



CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 13, 2019
PRESCOTT, ARIZONA

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING held on March 13, 2019 at 2:00pm in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, located at 201 South Cortez Street, Prescott, Arizona.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jones called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Jerry Jones, Chair	Michelle Chavez, Grant Coordinator
Mary Ann Suttles, Vice-Chair	Bryn Stotler, Director of Comm. Development
Robert Painter	George Worley, Planning Manager
Tom Benson	COUNCIL PRESENT
Mel Roop	Phil Goode
Connie Cantelme	
Sandy Griffis	

III. REGULAR ITEMS

1. Presentations of Program Year 2019 CDBG Funding Proposals

The Launch Pad Teen Center presented on two projects: One is a workforce development project that includes internships for over 40 youth from local high schools. Overall the agency serves over 500 youth in various programs. The second project is a mentoring program for youth. The programs have grown significantly over the years.

The applicant and committee discussed the demographics of the youth, measuring success, business partnerships, duration of internships, workshops for job training and retention.

West Yavapai Guidance Clinic presented on a senior peer mentoring program. They have 62 volunteers and anticipate growing to 75. There is no charge for services and they primarily serve Prescott residents. They are looking to fund staff to oversee the volunteers.

The applicant and committee members discussed the volume of client visits, leadership of the program and the feedback the program receives in the community.

People Who Care presented on their transportation program which has been funded by CDBG in the past. Last year they provided over 3,000 rides. They are asking for support for their program coordinator and these dollars will be funded towards coordinating rides for Prescott residents.

The applicant and committee members discussed the number of rides given, goals for 2019, and sustainability of the program.

The Coalition for Compassion and Justice (CCJ) presented on their request for staff support to coordinate the services provided. They aim to place 30 more people in long term care or diversion programs. They also presented on their request for construction funds to expand their space to a second floor. Their expressed goal is to end homelessness in Prescott. They have seen the numbers go down due to their services and they need more space for their advocates.

Prescott Area Shelter Services (PASS) presented on their request for a community room and expansion to serve more homeless women and children.

The applicant and committee discussed bids, number of people served, pre-application conference, and increase in number served.

USVETS presented on their project to improve the Whipple Street location with added HVAC units. The outcome is 88 new studio units for formerly homeless vets.

The applicant and committee discussed the living spaces, total number served, connection to the Veterans Administration (they are a separate non-profit) but do get funding, services for mental and chemical health, overall impact to homeless population in Prescott.

Prescott Alternative Transportation presented to the committee regarding the importance of audible signals downtown. A blind citizen attested that the City had put in audible signals near Embry Riddle and Willow Lake. Last year they applied for 12 audible intersections downtown and were not funded. This year they are asking for funding for 4 intersections downtown.

Committee and applicant spoke about maintenance, automation, noise, retrofitting, City's role, public benefits and the number of hearing impaired residents in Prescott.

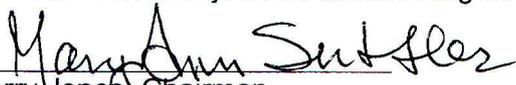
2. Review of CDBG Program Timelines

The committee discussed when decisions will be made, the need for more time to review proposals, process for ranking and evaluating proposals, adding character limits on answers, recusing for conflicts of interest, past City funded projects, and future marketing of the program,

Meeting adjourned 4:26pm

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Jones adjourned the meeting at 3pm



Jerry Jones, Chairman



Michelle Chavez, CDBG Coordinator