

MINUTES
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CDBGAC)
Saturday, March 14, 2009

The Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee convened at 9:05 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, T. J. Gilmore presiding.

Committee Members

Present:

Tamela Bowie, Vice Chair
Kevin Davis
Barbara Judkins
Carol Rooney
T.J. Gilmore, Chair
Sunny Ugochukwu

Committee Members

Absent:

Mary Scruggs

Staff Members

Present:

Jamey Kirby, Grants Coordinator
Andrea Rincón Selmon, Grants Specialist

Guests:

See attached sign-in

Items 1: The Chair T.J. Gilmore, called the meeting to order and announced the presence of a quorum.

Item 2: The committee heard presentations from social service agencies that are submitting proposals for use of CDBG and City Fund grants for the 2009-2010 grant cycle.

Dan Leal, Executive Director of the Children’s Advocacy Center presented a proposal for fair share support from the City of Lewisville to provide justice and healing to victims of severe child abuse and for services to the Lewisville Police Department.

Carla Weiland, Chief Executive Director of Camp Summit presented a proposal to provide camperships/financial aid to children and adults with disabilities from the City of Lewisville making it possible for them to attend camp regardless of the severity of their disability or their inability to pay.

Larry Robbins, Executive Director and Linda Fuhr, Treasurer of Pedi Place presented a proposal to provide quality pediatric healthcare to nearly 6,000 children (ages 0-18) annually. Services include acute and preventive care, chronic illness management, referrals, and newborn parent education classes.

Diana Corona, Executive Director, and Liz Shearman, Programs Administrator of Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) presented a proposal to recruit and place volunteers 55 and over and to identify and address emerging community needs. RSVP is a tool for increased longevity and engagement in community for older adult volunteers.

Gary Henderson, Chief Executive Officer, and Courtney Molchan, Director of Research Development and Grants of Communities in Schools presented a proposal for funding to operate a dropout prevention program at Central Elementary School to service 100 at risk students.

William (Bill) Louree, Communications Director of Knight Light Charities presented a proposal for funding to assist families in emergencies as a result of requests from their current partners, Christian Community Action, Salvation Army, and St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church.

Andre Villarreal, Executive Director of Day Stay for Adults presented a proposal for funding to supplement Medicaid reimbursement for their services. Their mission is to provide respite and support for family caregivers while providing a safe and stimulating environment for severely disabled adults and the frail elderly.

Ben Howard, Interim Director, and David Woody III, Director of Program Services of the Salvation Army presented a proposal for funding that provides for emergency financial assistance to pay a mortgage, rent or utility bill for people facing a crisis. Includes food assistance and information to improve financial health, plus referrals.

John Cade, Executive Program Director of Denton County Friends of the Family presented a proposal for funding to address the growing needs of those affected by relationship violence and/or sexual assault.

Suzan Stambaugh, Program Director, and Andre Pilate-English, Nutrition Center Coordinator of Aids Services of North Texas requests funding to assist in the provision of high protein food and hygiene products to low income HIV positive residents as well as a new computer for the Nutrition Center.

Kathie Gautille, Vice President of Marketing and Development, and Doris Scales, Director of Adult Health of Christian Community Action (CCA) presented a proposal for Adult Health Center requesting a grant of \$43,000 to meet the increasing healthcare needs of its low-income adult clients in Lewisville. Prior to the presentation, Carol Rooney informed the chair that she was a client of CCA's housing assistance programs, although not the health clinic, and would recuse herself from consideration of their application. Mr. Gilmore acknowledged her relationship and recusal. Ms. Rooney left the chambers for this presentation.

Danese Griffith, Program Director of Operation Peace of Mind presented a proposal to provide children, teens, girls, and seniors information on how to protect themselves from crime and provides them with opportunities to develop safer more vital communities. Prior to this presentation, Sunny Ugochukwu informed the chair that he is a founder and current chair of their board of directors and would recuse himself from consideration of their application. Mr. Gilmore acknowledged his relationship and recusal. Mr. Ugochukwu left the chambers for this presentation.

Dana Slater, Executive Director of Youth and Family Counseling presented two proposals: Psychological Healthcare - funding is requested to provide continuation of psychological counseling and mental healthcare to citizens of Lewisville. First Offender Program – Program provides family counseling to children under 17 referred by the Lewisville Police Departments and Courts.

Sherri Gideon, Executive Director of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) presented a proposal to provide case management by staff and community volunteers, to advocate in the civil court system, for children who have been removed from their homes by Child Protective Services due to abuse and/or neglect.

Jennifer Sorensen, Director of Communications of Special Programs For Aging Needs (SPAN), Inc. presented a proposal to provide funding for the meals on wheels nutrition program that provides a high quality, nutritious meal to seniors that require help in meeting their daily nutritional needs in order to improve health, feelings of independence.

Item 3: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Barbara Judkins with a second by Carol Rooney. With no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamey Kirby,

Grants Coordinator

T. J. Gilmore,

Committee Chair