CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS



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TO: City Council

RE: CDBG Reprogramming

City Council Members,

On September 15, 2004, it is proposed to reprogram \$15,000 that is left over from the installation of ADA compliant vault toilets at Bloomer Park to the Minor Home Repair program because the actual cost of the installation was less than anticipated. In order to use these funds to serve low-income residents, it is proposed to allocate the leftover funds to the Minor Home Repair program.

This is an extremely time sensitive issue, because the City of Rochester Hills must expend these funds by December 31, 2004 or the City will lose access to these funds.

It is proposed to reprogram the funds into the Minor Home Repair program where these funds will be used to perform a variety of repairs for low-income individuals of the community including:

Furnace Replacement
Plumbing Issues
Hook-up to City's Water or Sewer System
Needed Health & Safety Issues at Home

As previously mentioned, time is the most important issue with this reprogramming. This purpose of this memo is to strongly encourage Council to approve this reprogramming as to ensure that the City of Rochester Hills does not lose these funds. In the time period available, I believe reprogramming these funds towards Minor Home Repair to be the best eligible alternative.

Due to the allocation cap, these CDBG funds can only be used for construction-type activities such as Minor Home Repair, these funds <u>cannot</u> be used to assist some of the various service agencies that the City supports through CDBG funding such as HAVEN or the Rochester Area Youth Assistance (RAYA). These CDBG funds also <u>cannot</u> be used for activities such as police or fire services or the re-construction of the Beach House at Spencer Park.