FY24 State DHCD Funding Priorities

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Goal: To review the City's planned applications for the FY2024 State NED Funds

Funding Opportunity

Funding Source: National Capital Strategic Economic Development Fund (NED Grant)

Funder: State of Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development

Eligible Applicants: Local governments & community development organizations with projects in the Montgomery County or Prince George's County Sustainable Communities designation

Total Funding Available: \$7 million capital, \$200,000 operating

Application Deadline: Thursday, June 29th, 2023 at 3:00 PM



Spending Window: Two years from funding award

Eligible Projects

From the Funders Perspective:

"Commercial and residential development projects such as:

- Down payment assistance for homebuyers to purchase and rehabilitate homes
- Programs to acquire or rehabilitate vacant or blighted properties
- Programs to improve existing residential and business properties
- Programs to achieve energy efficiency through weatherization and energy retrofits
- Development of affordable housing
- Development of mixed-use projects that combine housing, retail, and office space
- Development or enhancement of community open space or public infrastructure
- Strategic demolition"

From the City's Perspective:

- Mission:
 - Aligns with Council Priorities and the Housing & Economic Development Strategic Plan
- Shovel-Ready:
 - Can be completed within the 2 year time window
- Capital In Nature:
 - Acknowledges the limited availability of operating funds
- Multi-Source
 - Brings additional funding sources to the project or program
- Iterative:
 - Builds off existing successful projects or programs
- Concrete Result
 - Leads to a clear project milestone or completion



Recent NED Projects





Fiscal Year 2024 Applications





Multifamily Building Improvement Fund

Purpose: Matching funds to build off the success of the ARPA-funded Multifamily Building Grant and Electrification Grant

Project: City-wide grant funds to support building infrastructure repairs and sustainability investments in multifamily residential properties

Council Priorities :

- Fiscally Sustainable Government
- Environmentally Sustainable Community
- Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life

Richardson School of Music Rehabilitation & Expansion

<u>Purpose</u>: Funds to assist the rehabilitation and buildout of commercial property at 7312 Carroll Avenue

<u>**Project</u>:** Richardson School of Music, a local, minorityowned small business, has purchased 7312 Carroll Avenue, a currently underutilized commercial property, to expand their business operations in the City.</u>

Council Priorities :

- Engaged, Responsive, Service-Oriented Government
- Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life



Small Business Investment Fund

Purpose: Matching funds to supplement the City's existing capital funds for small businesses to incentivize property investments that will attract new tenants to the City's commercial and office spaces.

<u>Project</u>: City-wide grant funds to provide lowto no-cost financing for property investments to support new business attraction

Council Priorities :

- Fiscally Sustainable Government
- Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life



Historic District Commercial Rehabilitation Fund

Purpose: Funds will support the attraction of new investment in larger-form properties in the Takoma Park Historic District

Project: Acquisition, stabilization, and rehabilitation funds for existing properties to defray the high costs of historic rehabilitation.

Council Priorities :

• Community Development for an Improved & Equitable Quality of Life





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