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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 15, 2023

To: Community Development Committee
Cities & Towns Advisory Committee

From: Valerie Johnson, Community Development Associate

Subject: Summary of Applications Received for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Asset Fund (LMIHAF), and FY 2020-2021 CDBG Cares Act (CDBG-CV)

Application Summary

The annual FY 2023-2024 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was published on December 7th, 2022, requesting applications for eligible capital projects, affordable housing projects, tenant based rental assistance, supportive services, fair housing, non-congregate shelter and economic development activities. The Sonoma County Community Development Commission (CDC) staff held two virtual Technical Assistance (TA) sessions for prospective applicants on December 15, 2022, and December 19, 2022. Attendance at one of the two TA workshops was mandatory or could be substituted for a one-on-one TA meeting with the CDC staff. There were approximately 45 attendees at the TA sessions which included a presentation of application requirements, eligible activities, fund sources available and concluded with an opportunity for attendees to present questions and obtain responses from staff. CDC staff also provided technical assistance individually to many prospective applicants before, between, and after the two TA sessions. Applications were originally due to the CDC on January 11, 2023, however, the submittal deadline was extended to Wednesday, January 25th at 5:00 PM. The application submittal due date was extended due to the declared state of emergency as a result of weather conditions and events during the week of the original deadline. Many CDC staff and community-based organization staff were temporarily engaged in emergency operations and supportive services during this period. Table 1 lists the applications and CDC administered program funding requests that were submitted in response to the NOFA.



CDBG – Capital Housing, Non-Housing and Economic Development Projects	Location	Amounts
City of Cloverdale – 1 st Street Sidewalk ADA Improvements	Cloverdale	\$730,000
Disability Service & Legal Center – Housing Accessibility Modifications	Urban County	\$75,000
WeeCare, Inc., BOOST (Economic Development)	Urban County	\$258,000
Mid-Peninsula The Farm, LLC – Summer Oaks (Housing)	Sonoma	\$1,115,164
Spectrum Affordable Housing Corporation – Redwood Glen Apartments (Housing)	Windsor	\$576,188
CDC – Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Programs (Housing)	Urban County	\$500,000
Total CDBG Capital Projects amount requested		\$3,254,352
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$1,115,164
CDBG – Public Services Set Aside (Fair housing activities)		
Legal Aid of Sonoma County – HOME Housing Justice Project	Urban County	\$257,345
Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California – Fair Housing Education and Enforcement	Urban County	\$85,000
Total CDBG Public Services amount requested		\$342,345
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$257,345
HOME		
Mid-Peninsula The Farm, LLC – Summer Oaks	Sonoma	\$676,739
Burbank Housing Development Corporation – Dry Creek Commons	Healdsburg	\$676,739
JCL Development Corporation – Redwood Glen Apartments	Windsor	\$445,388
CDC – Tenant Based Rental Assistance	Urban County	\$88,000
Total HOME amount requested		\$1,886,866
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$676,736
HOME – Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO) Set Aside		
Mid-Peninsula The Farm, LLC – Summer Oaks	Sonoma	\$135,347
Total CHDO amount requested		\$135,347
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$135,347

ESG		
Social Advocates for Youth – Street Outreach Program and Rapid Re-Housing	Urban County	\$81,929
Homefirst Services of Santa Clara County – Sonoma County Homelessness Prevention Services	Urban County	\$144,000
Sonoma Applied Villages Services (SAVS) – SAVS Outreach 2023-2024	Urban County	\$199,030
Total ESG amount requested		\$424,959
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$144,084
LMIHAF		
Social Advocates for Youth – Rapid Re-Housing	Urban County	\$156,667
Homefirst Services of Santa Clara County – Sonoma County Homelessness Prevention Services	Urban County	\$250,000
TLC Child and Family Services – TLC Transition Age Youth Rapid Re-Housing Program	Urban County	\$250,000
West County Community Services – West County Homeless Prevention	Urban County	\$150,000
Total LMIHAF amount requested		\$806,667
Total estimated amount available (FY 2023-2024)		\$250,000
CDBG - CV		
Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California – Fair Housing Education and Enforcement	Urban County	\$25,000
Homeless Action Sonoma – Home and Safe Navigation Center	Urban County	\$500,000
Social Advocates for Youth – Street Outreach Program and Rapid Re-Housing	Urban County	\$133,213
Community Action Partnership – Sloan House Woman’s Shelter	Urban County	\$87,155
Sonoma Applied Villages Services (SAVS) – Horizon Shine Transitional Housing Shelter/Navigation Center	Urban County	\$585,153
West County Community Services – West County Homeless Outreach	Urban County	\$200,000
West County Community Services – Service Navigation, Health and Mental Health Services Project (Services)	Urban County	\$700,000
City of Healdsburg - Northern Sonoma County Homeless Services Expansion	Urban County	\$251,636
The Living Room - Sonoma County Homelessness Prevention Service	Urban County	\$381,828

Total amount requested	\$2,863,985
Total estimated amount available (FY 2020-2021)	\$1,195,855

Based on the funding requests for each category, with the exception of the HOME CHDO funds, the total amount requested exceeds the amount available. The funding amounts for FY 2023-2024 are estimated as the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has not published the FY 2023 CDBG, HOME, and ESG allocations, which are based on the adoption of a federal budget enacted by Congress. The estimated amounts are based on prior year amounts received by Sonoma County. There may be additional CDBG and HOME funds available from prior years and from program income received that must be reprogrammed that will be added to the total funds available with the application materials included in the March committees' agendas. These updated amounts will increase the total amount available to allocate to new activities and funding applications.

CDC staff are conducting a review and evaluation of the applications received to determine completeness, eligibility for the funding requested and conformance with the FY 2023-2024 Funding Policies approved by the Board of Supervisors on December 13, 2022. A staff analysis of each application will be prepared for the March 15, 2023, meeting of the CD Committee and Cities and Towns Advisory Committee, which will be conducted in a workshop format. At the workshop the committees will review staff analyses of proposals submitted under the competitive funding categories, take testimony from applicants, and provide feedback to staff that will be integrated into the draft FY 2023-2024 Action Plan and FY 2020-2021 Action Plan Substantial Amendment. All applicants must be present at the public workshop to be considered for funding.

Requested Action:
 No action needed as this is an informational agenda item.