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Date: Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 6 P.M.

To: Countywide Priority Setting Committee

From: Molly Kron, Senior Planner
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Subject: Public Workshop to Discuss Funding Applications

Location: Virtual Hearing via Zoom. Members of the public register here:
https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fQoioQ4-RfGIK5suAU0qog

Request:

1. Receive brief presentation by funding applicants who are present and wish to speak.
2. Review projects identified by the Countywide Priority Setting Committee members when applicant is not present.

Background:

- The Priority Setting Committee and staff are reviewing applications for the 5th and final funding cycle of the 2020-24 Consolidated Plan. The application period was open from January 22 through February 16, 2024. The Consolidated Plan is designed to help Marin jurisdictions assess their affordable housing and community development needs and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The Consolidated Plan specifies goals and uses for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) investments and includes priorities established by the Priority Setting Committee, including:
 - Community Infrastructure
 - Accessibility Improvements
 - Community Facilities Improvements
 - Homeless Shelters
 - Housing (Rental, Homeownership, or Special Needs)
 - Family Housing
 - Land trust model in eastern Marin with specific inclusion for African Americans
 - Public Services
 - Basic Health Services
 - Children, Youth, and Parent Support Services

- Food Security
- Housing Support Services

The 35 proposals being considered have applied for funding from the following funding sources:

- Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG),
- Federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and
- State Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) matched by Local Marin County Affordable Housing Fund (HTF).

Several Committee members volunteered to serve on review panel subcommittees for the three project categories that were held over the past two weeks to review the applications.

Discussion:

Application Review Workshop

This meeting is a workshop format. No decisions will be made, and no votes will be taken. Staff will provide a brief overview of the application process and proposals under consideration. Applicants that are present will provide a 2-3 minute summary of their projects. Committee members may ask questions of applicants following each presentation. Additionally, when project applicants are not present, Committee members may request staff to provide additional detail.

Workshop Purpose:

- Provide the PSC with an overview of applications received.
- Give the PSC an opportunity to review applications and provide comments to staff prior to making recommendations.

Workshops Goals:

- Increase ownership and involvement of the PSC in funding recommendations.
- Increase understanding of limited funding and demand for funding for valuable projects.

Applicants should note that the Committee will make its recommendations for funding allocations at a separate series of public hearings scheduled for April and May 2024. These meetings will be open to the public, and the agendas include open time for public comment.

All 2024-25 applications are posted on the [County's Federal Grants webpage](#).

Actions Required:

No actions are to be taken.

Attachment:

1. Project List

Application Links:

- [Community Infrastructure/Capital Project Applications](#)
- [Housing Project Applications](#)
- [Public Services Project Applications](#)
- [Addendum 1](#)

2024-25 Submitted Funding Applications

Organization (Fiscal Sponsor)/Agency Name	Program/Project Name	Planning Areas Served	CDBG Funding Amount Requested	HOME Funding Amount Requested	PLHA/HTF Funding Amount Requested
Housing					
EAH Housing	1 Hamilton	Countywide			1,200,000
Eden Housing Inc	Oak Hill Eden	Countywide			1,200,000
Eden Housing Inc.	Pt. Reyes Coast Guard	Countywide	650,000	850,000	1,200,000
Education Housing Partners, Inc.	Oak Hill Workforce Housing	Countywide			1,200,000
Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco	Habitat Redwood Blvd.	Countywide	650,000		
Marin CIL	Residential Access Modification Program (RAMP)	Countywide	45,000		
Pep Housing/ Demson Development JV	Marin Vista Residences	Countywide	650,000	850,000	1,200,000
Bolin Community Land Trust (BCLT)	2024 Bolinas Affordable Housing Rehabilitation	County Other	261,200		
Community Land Trust Association of West Marin	35 Third Street Septic and Solar Installation	County Other	224,250	224,250	224,250
EAH Housing	Point Reyes Affordable	County Other			839,000
Art Works Downtown	AWD Electrical Upgrade Project	San Rafael	240,000		
Canal Alliance	Marin Villas Phase 2 Affordable Housing Renovations	San Rafael	200,000	200,000	
EAH Housing	Turina House/Riviera Apartments (scattered site project)	San Rafael		819,893	
Housing Totals			2,920,450	2,944,143	7,063,250
Capital Improvements					
Benevolence: A Communication Wellness Cafe	The BlackStage Xperience	Countywide	30,000		
Hamilton Community Church of the Nazarene	Project Bethany	Countywide	50,000		
WeeCare, Inc. (DBA Upwards)	BOOST (Business Operation & Optimization Support Tools)	Countywide	240,000		
North Bay Children's Center	Garden of Eatin' Greenhouse and Classrooms	Novato	75,000		
North Marin Community Services	Lower Roof Replacement	Novato	200,000		
Canal Alliance	Proposed pedestrian hybrid beacon located across Grand Avenue between Francisco Boulevard and Second Street in San Rafael, CA.	San Rafael	350,000		
Capital Improvements Totals			945,000		

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Public Services					
Benevolence: A Communication Wellness Cafe	The BlackStage Xperience	Countywide	30,000		
Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California	Fair Housing Counseling and Education	Countywide	85,000		
Front Porch Communities Foundation	Home Match Marin	Countywide	20,000		
Make It Home	Pilot Furniture Pick-Up and Delivery Program	Countywide	65,000		
Marin YMCA	Expanding Affordable Childcare through YMCA Elementary Aged Programs	Countywide	30,000		
Mental Health Advocates of Marin/Fiscally sponsored by Marin Link	Enterprise Resource Center	Countywide?	60,000		
Pearl Transit Corp	Oral health outreach for low income Marin County residents.	Countywide	60,000		
Planned Parenthood Northern California	Increasing Access to Sexual Reproductive Health Care in Marin County	Countywide?	65,000		
Vivalon	Nourish by Vivalon	Countywide	55,000		
Young Performers International	YPI Young Musicians Scholarship Program	Countywide?	45,000		
Bridge the Gap	Bridge the Gap Children, Youth, and Parent Support Services: K-8 Year-Round Academic and Enrichment Activities	County Other	35,000		
Performing Stars of Marin (PSoM)	Robust Social Services for Southern Marin Residents Including Children, Youth, and Families	County Other	15,000		
San Geronimo Valley Community Center	San Geronimo Valley Community Center Food Bank	County Other	32,928		
The Hannah Project Partnership for Academic Achievement	Hannah Freedom School/FS2	County Other	32,822		
North Bay Children's Center	Child Care Scholarships	Novato	20,000		
North Marin Community Services	Nourishing North Marin	Novato	25,000		
City of San Rafael	Pickleweed Preschool	San Rafael	25,000		
Public Services Totals			700,750		
Total Requests			4,566,200	2,944,143	7,063,250

GRAND TOTAL **14,573,593**