



Lakewood Department of Planning & Development

FY26 Citizens Advisory Committee Presentation

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Department of Planning & Development

Core Services, Major Projects & Initiatives

CORE SERVICES			
Lead	Administration & Operations	Lead	Federal Grant Fund Administration
	Affordable Housing Programs		Grant Application & Administration
	Architectural Board of Review		Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board
	Board of Zoning Appeals		Loan Approval Board
	Citizens Advisory Committee		Planning Studies & Analyses
	City Council		Partner Organizations
	Climate Action & Sustainability		Planning Commission
	Community Development Programs		Public Art Advisory Board
	Community Vision Implementation		Zoning Administration
	Economic Development Programs		

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS			
Shared	ADA Improvements	Shared	Madison Park - Neighborhood Connector
	Bunts Road Rehabilitation & Streetscape		Merl-Bunts Park Improvements
	CDBG Street Resurfacing		Niagra Park Improvements
	City Hall & Annex Assessment & Modernization		ODOT Excess ROW Acquisition
	Downtown Development Site		Parking Meter Upgrades
	Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations		Refuse & Recycling Center/ Animal Shelter
	Lake-Clifton Bridge Pedestrian Improvements		Skate Park Phase II
	Lakewood Park Pier Preliminary Engineering		Traffic Calming Implementation
	Madison & Newman Parking Lot		Winterhurst Locker Room/Rink Renovations
	Madison Hawk & Various APS Upgrades		

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Core Services, Major Projects & Initiatives

PLANNING	
Lead	Active Transportation/Safe Streets Implementation
	Lakewood Transit Feasibility Study
	Public Art Implementation
Shared	IWWIP Project Planning

ZONING	
Lead	Application Fee Update
	Zoning Code Refresh

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Lead	1472 Belle Renovation & Sale
	CDBG Street Resurfacing Program
	Climate Action & Sustainability Implementation
	Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance Program
	Nelson Court Multi-Family Affordable Housing
	Sale of Properties for Housing Opportunities

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
Lead	Barry Buick Site Redevelopment
	Board of Education Buildings Adaptive Reuse
	Downtown Development
	Lawther/Hilliard Property Sale
	Spectacular Vernacular Public Art Program
	St. James Rectory Adaptive Reuse
	Studio West Redevelopment Phases II & III
	The View East (Spitzer Site Redevelopment)
	Winterhurst Ice Arena Management

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Staff Support & City Representation

City Boards, Commissions, Committees & Task Forces

ADA Task Force
Architectural Board of Review
Board of Zoning Appeals
CAP Advisory Panel
Community Health Action Team (CHAT)
Citizens Advisory Committee
City Council
 Committee of the Whole
 Housing, Planning & Development Committee
 Public Works & Sustainability Committee
 Finance Committee
Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council
Economic Development Committee
Downtown Development Advisory Panel
Lakewood Heritage Advisory Board
Loan Approval Board
Planning Commission
Public Art Advisory Board
Restaurant Roundtable
Zoning/Planning Advisory Committee (ZPAC)

Partner Organizations

County Tax Incentive Review Council
Downtown Lakewood Business Alliance
NEO First Suburbs Consortium
NEO First Suburbs Development Council
LakewoodAlive
 Board of Directors
 City-Wide Business Alliance
 Design & Housing Committees
Lakewood Chamber of Commerce
 Board of Directors
 Economic Development Committee
 Education Committee
NOACA
 Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
 Board of Directors
 Planning & Programming Committee
 Safety & Operations Committee
Northeast Ohio Advanced Energy District
Uptown Business Association
West End Merchants Association



FY26 CDBG & ESG Funding Requests

CDBG-Funded Program Accomplishments (2015-2024)

Goal Area	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2015-2024
Affordable Housing (CDBG)											
Renter Units Rehabilitated	28	5	5	4	6	12	4	2	9	17	92
Owner Units Rehabilitated	74	35	37	31	28	37	15	33	22	25	337
Economic Deveopment (CDBG)											
Commercial Facades Renovated	19	14	10	9	2	8	3	5	15	9	94
Jobs Created	6	0	0	11	11	0	0	0	12	10	50
Public Services (CDBG)											
People Served	8,455	8,426	7,945	7,141	8,004	7,026	9,306	6,344	7,057	7,404	77,108
Neighborhood Revitalization											
Streets Resurfaced	3	5	2	3	5	3	2	3	3	2	31
Water Mains Replaced	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	4
Structures Demolished	4	4	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	13
Building Code Inspections	1,346	934	1,088	999	877	1,023	885	2,028	1,993	2,047	13,220

Mayoral Administration FY26 Allocation Recommendations & DPD Funding Requests

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)		
Recipient	Activity	FY26 Allocation Recommendation
Department of Planning & Development	CDBG Program Administration	\$350,000
Department of Planning & Development	Public Art Streetscape Enhancements	\$42,500
Division of Community Development	HOME Program Delivery Costs	\$30,000
Department of Public Works	LMA Street Improvements	\$850,000
Division of Building & Housing	Building Code Enforcement	\$65,000
Division of Community Development	Affordable Housing Financial Assistance	\$75,000
Division of Community Development	Paint Rebate Program	\$75,000
Lakewood Community Services Center	Food Pantry	\$81,045
Lakewood Community Services Center	Case Management Services	\$27,165
Journey Center for Safety & Healing	Victim Advocacy Services	\$16,069
Division of Aging	Senior Services	\$27,244
Division of Early Childhood	Childcare Scholarship Assistance	\$45,983
Neighborhood Family Practice	Health Services	\$23,618
LakewoodAlive	Housing Outreach Services	\$41,376
Projected FY26 CDBG Award		\$1,750,000
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)		
Recipient	Activity	FY26 Allocation Recommendation
Lakewood Community Services Center	Homelessness Prevention Assistance	\$155,000
Department of Planning & Development	ESG Program Administration	\$5,000
Projected FY26 ESG Award		\$160,000



DPD Funding Request



FY26 CDBG & ESG Administration

- Supports City Staff
Administering CDBG & ESG
Programs & Eligible Associated
Operating Costs
- \$350,000 FY26 CDBG Request
- \$5,000 FY26 ESG Request



Public Art Streetscape Enhancements



FY26 CDBG Funding Request

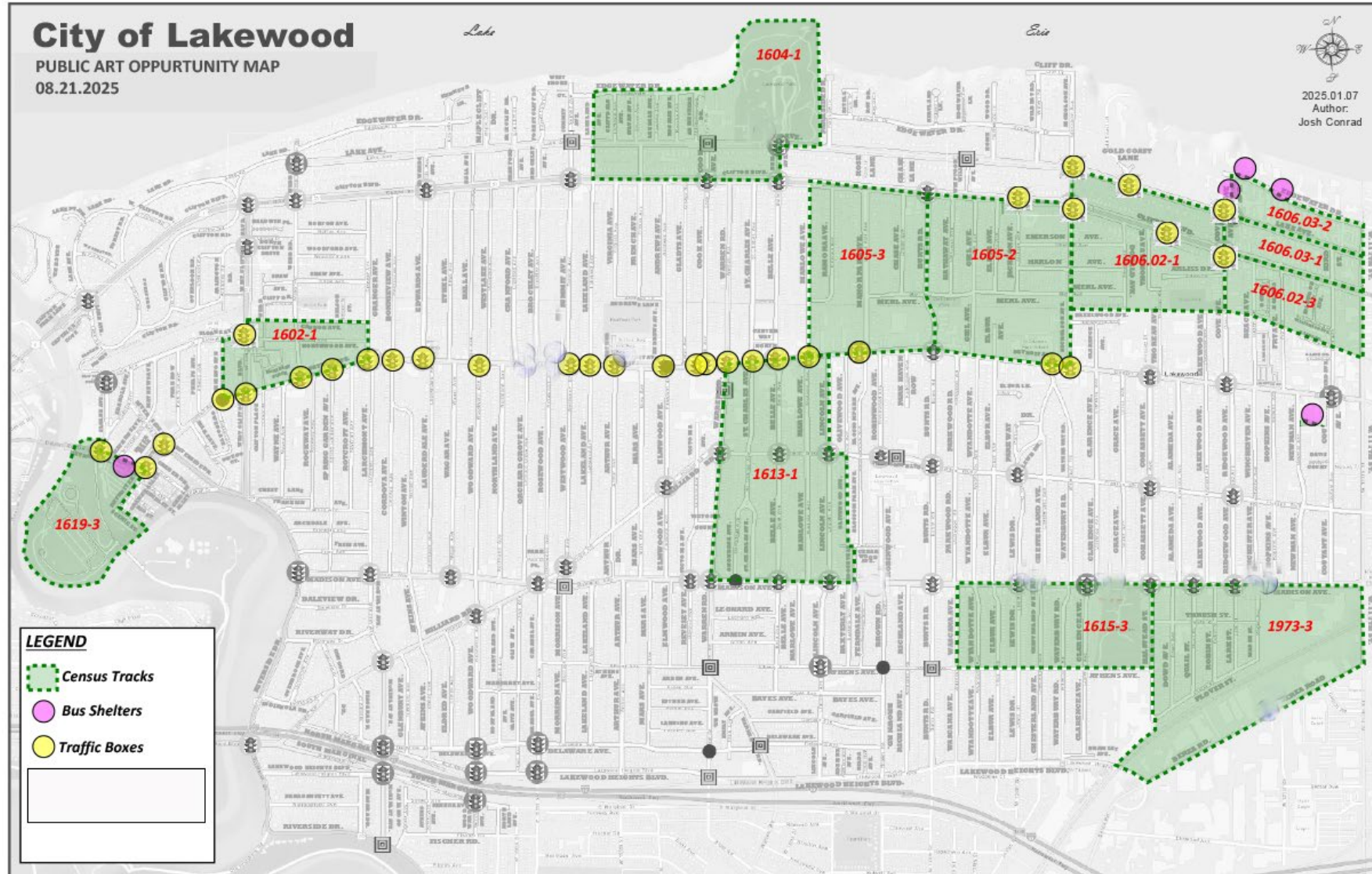
\$42,500

Install (35) pieces of public art in CDBG-eligible LMI neighborhoods throughout Lakewood including:

- (30) Traffic Signal Box Wraps
- (5) Bus Shelter Wraps



Public Art Streetscape Enhancements



Merl-Bunts Park Improvements



Madison Park Birdtown Connector





Barry Buick

- Mixed-Use Redevelopment of Former Barry Buick Site (16000 Detroit Avenue)
- 124 One- & Two- Bedroom Apartments
- 148 Parking Spots
- Developer Applying for CRA Credits (100+ Units/20% Classified as Affordable)



Downtown Development





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