



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2014-0246

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Debby Hoyle, Financial Analyst / (248) 841-2532
DATE: May 28, 2014
SUBJECT: Community Development Block Grant 2015-2017 Cooperation Agreement

REQUEST:

We are requesting that the City of Rochester Hills continue its participation in the Oakland County’s Urban Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program by renewing the Cooperation Agreement. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that the Cooperation Agreement between the County and City be renewed every three years.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Rochester Hills currently participates in Oakland County’s Urban Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The City receives approximately \$137,859 in CDBG funds through the Urban County program each year. During the City’s past three years of participation, approximately \$413,577 was received and has funded minor home repairs and various public services to address the needs of low to moderate income residents.

The City also benefits from the County’s federally funded HOME Investment Partnerships Program (approximately \$1 million in HOME funds is combined with CDBG funds each year to improve local housing stock). As a participating community, Rochester Hills is included in the County HOME program, which provides lower income residents with access to the Home Improvement Program.

The benefit of participating with the County under the Cooperation Agreement is the Oakland County Community and Home Service Division administers a significant amount of federal paperwork involved in the CDBG and HOME programs, relieving the City from those responsibilities.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is our recommendation that the City of Rochester Hills continue its participation in Oakland County’s Urban Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program by renewing the Cooperation Agreement for the years 2015, 2016, and 2017, and adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign this agreement on the City’s behalf.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		