

# CITY OF BETHLEHEM

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## Department of Community and Economic Development Interoffice Memo

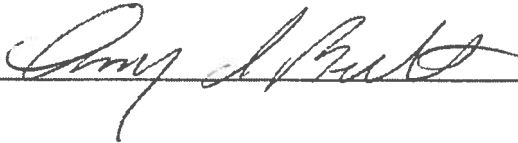
**To:** J. William Reynolds, City Council President  
**From:** Amy Burkhart, Deputy Director DCED  
**Re:** Keystone Communities Grant Application

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Please find attached a resolution authorizing the Department of Community and Economic Development to apply for a \$250,000 Keystone Communities Grant to be used in the development of a blight remediation loan fund.

The City of Bethlehem has strengthened efforts to remediate blighted properties and the creation of a revolving loan fund for this purpose will help to encourage private developers to consider these riskier projects. The funds will be lent for projects that rehabilitate blighted buildings within the city.

DATE: August 31, 2017



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cc: Mayor Robert Donchez  
City Council  
Law Bureau  
Alicia Miller Karner

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem is desirous of obtaining funds from the PA Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$250,000 to develop a blight remediation loan fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem has prepared a grant application for such funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem will assume the provision of the full local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem will reimburse the Commonwealth for the State's share of any expenditures found by DCED to be ineligible;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM:

1. That the grant application for the Keystone Communities Program from the City of Bethlehem to develop a blight remediation loan fund is hereby approved.
2. That the Mayor and the Controller of the City of Bethlehem are authorized to provide the necessary assurances and certifications to the P.A. Department of Community and Economic Development for the grant execution and implementation.

Sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_

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ADOPTED by Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk