

## MEMORANDUM

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TO: Community and Economic Development Committee

FROM: Roxy Schmidt, Community Development Specialist

DATE: December 8, 2014

RE: Recommendations for 2015 Community Development Block Grant Funding

*Background.* The estimated 2015 CDBG award listed in the 2015 City budget was \$500,000. This amount was estimated based on past award amounts. Staff determined the allocations for the Homeowner Rehabilitation Loan Program, Neighborhood Services Program, Appleton Housing Authority and administrative costs. The remaining amount was designated for community partners through a competitive application process.

*Application Information.* CDBG applications from community partners for the 2015 program year were due to the Community and Economic Development Department on October 24, 2014. Seven applications were submitted. Upon receipt, the applications were thoroughly reviewed by the Community and Economic Development Specialist for eligibility under HUD program regulations and it was determined that all were eligible.

Application Review. The CDBG Advisory Board met on November 18, 2014. (See attachment for information regarding Board membership.) Members were asked to review the applications and decide upon allocation amounts prior to the meeting. The applications and allocation amounts made by each board member were compiled and discussed at the meeting. Allocation recommendations were agreed upon pursuant to this discussion.

*Allocation Approval.* The funding allocation recommendations for the Homeowner Rehabilitation Loan Program, Neighborhood Services Program, Appleton Housing Authority and administrative costs, as determined by staff, and the allocation recommendations from the CDBG Advisory Board for community partners are presented in the attached table for CEDC approval.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 832-6469 or roxann.schmidt@appleton.org. Thank you!