**Clinch-Powell Resource Conservation & Development Council**

**Annual Report**

**October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018**

**2016-2020 Five Year Plan: YEAR 3**

**LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION**

**Goal A: Generate conservation gains on 200 farms and increase knowledge of 6,000 citizens by 2020.**

* A1: Delivered on-farm conservation planning and treatment for **31** landowners. *FYP Total:* ***68***
	+ Completed **31** BMP projects. *FYP Total:* ***64***
	+ Provided conservation planning on **31** farms and **17,828** acres. *FYP Total:* ***96 farms; 25,053 acres***
	+ Treated **17,828** acres. *FYP Total:* ***21,102***
	+ Protected **9.9** miles of streams. *FYP Total:* ***18.7***
	+ Protected or recovered **29** fish andfreshwater mussel T&E species.*FYP Total:* ***over 30***
	+ Provided $**656,615** to landowners for land protection. *FYP Total:* ***$1,163,191***
	+ Protected ­­**0** acres through conservation easements. *FYP Total:* ***47***
* A2: Delivered conservation education and training to **680** citizens. *FYP Total:* ***1,266***
	+ Educated **80** landowners and **600** students. *FYP Total:* ***501 landowners; 765 students***
	+ Conducted **1** workshops and field days featuring fencing and grazing improvement. *FYP Total:* ***9***
* A3: Improved **1,672** acres of private and public lands and reduced negative environmental impacts of **11,615** individuals through Appalachia CARES partnerships. *FYP Total:* ***20,848 acres; 39,740 individuals***
	+ Engaged **2,808** individuals in energy efficiency and conservation education. *FYP Total:* ***17,206***
	+ Conserved **216** miles of trails and maintained educational facilities through partnerships with **23** state parks. *FYP Total:* ***425 miles***
	+ Provided environmental education and access to experiential education to **8,807** youth. *FYP Total:* ***22,534***
	+ Propagated **0** species of native plants. *FYP Total:* ***300 species, with 100 of those being restoration species***
	+ Improved conservation practices on **60** farms and **167** acres through partnerships with **3** Soil Conservation districts. *FYP Total:* ***277 farms; 19,343 acres***
* A4: Completed **0** dam assessments, with **0** dam assessments underway. *FYP Total:* ***46***
	+ Assessments complete. No additional subcontracts.

Additional Information:

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

**Goal B: Provide housing solutions that strengthen 1,200 families and support communities through 2020.**

* B1: Expanded access to affordable housing finance through Clinch-Powell, providing $**2,542,054** in loans. *FYP Total:* ***$5.4 million***
	+ Maintained required licensure and certifications necessary for successful housing programs. New certifications obtained: ***HUD Certified Housing Counselor – Susan, Elizabeth (new requirement)***
	+ Packaged (and closed) **18** affordable mortgage loans. *FYP Total:* ***40***
	+ Packaged **17** Home Repair Loans. *FYP Total:* ***48***
* B2: Provided counseling services to **194** families that will both promote and sustain quality housing in the communities we serve and beyond. *FYP Total:* ***673***
	+ Provided Foreclosure counseling to **31** clients. *FYP Total:* ***101***
	+ Provided Pre-Purchase counseling to **83** clients (including eHome). *FYP Total:* ***189***
	+ Provided High-Cost Mortgage counseling to **43** clients. *FYP Total:* ***172***
	+ Provided Household Budgeting and Credit Repair counseling to **15** clients. *FYP Total:* ***26***
	+ Provided rental counseling to **22** families. *FYP Total:* ***184***
* B3: Conducted education and training workshops, reaching **16** people. *FYP Total:* ***450***
	+ Organized Homebuyer Education Classes for **16** households. *FYP Total:* ***25***
	+ Provided Financial Literacy Education to **0** students. *FYP Total:* ***270***
	+ Provided Student Loan Debt Education to **0** students. *FYP Total:* ***155***
* B4: Expanded and maintained a rental property portfolio in good repair and in compliance with funder guidelines with a positive cash flow and vacancy rate of **14.8**%. *FYP Average:* ***10.7%***
	+ Maintained **37** rental property units. *FYP Total:* ***39***
	+ Maintained occupancy rate of **85.2**%. *FYP Average:* ***89.3%***
	+ Conducted **35** property inspections. *FYP Total:* ***227***
	+ Provided Transitional Housing program with **0** units to serve extremely- to very-low income persons and families and/or those with emergency needs. *FYP Total:* ***0***
* B5: Increased production of new and renovated quality housing units by **13**. *FYP Total:* ***25***
	+ Built **1** new Energy Star homeownership units. *FYP Total:* ***5***
	+ Renovated and upgraded **12** units for resale and/or rental. *FYP Total:* ***20***
* B6: Established and deepened **3** community partnerships through outreach efforts. *FYP Total:* ***18***
	+ Initiated **0** commercial and industrial contacts for employee services. *FYP Total:* ***0***
	+ Developed relationships that resulted in **1\*** banking partners annual support grants. *FYP Total:* ***1\****
		- ***\*Broadened existing relationship with Citizen’s Bank and Trust through Carol Peterson Loan program.***
	+ Broadened connections and deepened participation with **2** related agencies / groups/networks. *FYP Total:* ***17***
		- ***Financial Opportunity Center – official partnership with LISC***
		- ***Renewed / strengthened relationship with Grainger County Mayor’s office***
* B7: Improved housing conditions for **2,960** citizens through partner organizations and Appalachia CARES AmeriCorps program. *FYP Total:* ***8,935***
	+ Placed **23** members with affordable housing organizations. *FYP Total:* ***54 placements***
	+ Engaged **2,960** individuals in housing services (resource support, assessment, education, identification of appropriate housing, and home repairs). *FYP Total:* ***8,935***

Additional Information:

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Goal C: Strengthen 30 Middle and East Tennessee Counties through 32 Community Based Organizations (CBO’s) by expanding their capacity to provide Conservation and Housing services by 2020.**

* C1: Expanded the capacity of **4 new** CBO's by providing AmeriCorps placements, with **40** total partners.
	+ Created **44**MSYs from **8/1/17** (program year start date) to **12/31/18.** *FYP Total:* ***132***
	+ Recruited **2,677** volunteers to serve **9,104** hours, increasing outreach and education in the community. *FYP Total:* ***8,263 volunteers; 38,215 hours***
		- ***New sites: Johnsonville State Historic Park, Harrison Bay State Park, Johnson/Carter NRCS, Northeast TN Regional Economic Partnership***

 **Goal D: Sustainable Economic Development Grows by $5 million by 2020**

* D1: Facilitated access to affordable capital through a small business revolving loan fund with **0** existing loans and **1** new loans. *FYP Total:* ***1***
* D2: Promoted and operated River Place on the Clinch, a model sustainable ecotourism enterprise.
	+ Supported **18** staff positions.
	+ Expanded net profits by **0**% since last FY. *FYP Total:* ***0%***
	+ Increased rentals of Outfitter, Cabin and Retreat by **0**% since last FY. *FYP Total:* ***0%***
	+ Developed **1** new trails/attractions/access. *FYP Total:* ***3***
	+ Hosted **39** music events featuring local and regional musicians. *FYP Total:* ***133***
	+ Hosted **1** special event. *FYP Total:* ***4***
	+ Hosted **147** group reservations/parties. *FYP Total:* ***358***
* D3: Coordinated Appalachian Quilt Trail for more than **850** venues.
	+ Maintained dynamic [www.vacationAQT.com](http://www.vacationAQT.com) website.
	+ **0** AQT rack cards in circulation at Welcome Centers. *FYP Total:* ***30,000***
	+ Distributed **100** rack cards directly to tourism partners. *FYP Total:* ***8,100***
* D4: Grew the local economy through investments of $**3,022,682**. *FYP Total: $****5.84 million***
	+ Supported businesses through purchases of $**1,396,572**. *FYP Total:* ***$3.86 million***
	+ Supported local subcontractors, totaling $**308,154**. *FYP Total:* ***$1,049,512***
	+ Supported **0** minority owned businesses and **5** women owned businesses (MBE/WBE).
	+ Supported local tax base through property tax payments of **$24,515**. *FYP Total:* ***$80,394***
	+ Generated local employment and wages of **$1,245,015**. *FYP Total:* ***$3.42 million***
	+ Enabled the awarding of **$238,257** to further education for AmeriCorps members. *FYP Total:* ***$701,607***

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