



CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC

2023 (FY24) FEDERAL ACTION PLAN

ISSUE	ACTION ITEMS
COMPETITIVE GRANTS, CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING AND SHOVEL READY PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support all efforts by the City to secure additional federal resources for local priorities. A list of grants and projects requesting federal support will be provided and listed separately as notices for those opportunities, and the criteria for them, are announced. (Examples include, but are not limited to, Bridge Investment Program re-application by the City; Choice Neighborhoods Initiative Supplemental funding; Healthy Homes Program; Emergency Management Performance Grant; and the Reconnecting Communities application submitted by PTRC.)
AFFORDABLE HOUSING and HOMELESSNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal funding for permanent affordable housing, fair housing, housing for veterans, and resources to prevent and end chronic homelessness, including LGBTQ homelessness especially as it relates to youth. Programs that help renters move into home ownership. Incentive programs for building inspectors to stay in public sector, which has a huge impact on affordable housing, and extend HUD audits beyond annually, which is duplicative and costly to local governments.
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC and WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding for job creation, workforce development training, trade training, job placement and apprenticeship programs, as well as programs supporting youth enrichment and access. Increase investment in small businesses. Support reentry programs that focus on areas vital to reintegration back into the community, including employment, education, mentoring, substance use, and mental health treatment. Create coding education and workforce development grant opportunity for teaching low-income children computer science. Fund programs to restore and revitalize underserved and/or older neighborhoods, fight poverty, reduce blight, retrofit low-income housing and older buildings to meet code, and enhance Historic Districts. Expand designations in Opportunity Zones Program.
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	<p>TRANSPORTATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investments in City’s roads, bridges, greenways, public transit, and EV infrastructure to maintain safety and environmental standards. Programs should prioritize maintenance and upgrades to failing infrastructure. Expand funding for urban circulators, and work to bring passenger rail back to the City. Expedite release of Federal Transit Administration funds and support flexibility to use for operations. Public transportation charging stations and city fleet conversion for emissions reduction. <p>WATER AND SEWER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replace failing infrastructure and lead service lines. Funding to assist with PFAS and PFOS detection.

<p>PUBLIC SAFETY</p>	<p>POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal funding to help local law enforcement agencies with crime prevention; community collaboration programs / community policing; forensic science, computer forensics units, ballistics, and other crime solving technology enhancements; rape kit processing and prosecuting; initiatives to fight human trafficking; reducing gun violence; and victims’ assistance. <p>FIRE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct more competitive grant funding to career fire departments, and provide low- or no-match funding for staffing them. • Streamline and expedite the application and award process for AFG, SAFER, and FPS grants.
<p>QUALITY OF LIFE</p>	<p>ARTS AND HUMANITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund NEA’s programs that enhance access to arts and humanities at the local level. • Set aside funds for African American historically significant projects. • Create grant opportunity to help low-income children learn career options in the arts. <p>PARKS AND RECREATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for local park and recreation departments to meet Americans with Disabilities Act compliance and for ongoing maintenance. <p>HEALTH AND WELLNESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund programs for urban infrastructure, community gardens, and access to healthy foods to combat food deserts and childhood obesity. Also, support technology for urban farming such as the Kimberly Park Hydroponic Farm. • Health and wellness of the senior population; fight substance use; and reduce suicide rates. • Support programs to treat mental health and oppose efforts to transfer the costs for mental health treatment from the federal government to the local level. <p>ENVIRONMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support programs for energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainability, and climate pollution reduction. <p>EQUALITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support human rights legislation, including, but not limited to, equality, social justice, and services for African American and LGBTQ people.
<p>UNFUNDED MANDATES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oppose legislation that imposes unfunded mandates on local government.
<p>COVID-19 RELIEF AND RECOVERY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support ongoing funding to address the expanded impact on mental health caused by the pandemic. • Continue to help small businesses in recovery efforts.

