



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: March 25, 2008

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Housing and Redevelopment Division, Community Development Department

SUBJECT: Community Development And Human Services Committee Funding Recommendations For Fiscal Year 2009 And Housing And Urban Development Consolidated Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Approve the funding recommendations of the Community Development and Human Services Committee for Fiscal Year 2009 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Human Services funds;
- B. Authorize the Community Development Director to negotiate and execute agreements implementing the funding recommendations, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney; and
- C. Authorize the City Administrator to sign all necessary documents to submit the City's Action Plan to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

DISCUSSION:

Community Development and Human Services Committee Funding Recommendations

The recommendations in this report are for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Human Services funding for Fiscal Year 2009.

The combined application for CDBG and Human Services funds was available to the public on November 5, 2007. An announcement was mailed to all agencies that expressed an interest in applying this past year or applied for funding in the past two years. In addition, an advertisement appeared in the *Santa Barbara News Press*, a news release was disseminated to the local media and an announcement and application were posted on the City of Santa Barbara's website informing the public of the availability of applications and the orientation workshop. An orientation technical assistance workshop was held for all prospective applicants on November 13, 2007.

REVIEWED BY: _____ Finance _____ Attorney

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Sixty-six applications were submitted by the deadline of January 3, 2008. The 66 applications requested a total of \$2,457,691. The requested amount of funding exceeds the available funding by approximately \$470,000. Staff and the Community Development and Human Services Committee reviewed all of the applications and interviewed each agency. In all, the Committee invested over 250 hours interviewing and deliberating on this year's applications. The Committee developed funding recommendations on the basis of the written applications, program presentations, interviews and group deliberations. The Committee gave significant consideration to the Funding Criteria and Priorities for each program adopted by Council on October 23, 2007. Detailed descriptions of the combined funding application criteria, as well as funding priorities for both CDBG and Human Services, can be found on pages four through six of the CDHSC Report on Funding Recommendations Fiscal Year 2009. This report is available for public review on the City's webpage (www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov) and in the office of the City Clerk, Main Public Library and the Community Development Department. The Draft Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2008-2009 Action Plan is also available for public review at the above locations.

The Committee was able to recommend funding for 50 of the 55 applications in the Human/Public Service category. With the steep competition in this year's application process, the Committee took extra care to ensure that their recommendations for funding followed the funding priorities set by Council. The 1st Priority consists of programs that help meet basic emergency human needs; the 2nd Priority consists of programs that are preventative in nature and/or promote the highest degree of functioning the individual is capable of achieving; and the 3rd Priority consists of programs that seek to enhance the quality of life of persons whose basic needs are already met. Thus, the Committee rewarded programs in the 1st and 2nd priorities that had higher ratings with level or increased funding, reduced funding recommendations for a few lower rated programs in the 2nd priority and funded several new programs. The sole applicant in the 3rd priority did not receive a recommendation for funding.

Twenty-seven programs were recommended for the same funding as last year, rounded up to the nearest \$500. Fourteen programs were recommended for increases. Six programs not previously funded were recommended for funding this year. Three programs were recommended for less funding than the prior year, and five programs were not recommended for funding.

Eight of the nine applications in the Capital category were recommended for funding. These include three projects that are part of the City Target Area Neighborhood Improvement Program (CTANIP). This program targets those neighborhoods in the City with the highest proportion of low-income households, population density, over-crowding, renter occupancy ratio, crime rates and sub-standard structures. Two applications in the administrative category are also recommended for funding. Applicant agencies have been notified of their individual recommendations.

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2008 Action Plan:

Every five years the City of Santa Barbara prepares a Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandated document, the Consolidated Plan (CP), which is a comprehensive planning tool that outlines the City's strategic vision for housing and community development for a five-year period. Annually, an Action Plan (AP) is submitted to HUD and acts as the City's application for both Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Program funds. The City's 2008 Action Plan proposes specific identifiable benchmarks for measuring progress in realizing the goals outlined in the previously adopted 2005-2009 Consolidated Plan.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The City is anticipating receipt of new CDBG entitlement funds totaling \$1,065,022 in Fiscal year 2009, which represents a slight decrease from the current year. There will also be \$220,461 of reprogrammed funds available, which when added to the entitlement, provides a total of \$1,285,483 for the Fiscal Year 2009 CDBG program, \$159,753 of which will be available for Public Services.

The City of Santa Barbara has provided funds for local agencies to provide essential social services for many years. In the proposed Fiscal Year 2009 City General Fund budget, Human Services funding is recommended at \$703,256, an 8.6% increase over the current fiscal year. The Human Services Fund is not expected to be reduced during the Mid Cycle budget review.

Under the combined funding process, the City's Human Services funds of \$703,256 are combined with CDBG funds available under the Public Services category of \$159,753 for a total of \$863,009 in this category. The CDBG funds available for Capital Projects total \$865,455. The remaining CDBG funds are allocated for administration/fair housing and Rental Housing Mediation Task Force.

Fiscal Year 2010 Funding Concerns:

For the fourth year in a row, the administration in Washington has proposed a reduction in CDBG funds (19% for Federal Fiscal Year 2009, or our Fiscal Year 2010). CDBG has served our community for over 30 years as a resource to help us meet our community development, affordable housing, and economic development needs. A reduction of this magnitude would seriously impact our ability to meet these needs. CDBG is a widely supported program in Congress, and a coalition of organizations representing local elected officials, cities and counties, and housing and community development organizations are calling on Congress to reject the proposed cuts. We will keep Council informed on the status of this effort.

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**** The Community Development and Human Services Committee (CDHSC) Report on Funding Recommendations Fiscal Year 2009 and Draft Action Plan is available for public review on the City's webpage (www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov) and in the office of the City Clerk, Main Public Library and the Community Development Department.****

ATTACHMENT(S): Community Development and Human Services Committee Fiscal Year 2009 Funding Recommendations by Priority and Rating

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SUBMITTED BY: David Gustafson, Acting Community Development Director

APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
FY 2009 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS
BY PRIORITY AND RATING**

ATTACHMENT

AGENCY	PROGRAM	2007-2008 ALLOCATION	2008-2009 REQUEST	AVG. RATING	CDBG	HUMAN SERVICES	TOTAL RECOMMEND
PUBLIC/HUMAN SERVICE:							
First Priority							
Aids Housing Santa Barbara	Sarah House	\$24,960	\$25,000	24.9	\$25,000		\$25,000
Casa Esperanza	Homeless Day Program	\$30,960	\$61,240	23.9	\$40,009		\$40,009
Foodbank	SB Warehouse	\$24,960	\$25,000	23.8		\$25,000	\$25,000
Domestic Violence Solutions	Emergency Shelter	\$53,920	\$57,000	23.8	\$17,744	\$36,256	\$54,000
New Beginnings Counseling	Homeless Outreach	\$13,987	\$21,000	23.6		\$15,000	\$15,000
Transition House	Comprehensive Homeless Srvc.	\$36,950	\$45,000	23.5	\$38,000		\$38,000
S.B. Rape Crisis Center	Same	\$24,960	\$29,000	23.3		\$25,000	\$25,000
S.B. Community Housing Corp.	Hotel de Riviera	\$9,990	\$10,000	23.3		\$10,000	\$10,000
Pacific Pride	Necessities of Life	\$11,980	\$15,000	23.2		\$13,000	\$13,000
S.B. Community Housing Corp.	New Faulding Hotel	\$15,270	\$16,000	23.1		\$15,500	\$15,500
SB County DA - Victim Witness	S.A.R.T.	\$19,970	\$23,000	23.1		\$20,000	\$20,000
Bringing Our Community Home		\$0	\$25,000	23.0		\$19,000	\$19,000
Channel Islands YMCA	Noah's Anchorage	\$24,960	\$30,000	23.0	\$25,000		\$25,000
Community Kitchen		\$51,930	\$60,000	23.0		\$52,000	\$52,000
Domestic Violence Solutions	Second Stage	\$6,690	\$7,000	23.0		\$7,000	\$7,000
Foodbank	Brown Bag	\$6,990	\$10,000	22.9		\$8,000	\$8,000
People's Self Help Housing	Supportive Housing Program	\$8,990	\$17,000	22.6		\$10,000	\$10,000
Catholic Charities	Emergency Housing	\$12,980	\$22,500	22.3	\$14,000		\$14,000
Community Action Commission	Senior Nutrition	\$12,980	\$28,000	22.2		\$13,000	\$13,000
WillBridge		\$19,970	\$26,000	22.0		\$22,000	\$22,000
St. Vincent's	PATHS	\$8,990	\$10,000	21.3		\$9,000	\$9,000
Legal Aid	Emergency Legal Svcs.	\$14,980	\$45,000	21.3		\$24,000	\$24,000
Second Priority							
Community Action Commission	Child Development	\$18,970	\$28,000	23.3		\$19,000	\$19,000
Conflict Solutions Center	City at Peace	\$4,990	\$12,000	23.3		\$7,500	\$7,500
Friendship Center	Adult Day Care	\$23,970	\$26,000	23.3		\$24,000	\$24,000
Mental Health Association	Fellowship Club	\$9,990	\$10,500	23.3		\$10,000	\$10,000
Child Abuse Listening Mediation	Bilingual Treatment	\$24,960	\$30,000	23.2		\$25,000	\$25,000
Family Service Agency	Big Brothers/Big Sisters	\$8,490	\$9,000	23.2		\$8,500	\$8,500
Storyteller Children's Center		\$29,960	\$35,000	22.9		\$30,000	\$30,000
Independent Living Resource Cnt		\$23,970	\$25,000	22.7		\$24,000	\$24,000
People's Self Help Housing	Education Enhancement Prog.	\$6,490	\$10,000	22.7		\$7,000	\$7,000
SB Neighborhood Clinics	Dental Care - Homeless	\$11,980	\$20,000	22.7		\$15,000	\$15,000
Domestic Violence Solutions	Intervention	\$8,990	\$10,000	22.6		\$9,500	\$9,500
Family Service Agency	211 CRIS/HelpLine	\$29,960	\$50,000	22.5		\$30,000	\$30,000
Family Service Agency	Homemaker	\$5,990	\$6,400	22.4		\$6,000	\$6,000
Long Term Care Ombudsman	Ombudsman Advocacy	\$19,970	\$25,000	22.4		\$21,000	\$21,000
Planned Parenthood	Health Education	\$12,480	\$15,000	22.2		\$12,500	\$12,500
S.B. Family Care Center	Centro Infantil	\$19,970	\$20,000	21.9		\$20,000	\$20,000
Alano Club		\$0	\$25,000	21.8		\$6,000	\$6,000
Channel Islands YMCA	Preschool Childcare	\$6,990	\$9,000	21.8		\$7,000	\$7,000
Primo Boxing Club	Say Yes to Kids	\$34,950	\$36,950	21.8		\$32,000	\$32,000
Transition House	Homelessness Prevention	\$7,490	\$12,000	21.7		\$7,500	\$7,500
Jewish Federation	Center for Successful Aging	\$4,990	\$5,000	21.6		\$5,000	\$5,000
Recording - Blind & Dyslexic	Audio Textbook Production	\$7,990	\$10,000	21.3		\$6,000	\$6,000
The Boys & Girls Club		\$10,980	\$15,000	21.2		\$8,000	\$8,000
SB Police Activities League	Jr. High Afterschool Prog.	\$0	\$39,270	21.1		\$13,000	\$13,000
SB Tennis Patrons		\$0	\$10,000	21.0		\$5,500	\$5,500
Zona Seca	Youth CineMedia	\$0	\$15,000	21.0		\$8,000	\$8,000
Dyslexia Awareness		\$4,990	\$15,000	20.9		\$5,000	\$5,000
Future Leaders of America	Family Leadership Project	\$0	\$25,000	20.0		\$7,500	\$7,500
Project Excel		\$0	\$25,000	19.9		\$0	\$0
Family Therapy Institute	AHA!	\$0	\$25,000	19.7		\$0	\$0
Girl Scouts	City SB Comm. Collaboration	\$0	\$25,000	18.4		\$0	\$0
Casa Pacifica		\$0	\$25,000	17.0		\$0	\$0
Third Priority							
Pilgrim Terrace Cooperative Homes		\$0	\$40,255	16.6		\$0	\$0
			\$1,297,115		\$159,753	\$703,256	\$863,009

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AGENCY	PROGRAM	2007-2008 ALLOCATION	2008-2009 REQUEST	AVG. RATING	CDBG	HUMAN SERVICES	TOTAL RECOMMEND
CAPITAL:							
City SB - NIP	Pedestrian Lighting	NA	\$200,000	24.2	\$200,000		\$200,000
City S.B.-Community Development	Housing Rehabilitation	\$394,434	\$380,000	24.0	\$391,153		\$391,153
City SB - NIP	Safe & Clean Neighborhoods	N/A	\$45,602	23.2	\$45,602		\$45,602
FSA	S.A.I.L.	\$41,700	\$44,200	22.7	\$44,200		\$44,200
City SB - NIP	Ortega Welcome House	N/A	\$100,000	22.3	\$100,000		\$100,000
Girls Incorporated of SB	Carpet Replacement	\$24,800	\$17,500	22.0	\$17,500		\$17,500
Women's Economic Ventures	Microenterprise Devel.	\$30,500	\$35,000	21.7	\$35,000		\$35,000
Legal Aid	Building Repair **	\$0	\$43,000	19.6	\$32,000		\$32,000
City SB - NIP	Franklin Security Cameras	N/A	\$35,000	18.8	\$0		\$0
			\$900,302		\$865,455		\$865,455
ADMIN:							
City S.B.	Rental Housing Mediation	\$145,444	\$92,070	25.0	\$92,070		\$92,070
City S.B.	Administration	\$138,631	\$159,794	25.0	\$159,794		\$159,794
City S.B.	Fair Housing	\$7,296	\$8,410	25.0	\$8,410		\$8,410
			\$260,274		\$260,274		\$260,274
GRAND TOTAL			\$2,457,691		\$1,285,482	\$703,256	\$1,988,738

** Door and windows replacement and roof repair only. Contingent upon the submission of a comprehensive plan for building improvements (approved by the Board of Directors and submitted to the City within 90 days of the execution of the contract), including a complete assessment of the current status of the building, list of improvements needed, cost estimates and timeline to complete improvements and fundraising plan to secure funding necessary to complete improvements