

Action Plan Timeline

- Funding Application Period (Jan 1 – Feb 3)
- Staff Review (February)
- Staff Evaluation & Prioritization (March)
- CEDC Public Hearing & Recommendation (April 9)
- Public Review and Comment Period (April 10 – May 9)
- City Council Adoption (May 13)
- HUD Approval (submit in late-May)

Evaluation and Prioritization

- Funding requests were first evaluated to determine:
 - Completeness of application;
 - Eligibilities (Agency, Program and Beneficiaries);
 - Meeting priority needs identified in Consolidated Plan;
 - Agency capacity to carry out CDBG funded activity in full compliance of the federal regulations and City standards.

Evaluation and Prioritization

- Requests were prioritized taking into account:
 - Funding availability and constraints (caps)
 - Admin (20%)
 - Public service (15%)
 - At least 70% must be used to benefit low-to-moderate persons
 - Existing services City's CDBG program has been supporting or new service
 - Urgency and consequences if not funded
 - Agency's past history of performance and compliance risks

Next Step

- Applicants will present their programs/ projects and funding requests
- Staff will present funding recommendations
- CEDC will discuss funding options
- CEDC will approve a recommendation for Council approval

Funding Request Presentation

City of Lee's Summit

CDBG Program Administration

Funding Request: \$68,525.60

Funding category: Planning and Admin

Subject to: 20% Cap of Total Grant

Funding Request Presentation

Coldwater of Lee's Summit

BackSnack Program

Presented by Monica Humbard

Funding Request: \$10,000

Funding category: Public Service

Subject to: 15% Cap of Total Grant

COLDWATER WEEKEND FOOD PACKS

2025-26 School Year

CDBG request – Funding for 34 of the 350 students Coldwater plans to serve at:

- 11-12 Lee's Summit elementaries
- 1 Lee's Summit middle school
- Great Beginnings at Legacy Park
- Great Beginnings at Paradise Park
- LSR7 Early Headstart
- New LSR7 Preschool
- Summit Ridge Academy



Lee's Summit Chronically Hungry Students

Lee's Summit has approximately 1,294 chronically hungry students, according to Harvesters' research.

As of February 2025 Coldwater is serving 322 of these chronically hungry students identified by counselors and social workers during the 2024-25 school year.



HOW Coldwater's Weekend Food Packs MAKE A DIFFERENCE

An evaluation of the program has shown the following:

- Grades improved by as much as 18%.
- BackSnack students had 14% fewer absences and 23% fewer tardies.
- 34% of parents say their children's health improved and 33% say their self-esteem improved.
- Schools report discipline issues for BackSnack students were cut in half.
- Teachers see significant improvement in social skills, responsibility, participation and behavior.



Funding Request Presentation

Hope House

Court Advocacy Program

Presented by Brandi Bair

Funding Request: \$20,000

Funding category: Public Service

Subject to: 15% Cap of Total Grant



 Hope House
COURT ADVOCACY PROGRAM

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- Focuses on keeping survivors safe and holding domestic violence offenders accountable.
- Services provided include crisis intervention, criminal court advocacy/accompaniment, civil legal advocacy/accompaniment, and individual advocacy.
- Partners with local law enforcement agencies and area courts to ensure there is a coordinated and comprehensive response to domestic violence in the community.
- Hope House anticipates grant funding will provide approximately 100 unduplicated survivors who reside in Lee's Summit with approximately 95 units of court advocacy services.

LETHALITY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

- Officers use a researched based tool to assess survivors' risk of lethality.
- Hope House partners with local police departments, including Lee's Summit to administer the program.
- In 2024, a total of 1,234 survivors were assessed; 83% screened as high lethality.
- For Lee's Summit, a total of 304 survivors were assessed in 2024; 65% screened as high lethality.

NUMBER SERVED & DEMOGRAPHICS

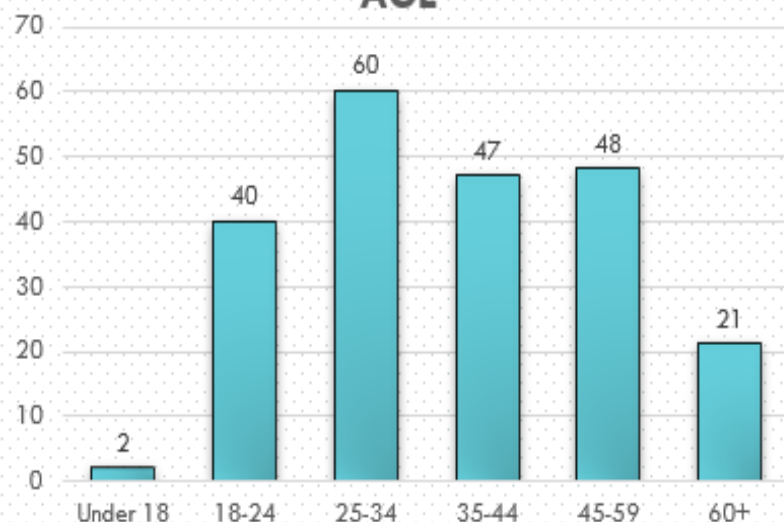
OVERALL LEE'S SUMMIT RESIDENTS (CY 2024)

Total Number of Survivors Served: 218

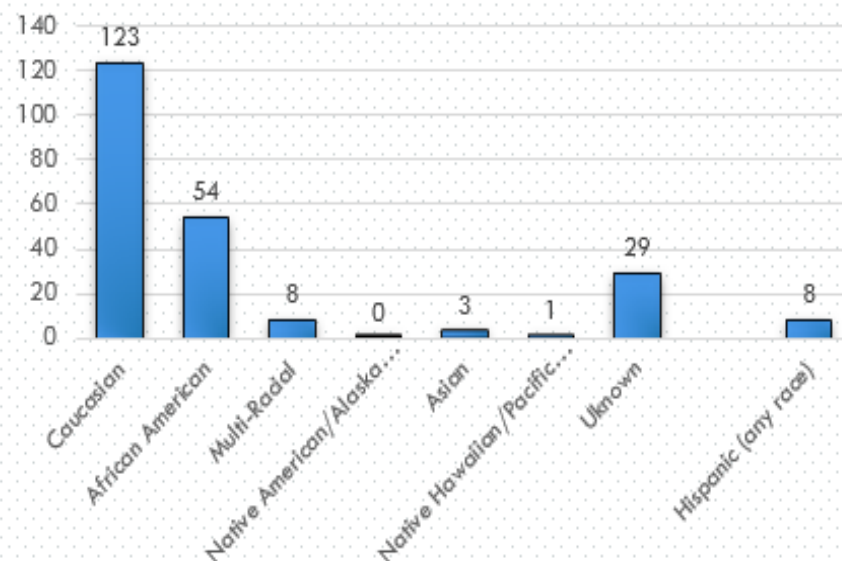
Total Interventions: 748

Total Hours of Service: 303.50

AGE



RACE/ETHNICITY



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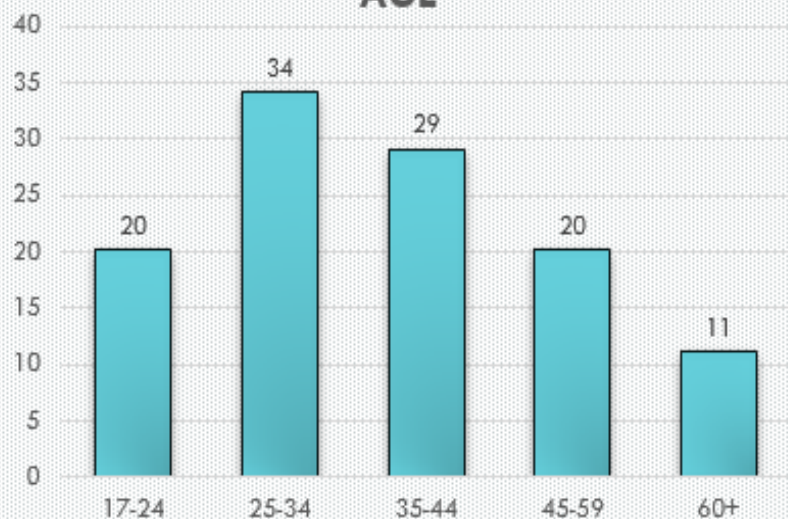
CDBG FUNDED SERVICES (CY 2024)

Total Number of Survivors Served: 114

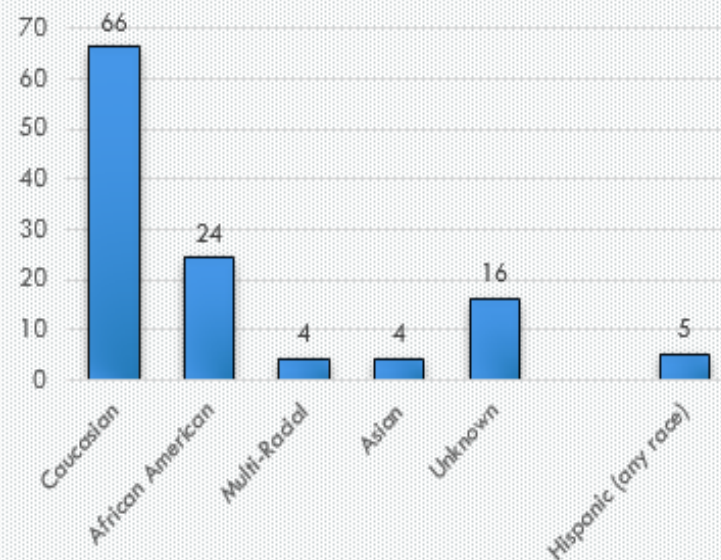
Total Interventions: 205

Total Hours of Service: 67

AGE



RACE/ETHNICITY



PROGRAM SUCCESS

- In 2024 survivors achieved the following outcomes:
 - 99% increased their strategies to enhance their safety;
 - 100% increased their knowledge of community resources;
 - 99% reported they felt respected and supported by the Advocate who helped them;
 - 100% reported they understood their role in the court process; and
 - 100% reported feeling respected/supported by the Advocate who assisted them.

PROGRAM SUCCESS CONTINUED

- Samantha (name changed for privacy and confidentiality purposes) contacted Lee's Summit Police Department for assistance who then contacted Hope House's Court Advocate.
- Hope House's Lee's Summit based Court Advocate assisted Samantha with filing an emergency ex-parte order of protection and supported her through both the Municipal Court process in Lee's Summit and the Order of Protection court in Independence.
- Samantha safety planned with the Advocate and moved into a new apartment with her children. The Advocate assisted Samantha with completing a Safe at Home application so her new address would be kept confidential
- Samantha is currently pursuing a dissolution of marriage with the assistance of Hope House's Civil Legal Program

Funding Request Presentation

Hillcrest Transitional Housing

Case Manager

Presented by Lu Ann Ross

Funding Request: \$25,000

Funding category: Public Service

Subject to: 15% Cap

Hillcrest's Impact

Mission: To be a transitional housing program that helps homeless youth and families become self-supportive, self-reliant contributors to society.



Last year...

We served more than
968 households
totaling **1,554 individuals**
through our programs

Our program residents
paid off or reduced the
debt by nearly **\$193,500**
and saved over **\$229,000**

112 households
graduated from our 90-day
and youth programs or
were housed through RRH



"Hillcrest was so much more than a 90-day program. It was a community and family that gave us the support and encouragement we desperately needed. They gave me the skills and confidence to build a better life for my family and I will be forever grateful.

- Jennifer, Hillcrest Graduate

Who is Hillcrest?



- Hillcrest Transitional Housing offers homeless families, singles, and youth a disciplined educational program within a caring, supportive environment, addressing the total life situation of the homeless families we serve.
- In exchange for rent/utility-free housing, adults are required by written agreement to find full-time employment, obey program guidelines, and attend weekly volunteer-taught classes in life skills, employment, community living, and budgeting. Youth participants must work toward an educational goal, obtain part-time employment, and attend weekly counseling and independent living classes.
- Hillcrest also provides clients the following through a network of community support: auto repair/donation, food pantry, medical assistance, dental work, GED classes, haircuts, glasses, school clothes, work uniforms, bus passes, thrift store vouchers, rapid re-housing financial assistance, etc.

Hillcrest in Lee's Summit

16 units for 90-Day Transitional Housing
1 office/counseling space

In 2024, 43 households (109 individuals)
were provided transitional housing and
direct supportive services

Last year, we had a 70% graduation rate
with 30 households finding permanent
housing and achieving self-sufficiency



Homelessness in Our Community



The Effects of Homelessness

- Living on the streets is stressful and made worse by exposure to communicable diseases, violence, malnutrition, and harmful weather exposure.
- Inability to maintain a healthy diet or access food regularly.
- Behavioral health issues such as depression, anxiety, or substance abuse develop or worsen.
- Minor issues such as cuts or common colds easily develop into large problems such as infections or pneumonia.
- ER visits increase due to a lack of access to regular medical, dental, and wellness doctors.
- Those experiencing homelessness are 3 to 4 times more likely to die prematurely.

Ref – National Health Care for the Homeless Council

The Impact of a Gift from CDBG

- At least 39 homeless families receive safe, stable transitional housing and necessary supportive services (maintenance, utilities, salary, phone, insurance).
- Households move directly from homelessness, including the streets, emergency shelter, or situations involving violence or assault, into rental housing of their own, receiving necessary supportive services.
- 26 households break the cycle of poverty and homelessness FOREVER, obtaining permanent housing of their choosing, maintaining employment, and no longer receiving TANF welfare funds.
- These families pay off thousands of dollars in debt each year and place thousands in savings.
- They learn the skills necessary to lead stable, self-sufficient lives.
- Children and adults receive transportation assistance so they may successfully attend school and obtain or maintain employment.
- Households with high barriers to housing (multiple evictions, heavy debt load) may receive a deposit, first month's rent, utility payments, rental and/or utility arrears, and application fee assistance to help them exit homelessness and move into permanent housing of their choosing.

Funding Request Presentation

Lee's Summit Social Services

Operating Expenses

Presented by Janna Walden

Funding Request: \$30,000

Funding category: Public Service

Subject to: 15% Cap



Lee's Summit Social Services

Empowering Individuals,
Strengthening Communities.

Our Mission:

Our Mission is to assist low-income, elderly and/or disabled persons in the Lee's Summit Social Services' service areas with emergency needs while enabling them to maintain their dignity and learning to set and meet realistic goals which will lead to greater independence.

Service Areas:

- Lee's Summit
- Greenwood
- Lone Jack
- Lake Lotawana

Services provided:

- Food Pantry
- Utility Bill Assistance
- Access KC Assistance
- Birth Certificates
- Small Car Repairs
- Budget Counseling
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Baby Formula/Food/Diapers
- Holiday Program
- Clothing/Shoes
- Unhoused Care Kits
- Back To School Program

2024 Year End

Unduplicated Clients Served:
2863

Emergency Assistance Provided:
\$200K

Total Services Provided: \$1.7M

Funding Request Presentation

Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity

Home Preservation Program

Presented by Marikate Sears

Funding Request: \$212,500

Funding category: Other

Subject to: No Cap

Home Preservation Program 2025-26

Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity is seeking to continue their partnership with the City of Lee's Summit by providing a variety of construction related services for existing low-to-moderate income homeowners in Lee's Summit. This collaboration between the City and the Home Preservation Program at Truman Habitat has assisted over 50 Lee's Summit homeowners since 2020.



We build strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter.

Home Preservation in Lee's Summit

2025-26 Critical Needs Include:

- Hazardous electrical remediation
- Plumbing/sewer failure
- HVAC replacement
- Radon mitigation
- Foundation repair and water diversion
- Hazardous tree removal
- Weatherization to reduce utility cost burdens
- Code violations



Habitat provides a **Hand-up**. Not a Hand-out.

Lee's Summit homeowners agree to partner with Truman Habitat's Home Preservation Program for their critical and minor home repairs by participating in Sweat Equity. Sweat equity provides an opportunity for families to increase personal investment in their home and support Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity's mission.



Sweat Equity Opportunities Include:

- Prepare space for home repair
- Volunteer at Construction site, Habitat office, or ReStore
- Donate household items to ReStore
- Participate in HOPE Program workshops
- House yard sign
- Share testimonial

Funding Request Presentation

Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity

Affordable Homeownership Program

Presented by Christina Leakey

Funding Request: \$175,000

Funding category: Other

Subject to: No Cap



Affordable Homeownership Program

We build **strength, stability** and **self-reliance** through **shelter**.

Homebuyer Selection

- Need
- Ability to Pay
- Willingness to Partner

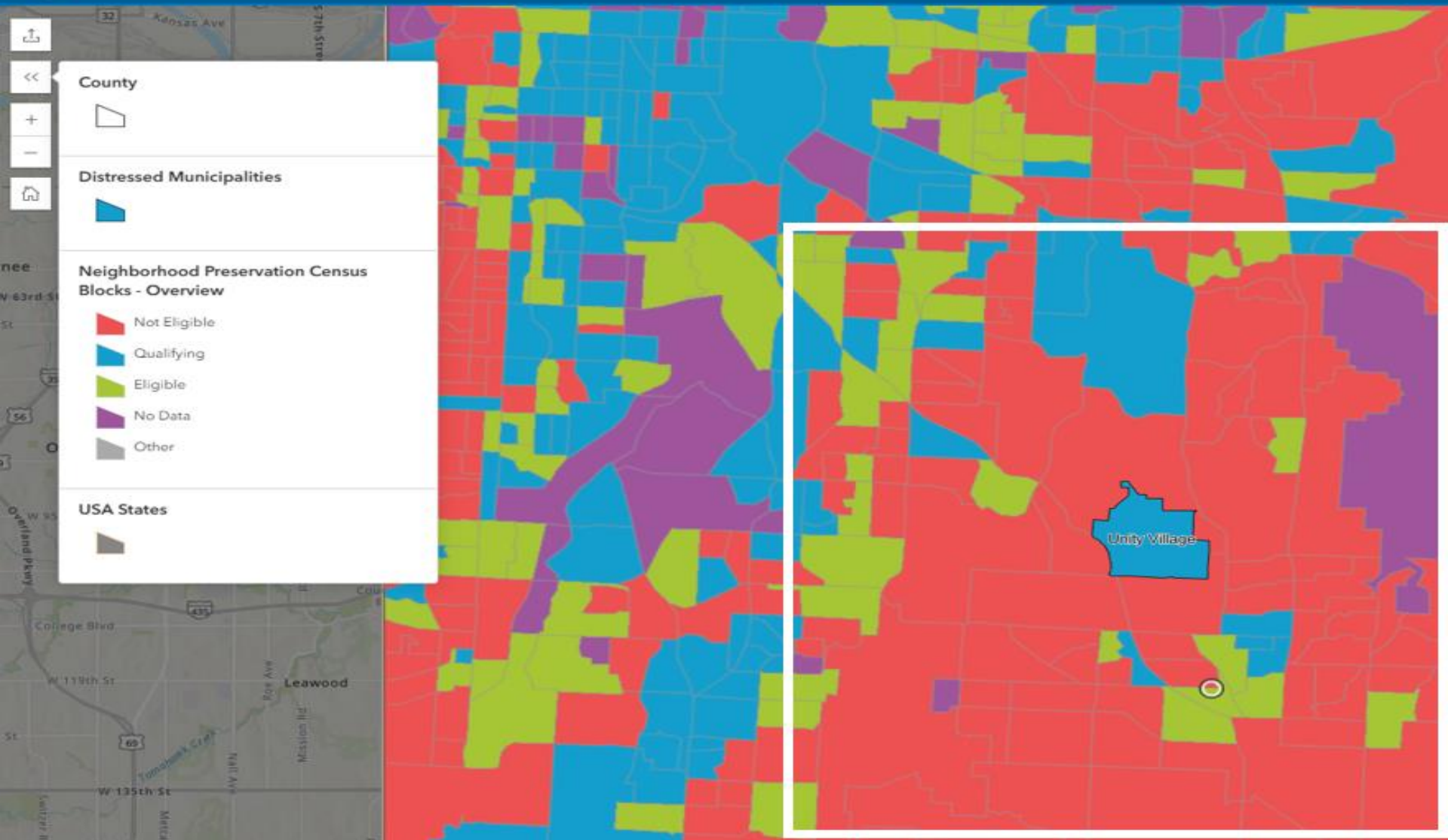


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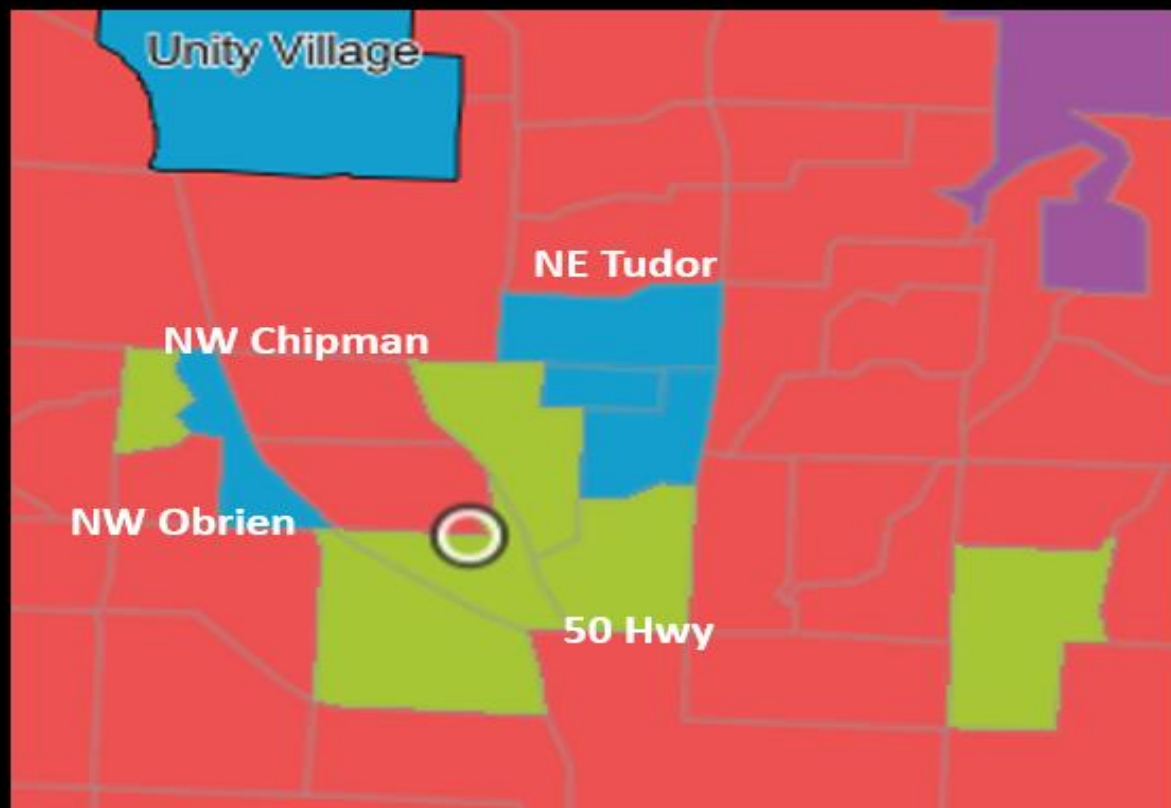
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Neighborhood Preservation Act



Affordable Homeownership Program Focus Areas





Thank You

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Funding Allocation Staff Recommendations

PY 2025 (Estimated)
\$342,628

Remaining Funds Available from Prior Years
\$173,000

Total for Allocation:
\$ 515,628

Discussion

CEDC Recommendation