

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
Inter-Office Communication

Date: November 12, 2021

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: A report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), requesting approval to allocate anticipated 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding

File Type: Action Report

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**REQUEST**

The Director of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting approval to allocate anticipated 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2022. The recommended projects are as follows:

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

<b>At Large</b>	<b>Public Service</b>	<b>Non-Public Service</b>
Impact Coordinated Entry – Housing Navigation	\$30,000	
Legal Action-Eviction Defense	\$40,000	
Eras	\$16,139	
MMFHC	\$16,139	
Jewish Family Services-Bradley Crossing Case Management	\$28,000	
Milwaukee County Home Repair		\$293,352
WWBIC		\$130,000
Grand Avenue Club Employment		\$73,878
Hunger Task Force – Facilities		\$67,308
<b>At large total</b>	<b>\$130,278</b>	<b>\$564,538</b>

<b>Suburban Set-Aside Projects</b>	<b>Public Service</b>	<b>Non-Public Service</b>
Bayside – Senior Center LX Operations	\$5,998	
Brown Deer – Senior Club	\$15,000	
Fox Point – LX Club Lease	\$6,000	
Franklin – Senior Health Education	\$5,000	
Greendale – Adult Program Services	\$10,000	
Greenfield – Senior Services Staff	\$25,000	
South Milwaukee – Senior Services Programming	\$25,000	
Eras Senior Network- (various municipalities)	\$22,619	
MMFHC	\$15,661	
Cudahy Code Compliance		\$10,000
Franklin – Home Repair		\$42,000
Greendale – Accessible curb ramps		\$50,000
Greenfield – Playground improvement		\$70,000
Milwaukee County Home Repair		\$260,538
South Milwaukee – Code Enforcement		\$32,000
West Milwaukee - Code Enforcement		\$20,000
West Milwaukee – Home Repair		\$30,000
West Milwaukee – Community Center Operations		\$10,000
West Milwaukee – Community Center Updates		\$40,000
<b>Suburban Total</b>	<b>\$130,278</b>	<b>\$564,538</b>
<b>TOTAL – Public and Non-Public Service (not including admin)</b>		<b>\$1,389,632</b>
Administration cap per regulation, 20%		\$347,408
<b>Total Allocation from HUD including reallocation</b>		<b>\$1,737,040</b>

## HOME

<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Administration	\$141,500
Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set Aside	\$166,415
Home Repair Loans	\$150,000
Milwaukee County TBRA/Rapid Rehousing	\$225,000
Rental Development	\$682,092
Homeownership Rehab/Acquisition	\$200,000
<b>HOME Total</b>	<b>\$1,565,007</b>

## POLICY

The Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires Milwaukee County Board approval of the 2022 Annual Plan for CDBG and HOME projects.

## 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 25, 2021. For 2022 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 2022 Annual Plan will be published for comment for 30-days, as required. Any public comments will be incorporated into the final 2022 Annual Plan and it will then be submitted to the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval.

The 2022 Milwaukee County CDBG allocation totals \$1,737,040. Of the total funds, 20 percent can be used for administration and 15 percent can be set aside for public service projects. For 2022, 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 2022 is \$1,565,007. This includes all program income from completed projects.

### **ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

This action item aligns with strategic plan objectives 2A (Determine what, where, and how we deliver services to advance health equity and 3A (Invest “upstream to address root causes of health disparities).

### **FISCAL EFFECT**

There is no fiscal effect as this action item is included in the 2022 Budget.

### **TERMS**

The term of this contract is January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

### **VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES**

Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, DHHS  
James Mathy, Housing Administrator  
Diane Tsounis, HOME and CDBG Program Manager

### **PREPARED BY:**

James Mathy, Housing Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services

### **APPROVED BY:**

*Shakita LaGrant-McClain*

Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

**ATTACHMENTS:**

N/A

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