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March 10, 2025

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: 2025-26 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)/Neighborhood Opportunity Fund (NOF) Public Service (PS) (RECOMMEND APPROVAL)

Attached is a resolution regarding the recommendations under the 2025-26 CDBG/NOF program for the Public Service category for Your Honorable Body's consideration.

Once approved, these recommendations should be added to the Schedule A table to be included as part of the City's final budget approval in Spring 2025 and as a part of the HUD Annual Consolidated Action Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcell R. Todd, Jr., Director

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cc: Julie Schneider, HRD Tamra Fountaine-Hardy, HRD Kayla Perrin, HRD

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A RESOLUTION BY THE DETROIT CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PUBLIC SERVICE ALLOCATIONS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD OPPORTUNITY FUND/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

WHEREAS

Each year the Administration and City Council collectively evaluate proposals for the allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the City of Detroit Neighborhood Opportunity Fund (NOF) program; and

WHEREAS

Under the federal guidelines, CDBG funds may be used to support programs operated by organizations that serve low- to moderate-income individuals and other vulnerable populations within our community. Given the serious challenges in our community, the City of Detroit uses CDBG funding to provide the necessary public service programs to address the vast needs of the vulnerable in our community; and

WHEREAS

While the critical need for these types of services within the City has not diminished, the resources available from HUD to address those needs are consistently being reduced; and

WHEREAS

The need for increased operational efficiencies within CDBG funded organizations could be achieved through greater interagency collaboration such as the merger of groups with compatible missions or consolidation of administrative fiduciary functions to increase service capacity. These expressions of encouragement are offered in recognition of the funding trends and the need for even stronger service delivery groups in these times; and

WHEREAS

A review team which included representatives of the Housing and Revitalization Department (HRD), and City Planning Commission (CPC) reviewed the various proposals received for the program and HRD prepared recommendations to the Mayor; and

WHEREAS

The Mayor subsequently prepared recommendations which were submitted to the City Planning Commission (CPC), which concurred with all thirty-five (35) of the Mayor's funding recommendations; and

WHEREAS

City Council, having subsequently received the recommendations of the Mayor and the CPC, has reviewed those recommendations, held an appeals hearing regarding the organizations that were not initially recommended to receive 2025-26 NOF/CDBG funds, as well as a public hearing on the overall NOF/CDBG program; and

WHEREAS

Given the historic and very public role in the vetting of CDBG applicants as well as its unique knowledge of the residents of the City as their locally-elected representatives, City Council's involvement in the CDBG process is not only mandated by law but critical to the appropriate distribution of these funds. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED

The Detroit City Council hereby approves the allocation of Community Development Block Grant / Neighborhood Opportunity Fund awards for FY 2025-26 listed below and set forth in the HRD CDBG/NOF allocation chart reviewed by City Council; and **BE IT FINALLY**

RESOLVED

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mayor Mike Duggan, Office of Contracting and Procurement, HRD, and the CPC.

First Step	\$	65,351.00	Public Safety
Neighborhood Legal Services (Wayne County)		68,719.00	Public Safety
Jefferson East, Inc.		65,719.00	Public Safety
The International Institute of Metropolitan			
Detroit		70,751.00	Education
Accounting Aid Society		70,719.00	Education
Mercy Education Project		70,719.00	Education
Wellspring		70,719.00	Education
Sowing Economic Empowerment SEED		70,719.00	Education
Teach Empower Achieve (TEA)		65,719.00	Education
Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering			
Program (DAPCEP)	\$	68,719.00	Education
Give Merit	\$	65,351.00	Education
Siena Literacy Center		70,719.00	Education
The Greening of Detroit		70,719.00	Education
Teen Hype	\$	70,719.00	Education
St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Ctr.		70,719.00	Ec ucation:
Math Corps		65,351.00	Ecucation
Urban Neighborhood Initiatives		70,719.00	Education
The Youth Connection		68,719.00	Ec ucation
Central Detroit Christian		65,351.00	Education

Project Healthy Community	\$	70,719.00	Health
Forgotten Harvest		65,351.00	Health
Avalon Healing Center		68,719.00	Health
World Medical Relief		68,719.00	Health
My Community Dental Center		70,719.00	Health
Gay Elders of Metro Detroit dba MiGEN		70,351.00	Seniors
St. Patrick Senior Center		70,719.00	Seniors
Luella Hannan Memorial		70,719.00	Seniors
Southwest Detroit Immigrant and Refugee			
Center	\$	65,351.00	Seniors
Northend Village Nonprofit		65,351.00	Seniors
Mosaic Youth Theatre		68,719.00	Recreation
Detroit Horse Power		68,719.00	Recreation
Clark Park Coalition		68,719.00	Recreation
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeast Michigan		65,351.00	Recreation
Detroit African Youth Development			
Organization		65,351.00	Recreation
Southwest Detroit Business Association			
(SDBA)	\$	65,719.00	Recreation