



# Housing and Redevelopment Authority Resolution

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H2026-007

**Sponsor:** Community & Economic Development

**Meeting Date:** 2/17/2026

**Title:** Substantial Amendment to the 2025 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan

**File Number:** 2026-057

### Background and Rationale:

Ramsey County has received Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding as an urban county for almost 40 years. The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides this annual grant to “develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low and moderate-income persons.” Categories of eligible activities include, but are not limited to, public services, public infrastructure, and the rehabilitation of low to moderate-income housing. The funds are limited for use in suburban Ramsey County.

On May 6, 2025 the Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) authorized the County Manager to submit the 2025-2029 CDBG-HOME Consolidated Plan, which included the 2025 CDBG Annual Action Plan (AAP). Due to the delays in the 2025 federal budget, CDBG funds were allocated in the AAP to eligible project types rather than to specific activities like in a typical funding year. After the 2025 federal budget was passed the Community and Economic Development (CED) department worked with the internal Federal Response Action Team (FRAT) and the Purchasing and Contracting (PaC) division to review grant agreements from HUD and approve a framework for a competitive solicitation. A competitive solicitation was released in December 2025 and responses were due in January 2026 to select eligible activities.

10 new activities are recommended for 2025 CDBG funding. All new activities or adjustments to activities that are larger than \$100,000 trigger a HUD substantial amendment process. This requires a public notice, a 30-day public comment period, a public meeting and approval by the HRA Board. The following activities will be added to the 2025 CDBG-HOME AAP/Proposed Use of Funds.

### Summary of Proposed Distribution of CDBG Funds

#### Public Services

Homeline Tenant Hotline, Suburban Countywide	\$70,584
Open Arms of Minnesota Nutrition Program, Suburban Countywide	\$22,345.86
White Bear Area Food shelf, Suburban Countywide	\$22,345.86
Keystone Community Services, Food Support, Suburban Countywide	\$22,345.86
Interfaith Action Department of Indian Work, Little Canada	\$22,345.86
Youthway Ministries Manna Market, Mounds View	\$22,345.86

#### Housing Rehabilitation

Minnesota One Stop for Communities, Home Rehab, Roseville	\$125,000
Hearts and Hammers, Home Rehab, Suburban Countywide	\$10,000
Slipstream, Home Rehab Loan Program, Suburban Countywide	\$391,473.76
Slipstream, Critical Repair Grant Program, Suburban Countywide	\$391,473.76

#### Administration and Planning

\$270,077.36

Total Allocated Funding	\$1,370,388.18
<u>CDBG Sources of Funds</u>	
2025 Unallocated Funds	\$1,215,422
Program Income on Hand	\$154,966.18
Total Funding Available:	\$1,370,388.18

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority resolved to:

1. Approve the amended 2025 Community Development Block Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Act Action Plan/Proposed Use of Funds.
2. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to agreements provided the amounts are within the budget of the approved plan.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ortega, seconded by Commissioner Moran.  
Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

By:   
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Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board