

Approved Minutes of  
Regular Meeting  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
Village of Oak Park  
May 9, 2023 6:00PM

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chair Andrew Celis at 6:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Chair Andrew Celis, Greg Buchanan, Sheena Rayford, Nezar Nafiseh, Bryan Wong, Anne France, and Karen Schneller

**ABSENT:** Urmi Sengupta

**STAFF PRESENT:** Vanessa Matheny, Grants Supervisor (Staff Liaison/Recording Secretary) and Nick Meier, Grants Coordinator

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** Chair Celis asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Noting none, agenda approved unanimously.

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chair Celis asked if there was any non-agenda public comment, and noted there was none.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made to approve the CDCAC minutes of the April 25, 2023 meeting as drafted. Approval of the minutes as drafted passed by unanimous voice vote.

**REGULAR-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comments were received and read to the commission.

**REGULAR AGENDA:** Commission members discussed and made recommendations for CDBG funding disbursement on three categories: Public Services, Public Facility Improvements, and Administration.

**Public Services:** The CDCAC Chair and members went through each Program Year (PY) 2023 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Services applicant funding request. The amount available for Public is \$230,878 due to a 15% cap on funds from HUD. 16 applications for Public Service were received and the CDCAC's final recommendations for CDBG Public Services are as follows:

<b>Easterseals</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>North West Housing Partnership</b>	<b>\$6,625</b>
<b>Way Back Inn</b>	<b>\$10,406</b>
<b>NAMI</b>	<b>\$11,000</b>

<b>Sarah's Inn</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
<b>Community Support Services</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
<b>Our Future Reads</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
<b>New Moms</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>
<b>IWS Children's Clinic</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>YEMBA</b>	<b>\$21,000</b>
<b>Hephzibah</b>	<b>\$21,000</b>
<b>Beyond Hunger</b>	<b>\$24,000</b>
<b>VOP Farmers Market</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
<b>Housing Forward, Interim Housing</b>	<b>\$32,000</b>
<b>Housing Forward, WRAP</b>	<b>\$13,347</b>
<b>OP Regional Housing Center</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$230,878</b>

**Public Facility Improvements:** After a discussion, funding allocation recommendation levels were decided and the final CDCAC recommendations for CDBG Public Facility Improvements are as follows:

<b>UCP Seguin</b>	<b>\$46,800</b>
<b>Hephzibah</b>	<b>\$65,291</b>
<b>Way Back Inn</b>	<b>\$11,165</b>
<b>YEMBA</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>IWS Children's Clinic</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>
<b>Thrive Counseling Center</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$218,256</b>

**Administration:** The amount available for Administration is \$307,837 due to a 20% cap on funds from HUD. This category also supports the CDBG Staff resulting in \$100,000 available for services. The CDCAC recommendations for the total amount available are as follows:

<b>OP Regional Housing Center</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>
<b>OP Homeless Coalition</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
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**OTHER BUSINESS:** Commission members discussed A Day in Our Village which takes place June 4, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Vanessa Matheny