PSC Workshop
February 15, 2018
7:00 PM
Workshop purpose and goal

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Purpose:

• To provide PSC with an overview of applications received
• To give the PSC an opportunity to review applications and provide comments to staff prior to making recommendations

Goal:

• Increased ownership and involvement of PSC in funding recommendations
• Increased understanding of difficulty in making recommendations with limited funding and valuable projects
Agenda

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• Review timeline and application process
  • Estimated grant resources
• Overview of applications received
• PSC Members identify applications they would like to review and discuss
• Request for public comment on the housing and non-housing community development needs of lower income people, and the past performance of the County’s CDBG, HOME, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs.
2018-2019 Timeline

- PSC meeting on local priorities: September 21
- Grant Applicant Workshops (3) - October
- Grant Application open: October 20 – November 20
- Staff review of applications: December-January
- PSC Application Workshop: February 15
- San Rafael and Novato Meetings: March 13 and 19
- PSC Hearing on funding recommendations: April 5
- Board of Supervisors adopts funding recommendations: May 8, 2018
CDBG and HOME local funding Priorities

- Projects which affirmatively further fair housing
- Support projects that serve members of the protected classes
- Prioritize fewer applications and recipients
- Funding fewer housing projects per year
Local Priorities – defined

• Affirmatively Further Fair Housing:
  • To promote fair housing and to empower and give special assistance to groups that have historically been disadvantaged
  • Take meaningful actions that address significant disparities in housing needs and increase access to opportunity
  • Take assertive steps aimed at reversing historical trends and discriminatory patterns.

• Serve Members of the Protected Classes
  • Race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, national origin
Grant amounts

• Last year CDBG award $1,365,844
  - Available for Public Services ~$204,876

• Last year HOME award $601,435

• Estimate the same amounts this year, but continued budget uncertainty

• Over $5 million in funds requested this year
Overview of applications received

- Applications received 43
  - Representing 32 organizations
  - Applicants currently funded 23
  - New applicants 4

- Applications asked % of services provided in each geographic area

- Staff will make recommendations based on % of services by Planning Area
  - more accurately represents service provision
CDBG funding

• 40% of funding restricted for Housing

• 60% divided into 3 Planning Areas
  • Maximum 15% for Public Services
  • Fair housing services included here
  • Minimum of 30% for Housing
  • Remaining for Capital & Housing

• Program administration costs