



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR HUD FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS FOR THE 2022 PROGRAM YEAR, AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 22-0040R, adopted January 10, 2022, approved the 2022 Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the secretary of HUD is authorized to make grants to cities and/or counties to finance local community development programs, approved in accordance with the provisions of Title I of said Act, as well as grants under the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, (the HOME program) and the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, as amended (the Emergency Solutions Grant - ESG - program);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to make and submit appropriate documentation to HUD for those projects and corresponding funding levels as set forth below:

2022 CITY OF DULUTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK

GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM-FUND 262, AGENCY 020, OBJECT 5434 PROJECT CD22CD

SUB

PROJECT

ACTIVITY

AMOUNT

PROJECTS

HOUSING PROJECTS

HOUS	1734	\$450,000	Duluth Property Rehab Prog. - HRA
HOUS	6915A	\$445,000	Community Land Trust: Acquisition-Rehab-Resale - One Roof Comm Housing
HOUS	6915	\$130,000	Community Land Trust: New Construction-One Roof Community Housing
HOUS	6915	\$75,000	One Roof Duluth Rehabilitation - One Roof Community Housing

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

ECDV	1974	\$70,000	Futures Program - Life House, Inc.
ECDV	2412	\$190,000	High-demand, Living-wage, Job Training Project - SOAR Career Solutions
ECDV	2264	\$56,000	Growing Neighborhood

Businesses - Entrepreneur Fund

ECDV	TBD	\$46,000	Green Workforce Development For Underserved Communities- Green New Deal Housing
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PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

PFAC	TBD	\$97,500	Blight Mitigation Specialist Pilot Program- City of Duluth, Life Safety
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PFAC	6787	\$72,000	Lincoln Park Resilience Hub Accessibility Project- Equilibrium3
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PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

PSVC	1291	\$20,000	Free Tax Site - Community Action Duluth
PSVC	1244A	\$21,000	Early Childhood Education - CHUM
PSVC	1244	\$87,500	Duluth Hunger Project - CHUM
PSVC	6915	\$24,500	Tenant Landlord Connection - One Roof Community Housing
PSVC	2511	\$20,000	The Landlord Incentives Program - The Salvation Army
PSVC	2805	\$30,500	NYS Jobs, Education, Training (JET) Project- Life House, Inc.
PSVC	1974	\$33,500	Life House Basic Needs/Drop-in for Homeless Youth - Life House, Inc.
PSVC	TBD	\$20,000	RAD-Peer Based Recovery Support Recovery Alliance Duluth (RAD)
PSVC	2109	\$10,000	Comprehensive Services for Homeless Veterans - Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans
PSVC	2509	\$18,500	Safe Haven Shelter Program - Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women
PSVC	1244B	\$40,000	CHUM Emergency Shelter - CHUM
PSVC	1226	\$30,000	Family Supportive Housing - Center City Housing Corporation
PSVC	2511	\$9,000	Family Transitional Housing - The Salvation Army
PSVC	1734	\$12,000	Coordinated Entry - Housing & Redevelopment Authority of Duluth,

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PLANNING/PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

ADMC AD01 \$ 502,000 CDBG Program Administration

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following are hereby designated as the financial resources for the above program:

SOURCE OF FUNDING

Year 2022	CDBG Grant - city	<u>\$ 2,510,000</u>
	Total	<u>\$ 2,510,000</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the city of Duluth and its officials are authorized and directed to assume full responsibility for assuring that its community development program is carried out in full compliance with the provisions of the acts implementing the programs and all regulations of HUD issued pursuant thereto. This authorization shall also apply to existing programs with the city and HUD under the HUD CDBG, HOME and ESG programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate city officials are authorized to execute the appropriate agreements in substantially the same form as that attached hereto as Exhibit A, B, C and D with these agencies upon receipt of HUD funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Community Development Committee approved a contingency plan on December 7, 2021 stating that if there should there be a higher level of CDBG funding allocated to the city for FY 2022 than estimated, such funding shall be distributed proportionally to previously recommended projects that were not recommended to receive full funding, up to 1% of the final allocation, and if less funding is allocated, all projects shall be reduced proportionally up to 1% of the final allocation. If the final allocated amount varies by more than 1% of the estimated amount then the community development committee shall reconvene and revise the funding recommendation and submit it to the City Council.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution reflects the recommendations of the Community Development Committee (CD committee) with concurrence of the Planning and Development manager. The CD committee solicited comments from organizations and citizens as related to the proposed FY 2021 funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The recommendations contained in this resolution were developed based on consideration of citizen comments, the public hearing held on November 16, 2021 and the deliberations of the CD committee on December 7. There was a 30-day public comment period from November 3, 2021, to December 3, 2021 on the 2022 annual action plan, which also includes recommended funding for the 2022 CDBG, HOME and ESG programs. The CD committee held a public hearing on November 16, 2021, to hear comments on the funding recommendations and approved a contingency plan if the allocated funding was altered by more than 1%. The CD committee's recommendations were adopted on December 7, 2021, with the concurrence of the Planning and Development Manager.

Source of Funds: \$2,510,000 in new 2022 HUD CDBG Funds

The resolution, in addition to authorizing application for grant funds and administration of same when received, also takes the following actions:

(a) Allocates funds by project for 2022 CDBG Program.

(b) Authorizes contracts for the activities upon receipt of the funding contract and completion of the environmental review process. Housing contracts will include addendums that require affordability restrictions in accordance with HUD regulations.

HOUSING

22-HS-01

Project Name: Duluth Property Rehab Program - HRA

Project Summary: The HRA's Property Rehab Program will provide low interest and deferred loans for rehabilitation assistance to rental property owners within the city of Duluth. Homeowners can apply for up to \$25,000 in funding to address code deficiencies and lead paint hazards. Rental owners can apply for a 2% interest loan to renovate their properties, which then must serve low to moderate income tenants.

Goal: 50 units of rental housing. 100% LMI.

Amount Recommended: \$450,000

22-HS-02

Project Name: Community Land Trust: Acquisition-Rehab-Resale - One Roof Community Housing

Project Summary: One Roof Community Housing will acquire eight blight residential structures, rehab the unit and then sale them to LMI households.

Goal: 8 units of owner-occupied housing.

Amount Recommended: \$445,000

22-HS-03

Project Name: Community Land Trust - New Construction

Project Summary: One Roof, a Community Housing Development Organization, will construct two new housing units, providing affordable homeownership opportunities, for low-moderate income households. The long-term affordability of the homes will be preserved through the Community Land Trust (CLT) program.

Goal: 2 Housing Units

Amount Recommended: \$130,000

22-HS-04

Project Name: One Roof Duluth Rehabilitation - One Roof Community Housing

Project Summary: One Roof will provide low interest loans, forgivable loans, and deferred loans for rehabilitation of single-family owner occupied and multi-family rental units within Duluth to low to moderate income individuals, focusing on healthy homes and energy conservation.

Goal: 20 housing units

Amount Recommended: \$75,000

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

22-ED-01

Project Name: Futures Program - Life House, Inc.

Project Summary: The Futures Program will provide alternative education and career pathways to homeless and at-risk youth who are disconnected from school or work for them to become employed.

Goal: 50 LMI Youth

Amount Recommended: \$70,000

22-ED-02

Project Name: High-Demand, Living-wage, Job Training Project -SOAR Career Solutions

Project Summary: SOAR Career Solutions, a community based development organization, will provide job training and skill development to assist LMI people to help them achieve living wage jobs.

Goal: 90 LMI Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$190,000

22-ED-03

Project Name: Growing Neighborhood Businesses - Entrepreneur Fund

Project Summary: The Northeast Entrepreneur Fund's Growing Neighborhood Businesses program will provide technical assistance and peer support for 7 existing small businesses in CDBG target neighborhoods to help grow their business revenue to help their revenue increase by 25%.

Goal: 7 LMI neighborhood small business owners grow their business revenue.

Amount Recommended: \$56,000

22-ED-04

Project Name: Green WorkForce Development for Underserved Communities-Green New Deal Housing

Project Summary: Job training for low-moderate income individuals in green and zero energy construction techniques for employment.

Goal: 20 LMI Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$46,000

PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

22-PF-01

Project Name: Blight Mitigation Specialist Pilot Program-City of Duluth

Project Summary: Funds will be used to hire an individual to assist residents in LMI neighborhoods to proactively reduce blight.

Goal: 100 Units

Amount Recommended: \$97,500

22-PF-02

Project Name: Lincoln Park Resilience Hub Accessibility Project -Equilibrium3

Project Summary: Funds will be used for ADA upgrades to a community center (former Lincoln Park Senior Center).

Goal: 1 Facility

Amount Recommended: \$72,000

PUBLIC SERVICES

22-PS-01

Project Name: Free Tax Site - Community Action Duluth

Project Summary: Community Action Duluth (CAD) will use the funding to support the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program ("Free Tax Site"). Staff and volunteers assist over 1200 households a year in filing returns to recoup more than \$2.3 million in tax refunds.

Goal: 1,200 LMI Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

22-PS-02

Project Name: Early Childhood Education - CHUM

Project Summary: CHUM will provide services for children at the Steve O'Neil Apartments including a licensed 4-Star Parent Aware childcare program, two-generational parenting programs, youth programs, and community programs focused on healthy habits, food security, literacy and inclusion.

Goal: 70 LMI Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$21,000

22-PS-03

Project Name: Duluth Hunger Project - CHUM

Project Summary: The Duluth Hunger Project is a coalition of three agencies (CHUM, The Salvation Army, and The Damiano Center) working together to prevent and alleviate chronic hunger and malnutrition among the lowest income of Duluth's residents, through congregate meal sites and emergency food shelf programs.

Goal: 15,000 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$87,500

22-PS-04

Project Name: Tenant Landlord Connection - One Roof Community Housing

Project Summary: The TLC will help ensure stable rental housing exists by educating existing and potential landlords and tenants regarding rights and responsibilities as well as mediating disputes between landlords and tenants to reduce the number of evictions in our community.

Goal: 560 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$24,500

22-PS-05

Project Name: The Landlord Incentives Program - The Salvation Army

Project Summary: Salvation Army will engage landlords to provide housing opportunities for singles, families, and youth who may otherwise be prevented from renting due to criminal history.

Goal: 50 LMI Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

22-PS-06

Project Name: JET Jobs, Education, Training Plus Project-Life House, Inc.

Project Summary: Provide food, education, and services to youth in LMI families.

Goal: 550 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$30,500

22-PS-07

Project Name: Life House Basic Needs/Drop-in for Homeless Youth - Life House, Inc.

Project Summary: Life House's Basic Needs Center for Homeless Youth provides basic human necessities, referrals to internal and external services, site-based outreach, assistance obtaining and maintaining stable housing, and independent living skills classes for homeless, at-risk and street youth ages 14-24.

Goal: 625 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$33,500

22-PS-08

Project Name: RAD-Peer-Based Recovery Support Program - Recovery Alliance Duluth

Project Summary: Provide peer-based services to individuals over 10 seeking or in recovery from substance abuse and are or at risk of becoming homeless.

Goal: 40 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$20,000

22-PH-01

Project Name: Comprehensive Services for Veterans - Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans

Project Summary: MACV will work to provide shelter, outreach, intake, assessment, and direct services to veterans living on the streets and other places not meant for human habitation.

Goal: 5 LIM Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$10,000

22-PH-02

Project Name: Safe Haven Shelter Program - Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women

Project Summary: Safe Haven Shelter is an emergency shelter for women and their children who are fleeing domestic violence. Safe Haven provides shelter stabilization services, advocacy, and support to those in the shelter.

Goal: 575 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$18,500

22-PH-03

Project Name: CHUM Emergency Shelter - CHUM

Project Summary: CHUM will work to provide shelter, outreach, referral, prevention and rapid rehousing services to homeless living on the streets and other places not meant for human habitation.

Goal: 1,200 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$40,000

22-PH-04

Project Name: Family Supportive Housing - Center City Housing Corporation

Project Summary: CCHC will operate and provide supportive services for transitional and permanent housing units.

Goal: 124 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$30,000

22-PH-05

Project Name: Family Transitional Housing - The Salvation Army

Project Summary: Salvation Army will provide transitional housing and support services to assist homeless families move toward greater housing stability.

Goal: 100 Individuals

Amount Recommended: \$9,000

22-PH-06

Project Name: Coordinated Entry- Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Duluth (HRA)

Project Summary: The Duluth HRA will work with homeless providers to implement the coordinated entry system to ensure homeless persons have access to services.

Amount Recommended: \$12,000

