

# Public Hearing

Community and Economic Development Committee

Community Development Block Grant Program

2023 Annual Action Plan

*Draft*



5:00 P.M.

March 8, 2023



# Intro to CDBG

Lee's Summit is an Entitlement community. As an Entitlement community, Lee's Summit receives an annual allocation of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

## Three National Objectives:

1. Benefit low-to-moderate income (LMI) persons
2. Address slums or blight; or,
3. Address a particularly urgent community need (disaster response)

# HUD Required Plans

- **Consolidated Plan (5 Year Strategic Plan)** – identifies community needs, prioritizes those needs, details strategies (goals and objectives) to address identified needs. (*adopted in Dec. 2019*)
- **Citizen Participation Plan** – Plan that sets forth policies and procedures to encourage public participation in plan preparation and amendments. Revisions are on an as needed basis. (*adopted in Dec. 2019; amended and adopted June 2020*)
- **Annual Action Plan**– more detailed plan with specific projects, activities, and budget for each of the 5 program years (July – June). This is our 4th year action plan.

# Action Plan Requirements

- Must identify annual goals and objectives and they must be directly linked to CON Plan goals and objectives.
- Must identify programs/projects to be carried out
- Must specify how these programs/projects will be funded
- Must indicate performance measures and anticipated accomplishments

# Action Plan Timeline

- Funding Application (Jan 5 – Feb 3)
- Staff Review (February)
- Staff Evaluation & Prioritization (February)
- Staff Funding Recommendation (February 24)
- Council CEDC Public Hearing & Recommendation (March 8)
- Public Review and Comment Period (March 9 – April 10)
- City Council Adoption (May)
- HUD Approval (submit in late-May)

# Recent Grant Levels

The funding allocation for PY 2023 has been announced as \$354,909.00, this is an increase of \$21,500 from PY 2022 (\$333,409).

Year	State	Organization Name	Program Name & Type	Amount
2021	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$355,770.00
2020	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$372,384.00
2020	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG : CV1	\$219,061.00
2020	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG : CV3	\$352,711.00
2019	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$373,739.00
2018	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$390,209.00
2017	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$354,769.00
2016	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$369,299.00
2015	MO	Lees Summit, MO	CDBG	\$365,566.00

# Recent CDBG Accomplishments

## **PY 2022 Accomplishments:**

- \$50,011.35 was awarded to four Public Service Agencies; to date this funding has benefitted 541 Lee's Summit residents.
- \$235,500 was awarded to Construction/Rehab Projects
  - Lee's Summit Housing Authority has completed Phases 1-2 of the exterior remodel at Duncan Estates with Phase 3 currently underway. This has benefitted 18 low-moderate income households.
  - Truman Habitat has continued the Home Preservation Program. Twelve LS households have benefitted by receiving minor home repairs— including siding repair, tree removal, roof repairs, foundation repairs, HVAC replacement and driveway repair.

# 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: \$49,451.00

Funding category: Planning and Admin

Subject to: 20% Cap of Total Grant

# Funding Request Presentation

## Coldwater of Lee's Summit

### BackSnack Program

Funding Request: \$8,000

Funding category: Public Service

Subject to: 15% Cap of Total Grant

# COLDWATER

## BACKSNACKS/WEEKEND FOOD PACKS PROGRAM

### 2023-24 School Year

CDBG request to fund 32 of the 258 students from  
4-6 Lee's Summit elementaries,  
1 Lee's Summit middle school,  
Summit Ridge Academy,  
Great Beginnings Early  
Education Center,  
LS School District  
HeadStart schools &  
Early HeadStart program



# Lee's Summit's Chronically Hungry Children

More than 600 chronically hungry elementary age children in Lee's Summit, according to Harvesters' research

Over 110 chronically hungry preschoolers in Lee's Summit identified for this school year by counselors & social workers at Great Beginnings Early Education Center & HeadStart schools

Coldwater funds up to 178



# **HOW Harvesters' BackSnacks & 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

Funding Request: \$20,000  
Funding category: Public Service  
Subject to: 15% Cap of Total Grant





 Hope House  
**COURT ADVOCACY PROGRAM**

# COURT ADVOCACY PROGRAM

- 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 115 units of court advocacy services.

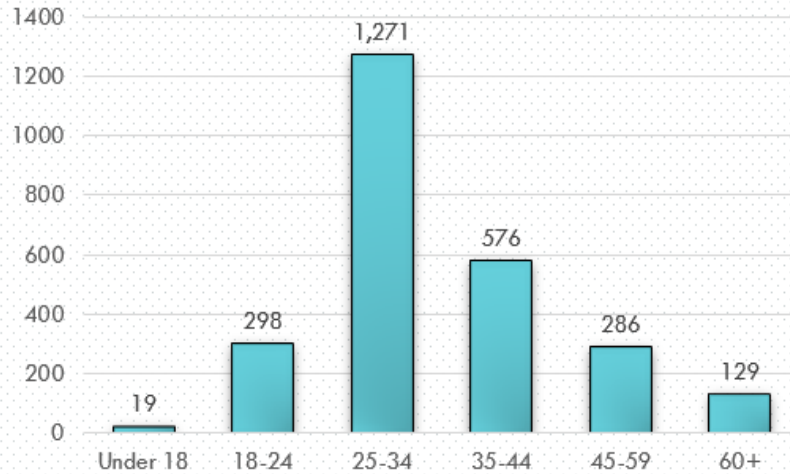
# NUMBER SERVED & DEMOGRAPHICS OVERALL PROGRAM (CY 2022)

Total Number of Survivors Served: 2,579

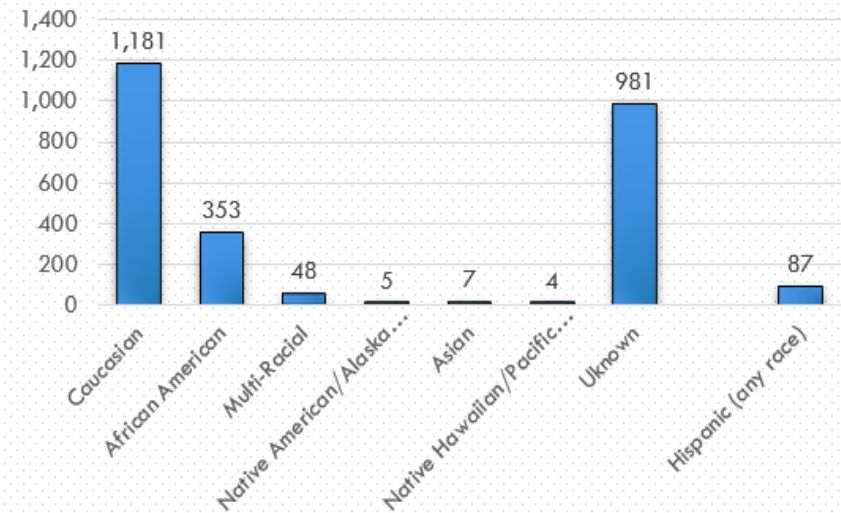
Total Interventions: 7,017

Total Hours of Service: 2,700.50

## AGE



## RACE/ETHNICITY



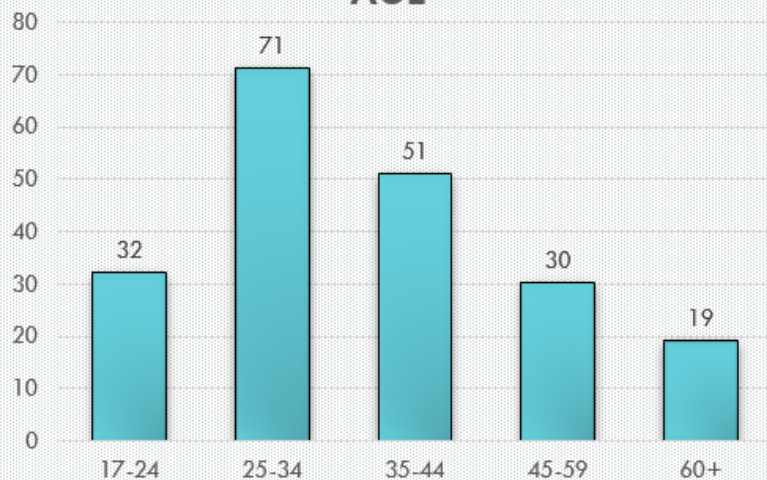
# NUMBER SERVED & DEMOGRAPHICS LEE'S SUMMIT RESIDENTS (CY 2022)

Total Number of Survivors Served: 203

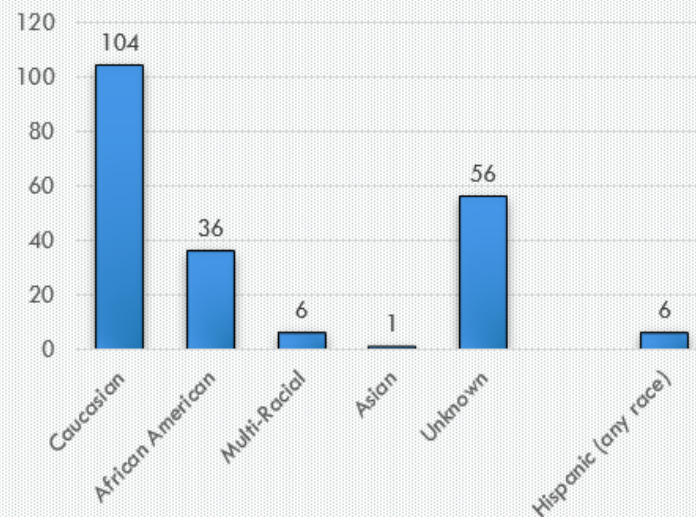
Total Interventions: 481

Total Hours of Service: 171

**AGE**



**RACE/ETHNICITY**



# LETHALITY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

- Officers use a researched based tool to assess survivors' risk of lethality.
- Hope House partners with 9 local police departments, including Lee's Summit to administer the program.
- In 2022, a total of 1,091 survivors were assessed; 82% screened as high lethality.
  - An increase of 6% from 2021.
- For Lee's Summit, a total of 292 survivors were assessed in 2022; 73% screened as high lethality.
  - An increase of 6% from 2021.

# PROGRAM SUCCESS

- In 2022 survivors achieved the following outcomes:
  - 100% increased their strategies to enhance their safety;
  - 98% increased their knowledge of community resources;
  - 98% had safety plans in place after their interaction with an Advocate;
  - 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

- Stacey (name changed for privacy and confidentiality purposes) contacted Lee's Summit Police Department for assistance.
- Stacey had an active Ex Parte Order of Protection but was continuing to experience harassment and threats.
- Abusive partner charged with Violating an Order of Protection and case was presented to and accepted by the Jackson County Prosecuting Attorneys Office.
- Court Advocate contacted Stacey to safety plan and offer support and resources
  - A legal referral was completed to Hope House's Civil Legal Program to provide free representation at the upcoming Order of Protection hearing. A Full Order of Protection was granted.
- Stacey continues to contact Court Advocate as needed.

# Funding Request Presentation

## Hillcrest Transitional Housing

Case Manager

Funding Request: \$20,000  
Funding category: Public Service  
Subject to: 15% Cap





# Hillcrest Transitional Housing

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

## How is Hillcrest solving homelessness?

Our program is effective at helping **individuals, youth, and families** become self-reliant in **90 days**

Our sites celebrate up to an **83%** program graduation rate

Last year, we transitioned more than **60** households to **self-sufficiency**

Hillcrest has been **solving homelessness** throughout the Kansas City area for **45 years**

In a single year, clients **pay off or reduce debt** by more than **\$175,000**

More than **630** **adults, children, and youth** served by Hillcrest programs each year

*We asked our graduates how their life has changed thanks to Hillcrest*

“ I have **savings** in the bank! ”

“ My **bills are paid** now. ”

“ My child's **grades have improved.** ”

“ I know to **choose needs** over wants. ”



# Hillcrest Transitional Housing

Hillcrest Transitional Housing offers homeless families, singles & youth a disciplined educational program within a caring, supportive environment, addressing the total life situation of the homeless families we serve.

## What is Hillcrest?

In exchange for rent/utility-free housing, adults agree 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 & independent living classes.

Through community support, Hillcrest also provides: 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, and more.

## Hillcrest in Lee's Summit

- 16 Family/Adult Transitional Housing Units
- 1 Office/Counseling Space

**An average of 36 households (85 individuals) per year will be provided transitional housing & direct supportive services (case management, bus passes, gas cards, financial assistance).**

**An average of 26 households will complete the program, find permanent housing and achieve self-sufficiency.**



# Hillcrest Transitional Housing

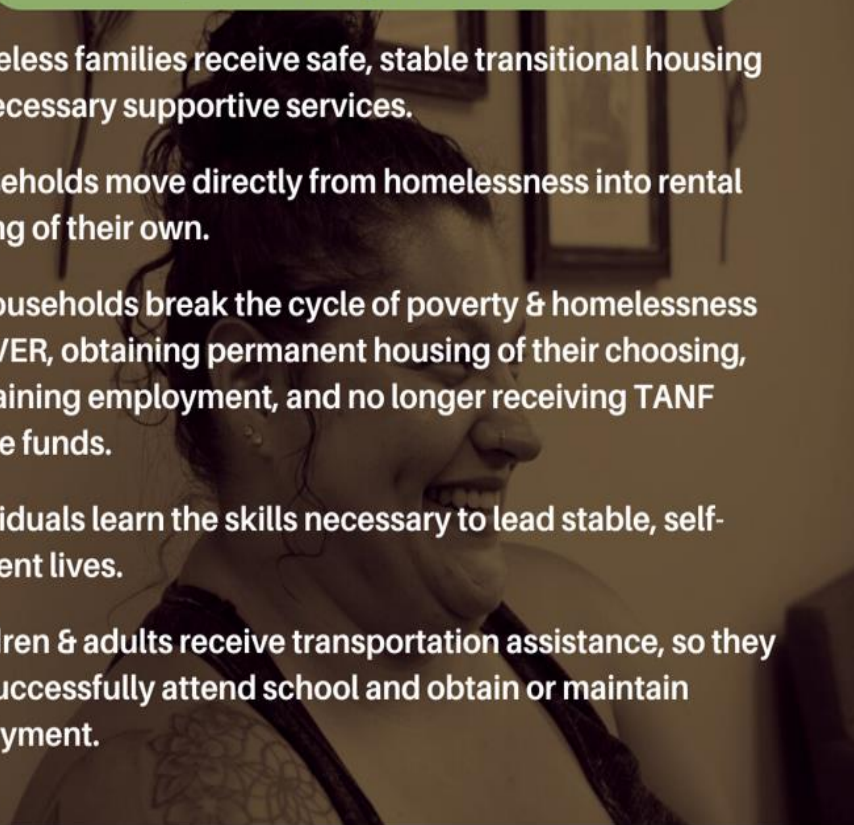
## *The Effects of Homelessness*

- Living on the streets is stressful and made worse by exposure to communicable disease, 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 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*

- Homeless families receive safe, stable transitional housing and necessary supportive services.
- Households move directly from homelessness into rental housing of their own.
- 26 households break the cycle of poverty & homelessness FOREVER, obtaining permanent housing of their choosing, maintaining employment, and no longer receiving TANF welfare funds.
- Individuals learn the skills necessary to lead stable, self-sufficient lives.
- Children & adults receive transportation assistance, so they may successfully attend school and obtain or maintain employment.



# Funding Request Presentation

## Lee's Summit Social Services

### Operating Expenses

Funding Request: \$30,000  
Funding category: Public Service  
Subject to: 15% Cap



# Lee's Summit Social Services

Established in 1992, Our Mission: To assist low-income, elderly and/or disable persons in the Lee's Summit Social Services area with emergency needs, while enabling them to maintain their dignity and learning to set and meet realistic goals which will lead to greater independence.



## 2022 Statistics:

### Types of Assistance Provided:

- Rent/Utility Assistance
- Food Assistance
- Personal Hygiene/Baby Care items
- Prescriptions
- Back to School Program
- Christmas Program
- Total amount of utility assistance: \$263,280.24
- Total amount of giving for 2022: \$1,688,340.89
- 20,378 services provided to 2,512 individuals.

# Funding Request Presentation

## Lee's Summit Housing Authority

### Duncan Estates Exterior Rehab

Funding Request: \$250,000.00

Funding category: Other

Subject to: No Cap



# FY-2023/24 CDBG Application

The Public Housing Authority (PHA) of the city of Lee's Summit, MO and greater Jackson County

Recipients pay 30% of total household income for rent & utilities

Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher

- Baseline of 649 vouchers
- Serves families

Public Housing Program

- Serves Seniors (age 62+) and Disabled
- Lee Haven Apartments – 50 units, opened 1967
- Duncan Estates – 66 units, opened 1996



# Duncan Estates Exterior Rehab Phases 1 - 3



Built in 1996, building exterior systems nearing end of useful life. Scope of Work - Replacement of all exterior systems. This includes cement fiberboard siding, windows, doors, gutters and downspouts, eaves and soffits, front porch posts, etc.



FY-2023: City made grant of \$110,000 to complete Phase 3 (8 units)



Phases 1 & 2 = 10 buildings (20 units) complete. Phase 3 Underway with completion in Summer 2023.

# Need: Phase 4 of Duncan Estates Exterior Rehabilitation



The exterior vinyl siding, windows, doors, gutters, downspouts, soffits, and front porches are 25-years-old & near end of useful life.



Total Project Scope for Phase 4: Total replacement of all exterior systems for five (5) buildings containing ten (10) units



Total Project Cost: \$300,000 for Phase 4



Request for Phase 4 (spring 2023) = \$250,000



Would leverage approximately \$50,000 in HUD Capital Improvement Funds for FY-2024

# Funding Request Presentation

## Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity

### Home Preservation Program

Funding Request: \$130,500.00

Funding category: Other

Subject to: No Cap

# 2022-23 CDBG Home Preservation Program



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**Habitat for Humanity®**

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**YEARS &  
BUILDING**

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

# Home Preservation

A variety of construction related services provided by Truman Habitat as general contractor for existing low or moderate income homeowners in Lee's Summit.

- 2023-24 Critical needs include:
  - Full roof replacements including guttering
  - Hazardous electrical remediation
  - Plumbing/sewer failure
  - HVAC replacement
  - Foundation repair and water diversion
  - Hazardous tree removal



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

## **Affordable & Flexible Repayment Options**

Different activities have different price structures, based on regulations and appropriateness standards. Pricing policies must be applied **consistently**. Habitat works to reduce project cost through donated material and labor when feasible.

### **QUESTIONS?**

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# Funding Allocation Recommendations

**PY 2023**  
**\$354,909**

**Remaining Funds Available from Prior Years**  
**\$16,552.90**

**Total for Allocation:**  
**\$ 371,461.90**

# Discussion

## CEDC Recommendation