



Town Council Agenda Report

Date: May 14, 2019 Item No: 8

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council

Subject: 2019-2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

From: Douglas Roberson, Town Manager

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Budgeted Item: Yes No N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Town Council approve the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (CDCAC) funding recommendations for the 2019-2020 Third-Year Action Plan, an annual component of the Five-Year 2017-2020 Consolidated Plan; and authorize the Town Manager to execute all necessary HUD documents on behalf of the Town.

BACKGROUND

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandates that all entitlement communities receiving CDBG funds prepare and submit a Consolidated Plan every five years to establish a unified, strategic, vision for housing and community development actions. The Five-Year Plan encompasses the analysis of local community needs and coordinates appropriate responses to those needs and priorities. To ensure compliance with the Five-Year Plan the Town is required to submit an annual Action Plan. The annual Action Plan will appropriate Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Consortium funds for the upcoming 2019-2020 program year.

In preparation of the Action Plan, applications were circulated to all Town Departments, and published in the paper on November 30, 2018. Secondly, in an effort to comply with the CDBG requirements of funding activities that address fair housing, an application was sent to Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB). Lastly, hardcopies were made available at the Town of Apple Valley Development Services Building and on the Town's website. Applications were due February 5, 2019 at 4:30pm.

A technical assistance workshop for interested participants was held on December 11, 2018. The purpose of the workshop is for Town staff to explain the application process and answer any questions. On March 21, 2019 public service agencies were invited to present their proposed project to the Community Development Citizen Advisory Committee (CDCAC). On April 4, 2019, the CDCAC reviewed all applications and presentations and made the recommendations for the 2019-2020 program year.

ANALYSIS

Based upon the information received from the applications and in consideration of the Town's five-year goals, the proposed 2019-2020 CDBG Action Plan Administration (Including Fair Housing Activities), Public Service, and Non-Public Service funding recommendations for the Town's consideration is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". The recommended funding allocations in accordance with the CDBG Program National Objective, the goal of the Action Plan is to serve the Town's low- and moderate- income residents, eliminate slum and/or blight, and meet other urgent community needs identified in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The Council retains complete discretion to modify or disregard the CDBG funding recommendations as presented and may propose alternative funding allocations.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

CDGB funds are to be used for projects that promote the development of viable, urban communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments and expanded economic activities, principally for persons of low-to-moderate-income. All CDBG-funded projects must meet one of the following national objectives: 1) Principally benefit low-to-moderate-income persons; 2) Eliminate slums and blight; or 3) Meet an urgent need. The types of projects and programs which may be considered for funding, subject to National Objectives compliance, include acquisition, disposition, public facilities and improvements, residential rehabilitation, clearance activities, public services, interim assistance, removal of architectural barriers and special economic development activities.

For the program year beginning July 1, 2019, the Town will receive a total of \$625,395 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. HUD regulations allow a maximum of 20 percent (approximately \$125,079) of grant funds for eligible Administration/Planning activities. HUD regulations also allow for a maximum of 15 percent of the annual allocation (approximately \$93,809) to be allocated for Public Service activities. The remainder of the funds (approximately \$406,507) will be allocated to capital improvements within the Town. The Town is expected to spend 100 percent of its funds to benefit low- and moderate- income individuals and areas.

HOME Investement Partnership Program

The Town participates in a consortium with the City of Victorville in order to qualify for HOME entitlement status with HUD. The successful formation of the consortium has resulted in an annual allocation of HOME funds to both communities. The consortium identifies the Town as the lead agency and Victorville as a participating jurisdiction.

HOME funds may be used to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership affordability through acquisition (including assistance to home buyers), new construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation of non-luxury housing with suitable amenities, including real property acquisition, site improvements, conversion, demolition and other expenses, including financing costs, relocation expenses of any displaced persons, families, businesses, or organizations; to provide tenant-based rental assistance, including security deposits; to provide payment of reasonable administrative and planning costs; and, to provide for the payment of operating expenses of Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs).

The Town will receive \$721,434 in HOME Investment Partnership Program funds for the 2019-2020 program year. Anticipated program income and prior year program funds and program income (CHDO and entitlement) will help fund CHDO rehab related projects. Apple Valley estimates receiving \$258,923 and Victorville estimates receiving \$462,511. HOME funds match waiver (0%) and percentage share (Apple Valley:35%; Victorville:64%) are determined by HUD formula allocation and annually reviewed. At this time, the percentage share for 2019 has not been published; an estimate is provided based on the 2018 rate. As lead agency, Apple Valley is allocated 50% of the Victorville portion of program administration.

A full copy of the draft 2019-2020 annual Action Plan along with information on the Town's current and previous use of CDBG and HOME funded programs, may be reviewed on the Town's website at www.applevalley.org.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the Town's General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Exhibit "A" : List of FY 2019-2020 CDBG funded projects

Town of Apple Valley
2019-2020 CDBG Allocations and CDCAC/Staff Recommendations

Name of Organizations	Project Title	Description	Amount
Assistance League of the Victor Valley	Operation School Bell	Clothing	\$10,000
Feed My Sheep Ministries	Feeding Apple Valley	Food Bank	\$4,000
Child Advocates of San Bernardino County (CASA)	Apple Valley Foster Youth: Improving Educational Outcomes	Foster Youth Services	\$6,000
Cedar House Life Change Center (CHLCC)	Oasis House	Sheltering Services	\$8,000
Apple Valley Police Activities League	Youth Boxing/Gym	AV Police Athletic League	\$6,809
Rolling Start	<i>Sanctuary Project</i>	Disabled Equipment	\$4,000
Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board	Fair Housing Services	Fair Housing Services	\$10,000
Family Assistance Program	Transitional Housing	Sheltering Services	\$10,000
High Desert Homeless Services (HDHS)	Homeless Related Services	Shelter Services	\$10,000
Moses House of Ministries	Resources and Referral for Families	Mothers with children under 6.	\$7000
Victor Valley Domestic Violence Inc.	"A Better Way" Shelter and Outreach	Sheltering Services	\$10,000
Victor Valley Community Service Council (VVCSC)	Senior and Disabled Needs Program	Transportation, visits, and minor home repair	\$8,000
Blight and Slum Elimination	Code Enforcement- CDBG Target Areas	Providing information to assist owner-occupied residences	\$24,000
HD Homeless Services- Warming Shelter	Warming Shelter	Homeless Services	\$61,000
Corwin Park Playground and Amenities	Replacement of Playground Equipment	Playground Equipment	\$68,000
Cramer Park Demolition	Demolition of Restroom	Remove restroom from former park.	\$10,000
JW Park Project-Irrigation	Irrigation Replacement	Replacing irrigation near field 1 and 2 including Playground area	\$125,000
Residential Rehabilitation Program	Residential Rehab Program	Provide 0-interest loans to owner occupied Single-family residents.	\$118,507
Total			\$500,316

