



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

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**Legislative File No: 2014-0544**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members

**FROM:** Debby Hoyle, Financial Analyst / (248) 841-2532

**DATE:** November 18, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2015 Application

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**REQUEST:**

That City Council conducts a public hearing and adopt program allocations for the Program Year (PY) 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application.

**REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

As part of the application process for CDBG funds, communities must hold a public hearing and the governing body must pass a resolution approving the planned use of funds. Oakland County's Community & Home Improvement Division does not yet have information on the exact amount of PY 2015 funding. The County has provided the City of Rochester Hills with an initial planning allocation of \$137,859 based on PY 2014 funding to complete the CDBG application. The City must allocate funds to eligible programs and projects in accordance with federal and county rules and regulations. The national objectives of the CDBG program are to assist low and moderate-income persons, to prevent or eliminate slums and blight, and to meet an urgent community need where no other funding is available.

The City of Rochester Hills has scheduled a public hearing on December 15, 2014, regarding the PY 2015 CDBG application and proposed funding allocations. The Community & Home Improvement Division has advised Administration that any City Council member who serves on a board of an organization receiving funds should excuse themselves from voting on the resolution. The Community & Home Improvement Division also recommends that organizations requesting funding and wishing to address City Council, should address Council during the public hearing.

In order to comply with federal regulations, the Community & Home Improvement Division is limiting the number of projects that communities can allocate funds for to four (4). The City currently has four projects: Minor Home Repair, Yard Services, Battered and Abused Spouses Services, and Emergency Clothing. Administration is asking City Council to approve the allocation of funding to mirror PY 2014 allocation.

**\$110,859.00 Minor Home Repair (731227)** – Provide accessibility modifications, ordinance compliance, and health and safety related repairs to low-income residents. Funds will allow approximately 40 projects to be completed. Eligible repairs include, but are not limited to, furnace or water heater replacements, roof repairs, connections to sewer or water systems (cannot fund capital and lateral fees), plumbing, and electrical.

**\$ 27,000.00 Public Services:**

**\$10,000.00 Public Services / Yard Services (732170)** – Provide lawn mowing, snow removal, and spring and fall cleanups for approximately 70 low-income senior or disabled adult households.

**\$ 7,000.00 Public Services / Battered & Abused Spouses (730137)** – Provide programs such as emergency shelter, legal, and counseling services for approximately 100 domestic violence victims or families.

**\$10,000.00 Public Services / Emergency Services (730571)** – Provides emergency clothing services to approximately 500 low-income residents.

**\$137,859.00 Grand Total 2015 CDBG Planning Allocation**

**PROCESS:**

**Vendor Name and Address:**

Each vendor will be procured according to City of Rochester Hills and Oakland County Community and Home Improvement Division procedures.

**Reason for Selection:**

Best value to the benefiting clients

**Method of Purchase:**

Request for Proposal (RFP)

Federal Small Purchase Procedures

**BUDGET:**

All expenditures for CDBG projects are to be entirely reimbursed through CDBG revenue. The annual program year runs from July 1 to June 30, which does not correspond with the City's fiscal year. Budget amendments and/or adjustments will be forthcoming as needed.

<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Department Account No</b>	<b>Account No. Description</b>	<b>PY 2015 Budget Amount</b>
General Fund	666 - CDBG	801000 - Professional Services	\$ 17,000
General Fund	666 - CDBG	801592 - Prof. Services – MHR	\$110,859
General Fund	666 - CDBG	807000 - Contractual Services	\$ 10,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$137,859</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council adopts the proposed allocations for the four projects of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the PY 2015 and City Council authorizes the Mayor to execute the PY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Application and related documents on the City's behalf.

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<b>APPROVALS:</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>Department Review</b>		
<b>Department Director</b>		
<b>Budget Content: Finance Director</b>		
<b>Purchasing Process: Supervisor of Procurement</b>		
<b>Mayor</b>		
<b>Deputy Clerk</b>		

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