

Notice of Public Comment Period and Public Hearing on the City of Duluth FY 2016 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development

* Federal Funding Recommendations Included *

The City of Duluth is seeking citizen comment on the Draft FY 2016 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development. Current community issues, especially those affecting persons with low and moderate incomes, persons of color, and persons with disabilities, and the City’s progress toward five-year community development goals are outlined in the Plan. **This Plan includes the recommendations for approximately \$2.9 million in funds to the City of Duluth from three programs of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Community Development Committee (CD Committee) plans and advises on the use of these funds to the Duluth City Council.**

CD Committee Recommendations for 2016 Funding:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program (at least 70% of CDBG funds must benefit persons with low or moderate incomes)

Housing (all are applications are for housing improvements that will benefit people with low or moderate incomes)

Housing Resource Connection – Duluth HRA & One Roof	\$ 614,500
Multi-family Development (Gateway) – One Roof	\$ 200,000
Energy Services Case Mgt & Volunteer Cord.- Ecolibrium3	\$ 30,000

Economic Development (all applications will create full-time jobs or assist businesses to create jobs to be filled by persons having low or moderate incomes at the time of employment)

Duluth At Work Collaborative – SOAR Career Solutions	\$ 272,000
Growing Neighborhood Businesses – Northeast Entrepreneur Fund	\$ 64,000

Public Facility Improvements (all applications will provide improvements to neighborhoods having a majority of persons with low and moderate incomes)

Homeless Youth Building Improvements- Life House	\$ 153,000
Trepanier Hall/Gimaajii Improvements- AICHO	\$ 150,500

Public Service (all applications will provide programs or services to persons With low or moderate incomes) Federal regulations stipulate

a maximum of 15% of grant funds to public service applications.)

Duluth Hunger Project - CHUM	\$ 70,000
Access to Dental Care Services - Lake Superior Community Health Ctr	\$ 30,000
JET Food Program – Neighborhood Youth Services	\$ 20,000
Basic Needs Center for Homeless Youth- Life House	\$ 28,000
CHUM Emergency Shelter – CHUM	\$ 36,800
AICHO Housing Svcs – American Indian Community Housing Org	\$ 18,250
MACV Duluth Services- MACV-DULUTH	\$ 9,150
Family Transitional Housing- Salvation Army	\$ 5,250
CCHC Housing Programs- Center City Housing Corp	\$ 19,550
Safe Haven Domestic Violence Shelter- Safe Haven	\$ 7,800
Coordinated Homeless Assessment Process	\$ 12,000
Housing & Stabilization Benchmarks	\$ 27,368

Planning

Program Administration – CD Division	\$ 422,042
Neighborhood Revitalization Planning – CD Division	\$ 20,000
HOME Program Administration – CD Division	\$ 40,590
ESGP Program Administration – CD Division	\$ 14,873
HOME TBRA Administration – Duluth HRA	\$ 7,500

HOME Investment Partnerships Program - Proposed Year 2016 Funding Recommendations

Homeless Rental Assistance Program (TBRA) – Duluth HRA	\$ 115,000
Housing Resource Connection Duluth - HRA / One Roof	\$ 45,306
CHDO CLT Acquisition/Rehabilitation – One Roof	\$ 72,500
Center for Changing Lives – Lutheran Social Services	\$ 200,000

Emergency Solutions Grants Program - Proposed Year 2016 Funding Recommendations

CHUM Emergency Shelter – CHUM	\$ 14,800
Housing Services – AICHO	\$ 3,750
Prevention and Rapid Rehousing for Veterans- MACV	\$ 3,150
Family Transitional Hsg Operations – Salvation Army	\$ 5,250
Supportive Housing Programs – Center City Housing	\$ 11,550
Domestic Violence Shelter- Safe Haven	\$ 7,800
HMIS Data Entry	\$ 4,000
Housing Stabilization Benchmarks	\$ 63,132

There is a 30-day public review period on this Draft Plan and the funding recommendations which runs from October 30 – November 30, 2015. Copies of the Plan are available at the City of Duluth Community Development Division (Room 332 City Hall), Duluth City Clerk’s Office (Room 330 City Hall), the Duluth Public Library and

all branches of the library.

A public hearing will be held by the CD Committee at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, in the Council Chambers - 3rd Floor - City Hall. The purpose of the public hearing is for citizens to comment on the Draft Plan and the funding recommendations. Members of the public, especially persons having low and moderate incomes, persons of Color, and persons with disabilities, are encouraged to attend and comment on the 2016 Action Plan.

For more information or to submit comments on this Draft Action Plan, contact:

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A brief summary of the funding recommendations is available on the City's website, please visit <http://www.duluthmn.gov/community-development> .

If you have special needs, such as an interpreter, please contact the Community Development Division at 730-5480 so that your needs can be accommodated.

For hearing impaired persons please call the City's TTY/Information Assistance at 730-5000 or the Minnesota Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529.