

Exhibit B

City of Aurora 2024 CDBG Block Grant Applicant Summary

Applicant: African American Men of Unity.

Agency Background: African American Men of Unity provides development in the areas of leadership, manhood, life-skills, job readiness, career and therapeutic mentoring to help youth ages 7-24 reach their academic, personal, and employment potential.

2023 Project Proposal: Jobs for Youth Internship Program (JYIP).

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Youth services.

Project Request: \$ 40,000.

Project Recommendation: Recommended \$20,000 through QOL Funding.

Applicant: APS Training Academy.

Agency Background: APS Training Academy provides STEAM education for students K-8 through project-based learning. Their vision is to promote economic equality so the community will not simply survive but thrive through the cultivation of a diverse STEAM-based workforce. Their mission is to empower vulnerable communities in the Aurora area by providing free and low-cost education and vocational opportunities in STEAM.

2023 Project Proposal: Adult Programming: Job Readiness & Computer Literacy, Life Skills, Industrial Robotics/Manufacturing, Computer-Aided Design (CAD).

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Supportive services.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Association for Individual Development.

Agency Background: The Association for Individual Development (AID) works with individuals with developmental, intellectual, physical, and/or mental health challenges, those who have suffered a trauma, those experiencing immediate and/or chronic crises, and those at risk of overcoming personal, behavioral, societal, and environmental barriers to achieve recovery, independence, self-reliance, and to live the lives they choose. AID operates in Kane, Kendall, DeKalb, DuPage, Will, McHenry, and suburban Cook County.

2023 Project Proposal: Community Day Services Building Renovation.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Enhance and improve access to the numbers of community amenities in low and moderate income (LMI) areas.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Public facility improvements (rehabilitation, demolition, new construction, acquisition).

Project Request: \$ 1,081,615.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Aurora Housing Authority.

Agency Background: The Aurora Housing Authority is a public housing agency that manages public housing and housing choice vouchers. The agency manages five public housing sites that consist of 502 units of housing and administers 1,441 housing choice vouchers.

2023 Project Proposal: Rehabilitation & Security Project.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$ 590,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Boys & Girls Club of Elgin.

Agency Background: Boys & Girls Club of Elgin's mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need them the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

2023 Project Proposal: Aurora Clubhouse.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Enhance and improve access to the numbers of community amenities in low and moderate income (LMI) areas.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Public facility improvements (rehabilitation, demolition, new construction, acquisition).

Project Request: \$ 750,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: CASA Kane County.

Agency Background: CASA Kane County is a Guardian ad Litem, non-profit, 501(c)(3) volunteer organization that serves the best interests of abused and neglected children from birth through the age of 21. For over three decades, CASA has recruited, trained, and supervised community volunteers who serve as a child's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) and Guardian ad Litem (GAL) for children in court due to abuse, neglect of private guardianship.

2023 Project Proposal: Child Advocacy for Abused & Neglected Children in Aurora.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Youth services.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 35,000.

Applicant: City of Aurora Engineering Division.

Agency Background: The City of Aurora Engineering Division is a division of the City of Aurora Public Works Department which provides public streets and utilities maintenance.

2023 Project Proposal: Street Resurfacing Program.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Enhance and improve access to the number of community amenities in low and moderate income (LMI) areas.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Public infrastructure (street resurfacing, sewers, community lighting, etc.).

Project Request: \$ 500,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 500,000.

Applicant: City of Aurora Financial Empowerment Center.

Agency Background: The City of Aurora Financial Empowerment Center is managed by the City of Aurora Innovation & Strategy Division and provides financial literacy services.

2023 Project Proposal: Aurora Financial Empowerment Center.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Supportive services.

Project Request: \$100,000.

Project Recommendation: \$35,000.

Applicant: City of Aurora Parks & Recreation Department.

Agency Background: City of Aurora Parks & Recreation Department manages the parks in Aurora and provides recreational activities.

2023 Project Proposal: Garfield Park Renovations.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Enhance and improve access to the number of community amenities in low and moderate income (LMI) areas.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Neighborhood amenities (e.g. community gardens, playgrounds, or parks).

Project Request: \$523,700.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: City of Aurora Senior & Disability Services Division.

Agency Background: The City of Aurora Senior & Disability Services Division provides senior and disability services to Aurora residents.

2023 Project Proposal: City of Aurora Ride Solution Program.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Supportive services.

Project Request: \$75,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Echo Development Center.

Agency Background: Echo Development Center offers a wide range of services encompassing social, economic, health, and educational support, aimed at enhancing the well-being and resilience of youth, seniors, and homeless individuals and families within the community.

2023 Project Proposal: The Hope House Transitional Living Center.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Mitigate or prevent homelessness.

Project Request: \$145,840.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity.

Agency Background: Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity (FVHH) exists to make life-altering changes for low to moderate income families struggling with basic housing needs. FVHH accomplishes this through home-ownership. FVHH builds new construction, improve existing homes, rehab foreclosed and severely distressed homes for families that apply and are accepted into the program.

2023 Project Proposal: Habitat Green Freedom.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$250,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Jennings Terrace.

Agency Background: Jennings Terrace is licensed to provide services to adults 50 years of age or older in need of sheltered or nursing care. There are 103 sheltered care rooms that accommodate 60 residents in single or double room apartments. The skilled nursing wing has 60 beds, all of which are licensed for Medicaid. Their purpose is to provide a continuum of care to older adults, from assistance to seniors who find it difficult to maintain their own residence and require help with nursing care for those who require a higher, more comprehensive level of care.

2023 Project Proposal: Electrical Service Upgrade to Meet Current Electric Demand.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$312,000.

Project Recommendation: \$312,000.

Applicant: Mutual Ground, Inc.

Agency Background: Mutual Ground is the only provider of comprehensive domestic and sexual violence resources in its service area. Their 24-hour shelter services are located in the central portion of their service district. Their staff travels widely throughout the service area in order to reach clients in all locations. Hospital advocates meet with survivors at three area hospitals, legal advocates meet with clients at the Kane County and Kendall County Courthouses and police stations, and youth advocates to provide regular counseling services in the schools. Mutual Ground provides critical resources for those seeking a path away from violence, and continually works to meet the needs of anyone at risk.

2023 Project Proposal: Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 40,000.

Applicant: Prairie State Legal Services.

Agency Background: Prairie State Legal Services is a civil legal aid organization serving 36 counties in Northern and Central Illinois outside of Cook County. All legal services are provided free of charge to eligible clients. They provide services from 11 offices across their area. The demand for legal help routinely outpaces the organization's capacity, so they prioritize to determine who receives legal help.

2023 Project Proposal: 2024 Housing Advocacy Legal Services Project.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Supportive services.

Project Request: \$35,000.

Project Recommendation: Recommended HOME-ARP Funding.

Applicant: Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc. dba Hesed House.

Agency Background:

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Mitigate or prevent homelessness.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 40,000.

Applicant: Quad County Urban League.

Agency Background: Quad County Urban League (QCUL) is a tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with many diverse programs that facilitate social and economic growth of residents throughout its four-county service region. QCUL addresses needs of young people who are in poverty, exposed to crime, and are un/underemployed through its various programs. They also connect adults with supportive services, training, and re-employment.

2023 Project Proposal: Community Empowerment Program.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Employment to unemployed persons.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 10,000.

Applicant: Rebuilding Together Aurora.

Agency Background: Rebuilding Together Aurora (RTA) has provided a progressive level of home repair and modification services to low income homeowners in Aurora. The Safe At Home program was designed to provide essential safety and accessibility to low-income residents living with disabilities.

2023 Project Proposal: Safe At Home Program.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$ 165,033.

Project Recommendation: \$100,000.

Applicant: Senior Services Associates.

Agency Background: Senior Services Associates, Inc. is a non-profit agency dedicated to sustaining and improving the quality of life for individuals age 60 and older, their caregivers, disabled persons age 18 to 59 living in the community and veterans by providing access to the social services they need. They are dedicated to preserving their client's independence, promoting mental and physical wellbeing and protecting their rights and dignity.

2023 Project Proposal: Community Connection Center.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Public service assistance including the prevention and reduction of homelessness.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Supportive services.

Project Request: \$ 50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$40,000.

Applicant: The Neighbor Project.

Agency Background: The Neighbor Project (TNP) is a nonprofit, HUD-approved housing counseling agency dedicated to helping low to moderate income families reduce debt, build credit, save and ultimately buy their first homes. TNP not only provides financial and homebuyer education, but post-purchase counseling, foreclosure prevention and emergency home-repairs.

2023 Project Proposal: Safety First Program

Consolidated Plan Goal: Housing.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve housing supply.

Project Request: \$ 235,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 200,000.

Applicant: The Neighbor Project.

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2023 Project Proposal: Letter of Intent.

Consolidated Plan Goal: N/A.

Consolidated Plan Objective: N/A.

Project Request: \$ 75,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.

Applicant: Women's Business Development Center.

Agency Background: The Women's Business Development Center (WBDC) delivers a wide array of programs and services that assist clients in establishing, growing, and sustaining profitable businesses that create jobs, fuel economic growth, build strong communities, and create generational wealth. Programs and services are community-based, culturally aware, client-focused, and customized to align with the current stage of each business owner.

2023 Project Proposal: Digital Bootcamp and Financial Bootcamp for Small Business Owners.

Consolidated Plan Goal: Foster small and local business development.

Consolidated Plan Objective: Improve rate of micro-enterprise business survival (5 or less employees, including business owner).

Project Request: \$50,000.

Project Recommendation: \$ 0.