



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Community Development - CDBG/Home

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 21, 2021

Re: Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church (Turning Point) Round 3 CDBG-CV Funding Agreement

Executive Summary

Attached for City Council consideration is a resolution authorizing a Round 3 CDBG-CV funding agreement between the City of Columbia and the Turning Point/Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church to provide \$12,000 to support technology, equipment, and space modifications to the homeless day center hosted by the church Church. Council approved \$12,000 in CDBG-CV funds in February as part of an amendment to the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan. The \$12,000 CDBG-CV allocation was affirmed during discussion of several Public Assistance recommendations at the City Council on April 19, 2021 and included in Council Bill B164-21 at the May 17, 2021 City Council meeting appropriating City reserves for selected Public Assistance proposals.

Discussion

Turning Point provides operates a homeless day center at the Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church, 702 Wilkes Boulevard. The organization serves approximately 55-70 homeless persons per day, providing showers, laundry, personal item storage, and mail services, as well as contact with service providers. After the City received an allocation of \$737,588 in special Community Development Block Grant funds, known as Round 3 CDBG-CV, Turning Point/First United Methodist Church was among several organizations submitting proposals in response to a Request for Proposals issued by the Housing Programs Office in the fall. The organization requested \$12,027.95 in CDBG-CV funds to make purchase new technology, equipment, and make space modifications.

After reviewing all applications and conducting a public hearing on December 16, 2021, the Columbia Housing and Community Development Commission (HCDC) recommended \$12,000 in CDBG-CV funding for this activity. There was a grand total of more than \$1.7 million sought by all organizations and proposed services, with only \$797,588 available to award (the total included \$737,588 in Round 3 CDBG-CV and \$60,000 in reprogrammed funds).

On April 19, 2021, City Council directed the use of \$1.3 million (subsequently amended to \$1.5 million) in City reserve funds to be allocated to Public Assistance, with the result that all organizations that submitted proposals for Round 3 CDBG-CV funding would receive their original requested amounts. Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church received \$12,000 in Round 3 CDBG-CV funds, as recommended by the Commission.



Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: An additional \$12,000 in federal funds is provided by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)

Long-Term Impact:

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Economy, Tertiary Impact: Infrastructure

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History

Date	Action
February 1, 2021	Public hearing Amendment #4 FY 2019 Annual Action Plan; approval of resolution adopting Plan (Authorized initial allocations of Round 3 CDBG-CV funding)
April 19, 2021	Report on Potential Uses of Reserve Funds
May 17, 2021	Bill Authorizing Appropriating Funds for Round 3 CDBG-CV Public Assistance Programs, etc.

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the proposed resolution.