

2023 Capital Improvement Project Descriptions

1. **Districts 1 & 6 – District 1 Sidewalk Feasibility Study - \$40,000** – CDBG funds will be used to conduct a study on the feasibility on installing to include Peachtree Industrial Boulevard between Tilly Mill and Homeland Drive, and North DeKalb Drive and Longmire Extension.
2. **Districts 4 & 7 – City of Pine Lake – Bridge Improvement Project - \$72,000** – CDBG funds will be used for the replacement of two timber pedestrian bridges located at 4580 Lakeshore Drive. The bridges are used vastly by the public as a shorter distance walking trail and as a place to fish in the lake. It was determined in early 2023 that the two bridges were deteriorating and needing repair or replacement.
3. **Districts 5 & 7 – DeKalb Human Services – Lou Walker Sr. Center - \$104,799** CDBG funds will be used for the installation of ADA compliant powered doors, emergency call buttons strategically placed throughout the building, and installation of surveillance CCTV video system to view lower and upper parking areas.
4. **Districts 5 & 7 – Arabia Alliance – Bruce St. School Ruins Project- \$275,286** CDBG funds will be used to assist in the preservation of the Old Bruce Street School ruins next to the East DeKalb at Bruce Street Senior Center, Lithonia, GA. When finished, the Bruce Street School will be reimagined as a multi-use, open-air structure with a picnic area, covered amphitheater, community garden, and food forest.
5. **Districts 1 & 6 - City of Doraville – Peachtree Ind. Sidewalk Project \$298,645** CDBG funds will be used for the construction of approximately three hundred and fifty (350) feet of sidewalk on the north side off the Peachtree Boulevard access road. The proposed sidewalk will tie into existing sidewalks at Tilly Mill Road, as well as sidewalks to be completed by the Towns at Creekside townhome development currently under construction.

2023 Proposed CDBG HUD Section 108 Loan Repayment Description

6. **HUD Section 108 Loan Repayment \$883,968** – The remaining HUD Section 108 Loan principal amount is approximately \$4.4 Million with an amortization

period of 20 years (2008-2028), at an estimated fixed interest rate of 2.54%. The annual loan repayment amount will be approximately \$883,968.

2023 Proposed Economic Development Project Description

- 7. DeKalb Small Business Micro-Enterprise Training Program \$100,000 –** These funds will be provided to the Urban League of Greater Atlanta or another eligible agency to operate a small business micro-enterprise training program for DeKalb County citizens and businesses. This program will provide services for small business micro-enterprise training and entrepreneur development.

2023 Proposed Public Service Projects Descriptions

CoC/ Homelessness/Assistance

- 1. Africa's Children's Fund, Inc. \$19,000 –** This agency provides case management, (including assessment and referral to assist homeless and underserved households in DeKalb County) as well as housing and supportive services that enable those households to become self-sufficient and avoid incidents of homelessness.
- 2. Candler Forest – Case Management \$50,000 –** CDBG funds will be used for Case Management for the HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program. The Community Development Director will have the authority to designate the agency to provide case management.
- 3. CoC Coordinated Entry Case Management \$51,000 –** The Homeless Access Point activity will provide intensive case management for unusually difficult cases involving households or individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. This activity is a critical component of the DeKalb Continuum of Care Centralized Access Model. CDBG funds will be used to fund a part-time position to perform case management.
- 4. Community Friendship \$10,000 –** This agency provides recovery-oriented programming by helping people re-establish natural roles and supports in the community, which includes employment and normalization of socialization to those at risk, either with a diagnosed mental illness, or a suspected diagnosis.

5. **Furniture Bank of Metro Atlanta, Inc. \$15,000** – The Furniture Bank plans to provide free household furniture to people in need within DeKalb County. The majority of the clients impacted will be moving out of homelessness, are living with HIV/AIDS, or fleeing domestic violence.
6. **Latin American Association, Inc. \$15,000** – The program assists individuals and families to avoid homelessness by helping them take advantage of available opportunities and community resources designed to help them increase their economic, housing and family stability.
7. **Safe Haven Transitional, Inc. \$10,000** – CDBG funds will be used in support of transitional and emergency housing plus supportive services to DeKalb County women with or without children that are victims of Domestic Violence.
8. **Salvation Army, Atlanta Temple Corp \$45,000** – CDBG funds will be used for Showers and Laundry Time with Devotions (SALT'D) to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. SALT'D will give those experiencing homelessness access to shower facilities, hygiene materials, food, clothing, and information.
9. **Salvation Army, International \$20,000** – CDBG funds will be used for overnight winter warming centers. Shelter will be provided to up to twenty (20) homeless women. This project will impact homeless women in the Buford Highway corridor.
10. **Salvation Army, Red Shield \$40,000** – CDBG funds will be used to provide intake services, case management job readiness to persons experiencing homelessness in DeKalb County.
11. **Society of St. Vincent de Paul \$15,000** – CDBG funds will be used to provide food pantry access to help achieve food security and rental/utility assistance to low-income households to maintain housing in their current home.
12. **Street Outreach \$50,000** – The Street Outreach Case Manager provides intensive case management. Will perform street outreach activities to include engaging unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connecting them with emergency shelter, permanent housing, or critical services and referring them to urgent care, non-facility-based care for the homeless. This activity is a critical component of the DeKalb Continuum of Care assisting those unsheltered individuals. These CDBG funds will be used to fund a part-time position to perform Street Outreach case management functions.

Financial Literacy

13.Center for Pan Asian Communities (CPACS) \$15,000 – CDBG funds will be used for CPACS Housing Program. Staff will provide homebuyers, homeowners, homeless-at-risk, or renters with housing counseling and education services.

14.New American Pathways, Inc. \$22,000 – CDBG funds will be used to provide intensive basic financial literacy training for refugee women.

Domestic Violence

15.Men Stopping Violence \$15,000 – CDBG funds will be used to provide education and prevention classes to men arrested in DeKalb County for gender violence crimes. Men Stopping Violence mission is to organize men to end male violence against women and girls through innovative training, programs, and advocacy.

Fair Housing/ Foreclosure Prevention

16.Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc. \$55,586 – This agency is requesting funds for their HOME DEFENSE PROGRAM for predatory lending prevention, consumer education, fraudulent mortgages, and scam awareness. To prevent foreclosure and homelessness, they propose to educate consumers and provide legal representation to qualified clients.

17.Metro Fair Housing, Inc. \$40,000 – This agency provides fair housing services, education, and counseling; helping citizens and housing entities understand their rights and responsibilities under title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), which prohibits housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial, and handicap status. Metro Fair serves as the County's Fair Housing Partner agency, investigating tenant/landlord and fair housing complaints.

Youth/Childhood Development

18.International Rescue Center \$10,000 – CDBG funds will be used for IRC' s Early Education Program. The program focuses on removing barriers to employment and education goals for parents and families with children (ages 0-5) who need assistance accessing high quality, affordable childcare resources.

19.Literacy Action \$15,000 – CDBG funds to provide literacy services to DeKalb County residents. The agency will provide adult basic education and GED preparation classes, English as a second language courses, family literacy program, digital literacy, and workforce literacy programs.

20. Our House, Inc. \$61,000 – Our House provides free quality childcare in a safe and nurturing environment to the children of homeless families who reside in emergency shelters or transitional housing programs. This agency also provides support services and referrals for services for the children and their families (homeless) as needed, which include, employment services and permanent housing; clothing and transportation; arranging after school care or day camp for school age children; mental health counseling; and networking with other agencies to access all other available assistance.

21. Scottsdale Early Learning Center, Inc. \$32,000 – The agency provides affordable childhood education and childcare services for low to moderate income families in the Scottsdale and Midway Woods location. Through their Family Resource Center, the agency assists families with parent education, targeted case management, pregnant and parenting teen support groups.

22. Youth Voucher Set-Aside \$75,000 – Funds will provide the opportunity for children from low to moderate income families to have meaningful summer experiences. These experiences shall be recreationally based, offer educational activities which build self-esteem, promote health, and build capacity.

Proposed Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

Project Descriptions

Emergency Shelter Operations & Services

1. **Decatur Cooperative Ministry, Inc. \$50,000** – Decatur Cooperative Ministry Hagar’s House provides emergency shelter for homeless families and services to homeless and at-risk families who are DeKalb County homeless residents.
2. **Rebecca’s Tent - \$20,000** – The Women seasonal shelter provides emergency shelter for homeless women and other services to homeless and at-risk unsheltered women in DeKalb County.
3. **The Salvation Army Red Shield \$90,000** – The Salvation Army Red Shield Shelter provides emergency housing and 30-day assessment beds to include 5 family housing units, 2 beds for single women and 2 beds for single men who are DeKalb County homeless residents.

HMIS

4. **HMIS \$35,227** – The Georgia Homeless Management Information Systems (GHMIS) is intended to provide a community with an unduplicated count of its homeless population. HUD requires each Continuum of Care to implement an HMIS System to report jurisdictional data, and to contribute data to the upcoming Annual Homeless Assessment Report. The HMIS is shared by DeKalb and other Georgia counties. Funds support HMIS training and technical assistance to agencies receiving DeKalb County COC and HUD ESGP funds.

Homeless Prevention

5. **Decatur Cooperative Ministry, Inc. \$25,000** – Decatur Cooperative Ministry’s *Project Take Charge* is a homeless prevention program providing financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.

- 6. Latin American Association \$15,000** – The Latino Homelessness Prevention Program providing financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.
- 7. New Life Community Alliance \$15,000** – This Prevention Program provides homeless prevention program providing financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.
- 8. Salvation Army International \$20,000** – This Prevention Program provides homeless prevention program providing financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.
- 9. Salvation Army Metro Peachcrest \$20,000** – This Prevention Program provides financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.
- 10. St. Vincent de Paul of Georgia \$20,000** – This Prevention Program provides financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of homelessness or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance.

11. Yes 4 Youth \$15,000 – This Prevention Program provides homeless youth financial assistance to DeKalb residents in imminent danger of becoming homeless or loss of utilities. They will provide financial assistance and other services to prevent youth from becoming homeless and help those youth who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target youth who would be homeless but for this assistance.

Rapid Re-housing

12. Decatur Cooperative Ministry, Inc. \$25,000 – Decatur Cooperative Ministry program provides a rapid re-housing program. Rapid re-housing is an intervention designed to help individuals quickly exit homelessness and return to permanent housing. Assistance will cover move-in costs, deposits, and the rental and/or utility assistance (typically six months or less) necessary to allow individuals and families to move immediately out of homelessness and to stabilize in permanent housing.

13. Salvation Army Red Shield \$15,000 – The Salvation Army Red Shield and Family Emergency Services program provides rapid re-housing. Rapid re-housing is an intervention designed to help individuals quickly exit homelessness and return to permanent housing. Assistance will cover move-in costs, deposits, and the rental and/or utility assistance (typically six months or less) necessary to allow individuals and families to move immediately out of homelessness and to stabilize in permanent housing.