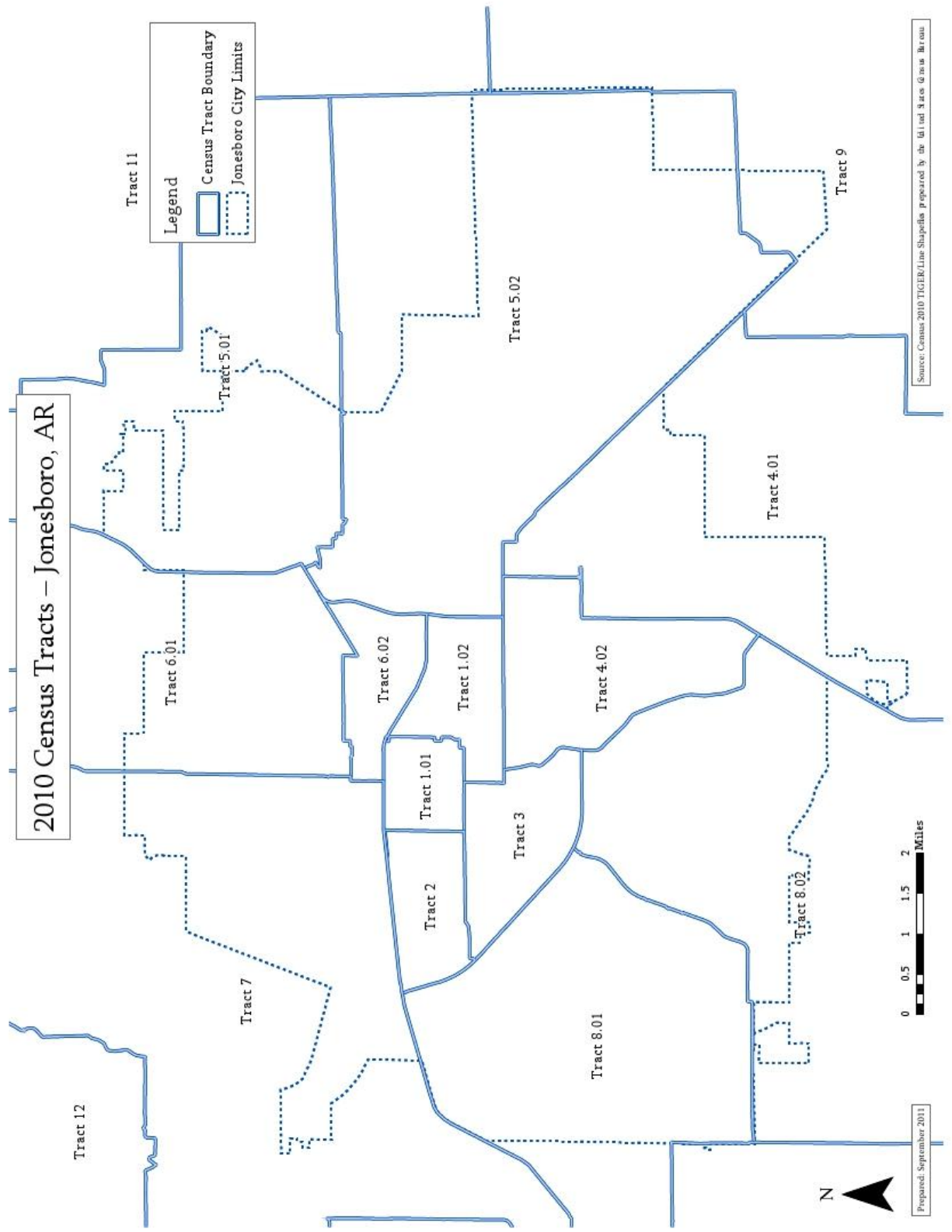
# Estimated Number of Households Below the Very Low Income Threshold – Jonesboro, AR



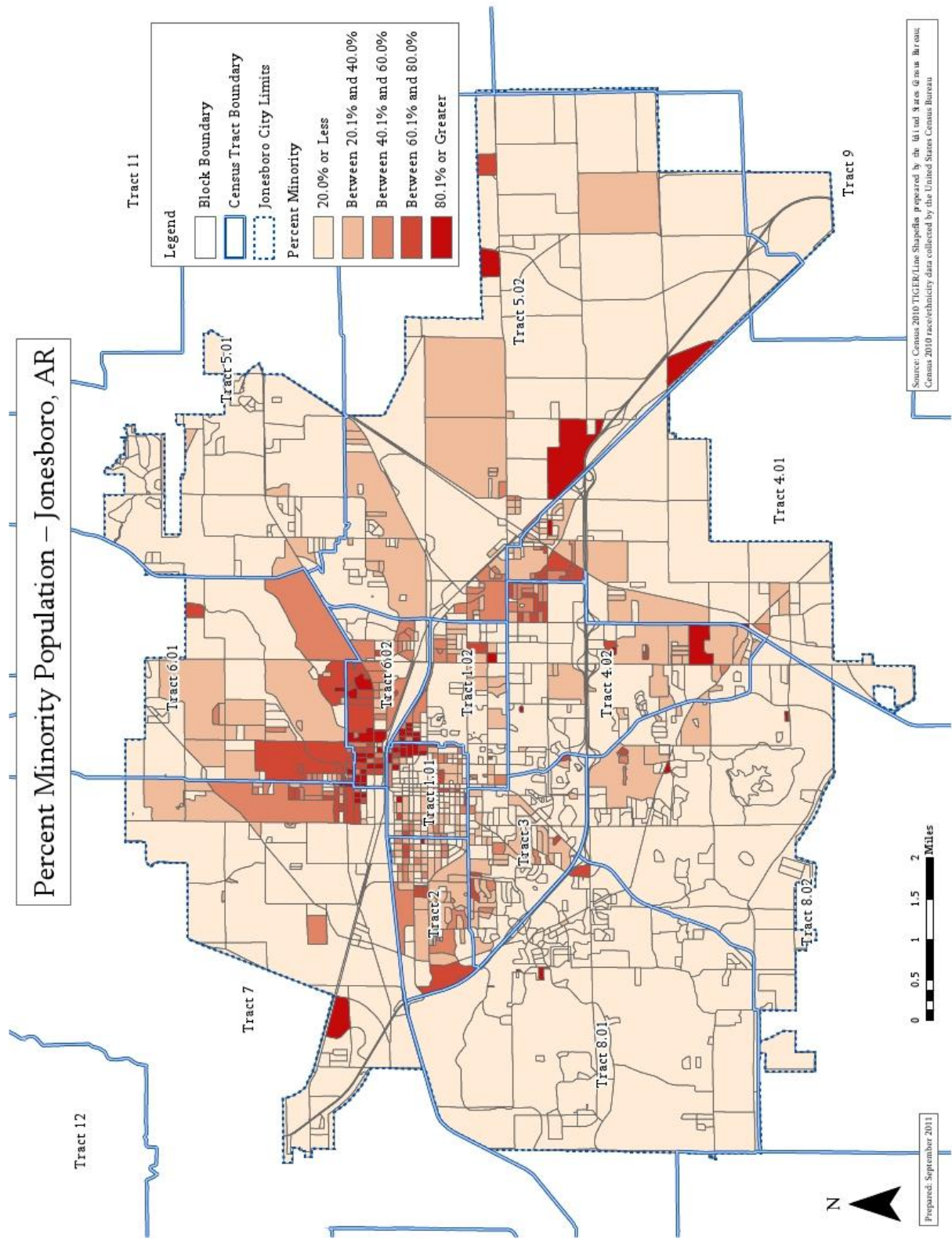
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# 2010 Census Tracts – Jonesboro, AR



# Percent Minority Population – Jonesboro, AR





# PUBLICATION

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# The Jonesboro Sun

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4th insertion \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
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6th insertion \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
7th insertion \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2 day of August, 2011  
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