Program Administration

CDBG Program Administration

\$193,511

This includes oversight, management, monitoring and coordination of the CDBG Program. This pays the full salaries of the CDBG/Neighborhood Services Manager, and support staff.

Indirect Cost \$21,429

This consists of accounting, data processing, audit expenses, and other services provided by other City Departments in support of the CDBG Program. Allowable costs are provided in the Indirect Cost Allocation Plan.

Fair Housing \$3,000

Provision of fair housing services and counseling is available to all city residents. The budget supports part of the Fair Housing Officer's activities.

Rehabilitation, Code and Housing Related

Code Direct Delivery Inspection Services

\$75.000

Code Enforcement – CDBG program is designed to enforce city, state ordinances through the direction of the Code Enforcement Manager while initiating nuisance abatement cases and remove substandard structure that have become blight on the community. The main objective of Code Enforcement – CDBG is to monitor neighborhoods issuing written notices to property owners/residences requiring the removal of code violations from the area by the best means possible, i.e., voluntary compliance, rehabilitation of substandard structures or the demolition of substandard structures, including nuisance abatement, high weeds grass, trash and debris and junk/inoperable vehicles.

Emergency Repair \$65,000

This program provides emergency repairs up to \$5,000 for items that happen unexpectedly and without warning that threaten the safety, life, health, or well being of the occupant.

Housing Rehabilitation Reconstruction

\$295,805

This program provides full rehab assistance up to \$25,000 and reconstruction up to \$85,000 for citizens 60 years and older or disabled combining CDBG and/or Home Funds. Liens are filed to protect the City's investment on single family low/mod owner occupied units. Depending on income, deferred payment, 0 percent and 3 percent loans are utilized.

Housing Rehabilitation, Reconstruction, Emergency, Homeownership and Direct Delivery Cost \$275,000

Payment of operational expenses for the rehabilitation programs i.e. Housing and Emergency Rehabilitation Program, HOME Reconstruction and Buying-Power. This program pays for the salaries of staff positions.

Buying-Power Program

\$60,000

The City of Grand Prairie Buying-Power Program will help pay initial costs to help qualified low and moderate income citizens purchase a home. The City will provide up to \$5,000 which can be used towards half the down payment and/or reasonable closing costs. The home purchased must be the primary residence of the buyer and located within the city limits of Grand Prairie.

Public Service Activities

Grand Prairie United Charities

\$44,363

Provide salaries for a Case Manager, Food Pantry Coordinator and Assistant Case Worker to assist Low Income families and water bill payments for clients. Services provided are food pantry, rent/mortgage, utility assistance (electric, water, gas), etc. for Grand Prairie families in need.

Children First Center \$44,363

Funds are used for abuse counseling at a reduced cost. It makes counseling affordable to qualified low/mod income and presumptive benefactor persons. This includes counseling and guidance services with a primary focus on child abuse prevention.

Brighter Tomorrows

\$44,363

Payment of expenses related to the direct operation of a battered women and children shelter. This includes food, clothing, shelter, emergency transportation, emergency medical care, 24-hour a day crisis intervention, legal assistance in civil and criminal justice systems, educational arrangements for children, support groups, parenting classes, survival skills, and domestic and sex violence counseling.

GP Charlie Taylor/Tony Shotwell & Dalworth Day Camps

\$14,253

After school and day camps are provided Monday – Friday for school age children under the supervision of the Parks and Recreation Department. This service will be provided to low and moderate income children that reside in the City of Grand Prairie.

Lifeline Shelter for Families

\$44,363

This program was established to address the problem of homelessness in Grand Prairie providing full services to homeless families including shelter, food, clothing, transportation along with educational and employment services. This funding will be used to offset the salary of the case manager. The focus is on families with children based on students classified as homeless in the Grand Prairie Independent School District.

Star Group Community Development Corporation

\$9,250

Star Group Community Development Corporation provides the disenfranchised citizens of Grand Prairie with assistance and the necessary tools to help them change their lives and become productive citizens.

Public Facilities and Improvements

Sidewalks Repair/Replacement

\$150,000

This project will repair concrete sidewalks along streets where children routinely walk to school and in other CDBG Low-Moderate areas.

West Springdale Street Census Tracts #164.06-1, #164.06-2, #164.06-3, #164.07-3
Budget \$150,000

Block #s:

301, 302, 305, 306, 309, 310, 313, 314, 317, 318, 321, 322, 325, 326, 329, 330, 401, 402, 405, 406, 409, 410, 413, 414, 417, 418, 421, 422, 425, 426, 429, 430, 433, 434, 437, 438, 441, 445, 449, 453, 457, 461, 501, 502, 505, 506, 509, 510, 513, 514, 517, 518, 521, 522, 525, 526, 530, 601, 602, 605, 609, 613, 617, 621, 622, 625, 626, 629, 630, 637, 638, 641, 642, 645, 646, 649, 701, 702, 705, 706, 709, 710, 713, 714, 717, 718, 721, 722, 725, 726, 729, 730, 733, 734, 737, 741.

HOME Program

Grand Prairie

Community Housing Development Organization, Inc. (CHDO)

\$56,562

This organization provides revitalization to Grand Prairie city wide through new construction and lot development for single family units.

Home Rehabilitations (HRP)/Home Reconstructions

\$320,519

The rehabilitation and reconstruction program provides deferred payment, 0% and 3% loans up to \$85,000 for low and moderate-income homeowners 60 years and older or disabled citizens to rehab single-family homes and is used in conjunction with the CDBG Rehabilitation Program. Applications are accepted on a first-come first-served basis and rehabs and/or reconstructions are conducted based on need.

William A. Hills, Director Housing and Neighborhood Services