## **Public Hearing**

Community and Economic Development Committee

Community Development Block Grant Program

2020-2021 Action Plan Draft



4:00 P.M. March 11, 2020





## 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)





## Intro to CDBG

HUD CDBG Program FOCUS:

- 1. Low-to-Moderate Income Population
- 2. Persons with Special Needs (seniors, abuse victims, disabilities, etc.)
  - A. Housing, Affordability, Availability, and Living Conditions
  - B. Assistance and Services for LMI
  - C. Services for Special Needs
  - D. Facilities for Special Needs
  - E. Public Improvements for LMI or Special Needs
  - F. Economic opportunities for LMI or Special Needs





## **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 processes to encourage public participation in plan preparation and amendments. Revisions are on an as needed basis. (adopted in Dec. 2019)
- Action Plan (Annual Plan of Actions) more detailed plan with specific projects, activities, and budget for each of the 5 program years (July – June). This is our 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Core Process**

- Funding Application (Jan. 6 Feb. 7)
- Staff Review (Feb.)
- Staff Evaluation & Prioritization (Feb.)
- Staff Funding Recommendation (Mar.)
- Council CEDC Public Hearing & Recommendation (Mar. 11)
- Public Review and Comment Period (Mar. 13 Apr. 17)
- City Council Adoption (May)
- HUD Approval (submit in mid-May)





## **Recent Grant Levels**

2012-13	\$288,907.00
2013-14	\$305,228.00
2014-15	\$338,070.00
2015-16	\$365,566.00
2016-17	\$369,299.00
2017-18	\$354,769.00
2018-19	\$390,209.00
2019-20	\$373,739.00
2020-21	\$372,384.00





## **Remaining CDBG Funds for Reallocation**

Program Year	Fund Amount
2016	\$10,000
2018	\$10,000
2018	\$1,067
Total Remaining	\$21,067





# **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





## City of Lee's Summit

**CDBG** Program Administration

Funding Request: \$74,476.80 Funding category: Planning and Admin Subject to: 20% Cap of Total Grant



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## Lee's Summit Housing Authority

Development Specialist (Salary)

Funding Request: \$40,000.00 Funding category: Planning and Admin Subject to: 20% Cap of Total Grant





## LSHA Overview

- 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



#### Past & Need – Development Specialist

- Lee's Summit Housing Authority did not have a professional on-staff with the experience, know-how and time to plan future development, redevelopment, and to advocate for affordable housing in this city.
- FY-2020: The City chose to grant LSHA \$36,000 to hire a professional Development Specialist
  - LSHA now has a Development Specialist whom is assisting agency leadership in planning the first new affordable housing development the agency has undertaken in 24 years, as well as rehabilitation projects for LSHA's two existing properties.
- FY-2021: LSHA is in the preliminary development phase of new projects, and the Development Specialist is key to these efforts
  - Grant Request: \$40,000



## Lee's Summit Housing Authority

**Duncan Estates Exterior Rehab** 

Funding Request: \$200,000 Funding category: Other Subject to: No Cap





## 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

## 2020-21 School Year

CDBG request to fund 32 of the 258 students from

6 Lee's Summit elementary schools, Summit Ridge Academy,

Great Beginnings Early Education Center & LS School District HeadStart Schools



# Lee's Summit's Chronically Hungry Children

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

Coldwater funds up to 178 with Harvesters' BackSnacks



50 to 60 chronically hungry preschoolers in Lee's Summit identified each year by counselors & social workers at Great Beginnings Early Education Center & HeadStart schools

Coldwater funds them ALL

## 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.

## Hope House

Children's Therapy Services

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



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## **CHILDREN'S THERAPY PROGRAM**

- Focuses on issues relevant to children who have been exposed to violence, such as self-esteem, safety planning, conflict resolution skills, and healthy ways of managing one's emotion.
- Includes individual, group, and family therapy for children ages preschool through 18 years of age.
- Available for children in residential and nonresidential services.
- CDBG funds provided approximately 30 children with more than 200 units of therapeutic services.

#### NUMBER SERVED & DEMOGRAPHICS (CY 2019) Total Number of Children Served: 216 Total Interventions: 2,263 Total Hours of Service: 2,110.75 **RACE/ETHNICITY** AGE 90 70 50 40 20 10 Coucesion American American Multi-Rocial Unknown contrace Under 5-9 10-14 15-18

## CDBG FUNDING NUMBER SERVED & DEMOGRAPHICS (CY 2019)



## ReDiscover

## **Case Management**

Funding Request: \$7,596.00 Funding category: Public Service Subject to: 15% Cap of Total Grant



Help, Hope, and Healing ReDiscover Case Management of **High-Risk Students** 



## Children's Behavioral Health Care

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#### WHAT WE DO

ReDiscover, a nonprofit community mental health center, provides comprehensive programs and services for men, women and children whose lives have been affected by mental illness and/or substance use disorders. We help a broad range of individuals and families, including those with limited financial means or without insurance.



## At a glance...



People served each day





Crisis calls answered each year



10,815

People served in treatment each year



#### **Proposal:**

#### **Case Management**

- At-risk Lee's Summit Elementary school children (K-6) (illness, injury, academic issues, emotional disturbances etc.)
- Referred by parents, faculty, administrators, school resources officers
- Helps children and adolescents develop the personal skills needed to cope with challenges while building and maintaining healthy relationships at school and at home
- ReDiscover qualified mental health professionals provide assessment, crisis prevention/intervention and counseling for students at all grade levels in coordination with local school districts
- Funding from MO DMH, Medicaid, local foundations, CDBG
- 200+ students

#### Outcomes

Success is measured by:

•improvements in academic performance, school attendance and suspension rates

Students learn to:

•manage risk factors in practical and positive ways

 find and provide mutual support among peers

•develop a positive relationship with an adult role model.



## City of Lee's Summit

Hillcrest Transitional Housing – Case Management

Funding Request: \$25,000 Funding category: Public Service Subject to: 15% Cap











#### **Hillcrest is solving homelessness** throughout the Kansas City area. Here's how:

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 175 households to **self-sufficiency**

Hillcrest has been solving homelessness 40 years throughout the Kansas City area for more than

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

#### More than ,020 adults, children, and youth are served by Hillcrest programs each year







## City of Lee's Summit

Lee's Summit Social Services– Operating Costs

Funding Request: \$28,000 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.



## 2019 Statistics:



Types of Assistance Provided:

- Rent/Utility Assistance
- Food Assistance
- Personal Hygiene/Baby Care items
- Prescriptions
- Back to School Program
- Christmas Program

- Unduplicated individuals assisted in 2019: 2,779
- Total number of services provided in 2019: 21,076
- Total amount of rent/utility assistance: \$96,773.04
- Total amount of giving for 2019: \$1,284,756.11

## Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity

Home Preservation Program

Funding Request: \$125,500.00 Funding category: Other Subject to: No Cap





Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity

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# Home Preservation Program

SERVING HOMEOWNERS PRESERVING HOUSES REVITALIZING NEIGHBORHOODS

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

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## What is Home Preservation?

A repair is construction work on an existing housing unit that is owner-occupied

- Home Repair
- Critical Home Repair
- Weatherization

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



### Why HFH is Expanding into Home Preservation?

#### 1. IT'S THE GREATEST NEED.

- Increase the # of families living in safe, decent, affordable housing.
- Enhance Habitat's broader Neighborhood Revitalization initiative.
- Increase community collaboration and volunteer opportunities.

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



## **Funding Allocation Recommendations**

# 2020-21 Grant Available \$372,384.00

# Prior Year Leftovers Available \$21,067.00

(only be used for OTHER category projects)





## Discussion

## **CEDC** Recommendation





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