

**FY 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
Staff Report**

Project: Duluth Hunger Project CHUM (Salvation Army, Damiano, Union Gospel Mission)				Application Number: 14-PS-01, page 88		
Consolidated Plan Objective: #13; Support programs that fulfill basic needs for persons who are homeless or in poverty- food, clothing, shelter.						
FY 2014 Goal: 12,000 people		Amount Requested: \$72,000		Performance Indicator: People		
Previous Awards and Spending Rates (as of 3/31/12 in the 2011 CAPER):						
	Award	Expended	Balance	Goal	Actual	(Verified) %LMI
2012	\$64,703	\$64,703	\$0	8,000	12,852	100%
2011	\$72,600	\$72,600	\$0	8,000	13,324	100%
2010	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	8,000	13,923	100%

1. Consolidated Plan Priority

Con Plan Community Development Goals:

- This activity was identified in the 5-yr Consolidated Plan goals.
- This will serve 12,000 people, out of the 5-yr goal of 43,000 people.

Priority Community Development Needs:

- High Priority

2. Project Readiness

Timely Completion/Expenditure of Funds:

- It is an ongoing program and goals will be met by March 31, 2015.

Additional Actions Needed:

- This is an ongoing program, ready to start on April 1, 2014.

3. Project Impact and Delivery

Achievement of Expected Results:

- The collaborative served over 225,000 meals and over 11,000 food packages in 2012 and project the number needing assistance to remain the same. They have served over 12,000 people consistently ever year.
- The applicant clearly describes the needs and provides statistics substantiating this need.

Target Clientele:

- All clients are LMI, with a high percentage being homeless.

Outcome Measurements:

- The Hunger Collaborative agencies met and exceeded their outcome measurements for 2012.

Number of Persons/Households to Benefit:

- Program will serve 12,000 people by serving 225,168 onsite meals and 11,232 food packages.
- Per client CDBG Cost: \$5.92/person

Business/Operations Plan Approach:

- Programs emphasize the use of volunteers and donations showing s the programs have true community investment. These partnerships are integral to the success of the Hunger Project.
- Coordinating and collaborating between agencies helps to ensure the population is served.

4. Financial Considerations

Sufficiency and Leveraging of Resources:

- Program has \$93,700 in secured funds for the project which is a 2-1:1 ratio.
- Total funds anticipated: \$860,969 (not including in-kind donations).

Fiscal Support and Viability:

- No concerns from the city finance staff.
- Quarterly reports are accurate and on time.
- CHUM did not spend down all of the HPRP funding. This issue has since been resolved.

Project Budget Detail/Use of Funds

- Project Budget shows CDBG will go towards salary, appear reasonable.
- Project budget for CDBG does not show \$71,000, assumed an error.

5. Applicant Attributes

Project /Program Management Ability and Capacity:

- More detail on training, qualifications, and experience of staff/organizations needed.
- All the Hunger organizations have been effective for many years at serving basic needs in Duluth and grasp the responsibility for benefitting LMI persons.

Past Performance/Experience:

- CHUM has regularly received CDBG/ESG funds over the last 5 years (more than 5 from the City). CHUM continues to serve LMI people in Duluth.
- CHUM is familiar with CDBG funding requirements and has done well with reporting.

Quality of Application:

- Application seems accurate and provides a good picture for the strong need for food programs in Duluth, although more statistics (if available) would strengthen the application.

BONUS POINTS – 10 points

Collaborative or Joint Application:

- The Hunger Project is collaboration between Churches United in Ministry (CHUM), the Damiano Center, and the Salvation Army.