

**28-R-15**

**A RESOLUTION**

**Approving the City's 2015 Year Action Plan, and  
Adopting the 2015 Community Development Block Grant,  
HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solutions Grants  
Program Budgets for 2015**

**WHEREAS**, the Congress of the United States did pass Public Law 93-383, Title I of the *Housing and Community Development Act of 1974* (which established the Community Development Block Grant {CDBG} Program); Public Law 101-625, the *Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act* (which established the HOME Investment Partnerships Program); and H.R. 205, the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act as amended by S.896, the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing ("HEARTH") Act of 2009, which re-authorized the Emergency Solutions Grant ("ESG") Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Evanston is an "Entitlement City" by definition in said Acts and, as such, is eligible to make application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for said grant programs; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD informed the City of Evanston that its 2015 HUD entitlement allocations will be

Community Development Block Grant	\$1,604,746
HOME Investment Partnerships	262,809
Emergency Solutions Grants	<u>144,818</u>
Total 2015 entitlement funding:	\$2,012,373

and

**WHEREAS**, the Housing and Community Development Act Committee

("CD Committee") is charged with oversight of the City's CDBG program, the Evanston Housing and Homelessness Commission ("HH Commission") is charged with oversight of the City's HOME and ESG programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the CD Committee met on several occasions in the fall of 2014 and developed recommendations for use of FY 2015 CDBG funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the HH Commission will make recommendations to the Planning & Development Committee and City Council in 2015 for the use of HOME funds, and the use of said funds is determined by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, recommendations for the allocation of ESG funds to agencies and programs serving the homeless population and those at high risk of homelessness will be made in 2015 by the HH Commission to the Human Services Committee and City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD requires that the City submit a One Year Action Plan that details the activities the City proposes to undertake using the sum of the 2015 CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds, including entitlement allocations, reallocations of funds from completed prior years' CDBG projects, unexpended CDBG and HOME funds from prior years, and CDBG and HOME program income totaling three million, five hundred and thirty-six thousand, four hundred forty dollars (\$3,536,440), are described; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed activities in the One-Year Action Plan address the statutory goals to provide decent housing, a suitable living environment and economic opportunity for primarily low and moderate income residents. Specific projects which are proposed to be funded with HUD's 2015 funding were derived from

the City's priority needs, as identified in the City's 2015-2019 HUD Consolidated Plan and specific CDBG activities and recommended funding levels were approved by the Housing and Community Development Act Committee on October 21, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed One Year Action Plan for 2015, which includes proposed 2015 CDBG funding recommendations, was the subject of a public hearing as conducted by the Housing and Community Development Act Committee on October 21, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, said Committee conducted said public hearing, received citizen input on the proposed 2015 One Year Action Plan, and recommends approval by the Evanston City Council of the proposed One Year Action Plan for 2015; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:**

**SECTION 1:** That the City's One Year Action Plan for 2015 (attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference) is approved.

**SECTION 2:** That the City of Evanston's 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program, totaling two million five hundred and seventeen thousand four hundred and twenty nine dollars (\$2,517,429) (which is the sum of one million six hundred and four thousand seven hundred and forty-six dollars (\$1,604,746) in 2015 entitlement funds; fifty eight thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars (\$58,572) in program income; and eight hundred fifty-four thousand one hundred and eleven dollars (\$854,111) in carry over and reallocated funds from prior years), is hereby approved.

**SECTION 3:** That HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funding totaling eight hundred seventy-four thousand one hundred and ninety-three dollars

(\$874,193) which is the sum of two hundred and sixty-two thousand eight hundred and nine dollars (\$262,809) in 2015 entitlement funds; twenty seven thousand three hundred and eighty four dollars (\$27,384) in program income; five hundred eighty four thousand dollars (\$584,000) in prior year HOME funds; and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) funding totaling one hundred forty-four thousand eight hundred and eighteen dollars (\$144,818), is hereby approved.

**SECTION 4:** That the City Manager of the City of Evanston is hereby authorized to transmit said One Year Action Plan for 2015 for the proposed CDBG, HOME and ESG program budgets to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and to provide any additional information as may be required by HUD.

**SECTION 5:** That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

  
Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:  
  
Rodney Greene, City Clerk

Adopted: March 9, 2015

EXHIBIT A

**City's One Year Action Plan for 2015**

<http://www.cityofevanston.org/planning-zoning/community-dev-block-grant/consolidated-plan/>