



Item: Annual Action Plan Including Use of 2016/2017 CDBG & HOME Funds

From: Craig Raymond, Director, Planning and Community Development

Initiated By: Jolene Wetterau, CDBG/HOME Administrator, Planning and Community Development Department

Presented By: Craig Raymond, Director, Planning and Community Development

Action Requested: Adoption of the 2016/2017 Annual Action Plan including the use of 2016/2017 CDBG & HOME funds and authorization of its submittal to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission (adopt/not adopt) the 2016/2017 Annual Action Plan detailing the use of the 2016/2017 Community Development Block Grant funds and 2016/2017 HOME Program funds as recommended, and (authorize/not authorize) the submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).”

2. Mayor requests a second to the motion, Commission discussion, public comment, and calls for the vote.

Staff Recommendation: The Community Development Council (CDC) and staff recommend the City Commission adopt the Annual Action Plan including the use of the 2016/2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and the use of the 2016/2017 HOME Investment Partnership Program funds, and authorize submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Background: The Annual Action Plan portion of the Consolidated Plan includes the proposed use of CDBG and HOME funds for the upcoming fiscal year. The Consolidated Plan is a 5-year comprehensive planning strategy required by HUD. The 2106/2017 Annual Action Plan will be the second year of this five year plan.

CDBG and HOME Grant project applications were received in January, 2016. The CDC reviewed the applications and made funding recommendations to the City Commission on March 1, 2016. A 30-day comment period beginning March 23, 2016, through April 22, 2016, was established to receive citizen input on the proposed 2016/2017 Annual Action Plan, the proposed

use of 2016/2017 CDBG and HOME funds, and program performance and policies. A copy of the proposed Annual Action Plan has been available for review in the City's Planning and Community Development Department Office, the Great Falls Public Library, the City Clerk's office, and on the City of Great Falls web page.

At the end of the 30-day comment period, the City Commission must adopt as recommended, or amend and adopt, the final Annual Action Plan for submittal to HUD in order for the City to continue to receive CDBG and HOME program funds. HUD must receive the Annual Action Plan electronically on May 15, 2016. The final Annual Action Plan will be on file in the City Clerk's office.

Concurrences: The CDC reviewed grant applications and made funding recommendations to the City Commission on March 1, 2016.

Fiscal Impact: The City of Great Falls is expecting to receive \$710,552 of CDBG funds and \$184,587 of HOME funds from HUD in the coming year.

Alternatives: The City Commission may choose to approve the 2016/2017 Annual Action Plan as presented or amend the plan.

Attachments/Exhibits:

CDBG and Home Program Funding Proposal

**2016/2017 USE OF FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT**

Affordable Housing

	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT– CODE ENFORCEMENT Provide services to preserve and enhance public health and safety and reduce slums and blight by enforcing international and city codes related to maintenance of property and buildings.</p>	\$26,405	\$26,405
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT– REVOLVING LOAN FUND SERVICING Provide servicing for rehab counseling, loan processing, inspections and construction monitoring for all CDBG-funded City revolving loan housing programs for low income people.</p>	\$50,000	\$50,000
<p>HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Infrastructure improvements for two including concrete work, sidewalks, site excavation, and water/sewer connections Habitat for Humanity homes located within the city limits and remainder to towards the purchase of lots to build future homes.</p>	\$124,400	\$70,564
<p>NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES, INC. Revolving loan fund to provide down payment assistance, new construction/purchase and rehabilitation of houses or rentals, and other activities addressing neighborhood revitalization activities in their CBDO-designated neighborhoods.</p>	\$150,000	\$75,000

Economic Development

<p>GREAT FALLS DEVLEOPMENT AUTHORITY Expand revolving loan fund to provide gap financing to existing and start-up businesses to create new jobs for persons from LMI households, agency located at 300 Central Avenue</p>	\$70,000	\$40,000
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Public Facility Improvements

<p>CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH-GATEWAY For repair and painting of exterior of the group home for mentally disabled adults located at 1118 1st Ave N.</p>	\$28,030	\$10,250
<p>CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH-LEWIS Replacement of roof for the group home for mentally disabled adults located at 2115 Central Ave West.</p>	\$35,468	\$14,430

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<p>CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH-PASSAGES For exterior repairs and paint and replacement of existing windows with energy efficient windows for group home for mentally disabled adults located at 704 5th Ave N.</p>	\$37,692	\$0
<p>GREAT FALLS HOUSING AUTHORITY – HOLLAND COURT REHAB PHASE II Redesign, removal of all concrete and asphalt, backfill, and repaving of parking lots, sidewalks, and handicap access ramps in Holland Court facility located at 600-625 Holland Court.</p>	\$150,000	\$0
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PARK & RECREATION – COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER - ADA LIFT/BASEMENT BATHROOM Install ADA lift system and update the basement locker room to be ADA accessible for the community recreation center located at 801 2nd Avenue North.</p>	\$70,000	\$0
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PARK & RECREATION – ELECTRIC CITY WATER PARK ADA updates to the pool facility locker rooms located at 100 River Drive.</p>	\$69,920	\$40,176
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PARK & RECREATION – RHODES PARK Purchase and install handicap accessible play structure and play area border at Rhodes Park located at 812 Central Ave West.</p>	\$40,000	\$40,000
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PUBLIC WORKS – ADA HANDICAP RAMPS Replacement of existing intersections with ADA accessible ramps at intersection along 6th Ave S. from the east side of 18th Street through 23rd Street (funding permitting)</p>	\$185,000	\$70,000
<p>GREAT FALLS CITY PUBLIC WORKS – SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT Grant program to provide assistance to low income homeowners to remove and replace hazardous sidewalks within the city limits</p>	\$30,000	\$30,000
<p>MONTANA INSTITUTION OF FAMILY LIVING/PARK MANOR Removal/replacement of carpeting in dining room, and removal/replacement on vinyl floor in recreation area in an LMI housing complex located at 100 Central Ave.</p>	\$17,529	\$17,529
<p>QUALITY LIFE CONCEPTS Replacement of existing door locks with keyed locks and keypads on group homes within the city limits</p>	\$22,349	\$0

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ST. VINCENT DEPAUL-GRACE HOME Replacement of roof on transitional housing facility for homeless vets located at 2211 5 th Ave N.	\$15,075	\$15,075
<u>Public Service Activities</u>		
AREA VIII AGENCY ON AGING-MEALS ON WHEELS Purchase food for Meals on Wheels, a citywide home delivery meal program for low/moderate income elderly who are handicapped or unable to prepare meals	\$25,000	\$25,000
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF CASCADE COUNTY Provide scholarships for summer day camps for children from low income families, programs located at Great Falls Housing Authority (1722 Chown Springs Loop) and Boys & Girls Club (600 1 st Avenue Southwest)	\$30,000	\$25,000
CASCADE COUNTY LAW CLINIC Computer equipment, training materials, and scholarships for LMI families to participate in court mandated parenting classes.	\$45,000	\$0
FAMILY CONNECTIONS MT (aka Child Care Solutions Montana) Program to provide early childhood educational services to childcare providers for LMI families and children under protective services.	\$13,330	\$0
GREAT FALLS CITY PARK & RECREATION— MORONY NATATORIUM & COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER Provide scholarships for disabled adults to participate in special needs water activities at community indoor pool facility located at 111 12 th Street North; provide scholarships for children from low income families for after school programs and summer camp programs at community center located at 801 2 nd Avenue North	\$10,000	\$10,000
GREAT FALLS SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER Purchase food and supplies for on-site meal program for the elderly administered in elderly facility located at 1004 Central Avenue	\$10,000	\$0
KAIROS YOUTH SERVICES, INC. Funding towards purchase of passenger van for youth group home located at 1201 7 th Ave NW.	\$25,000	\$18,819
RURAL DYNAMICS, INC. Provide scholarships for credit building services through the Credit Building for LMI Individuals Program, agency located at 2022 Central Avenue	\$13,261	\$0
YOUNG PARENTS EDUCATION CENTER Provide day care scholarships for very low to low income teen or	\$20,000	\$10,000

young adult parents completing high school or GED programs, programs, emergency housing scholarships, and equipment replacement located at alternative high school at 2400 Central Avenue

Administration

	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
CDBG PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	\$142,110	\$142,110
General oversight, promotion, financial accountability, monitoring, reporting, and coordination of the CDBG program including activities to further fair housing and the Continuum of Care for Homelessness		
TOTAL 2016/2017 CDBG FUNDING REQUESTED	\$1,313,459	
2016/2017 CDBG ALLOCATION		\$710,552
UNPROGRAM FUNDS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS		\$19,806
TOTAL 2016/2017 CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATION		\$730,358
TOTAL AVAILABLE CDBG GRANT FUNDS		\$730,358