



# CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Community & Economic Development

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Dear Members of Council:

Attached please find the FY 2017 CDBG and HOME requests received by the City. An internal committee has reviewed all applications and made funding recommendations. These recommendations were presented to the Mayor for approval this week. In addition to the quality of the application, we took into account conformance with our Consolidated Plan, past compliance history of the grantee and the number of city residents impacted by the program.

Last year, I anticipated the traditional 10% reduction in both CDBG and HOME awards. I was pleasantly surprised that our allocation was reduced less than 1% from 2015 and our HOME funds were increased. To err on the side of caution, I have reduced our anticipated CDBG amount by approximately 6.5%. It would be better to award more funding upon our final award than to have organizations budget for funds that may not materialize. We have used an anticipated CDBG amount of \$1,191,370 and a HOME award of \$319,272.

The FY 2017 CDBG/HOME Action Plan and associated budget will be presented to you at a future meeting. If you would please schedule this matter for a Community Development Committee meeting, I would appreciate it. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allyson Lysaght".

Allyson Lysaght, J.D.

Housing & Community Development Planner

Anticipated: \$1,149,209.05

Public Services cap: \$178,705 As awarded: \$176,370

Administration: \$238,274 cap. As Awarded: \$185,000

Organization	Request	Funding Recommendation	Program
North Penn Legal Services	\$20,000	\$20,000	Fair Housing Activities
Redevelopment Authority	\$70,000	\$10,000	Program Admin
Bethlehem Emergency Shelter	\$125,000	\$100,000	Engineering/legal fees for single site location
Moravian Development Corp.	\$162,500	\$0	Senior Center renovations
Holy Family Manor	\$16,579	\$10,000	A/C replacement
CACLV	\$99,000	\$0	Infrastructure improvements for City Lights development
CADCB	\$60,000	\$45,000	Facade/weatherization improvements
YMCA	\$80,000	\$30,000	Capital improvements to community facility
New Bethany	\$20,000	\$20,000	Rep Payee Program support
New Bethany	\$75,000	\$0	Food Pantry renovation
Moravian Village	\$220,513	\$0	Demo of Minsi Trail buildings
National Museum of Industrial History	\$125,000	\$0	Industrial themed playground
Hispanic Center Wellness Center	\$150,000	\$65,000	Wellness Center renovations
Hispanic Center Senior Center	\$20,000	\$10,000	Senior Center programming
YMCA	\$10,000	\$10,000	TechGyrls program
LVCIL	\$25,000	\$20,000	PLACE program
ShareCare	\$10,000	\$8,000	Elderly/disabled resident caregiving services
SS Parks and Rec	\$33,370	\$33,370	Salary support
Consulting	\$35,000	\$35,000	TRIAD consulting assistance
Program Admin	\$120,000	\$120,000	Bureau costs
Streets	\$752,750	\$305,000	Carlton Ave., curb cuts, engineering
Parks	\$150,000	\$100,000	Park/playground improvements
Police	\$75,000	\$75,000	Community police support for low/moderate income neighborhoods
Blight Removal	\$200,000	\$100,000	Acquisition of blighted properties
Deconversion	\$100,000	\$75,000	Funds to assist deconversion of homes in LERTA area
	\$2,754,712	\$1,191,370	

**HOME**

Anticipated: \$319,272

Organization	Request	Funding Recommendation	Program
CACLV/LVCLT CHDO	\$250,000	\$125,000	City Lights housing development
YMCA	\$20,000	\$50,000	Capital improvements in SRO housing
New Bethany	\$250,000	\$100,000	Acquisition/rehab of transitional housing
Moravian Development Corp.	\$150,000	\$0	Eastern Gateway site development
Program Admin	\$40,000	\$40,000	Bureau costs
	\$710,000	\$315,000	