

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE  
Inter-Office Communication

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**TO:** Theodore Lipscomb, Chairman - Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Mary Jo Meyers, Director, Department of Health and Human Services  
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**SUBJECT:** **Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), requesting approval to allocate anticipated 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding**

**Background**

As part of the annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) process, all applicants were invited to attend a public hearing and present their proposals to the Economic and Community Development Committee on October 24, 2018. For 2019 funds, staff implemented a review process to objectively rank projects. A panel was arranged to score each project based on this system. The panel members were chosen due to their experience with CDBG regulations as well as to avoid conflicts of interest. The panel consisted of a representative from the Milwaukee County Housing Division, a representative from the City of Milwaukee Community Development Grants Administration and a representative from the City of West Allis.

Pending approval by the County Board, the 2019 Annual Plan will be published for comment for 30-days, as required. Any public comments will be incorporated into the final 2019 Annual Plan and it will then be submitted to the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval.

**Issue**

The 2019 Milwaukee County CDBG allocation totals \$1,606,587. Of the total funds, 20 percent can be used for administration and 15 percent can be set aside for public service projects. For 2019, the allocation continues to be split between at-large competitive projects and municipal projects. Although the municipal projects were not scored and ranked for the purpose of this report, they are included to show the complete allocation. As in years past, County CDBG staff will continue to review municipal projects to ensure that applicants meet national objectives and are following the Consolidated Plan. If the funds awarded by HUD differ from the amount in this report, projects will be adjusted equally on a percentage basis.

For the competitive applications, the recommendations in this report are based on the total points received for each project. Projects were ranked based on the following criteria:

- Project approach
- Need and justification
- Benefit to low-and-moderate income persons
- Target population and jurisdiction
- Capacity and experience
- Financial controls and budget
- Past CDBG performance

The anticipated HOME program budget for 2019 is \$1,856,445. For the 2019 HOME allocation process, the Housing Division will begin administering the First Time Home Buyer Program internally.

### **Recommendation**

The Director, Department of Health and Human Services, recommends that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorize the Housing Division to allocate the anticipated 2019 Community Development Block Grant and HOME funds to the following projects:

### **CDBG**

<b>At Large</b>	<b>Public Service</b>	<b>Non-Public Service</b>
Metro Milwaukee Fair Housing Council	\$35,000	
Impact Coordinated Entry	\$35,494	
Legal Action-Eviction Defense	\$50,000	
Milwaukee County Home Repair		\$325,000
WWBIC – Job Creation		\$80,000
Grand Avenue Club Employment		\$72,575
Hunger Task Force – Farm Greenhouse		\$44,566
<b>At large total</b>	<b>\$120,494</b>	<b>\$522,141</b>

<b>Suburban Set-Aside Projects</b>	<b>Public Service</b>	<b>Non-Public Service</b>
Bayside – Senior Center Operations new	\$5,998	
Brown Deer – Senior Club new	\$16,000	
Fox Point – Dunwood Center new	\$6,000	
Franklin – Senior Health Education new	\$5,000	
Greendale – Adult Program Services new	\$10,000	
Greenfield – Senior Services Staff new	\$20,000	
Unison- (various municipalities)	\$48,496	
West Milwaukee Community Center new	\$9,000	
Brown Deer – Sidewalk connections		\$50,000
Cudahy Code Compliance		\$10,000
Cudahy – sidewalk ramps		\$60,000
Franklin – Home Repair		\$37,000
Glendale – Bender Road sidewalk extension		\$40,000
Greendale – Accessible curb ramps		\$40,000
Greenfield – Farmers market improvements		\$70,000
South Milwaukee – ADA Curb Ramps		\$30,000
South Milwaukee – Emergency Home Repair		\$30,000
South Milwaukee – Code Enforcement		\$28,000
St. Francis – Code Compliance		\$25,000
St. Francis-Sidewalk Replacement		\$50,000
West Milwaukee – Fire House Improvements		\$52,141
<b>Suburban Total</b>	<b>\$120,494</b>	<b>\$522,141</b>
<b>TOTAL – Public and Non-Public Service (not including admin)</b>		<b>\$1,285,270</b>
Administration cap per regulation, 20%		\$321,317
<b>Total Allocation from HUD including reallocation</b>		<b>\$1,606,587</b>

**HOME**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Administration	\$185,645
Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set Aside	\$198,217
Home Repair Loans	\$180,000
Milwaukee County TBRA/Rapid Rehousing	\$225,000
Rental Development	\$717,583
Homeownership Rehab/Acquisition	\$350,000
<b>HOME Total</b>	<b>\$1,856,445</b>



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