

## NOTICE TO ANNOUNCE START OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This notice is to announce the beginning of a minimum thirty-day (30) public comment and review period of Dakota County Community Development Agency's (CDA) draft of the Dakota County Consortium's 2017 Annual Action Plan. The purpose of the public comment period is to receive comments from the general public concerning the proposed housing and community development needs and objectives of Dakota County, and the projected use of Fiscal Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds, and Program Income derived from CDBG and HOME. At the time of publication, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) had not released the Fiscal Year 2017 allocations for the three programs. The proposed budgets for the uses listed in this notice are an estimate based on the allocation received by Dakota County in Fiscal Year 2016. The 2017 Action Plan will be adjusted when HUD releases the final grant amount for Fiscal Year 2017. A public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2017 Action Plan is proposed to be scheduled for April 18, 2017.

Following is a summary of the proposed uses for the 2017 CDBG Program (estimate \$1,772,394) and Program Income.

- Dakota County: \$173,279 for Countywide home improvement loans; \$30,000 for well sealing grants; \$45,000 for septic system repair grants; \$3,750 for fair housing implementation and \$191,000 for general administration.
- Program Income: Approximately \$400,000 in revolving loan funds for homeowner improvement loans.
- Small Cities & Townships – Pending committee approval; \$27,556 to the City of Randolph for stormwater holding pond improvements; and \$11,750 to the City of Mendota for park improvements and to replace city street signs.
- Apple Valley - \$18,000 for senior public services; \$140,088 for home improvement loans.
- Burnsville - \$128,900 for home improvement loans and remodel grants; \$109,500 for senior and youth public services; and \$10,500 for general administration.
- Eagan - \$159,436 for home improvement loans; \$35,000 for senior and youth public services.
- Farmington - \$19,133 for home improvement loans; \$2,500 for senior services; \$10,000 for comprehensive planning.
- Hastings - \$68,650 for assessment abatement.
- Inver Grove Heights - \$80,000 for home improvement loans; \$15,000 for comprehensive planning; \$24,171 for street improvements (ADA compliance).
- Lakeville - \$30,000 for economic development planning; \$68,764 for home improvement loans; \$38,764 for spot acquisition and clearance.
- Mendota Heights - \$17,889 for home improvement loans.
- Northfield - \$26,014 for residential rehabilitation; \$20,000 for street improvements (ADA compliance); \$15,000 for down-payment assistance.
- Rosemount - \$51,232 for sealing abandoned municipal wells.

- South St Paul - \$45,355 for home improvement loans; \$45,355 for acquisition of blighted property.
- West St Paul - \$110,808 for home improvement loans.

The CDBG funding will be allocated proportionally for most subrecipients depending on any increase or decrease in program funding. However, the cities of Apple Valley, Burnsville, and Eagan will hold the amounts for public service activities steady and adjust the amounts dedicated of the Home Improvement Loan activities by the amount needed to meet the final funding allocation. The cities of Farmington and Inver Grove Heights will keep funding for their public service/public facilities and Home Improvement Loan programs steady and adjust the amounts dedicated to the 2040 Comprehensive Plan activities as needed to meet the final funding allocation.

The following is a summary of the proposed uses for the 2017 ESG (estimate \$150,546):

- \$25,000 to assist emergency shelter operations.
- \$83,803 to be dedicated to rapid re-housing assistance payments.
- \$20,000 to service assistance such as security deposit and housing search.
- \$10,511 for Homeless Management Information System costs
- \$11,232 to general administration of the ESG program

If additional funds are received for the ESG program, the funds will be allocated to the Rapid Re-Housing component. If funds are reduced for the ESG program, funds will be taken from the Emergency Shelter component.

The following is a summary of the proposed uses for the 2017 HOME Entitlement (estimated \$1,778,761) and Program Income (\$378,865). The percentage shares are currently the 2016 shares and are subject to change.

- Dakota County (35.10% Share), \$624,345 and \$7,380 in Program Income:
  - Affordable Housing Development: \$475,639 for the CDA's proposed 40-unit Prestwick Place Townhomes in Rosemount.
  - Community Development Housing Organization (CHDO): \$93,652 available for eligible Dakota County Community Housing Development Organizations.
  - Administration: \$62,434 for the administration of HOME funded projects and HOME Consortium related responsibilities.
- Anoka County (24.90% Share), \$444,690 and \$5,501 in Program Income, for detailed uses please contact Karen Skepper at 763-323-5709 or [karen.skepper@co.anoka.mn.us](mailto:karen.skepper@co.anoka.mn.us);
- Ramsey County (24.10% Share), \$414,451 and \$270,621 in Program Income, for detailed uses please contact Mary Lou Egan at 651-266-8039 or [MaryLou.Egan@co.ramsey.mn.us](mailto:MaryLou.Egan@co.ramsey.mn.us);
- Washington County (13.30% Share), \$236,576 and \$18,540 in Program Income, for detailed uses please contact Angie Shuppert at 651-379-9551 or [ashuppert@wchra.com](mailto:ashuppert@wchra.com);

- City of Woodbury (3.30% Share), \$58,699 and \$76,823 in Program Income, for detailed uses please contact Karl Batalden at 651-414-3438 or [kbatalden@ci.woodbury.mn.us](mailto:kbatalden@ci.woodbury.mn.us)

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This information is also available on the CDA's website at [www.dakotacda.org](http://www.dakotacda.org). Written comments will be accepted now through April 12, 2017.