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Staff Report for Approving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Agreements for FY 2014-2015 Between the City of San Leandro and CDBG Sub-recipients for Public Services Grants

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a resolution to enter into six (6) public services grant agreements with the following service providers:

- Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing, and Coordination Center (\$14,200);
- Davis Street Family Resource Center (\$42,720);
- Family Emergency Shelter Coalition (\$14,507);
- Service Opportunities for Seniors, Inc. (\$18,100);
- Spectrum Community Services (\$14,200); and
- Eden Council for Hope & Opportunity Housing for fair housing services (\$10,000).

These CDBG projects were authorized by the City Council on May 5, 2014 in the FY 2014-2015 Consolidated Annual Action Plan.

BACKGROUND

Six organizations providing public services applied for funds under the City's FY 2013-2015 Community Assistance Grant Program (CAP) in January 2013, and with the Human Services Commission's (HSC) recommendations, were approved for funding for FY 2013-2014 and FY 2014-2015 by the City Council on May 6, 2013.

While the HSC's CAP recommendations are for a two-year period (FY 2013-2014 and FY 2014-2015), funding for FY 2014-2015 is dependent upon the City's annual entitlement grant from the U.S.

Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and the performance of each service provider in FY 2013-2014. To date, these six organizations have continued to meet and exceed their annual objectives and provide needed services vital to the community.

On May 19, 2014, HUD announced that the City received an increase to its CDBG allocation. The City's \$691,519 CDBG allocation for FY 2014-2015 represents a 6.5% increase from last fiscal year's \$649,471 allocation. Consequently, the public services agencies will each receive additional funding.

Analysis

For FY 2014-2015, the six agreements totaling \$113,727 require City Council approval. Five of the agreements are part of the CDBG public services budget (see below), while the ECHO Fair Housing Counseling Agreement is funded under the CDBG Administration budget because fair housing is federally mandated. All six projects have been approved by the City Council as part of the FY 2014-2015 Consolidated Annual Action Plan.

Public Services:

CALICO - *Child Abuse Intervention Project* - \$14,200

- Provides family support services for children who have suffered abuse.

Davis Street Family Resource Center - *Basic Needs Program* - \$42,720

- Provide food, clothing, childcare, job readiness training, medical and mental health clinics, and social services to low-income people.

FESCO - *Les Marquis Emergency Shelter* - \$14,507

- Provide a safe, home-like environment, counseling, and support for homeless families.

SOS/Meals on Wheels - *Meal Delivery to Homebound Seniors* - \$18,100

- Provide support services to low income seniors.

Spectrum Community Services - *Senior Nutrition Program* - \$14,200

- Provide seniors with hot, nutritious meals in supportive settings.

ECHO Housing - *Fair Housing Counseling* - \$10,000

- Provide fair housing services.

Current Agency Policies

Current Council policy is defined by the FY 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan, adopted by Resolution No. 2010-038 on April 19, 2010.

Previous Actions

On May 5, 2014, the City Council approved the FY 2014-2015 Consolidated Action Plan which included these six programs/projects described above.

Environmental Review

National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) environmental reviews of each project have been completed.

Board/Commission Review and Actions

On February 26, 2013, the Human Services Commission recommended that the above-mentioned public service projects/activities be awarded CDBG funds under the CAP Program for FY 2013-2014 and FY 2014-2015.

On March 26, 2014, the Human Services Commission recommended that the above-mentioned public service programs/activities be awarded increased funding for FY 2014-2015, which is the 2nd year of the two-year CAP funding cycle.

Fiscal Impacts

The public services projects will cost \$113,727 and be funded by FY 2014-2015 CDBG monies in these account numbers:

CALICO - San Leandro Child Abuse Intervention Project - \$14,200 - 165-43-171-5120

DSFRC - Basic Needs Program - \$14,720 - 165-43-207-5120

FESCO - Les Marquis Emergency Shelter - \$14,507 - 165-43-235-5120

SOS/Meals on Wheels - Meal Delivery to Homebound Seniors - \$18,100 - 165-43-224-5120

Spectrum Community Services - Senior Nutrition Program - \$14,200 - 165-43-210-5120

ECHO Housing - Fair Housing Counseling - \$10,000 - 165-43-122-5120

Budget Authority

Budget authority for CDBG funds is derived from Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (24 CFR 570 et seq.). Budget Authority for HOME funds is derived from the Federal Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program (under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended).

ATTACHMENTS

Attachments to Resolution

- Six (6) Public Services Grant Agreements

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