

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROJECTS AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

2024-25 CDBG Project Requests with CDCC Recommendations

Action Alliance Foundation (DENIED)

Project Hope

Requested Amount: \$25,00

Recommended Amount: \$0

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: Action Alliance Foundation provides shelter for unemployable homeless alcoholics/addicts. Residents are required to work/volunteer in the community, attend sober living programs, meet with the volunteer house manager, and pay rent for housing offered by Action Alliance. Application was denied: 1) CDBG funds may only be used as emergency payments for a period not to exceed three months they are not to be used for ongoing income payments (rent); 2) inconsistencies in current application compared to previous application; 3) food is not an eligible CDBG expense unless program is a food program; and 4) Action Alliance is in partnership with a for-profit organization (for-profits are not CDBG-eligible).

Boys and Girls Club of Fullerton

Youth Development Program

Requested Amount: 50,000

Recommended Funding: \$45,000

Needs Addressed: Youth

Description: The Boys and Girls Club of Fullerton provides after-school program activities for 250 children at four Fullerton sites located at 410 S. Richman Avenue, 2435 W. Valencia Drive, 244 E. Valencia Drive, and 2200 E. Commonwealth Drive.

The Bridge Boxing Club (WITHDREW)

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Requested Amount: 78,000

Recommended Amount: \$0

Needs Addressed: Youth

Description: The Bridge Boxing Club provides at-risk youth instructional fundamentals of boxing that will improve overall fitness and health. Agency withdrew their application as they were not prepared to answer questions related to the application.

CARE Housing Services, Inc.

Fullerton City Lights Social Services

Requested Amount: 50,000

Recommended Funding: \$18,000

Needs Addressed: At-risk of homelessness.

Description: Social services are provided to residents of the 134-unit Fullerton City Lights facility. As the demographics at City Lights have changed over the years, providing social services, and on-site supportive services are critical to many of the tenants who are formally homeless, disabled, elderly and have special needs.

Community SeniorServ Inc.

Lunch Café Program

Requested Amount: \$30,000

Recommended Funding: \$10,000

Needs Addressed: Seniors

Description: Community SeniorServ provides services to over 280 elderly individuals in Fullerton through their lunch program at the Fullerton Community Center. The Lunch Café Program assists in the alleviation of poor nutrition for the low-income senior population.

Fair Housing Foundation

Fair Housing Program

Requested Amount: \$20,000

Recommended Funding: \$20,000

Needs Addressed: Fair Housing

Description: To receive federal funds, the City is required to provide fair housing services to its residents. It is more cost-effective for the City to contract out these services. The Fair Housing Foundation has been providing services to Fullerton over the last several years and anticipates assisting 225 Fullerton residents in the 2024-24 program year.

Hart Community Homes

Monkey Business Cafe

Requested Amount: \$45,000

Recommended Funding: \$40,000

Needs Addressed: At-risk of homelessness.

Description: Monkey Business Café provides on-the-job training for youth coming out of the foster care system. It is proposed that 15 clients will be trained.

Homeless Interventions Services of OC

Intensive Street-Based Case Management

Requested Amount: 200,000

Recommended Funding: \$43,062

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: HIS-OC provides outreach to the homeless population living on the streets. They propose to assist 200 homeless clients. Per their application, they will work with the Hope Center and Fullerton's Homeless Liaison Officers (HLO).

Lutheran Social Services

Victims Intervention Program

Requested Amount: \$20,000

Recommended Funding: \$10,000

Needs Addressed: Homelessness/Special Needs/Domestic Violence

Description: Lutheran Social Services proposes to assist 60 low-income homeless domestic violence victims plus their children with outreach, screening, case management, and social services.

Mercy House Living Centers

Bridges at Kraemer

Requested Amount: \$10,000

Recommended Funding: \$10,000

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: Mercy House operates a year-round full shelter program in Anaheim, Bridges at Kraemer, for adults. Services provided include showers, meals, and supportive services. They propose assisting 100 Fullerton residents.

MOMS Orange County (DENIED)

Healthy Beginnings Home Visitation Program

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Recommended Funding: \$0

Needs Addressed: Healthcare

Description: Program provides healthy parenting and parent-child bonding through services during pregnancy and through the first twelve months of the baby's life. Funds were approved in 2023-24, but the agency was unable to provide the HUD-required reporting. Agency was denied in 2024-25 because they could not provide required statistics.

OC United

Love Fullerton

Requested Amount: \$30,000

Recommended Amount: \$0

Needs Addressed: General Public Service, Building Rehabilitation

Description: OC United provides clean-up (removing debris) and other services (minor painting) throughout the city. No funding was allocated to this project. They claim to work closely with Code Enforcement, In discussion with Code Enforcement, they do not work closely with each other. Code Enforcement clients are given OC United's contact information if they need assistance; they are not referred to the agency. Also, the budget was not clear as the agency uses volunteers, but labor was listed as an expense.

Pathways of Hope

Regional Homeless Services Coordination

Requested Amount: \$50,000

Recommended Funding: \$20,000

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: The Regional Coordinator will assist 210 homeless individuals obtain and remain in decent housing. The program provides services related to eviction and homeless diversion; assessment for housing programs and resource development; and food services.

Recovery Road

Recovery Road Food Pantry

Requested Amount: \$25,000

Recommended Funding: \$0

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: The Recovery Road program is labeled Food Pantry, but description includes services such as homeless outreach, education and support program, legal and housing programs, workforce development, and resources access. Agency is seeking funds to cover rental expenses of their building.

StandUp for Kids

Homeless Youth – Journey to Self-Sufficiency

Requested Amount: \$21,711

Recommended Amount: \$0

Needs Addressed: Homelessness

Description: Program services homeless clients 18 – 24 years of age. It is not a youth program. Services include outreach, mentoring, and housing support.

YMCA of OC - North OC Family YMCA

Maple YMCA Youth Achievers Program

Requested Amount: \$15,000

Recommended Funding: \$15,000

Needs Addressed: Youth

Description: YMCA provides after-school enrichment program services to over 25 Fullerton youth. This free after-school program provides a safe, structured environment that includes academic assistance, personal life skills development, and leadership development.

Community and Economic Development Department

Housing Administration

Requested Amount: \$257,776

Recommended Funding: \$257,776

Needs Addressed: Administration

Description: Administration of the CDBG and HOME programs is funded strictly out of these funding sources. No general funds are used to fund these positions. Administration includes monitoring and reporting of all funding to ensure federal compliance.

Community and Economic Development Department

Housing Rehabilitation

Requested Amount: \$609,000

Recommended Funding: \$609,000

Needs Addressed: Neighborhood Revitalization/Housing

Description: The Housing Rehabilitation Program maintains decent housing for Fullerton residents. The program serves low-income homeowners who cannot afford repairs; most of the clients are seniors. By maintaining the individual homes, the neighborhood also benefits. Approximately 15 households will benefit directly from this program. The total amount recommended includes approximately \$150,000 in the housing rehabilitation revolving account.

Community and Economic Development Department

Special Code Enforcement

Requested Amount: \$130,000

Recommended Funding: \$130,000

Needs Addressed: Neighborhood Revitalization

Description: To prevent or eliminate blighted conditions, the Special Code Enforcement Officer is dedicated to responding to complaints within identified blighted neighborhoods. Approximately 150 households will benefit from this program.

Park Improvements

Union Pacific Park Improvements

Requested Amount: \$350,000

Recommended Funding: \$355,549

Needs Addressed: Neighborhood Revitalization

Description: Improvements of a neighborhood park to include walkway and sport court rehabilitation, ADA compliance upgrades, repair of existing trail, benches, and other related work.