

Community Development Department



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MEMORANDUM

April 1, 2016

To: City Council
From: Community Development Department
Subject: Fiscal Year 2016-2017 CDBG Budget

HEARING NOTICE: *This item has been noticed in the newspaper*

BACKGROUND

The City is anticipating receiving \$365,545 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for fiscal year 2016-2017. The Annual Action Plan needs to be turned into HUD by May 15 of every year. Before you is the proposed budget as presented by Sandy City's Community Development Block Grant Committee.

ANALYSIS

The intent of the CDBG funding is to provide a manner in which to assist in the development of viable communities through housing and economic opportunities to promote suitable living environments for low to moderate income level households. This is done in a variety of ways, including housing and rehabilitation, counseling services, providing public service facilities, and shelters for those experiencing the tragedy of homelessness.

The proposed plan provides a needs assessment and several goals that will aid the City in meeting those needs over the next year. For FY 2016-2017, the CDBG Citizen Committee has met and discussed the applications submitted. Their recommendations for funding will be included in the Annual Action Plan and are based on the needs outlined in the Consolidated Plan as well as where they felt the money would be best spent. Their analysis also considered past funding and past performance for those organizations and programs that have previously been funded with CDBG monies.

Staff has reviewed their recommendations and found them to be favorable and consistent with those in past years. It is a difficult task with the limited funding available, particularly since the City is limited to spending only 15% of the grant on public services. HUD also requires that no more than 20% of the grant be spent on administration. Attached you will also find a single page summary of the proposed budget.

At a future meeting, the Annual Action Plan for FY 2016-2017 will be presented to the City Council for ratification. Due to technical issues, staff has not been able to prepare the document for review. Once completed, a new hearing will be held to review and approve this document, based on the approved CDBG Budget proposal before the Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the proposed budget for the Community Development Block Grant for FY 2016-2017 be **approved as presented**.

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