FY 24 ANNUAL PLAN

FOR USE OF PROGRAM YEAR 2023

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

(CDBG) FUNDS

For Inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2024 City Budget.
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CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA
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The City of Dubuque distinguishes between four different but complementary areas of program development in its overall CDBG program: Housing Development, Economic Development, Neighborhood and Community Development and Planning & Administration. The following description of activities summarizes the projects to be completed in the FY 2024 Annual Action Plan with the use of CDBG funds.

RESOURCES

CDBG Entitlement FY 2024 $1,050,482

Program Income $254,192

Program income projects are based on forecast for loan repayments based on the loan portfolio and program income generated from CDBG funded programs.

TOTAL RESOURCES $1,304,674

PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION $254,000

CDBG regulations limit expenditure on planning and administrative funds to 20% of the current year program income plus the current entitlement. The proposed resources for administration support the plan’s current requirements.

Housing & Community Development Administration $135,000

On-going staff support for general management, oversight, and coordination of the Community Development Block Grant housing programs.

Planning, Monitoring, & Budgeting $119,000

Staff support for general management. Oversight and coordination of the Community Development Block Grant program; assures compliance with federal regulations and reporting requirements.

Priority: High

Objective/Outcome: Suitable Living Environment/ Sustainability (SL3)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS $50,000

Microloan Program $50,000

This project creates a microloan program that assists low- and moderate-income business owners with mentoring, professional development, and eligible business expenses.

Location: Citywide

Proposed Accomplishments: 10 Businesses

Priority: High

Objective/Outcome: Economic Opportunities/Accessibility

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS $425,578

First Time Home Buyer Program $50,000

Provides for loans to assist low and moderate-income families to purchase their first homes. These funds
are used to cover the "entry costs" of homeownership – down payments and closing costs.

National Objective: Low and Moderate-Income Housing
Location: Citywide
Proposed Accomplishments: 10 Households
Priority: High
Objective/Outcome: Decent Housing/Affordability (DH2)

Homeowner Rehabilitation $125,000
1) Residential Rehabilitation Loan Program
An on-going program to provide low-interest loans to qualified low and moderate-income homeowners for the rehabilitation of substandard housing units.
2) Home Repair Program
Zero % loans to improve conditions of property for income-eligible homeowners
3) Accessibility
Zero % and forgivable loans to remove architectural barriers and increase access for people with physical disabilities.

Lead Hazard Reduction (Lead & Healthy Homes Grant Match) $100,000
Provides activities in support of efforts to reduce lead paint hazards in housing, including assessment and lead paint reduction or abatement, with forgivable loans to low/Moderate-Income residents. This assistance is for two Lead and Healthy Homes grants awarded in 2018 and 2021, running concurrently.

Housing Rehabilitation Services and Staff $150,578
On-going staff support, including program management, technical assistance, loan packaging and inspection, for the City’s rehabilitation loan program.

PUBLIC FACILITIES $413,632

Low-Mod Area Park Updates $150,000
New playground equipment at low/mod income area parks based on community input.

Lincoln Wellness Project $263,632
New playground equipment at low/mod income area parks based on community input.
NEIGHBORHOOD and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS  $161,464

Public Services activities are restricted to 15% of the previous year program income and the current year entitlement. Public Service activities in this plan represent 15% of the proposed expenditures.

Neighborhood Recreation Programs  $132,754
1) Recreation Programs:  $82,754
   Targeted and enhanced recreation offered in the City's older low-and moderate-income neighborhoods to meet the needs of at-risk youth, promote self-esteem, and build community. Activities include expanded after-school programs, open gym, basketball league, music lessons, playtime for tots, scholarships, swim passes, summer day camp and other recreational programs.

2) Neighborhood Recreation Program Grants:  $50,000
   Provide funding to organizations delivering recreational and educational services aligned with the neighborhood and recreation development goals of the Leisure Services Department.
   National Objective:  Low and Moderate-Income Benefit
   Location:  City wide
   Proposed Accomplishments:  5,730 persons
   Priority:  High
   Objective/Outcome:  Suitable Living Environment/Accessibility (SL1)

Zoning Inspection/Enforcement  $8,710
This project provides funding for inspection/enforcement staff services to low/mod income areas for zoning ordinance infractions and to provide support for neighborhood clean-up efforts.

   National Objective:  Low and Moderate-Income Benefit
   Location:  Low/Mod Residential Areas
   Proposed Accomplishments:  45 Housing Units
   Objective/Outcome:  Decent Housing/Sustainability (DH3)

Acquisition Support: Visiting Nurses Association  $20,000
This project provides funding for acquisition and permanent equipment purchase to continue services in the neighborhood for healthcare and other social services.

   National Objective:  Low and Moderate-Income Benefit
   Location:  Low/Mod Residential Areas
   Proposed Accomplishments:  500 People
   Objective/Outcome:  Suitable Living Environment/Accessibility (SL1)

Grand Total: CDBG Funding Proposed for FY 2024  $1,304,674