

## Legislation Text

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**PRESENTER:**

Jennifer Gates, Grants Coordinator, and/or Paula Harper, CDBG Consultant

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion of CDBG Program Year 2024 Annual Action Plan.

**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

CDBG Staff and Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) will review and discuss the upcoming submission of the City's Annual Action Plan for CDBG Program Year 2024 (PY24) to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD).

The Annual Action Plan outlines the projects and programs the City will support with CDBG funds during PY24 which is from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, to further the goals of the 2020 - 2024 Consolidated Plan. Funding of the projects and programs comes from the City's annual entitlement allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds from HUD and additional unallocated CDBG funds. The City's allocation for PY24 is \$495,919, with a recommended increase of \$126,827.15, for a total of \$622,746.15 to be used for eligible activities listed below.

During development of the PY24 Annual Action Plan, the City will hold public hearings to solicit input from residents regarding needs and priorities for housing and community development. Location and time of meetings are as follows:

June 11, 2024, at 9:00 AM

New Braunfels Public Library - Westside Branch

2910 S. IH-35 Frontage Road

New Braunfels, TX 78130

June 24, 2024, at 6:00 PM

New Braunfels City Hall - Council Chambers

550 Landa Street

New Braunfels, TX 78130

Additionally, the City's drafted PY24 Annual Action Plan for the CDBG program will be available for a 30-day public review period beginning June 3, 2024, and ending on July 2, 2024. The proposed Annual Action Plan will be available on the City's website at <https://www.newbraunfels.gov/90/CDBG-Program>, and at the following locations in New Braunfels, Texas: New Braunfels City Hall (550 Landa Street), New Braunfels Public Library (700 E. Common Street), and the New Braunfels Public Library - Westside Branch (2910 S. IH-35 Frontage Road).

In general, CDBG funds are allocated for Administration, Public Services, and Housing and Public Facilities

programs and projects. All funds allocated in the drafted PY24 Annual Action Plan directly benefit the low- and moderate-income residents of New Braunfels and will implement the multiple strategies identified in the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. The

**PROPOSED PY24 FUNDING ACTIVITIES**

**ADMINISTRATION (20% Cap):** \$99,183.80 for oversight and management of CDBG Program

**PUBLIC SERVICES: \$74,387.85 (15% Cap)**

- Big Brothers Big Sisters: \$13,000 for mentoring services for children and youth
- CASA of Central Texas, Inc: \$9,855 for court advocacy for abused and neglected children
- Comal County Family Violence Shelter Inc. d/b/a Crisis Center of Comal County: \$10,000 for supportive services for emergency shelter beneficiaries
- Family Life Center: \$15,000 for emergency rent and utility assistance
- National Church Residences Foundation: \$10,000 for staff salary support, and costs for basic and emergency needs pantry project
- San Antonio Food Bank: \$14,532.85 for emergency food assistance
- The Salvation Army New Braunfels Corps: \$2,000 for staff salary support for case management of transitional housing program

**HOUSING & PUBLIC FACILITIES: \$322,347.35 + \$126,827.15 (unallocated CDBG funds) = \$449,174.50**

- City of New Braunfels: \$90,800 for Minor Home Repair Program
- Comal County Habitat for Humanity: \$20,000 for Home Repair Program
- Comal County Family Violence Shelter Inc. d/b/a Crisis Center of Comal County: \$125,000 for installation of pet kennels and dog runs at emergency shelter.
- NB Housing Partners: \$73,756 for installation of pet kennels, and roof and gutter repairs at homeless shelter
- New Braunfels Youth Collaborative: \$60,000 for remodeling activities such as HVAC, electrical, and plumbing repairs at youth center
- The Salvation Army New Braunfels Corps: \$79,618.50 for purchase and installation of HVAC equipment

**ISSUE:**

Not applicable.

**STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:**

☐ Economic Mobility ☐ Enhanced Connectivity ☐ Community Identity  
☒ Organizational Excellence ☐ Community Well-Being ☐ N/A

Considering statutory and market-based factors, continue to diversify revenue streams to support long-term fiscal sustainability of the organization.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

After discussion, CDBG Staff recommends approval by the committee members of the funding recommendations for CDBG Program Year 2024.