

Public Hearing

Priority Needs and Proposed Projects for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Recommended Council Action

None – Public Hearing

Context with Key Issues

The Council will be holding a public hearing on October 3 to solicit comments regarding Takoma Park's Community Development Block Grant program.

The Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) was initiated in 1974 and is one of the oldest programs at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CDBG grants are provided on an annual basis to communities to ensure decent affordable housing for all, to provide services to the most vulnerable, to create jobs, and expand business opportunities. On June 15, 2016, the Council adopted Resolution 2016-16, limiting the expenditure of CDBG) allocations to capital. Takoma Park's CDBG funds are provided as a pass through from Montgomery County.

Qualifying capital projects must be located in designated CDBG eligible census tracts, illustrated in the accompanying map, or persons or households of low and moderate incomes as defined by HUD. In Montgomery County, a household of four with an annual income of \$77,450 or less is considered low or moderate income for purposes of the CDBG program.

Community members are encouraged to comment during the hearing on the needs of the City's low and moderate-income households and to suggest appropriate capital projects to address those needs.

Council Priority

A Livable Community for All

Environmental Considerations

The environmental implications are unknown and will be developed as the project progresses.

Fiscal Considerations

The City will receive an estimated \$91,000 in funds for FY20.

Racial Equity Considerations

This Council action will primarily benefit low and moderate income residents of Wards 4, 5 and 6, where an estimated 80% of the residents are people of color.

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Attachments and Links

- Map of CDBG Eligible Areas
- Resolution 2016-16 Establishing Funding Priorities for the CDBG Program



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

TAKOMA PARK ELIGIBLE NEIGHBORHOODS

Effective July 1, 2014

