

PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS – FY2011 - CDBG/HOME/ESG

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

\$6,062,912

The county expects to receive \$5,562,912 in CDBG funds for Fiscal Year 2011, and with anticipated program income of \$500,000, an estimated total of \$6,062,912 in CDBG funds will be available for the following activities.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

\$1,890,000

Fenton Street Village Pedestrian Linkages

\$400,000

This project provides pedestrian links in the commercial area located along the eastern edge of the Silver Spring Central Business District and is an extension of the streetscape program that is being implemented in the area.

Long Branch Pedestrian Linkages

\$870,000

This project provides pedestrian links in the Long Branch community that will connect the high-density residential areas with the Village Center. Significantly, a new connector trail and bridge will be constructed through the Long Branch Stream Valley Park to stabilize, protect, and enhance existing streamside areas and preserve the natural character of the stream valley while improving pedestrian and bike circulation.

Focused Neighborhood Assistance

\$470,000

This project provides for focused neighborhood assistance in selected neighborhoods with a primary focus on residential areas. Project elements will comprehensively address community needs for neighborhood preservation and enhancement. Resources are currently focused in two neighborhoods, one in mid-county (Wheaton/Glenmont) and one in Upcounty (Germantown/Gunner's Lake).

Facility Planning

\$50,000

The fund will be used to conduct preliminary planning and design studies for a variety of projects dispersed throughout the County for possible inclusion in a future capital budget.

Contingency (Capital)

\$100,000

The fund will be used to cover an unanticipated design and construction related cost.

PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA)

\$2,117,247

Project Analysis and Engineering

\$130,000

Funds will be used for project analysis and engineering costs associated with projects in revitalization areas.

Group Home Acquisition and Rehabilitation

\$300,000

Funds will be used to provide loans to nonprofit organizations for the purchase and/or rehabilitation of properties for use as group homes.

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Housing Production and Preservation

\$719,557

Funds will be used for affordable housing activities. Eligible activities include loans to assist in the purchase of existing properties for use as housing affordable to low- and moderate-income residents and funds for housing rehabilitation to enable low and moderate income owners of single-family homes and owners of multi-family properties occupied by low- and moderate-income tenants to eliminate code violations and make other necessary improvements, including accessibility and energy conservation improvements.

Façade, Sign and Canopy Program

\$160,000

Funds will be used to improve commercial building facades through loans to owners of older commercial properties in areas targeted for revitalization.

Code Enforcement

\$547,690

Funds will be used to partially cover costs incurred for code enforcement efforts in low-and moderate income areas in conjunction with other public or private improvements and services.

Contingency (Operating)

\$80,000

The fund will be available for operating expenditures to allow for emergency community development needs and funding non-public service out-of-cycle requests.

Comprehensive Neighborhood Assistance

\$180,000

Funds will be used to address community needs in neighborhoods not receiving focused neighborhood assistance and may also be used for eligible services in focused neighborhoods to complement capital improvement efforts.

Administration (capped)

\$1,030,585

This will fund DHCA's staff in planning, administration and monitoring of the CDBG program, including preparation of the Consolidated Plan, staff support for a citizens' advisory committee, environmental reviews, preparation of contracts, payment processing and auditing, federal reporting and loan servicing.

NONPROFIT PROVIDERS

\$593,080

A Wider Circle

\$41,900

“Neighbor-to-Neighbor”

A total of \$41,900 in second year funding to be used to collect donations of furniture and basic home goods and distribute these items to needy families in Montgomery County. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 5,000 people.

Artpreneurs, Inc., dba Arts on the Block

\$26,030

“Quebec Terrace – Crime Prevention”

A total of \$26,030 in first year funding to be used to support a plan to develop and implement improvements to the Quebec Terrace community using best practices of integrated public and community art and crime prevention through environmental design. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 100 people.

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Boat People SOS	\$29,800
“Educational and Recreational Activities for Youth”	
A total of \$29,800 in second year funding will be used to support a youth enrichment program to improve the quality of life for 35 youth and their parents. Targeted youth will come from low income households where parents struggle with culture, language, and resources to help their children achieve academic and social success. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 50 people.	
College Tracks, Inc.	\$33,500
“College Tracks Program at Wheaton High School”	
A total of \$33,500 in second year funding will be used to cover a portion of the salary for the Program Director at the College Tracks Program operating at Wheaton High School. An estimated 300 people will benefit.	
Community Bridges, Inc.	\$26,500
“LUNA (Luchando Unidas con Nuestras Amigas)”	
A total of \$26,500 in first year funding to be used to support the LUNA program at 5 middle schools in the Silver Spring area. LUNA focuses on assisting immigrant girls successfully transition into their new communities, celebrate their unique identity, preserve their cultural traditions, and embrace their bilingualism. An estimated 65 people will benefit.	
Eastern Montgomery Emergency Assistance Network	\$23,700
“Networking Rx Assistance in Eastern Montgomery County”	
A total of \$23,700 in second year funding will be used to provide prescription medication to eligible low-income individuals who lack insurance coverage in Eastern Montgomery County. An estimated 90 households will benefit.	
GapBuster Learning Center	\$41,900
“Cross-Tutorial Mentoring Program”	
A total of \$41,900 in third year funding will be used to purchase supplies and educational material for each student, pay staff, provide incentives, and other operating costs associated with providing the Cross-Tutorial Mentoring Program. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 45 people.	
Housing Initiative partnership, Inc.	\$39,050
“Foreclosure Intervention Program”	
A total of \$39,050 in first year funding will be used to provide organizational support and to hire a bilingual intake specialist to handle phone calls, greet walk-ins, coordinate workshops, schedule appointments and perform data entry. An estimated 1,000 people will benefit.	
IMPACT Silver Spring	\$33,500
“Economic Empowerment Initiative”	
A total of \$33,500 in first year funding will be used to provide workforce skills in education, employment support, financial education and asset development. The program will benefit an estimated 200 people.	

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Interfaith Works, Inc. \$41,900
“Project LEAD”

A total of \$41,900 in first year funding will be used to provide supported employment services at Interfaith Works’ Clothing Centers to low-wage earners, moving them through a structured process of assessment, job readiness and training, job placement, and continuing support. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 60 people.

Liberty’s Promise, Inc. \$21,000
“Enriching the Immigrant Youth of Wheaton/Glenmont”

A total of \$21,000 will be used to support civic education and professional internship programs for low-income immigrant youth living in the designated mid-County focused neighborhood assistance area. The program will benefit an estimated 50 people.

Manna Food Center, Inc. \$41,900
“Smart Sacks”

A total of \$41,900 in funding to expand the Smart Sacks program, with \$5,000 provided through the City of Rockville to assist city residents and \$40,000 provided as second year funding by the county to assist residents county-wide. Smart Sacks provides a backpack of kid-friendly nutritious food every Friday to elementary school students who do not have food to eat on the weekends. The program will benefit an estimated 1,300 people

Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless \$28,100
“Creative Housing Initiative pilot Project (CHIPP)”

A total of \$28,100 in first year funding will be used to support a case manager position for the CHIPP permanent supportive housing program. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 16 people.

Spanish Catholic Center, Inc. \$27,400
“English for Speakers of Other Languages Program (ESOL)”

A total of \$27,400 in second year funding will be used to provide ESOL services for low-income, limited English proficient residents of Montgomery County in the Germantown area. The program will benefit an estimated 75 people.

The Mental Health Association of Montgomery County, Inc. \$33,500
“Kensington/Wheaton Youth Services”

A total of \$33,500 in first year funding will be used to provide a 12-month youth development and family support program for low-income youth with emotional and behavioral problems. The program will benefit an estimated 50 people.

The Shepherd’s Table, Inc. \$21,000
“Shepherd’s Table Eye Clinic”

A total of \$21,000 in third year funding will be used to serve individuals who do not have eye care insurance and are in need of eye exams and eye glasses. The funds will support staff salaries and operating expenses. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 475 people.

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Washington Youth Foundation \$40,500
“Professional Youth Initiative Program”

A total of \$40,500 in second year funding will be used to support staff salaries and program operating costs. The Countywide program will benefit an estimated 370 people.

YMCA of Metropolitan Washington, Youth & Family Services \$41,900
“Northwest Park Community Center”

A total of \$41,900 in third year funding will be used to provide essential operating support for the Northwest Park Community Center located within the Northwest Park apartment complex in Silver Spring. The program will benefit an estimated 120 people.

PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY MUNICIPALITIES **\$432,000**

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK **\$138,000**

Crossroads Farmers Market \$25,000
“Opportunity and Community in the Crossroads”

Bi-lingual marketing and educational initiative designed to improve access to fresh and locally grown foods, increase awareness of the nutritional benefits of fresh food, and to promote use of WIC and food stamps. An estimated total of 415 low and moderate income persons will benefit by the project.

City of Takoma Park \$113,000
“Affordable Housing Initiative”

Funds will be used for affordable housing activities. Eligible activities include loans to assist in the purchase of existing properties for use as housing affordable to low- and moderate-income residents and funds for housing rehabilitation to enable low and moderate income owners of single-family homes and owners of multi-family properties occupied by low- and moderate-income tenants to eliminate code violations and make other necessary improvements, including accessibility and energy conservation improvements. A total of 25 households are expected to benefit.

CITY OF ROCKVILLE **\$294,000**

Community Ministries of Rockville \$16,000
“Latino Outreach Program”

Funds will be used to provide basic English classes, workplace instruction and assistance to become U.S. citizens for foreign born community members in Rockville. This service will assist approximately 150 individuals.

Community Ministries of Rockville \$12,500
“Elderly Ministries Program”

Funds will provide funds to support administrative expenses associated with providing case management to senior citizens and frail elderly residents of the City of Rockville. This service will assist approximately 50 individuals.

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Korean Community Service Center of Greater Washington, Inc. \$5,000
“Rockville Outreach and Services”

Funds will cover administrative expenses associated with providing case management, information and referral services, housing assistance and citizenship preparation and assistance to residents of the City of Rockville. This service will assist approximately 64 individuals.

Rockville Housing Enterprises \$70,000

Funds will be used by Rockville Housing Enterprises for improvements to 29 single family scattered site units throughout the City. These improvements will benefit 29 families.

Single-Family Rehabilitation \$178,000

The project will be used to provide low-interest loans and grants to income eligible homeowners who need financial assistance in eliminating major code violations. An estimated 15 families will benefit.

Stepping Stones Shelter \$12,500
“Central Air Conditioning”

The funds will be used to install a central air conditioning system at the shelter for adults and children. This shelter facility will assist approximately 200 households.

SUMMARY OF EXPECTED BENEFIT FROM CDBG PROJECTS

Persons	9,955
Households	359

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME)
July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME) \$2,991,884

The HOME grant is designed to increase housing choices for low-income households through rental and home ownership programs, in cooperation with public, private and nonprofit organizations. During the coming year, it is anticipated that the County will receive \$2,491,884 in funding for HOME projects, and together with anticipated program income of \$500,000, an estimated total of \$2,491,884 in HOME funds will be available. Funds will generally be made available in the form of low-interest loans and other subsidies, and units assisted may be both rental and owner-occupied.

PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA)

Housing Production and Preservation \$1,394,913

Funds will be used to create home ownership opportunities, new rental housing, or to rehabilitate existing housing (both rental and single-family homes). This housing will principally serve low-income households. DHCA will work with the private sector, non-profits and the Montgomery County Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC) in implementing this program. Additionally, if the opportunity is available, HOME funds will be used for group homes to serve special populations and for specialized housing programs.

Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) \$373,783
Housing Production

The project will fund the housing development activities of CHDOs. This represents the federally mandated fifteen percent of the HOME allocation. Up to 10 percent of this total (\$37,378) may be used for project-specific technical assistance, site control, and seed money loans. It is anticipated that one to three organizations will use these funds for acquisition, construction, or renovation of rental housing for persons with low-incomes.

PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY NONPROFITS AND OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES

CHDO Operating Assistance \$112,000

Funds will be used to partially cover the administrative costs of qualified CHDOs: Montgomery Housing Partnership (MHP) and Housing Unlimited. MHP will receive \$84,000 and Housing Unlimited will receive \$28,000. By regulation, only CHDOs using HOME funds to own, sponsor, or develop affordable housing are eligible for operating support. This operating support cannot exceed 50 percent of a CHDO's operating budget in any fiscal year or \$50,000 annually, whichever is greater.

Rental Assistance – Housing Opportunities Commission \$112,000

Up to a total of \$112,000 will fund rental assistance in partnership with the Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC). HOC administers the State of Maryland's Rental Allowance Program in the county, and HOME funds will leverage this state funding source to assist households who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. HOC will administer these funds.

Rental Assistance – Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless \$750,000

Up to a total of \$750,000 will fund rental assistance in partnership with the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless, (MCCH), in support of the county's "Housing First Program." MCCH will administer these funds.

Fair Housing Activities \$37,000

Funds will be used for activities that serve to affirmatively further fair housing choice. Activities may include sales, rental and lending testing, education/outreach, training and research. Activities will be administered by the Office of Human Rights.

ADMINISTRATION \$212,188

The fund will be used to cover the county's expenses associated with operating the HOME Program. Combined administrative expenses represent 10% of the entitlement amount.

SUMMARY OF EXPECTED BENEFIT FROM HOME PROJECTS

Persons	130
Households	100
Units	400
CHDO's	2

**Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)
July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011**

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) \$224,839

The ESG Program enables the county to provide housing and other services to persons who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless. Although smaller than the CDBG or HOME programs, the ESG program serves an essential role in providing services to some of our most needy. The County expects to receive \$224,839 in the coming year for ESG projects.

NONPROFIT PROVIDERS

**Bethesda Cares, Inc. \$30,000
“Mental Health Services for the Homeless”**

A total of \$30,000 will provide medication and emergency prescription assistance to untreated mentally ill homeless individuals. An estimated 130 people will benefit.

**Rockville Presbyterian Church \$15,000
“Rainbow Place”**

A total of \$15,000 will assist in supporting the staff cost for a part-time, seasonal Case Manager to provide services to homeless women. Of the \$15,000, \$5,000 is allocated through the City of Rockville and \$10,000 through the county. A total of 75 people will benefit.

PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY DHCA

Shelter Renovation/Maintenance \$101,148

Funds will be used to renovate and/or maintain shelters serving the homeless in Montgomery County. An estimated 150 people will benefit.

Homeless Prevention Assistance \$67,450

Funds will be used to provide homeless prevention assistance, including payments for rent and utility arrearages necessary to prevent eviction, as well as security deposits or first month’s rent to enable persons who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness to secure housing. An estimated 80 people will benefit.

ADMINISTRATION \$11,241

The fund will be used to partially cover the county’s expenses associated with operating the ESG Program. Administrative expenses represent 5.0% of the entitlement amount

SUMMARY OF EXPECTED BENEFIT FROM ESG PROJECTS

Persons 435