

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

July 21, 2016

Nikki A. Gerhard  
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City of Appleton – Community & Economic Development  
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Dear Nikki:

Further to our discussion earlier this week, I am writing to formally rescind NAMI Fox Valley's application for 2016 Community Development Block Grant funding for our peer specialist training program. Regrettably, NAMI FV will be unable to offer peer specialist training this year due to a delay by the State of Wisconsin in releasing the new curriculum for the program.

When NAMI FV submitted its CDBG application last September, we were aware that the State of Wisconsin was in the midst of rewriting the curriculum for the program. The State had announced that the new curriculum would be ready for approved instructors (including NAMI FV) to offer to students by spring 2016. NAMI FV intended to offer a training using the new curriculum in fall 2016.

Unfortunately, the State has faced multiple delays in its anticipated timeline and now estimates that the curriculum will not be ready to offer to students until early 2017. In the meantime, the State has prohibited any further trainings using the existing curriculum. Accordingly, NAMI FV has canceled our anticipated 2016 training.

On behalf of everyone at NAMI FV, we are very grateful to the City of Appleton for considering our request for funding, and we deeply regret the need to rescind our application.

Sincerely,



Maren H. Peterson  
Executive Director