

DATE: July 26, 2010

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Walter Barry, Secretary

SUBJECT: **Recommended CDBG & HOME Allocations for FY 2010-11**

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On behalf of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development (CACCD), I am pleased to present our FY 2010-11 CDBG & HOME funding recommendations. The Committee bases its recommendations on a thorough review of applications, site visits made by its members, applicants' presentations, information provided by staff, and comments from the public. Each project was considered on its own merits, and the Committee did its utmost to maintain the integrity of its process.

Our recommendations reflect the Committee's concern with making the best use of limited funds. As in previous years, the demands for CDBG and HOME funding far exceeded our ability to recommend funding for many worthy projects that are seeking financial assistance. We regret not being able to recommend more funding for these projects this year.

In addition to considering the impact of each project proposal, the Committee ensured that all recommended projects supported one or more of the following funding priorities established by the City Commission:

- Housing
- Homeless assistance
- Job training/employment opportunities
- Nutritional Support
- Programs that assist disadvantage or at-risk children or elderly persons

Please note that the CACCD's recommendations are limited to the "competitive" funding under CDBG and HOME, which has allowed the CACCD and applicants to focus on amounts that were realistically available for allocation to community nonprofit organizations.

You should have a report that shows all requests for CDBG and/or HOME funds, along with our recommendations under each activity category by agency with comments as appropriate. Please note that the CACCD's recommendations are based on the following funding levels for FY 2010-11:

**CDBG Competitive Amount Available = \$ 225,870**

**HOME Competitive Amount Available = \$ 194,534**

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Organization Name And Project / Program Description	(Current) FY 2009/10 Approved Funding	FY 2010-2011 Requested Funding Amount	FY 2010/11 CACCD Recommended Funding Amount	Funding Justification
<b>CDBG Program Funds</b>				
<b>CDBG Housing Programs</b>				
<b>Center for Independent Living, of NC Florida</b> - Architectural barrier removal program (ramps for disabled persons and households)	\$ -	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 10,000.00	The Committee recognizes the important services provided to disabled citizens within the community that are only available through this agency. This Agency's project is one of the City Commission's priorities.
<b>Neighborhood Housing &amp; Development Corp.</b> - New housing construction and housing rehabilitation programs.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	The Committee supports funding at the current year's level due to the amount of the allocation. Notwithstanding the importance of the demand for housing. This Agency's programs have assisted in revitalizing the Gainesville's neighborhoods for many many years.
<b>Rebuilding Together North Central Florida</b> - Emergency Home Repair program	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	The Committee supports funding at the current year's level due to the amount of the allocation. The Committee sees the need for emergency rehabilitation on a smaller scale than that of which the City provides.
<b>CDBG Public Services (Cap = \$ 225,870)</b>				
<b>Arbor House, Inc.</b> - Case worker for transitional residence for unwed, homeless mothers	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	The Committee supports funding at the current year's level due to the limited amount of funds.
<b>Boys &amp; Girls Club of Alachua County</b> - Youth programs at the Southeast Unit	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	The Committee continues to support this successful, proactive program that benefits our youth. Due to the limited amount of funds, the Committee could only recommend the \$13,000.00.
<b>Bread of the Mighty Food Bank (Food Distri.)</b> - Food Bank Distribution Program	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	The Committee recognizes the demand for food in our community, but is limited by funding constraints.
<b>Bread of the Mighty Food Bank (Kids Café)</b> - Health Kids Program	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	The Committee continues to support this afternoon snack program for the community youths by recommending an increased level of funding.

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<b>Child Advocacy Center</b> - Abused Child Intervention Program	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 24,029.00	\$ 11,000.00	The Committee supports this unique program at a small increased level. This program falls within the City priorities of assisting youths in our community.
<b>Children's Home Society</b> - Support for the Family Visitation Center to assist children experiencing trauma in their families	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 25,540.00	\$ 7,000.00	The Committee supports this program at a slightly increased level over this current fiscal year. This program falls within the City priorities of assisting youths in our community.
<b>Cultural Arts Coalition, Inc.</b> - Environmental Ambassador Program for low-income, at-risk youths	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	The Committee supports this program at the current level due to budget constraints.
<b>Early Learning Coalition of Alachua County</b> - Child Care Program for working poor families	\$ 22,654.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 22,654.00	The Committee supports this program, which is highly leveraged and encourages gainful employment, at the current level due to the limited amount of funds.
<b>Easter Seals Florida, Inc.</b> - Adult Health Day Care Program at Altrusa House.	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	The Committee supports continued funding at the same level as the current year.
<b>Elder Care of Alachua County, Inc.</b> - Congregate and Home-delivered Meals Program for the elderly	\$ 38,655.00	\$ 57,330.00	\$ 35,000.00	The Committee continues to support this one-of-a-kind, highly-leveraged program at a slightly lower funding level due to budgetary constraints.
<b>Florida Certified Organic Growers (Priority 1)</b> - Community Gardens Program	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 80,011.65	\$ 6,000.00	The Committee supports continued funding at a slightly lower level.
<b>Florida Certified Organic Growers (Priority 2)</b> - Farmers' Market Token Program	\$ -	\$ 40,470.00	\$ -	The Committee does not feel it can recommend funding for this second project due to budgetary constraints.
<b>Gainesville Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc.</b> - Weekend Food Backpack Program for homeless students	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	The Committee supports this Agency's program by recommending partial funding.
<b>Gainesville Front Porch Florida, Inc.</b> - Youth Educational and Youth Empowerment Program	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	The Committee supports continued funding for this agency. This youth educational program falls within the City priorities for assisting our youth.

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<b>Gardenia Garden, Inc.</b> - The Saturday Academy Program for At-Risk Youth	\$ -	\$ 15,200.00	\$ 7,000.00	The Committee supports this Agency program by recommending partial funding.
<b>Girl Scouts of Gateway Council, Inc.</b> - Programs for girls living in target areas	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 26,734.00	\$ 8,000.00	The Committee continues to support this program at the current funding level.
<b>Helping Hands Clinic of Alachua County</b> - Program to provide medical assistance to the homeless and underserved persons	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	The Committee supports continued funding for this worthwhile all volunteer-supported project at a slightly increased level.
<b>Interfaith Hospitality Network</b> - Emergency Shelter Program for homeless families	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,000.00	The Committee continues to support this program at the current funding level.
<b>Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc.</b> - Transitional Job Program for the mentally disabled	\$ 5,150.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,370.00	The Committee continues to support this program at a slightly increased funding level.
<b>Peaceful Paths Domestic Abuse Network</b> - Emergency Shelter Program for homeless victims of domestic violence	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	The Committee continues to support this very worthwhile program at its current funding level.
<b>Pleasant Place</b> - Transitional Housing Program for pregnant and parenting teens	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	The Committee continues to support this very worthwhile program at its current funding level.
<b>St. Francis House</b> - Emergency Shelter Program for homeless persons	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 13,500.00	The Committee wishes to continue to support this program at its current funding level.
<b>Three Rivers Legal Services, Inc. (Priority 1)</b> - Housing Clinic Program for the homeless	\$ -	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 7,346.00	The Committee supports this program by recommending partial funding.
<b>Three Rivers Legal Services, Inc. (Priority 2)</b> - Homeless Assistance Program for SSI & SSD benefits	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	The Committee continues to support this program at a slightly decreased level in order to provide funding for the Agency's first priority.
<b>TOTAL CDBG FUNDING</b>		<b>\$ 663,414.65</b>	<b>\$ 255,870.00</b>	

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<b>HOME Program Funds</b>				
<b>CHDO Operating Expenses</b>				
Neighborhood Housing & Development Corp. - Program operating support	\$ 6,909.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	The Committee support continued funding at a partial funding level.
<b>New Construction</b>				
Neighborhood Housing & Development Corp. - New Housing Construction Program for low-income homebuyers.	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	The Committee supports this highly successful organization's efforts to expand housing opportunities for low-income families in our community.
<b>Purchase Rehabilitation</b>				
Neighborhood Housing & Development Corp. - Purchase Rehab Assistance Program for low-and-moderate income families	\$ 88,183.00	\$ 88,000.00	\$ 87,092.00	The Committee supports this organization's renewed involvement in providing a purchase/rehab program for low-to-moderate income families.
<b>Moderate &amp; Substantial Rehabilitation</b>				
Arbor House, Inc. - Rehabilitation - Tree Removal Program	\$ -	\$ 7,052.50	\$ -	The Committee supports this Agency's efforts but due to budgetary constraints, does not recommend funding for this project at this time.
Rebuilding Together North Central Florida - Rehabilitation Program	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	The Committee supports continued funding at the current year's funding level.
<b>Tenant - Based Rental Assistance</b>				
Gainesville Community Ministry - Rental Deposit Assistance Program	\$ 19,442.00	\$ 19,442.00	\$ 19,442.00	The Committee supports funding for this successful program at its current level.
		<b>\$ 214,494.50</b>	<b>\$ 194,534.00</b>	