

Human Services Commission recommendations for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3) Funding

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Direction Needed from Council

Seeking direction on a Resolution approving the funding recommendations for 2021 Community Development Block Grant funds to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus (known as CDBG-CV3).

Background

Federal CARES Act approved March 27, 2020, included \$5 billion in CDBG-CV funds:

- CV1: \$2B allocated to entitlement cities based on regular CDBG formula.
- CV2: \$1 B allocated to the states.
- CV3: \$2B allocated to entitlement cities based on formula related to coronavirus impacts.

Background

- Bellevue received \$489,623 in CDBG-CV1 funds that were awarded by Council in May 2020.
- Bellevue has been allocated \$897,287 in CDBG-CV3 funds.
- The Human Services Commission Chair will present their recommendations for CDBG-CV3 funding tonight.

CDBG-CV Funding Eligibility

- CDBG-CV3 project must be an eligible activity that meets a national objective.
- Projects must explicitly prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus.
- Must document that CDBG-CV3 funds avoid duplication of benefits as defined by HUD.

Funding Process

- Based on data collected by staff, the HSC selected the following priority needs for CDBG-CV3 funding:
 - Rental Assistance
 - Food Assistance
 - Behavioral Health (mental health and substance use disorder treatment)
- A Request For Proposals was issued January 11, 2021 to receive applications for these services.

Funding Process

- 15 Applications were received totaling \$2,187,666 in requests for the \$897,287 available.
- The HSC reviewed the applications and approved their preliminary funding recommendations on February 17.
- A public hearing was held on March 2 to receive comments on the preliminary recommendations.
- The HSC approved their final funding recommendations following the public hearing.

HSC Review

- Reviewed 15 applications
 - 9 for Rental Assistance
 - 3 for Food Assistance
 - 3 for Behavioral Health services

HSC Review

- Funding Considerations
 - Serves population disproportionately affected by COVID-19
 - Demonstrated capacity to manage CDBG funds
 - Demonstrated capacity to disburse funding in a timely manner

CDBG-CV3 Funding Recommendations

Rent Assistance

 Centro Cultural Mexicano 	\$150,000
 Hopelink 	\$100,000
 India Association of Western WA 	\$150,000
 YMCA of Greater Seattle 	\$200,287
Food Assistance	
 Congregations for the Homeless 	\$75 <i>,</i> 000
 YMCA of Greater Seattle 	\$100,000
Behavioral Health	
 Congregations for the Homeless 	\$72 <i>,</i> 000
 India Association of Western WA 	\$50 <i>,</i> 000

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