

**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
2017 CDBG PROGRAM SUMMARY**

Program Administration

CDBG Program Administration \$221,459

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

Fair Housing \$5,000

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

Housing Rehabilitation, Reconstruction, Emergency, Homeownership and Program Direct Delivery Cost \$295,000

Payment of operational expenses is provided for the Housing and Emergency Rehabilitation Program, HOME, BuyinG-Power, and Habitat for Humanities. This program pays for the salaries of staff positions.

Housing Rehabilitation \$351,589

Full rehab assistance up to \$25,000 and reconstruction up to \$75,000 is provided to citizens 60 years of age 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.

Emergency Small Home Repair \$70,000

This program provides emergency repairs up to \$5,000 to alleviate health, safety, and public welfare conditions. Emergencies must occur without warning and applicants must be 50% of the median area income or below.

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 \$5,000, which can be used towards half of 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 \$45,090

Funds provide salaries for a Caseworker, Administrative Assistant, Office Coordinator, and Donation Coordinator 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.

Brighter Tomorrows \$45,090

The program pays the salaries of the Residential Specialists 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.

Children First Center \$45,090

Funds are used for abuse counseling at a reduced cost. The program 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.

GP Charlie Taylor/Bowles & Dalworth Day Camps \$14,445

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 \$45,090

Lifeline Shelter for Families was established to address the problem of homelessness in Grand Prairie by 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 and Executive Director. 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 \$8,673

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 and Replacement \$150,000

This project will repair / replace concrete sidewalks along streets where children routinely walk to school in CDBG Low-Moderate census tract areas. Maintaining these sidewalks will increase the children's safety and beautify the neighborhoods.

HOME Program

Home Rehabilitations (HRP)/Home Reconstructions \$194,805

The rehabilitation and reconstruction program provides deferred payment, 0% and 3% loans up to \$75,000 for low and moderate-income homeowners 60 years of age and older or disabled citizens to rehab single-family homes; and it 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.

***Grand Prairie Community Housing Development Organization, Inc.
(CHDO) \$59,084***

This organization provides revitalization to Grand Prairie city wide through new construction and lot development for single family units. This funding will be used primarily for lot acquisition and construction to provide affordable housing for low to moderate income qualified families.

Future Builders Program \$140,000

The City of Grand Prairie partners with Grand Prairie Independent School District construction students to build affordable housing for low to moderate income qualified families.