



RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS GRANT, FISCAL YEAR 2009

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Eight

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua

That the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized to file an application with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the annual Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) and annual HOME Investment Partnerships grant under the provisions of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and to execute all understandings, assurances and agreements as required therein;

That the following CDBG activities shall be carried out with the annual grant of \$730,388 estimated program revenue of \$35,000, and contingency funds of \$10,247 (FY07) as described herein for a total of \$775,635:

1. Housing Improvement Program - \$100,000

Deferred payment loans, secured by mortgages, to lower-income owner-occupants to make essential repairs, in targeted inner-city neighborhoods; purchase and/or demolition of blighting, overcrowded, or substandard buildings in the inner-city; and purchase of buildings made available on special terms to local governments under programs of the Federal government.

2. Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua - \$40,000

Support of housing services and operations of Neighborhood Housing Services, including operation of the “Campaign for Home Ownership.”

3. Adult Learning Center - \$45,000

Major renovations to address energy and safety issues, including replacement of heating system, and door and window replacement; structural improvements to gymnasium; remediation of water damage; upgrade of electrical system, kitchen and classroom improvements; installation of air conditioning. This is the final year of a three year commitment.

4. Southern New Hampshire Services - \$20,000

To clean up a segment of the downtown Riverwalk, a critical component of the Downtown Nashua revitalization efforts. The organization is partnering with the City of Nashua, the Stabile Company to construct the Cotton Mill Square, a development of 162 units of housing, 20% of which will be allocated to workforce housing and a mixed use office building. This walkway will tie into the city's proposed improvements to the Cotton Transfer Bridge which will be rehabilitated to accommodate public and handicapped access to the river. This is the final year of a two year commitment.

5. Neighborhood Crime Watch - \$15,000

Support of crime watch and neighborhood revitalization activities in the CDBG target communities. This now supports all the target area crime watch groups.

6. Human Service Program Support - \$99,558

Support of human service programs principally benefiting lower-income persons of Nashua.

(1). Greater Nashua Council on Alcoholism - \$20,000
Outpatient substance abuse counseling.

(2). Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter - \$66,158
Emergency shelter and transitional housing services for persons who are homeless due to eviction, fire, or other crisis.

(3). Neighborhood Health Center for Greater Nashua - \$13,400
Provision of pre-natal medical and educational services and reproductive health services to lower-income Nashua residents.

7. Rehabilitation Programs Operation - \$113,000

Operation by the Urban Programs Department of the Housing Improvement Program, Lead Paint Abatement Programs, and other programs related to affordable housing and preservation of older housing and neighborhoods.

8. Grant Programs Operation and Administration - \$153,077

Preparation of bid documents, bidding, construction administration, preparation of required grant reports, and general administration for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Program, Housing Development Grants, and other related projects of the Urban Programs Department.

9. Harbor Homes - \$35,000

Installation of a Fire Sprinkler system at the administrative offices at 45 High Street. This location houses the administrative offices, record repository, Connections Peer Support program, Healthy at Home Inc. and Training Institute. Such a system will allow increased facility capacity and service delivery to individuals with disabilities. This is the final year of a two year commitment.

10. Nashua Youth Council - \$45,000

Major renovations, structural repairs and construction of a new handicapped accessible entrance at 112 West Pearl Street. This is the final year of a three year commitment.

11. City of Nashua, Parks and Recreation Department - \$25,000
Installation of a new filter system at the Crown Hill Pool.
12. City of Nashua, Community Development Division - \$12,000
For the operations of the “Best Retail Practices” program. A micro-enterprise small business development program to increase sales and revenues for small businesses in the downtown target area.
13. Friendship Club - \$15,000
Complete overhaul of the heating system located at 35 Orchard Street, Nashua, NH 03060. This includes removal and replacement of the existing boiler, existing piping and baseboard heat, re-wiring the system and installation of new zones for heating purposes. This is the final year of a two year commitment.
14. Nashua Police Athletic League - \$31,500
For replacement of a sewer line and corresponding repairs to the plumbing system at the PAL facility at 52 Ash Street.
15. Greater Nashua Boys and Girls Club - \$26,500
Assistance for the construction of teen center at the facilities location at 42 Grand Avenue.

AND THAT the following HOME activities be carried out with the annual grant of \$505,768:

1. Community Housing Development Organization Reserve - \$75,865
15% of total appropriation to be set aside for a project to be determined (TBD) by a certified CHDO organization.
2. Community Housing Development Organization – Program Administration - \$25,288
Operating expenses associated with the creation and preservation of affordable housing units by Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Nashua, Inc.
3. Affordable Family Rental Housing - \$354,039
Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of existing housing, and/or conversion of non-residential buildings for the creation of permanently affordable rental housing, for occupancy by lower-income households.
4. HOME Program Administration - \$50,576
Operation of the HOME Program by the Urban Programs Department, including technical assistance to participants, compliance with program regulations, underwriting, specification preparation and review, environmental review, and reporting to HUD.