

Housing and Redevelopment Authority Resolution

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H2025-009

Sponsor: Community & Economic Development

Meeting Date: 5/6/2025

Title: 2025-2029 Community Development Block Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Act Consolidated Plan and 2025 Annual

File Number: 2025-150

Action Plan

Background and Rationale:

Ramsey County has directly received Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding as an "urban county" for more than 30 years. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides these annual grants 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." The Dakota County Consortium is the "participating jurisdiction" for Ramsey County's receipt of HOME Investment Partnerships Act Program Funds (HOME), which are limited to projects constructing affordable housing in suburban Ramsey County. The Consortium consists of Anoka, Dakota, Ramsey, and Washington Counties, as well as the city of Woodbury.

The Consolidated Plan, required by HUD, guides the investment of entitlement CDBG and HOME funds over a five-year period. The Consolidated Plan is designed to help local jurisdictions assess their affordable housing and community development needs, market conditions, and to make data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The consolidated planning process serves as the framework for community members and organizations to provide input and identify housing and community development priorities that align and focus funding. The Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified in the consolidated planning process. Ramsey County reports on accomplishments and progress towards Consolidated Plan goals in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. The 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan will be the first annual plan of the new five-year Consolidated Plan.

The 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan/Proposed Use of Funds addresses the needs of low and moderate-income persons in the suburban Ramsey County service area. Overall priorities for this year's funding include public services related to housing instability and housing rehabilitation, after consultation with suburban municipalities and community partners. The plan addresses the statutory requirements for receiving annual entitlement funds from HUD and is consistent with department strategies to foster prosperity and access to opportunities.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority resolved to:

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- 2. Authorize the County Manager to accept the 2025-2026 estimated entitlement award amount of \$1,178,031 of Community Development Block Grant and \$511,510 of HOME Investment Partnerships Act funds.
- Authorize the County Manager to execute documents with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, related to the submission and execution of the 2025-2029 Community Development Block Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Act Consolidated Plan and 2025-2026 Community Development Block Grant - HOME Investment Partnerships Act Annual Action Plan.

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

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

By:

Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County

Board