

AGENDA ITEM DEVELOPMENT REPORT

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**Issue: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Subject/Title:

Public hearing to select FY 2026-2028 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) awards.

Recommended Action:

Conduct a public hearing to review the funding award recommendations for the FY 2026-2028 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds; select and approve projects for inclusion into the FY2026 HUD Annual Action Plan, for a total of \$17,101,918 in program funds, to provide public services and facility improvements; and authorize the County Manager, or his designee, to (1) accept grant funds and allocate according to the approved HUD plan, and (2) to execute any necessary documents related thereto. (For possible action)

Summary:

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement program is administered through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD provides grants to Clark County on a formula basis to develop urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. Communities use CDBG funds to carry out community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services.

Projects must meet one of the following national objectives: 1) Benefit low- and moderate-income persons, 2) Prevent or eliminate slums and blight, and 3) Meet an urgent need. Eligible activities that can be funded by Clark County CDBG include acquisition, disposition, clearance, and relocation; administration and planning; economic development; housing-related; public facilities and infrastructure improvements; and public services.

Clark County anticipates receiving approximately \$17,101,918 in HUD CDBG funds across the 2026–2027 and 2027–2028 program years. Federal regulations limit the amount of funding that may be used for administrative costs to 20% (approximately \$3,420,384) and for public service activities to 15% (approximately \$2,565,288).

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Through established Interlocal Agreements (ILAs) with Mesquite and Boulder City, each jurisdiction receives 3% of Clark County's CDBG entitlement, approximately \$513,058 each, to support eligible projects and administrative activities within their respective communities. The remaining CDBG funds will be allocated to public facilities and housing projects. The amount listed is an estimate based on the amount of the previous award and subject to change once official notice has been received from HUD.

Citizen Participation & Discretionary Project Recommendations:

The Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Years 2025-2029 delineates the funding goals of Clark County for the federal funds it administers from HUD. Every year an annual action plan is submitted to HUD that incorporates BCC-approved funding recommendations.

On December 1, 2025, Clark County issued a public notice inviting nonprofit and for-profit agencies to apply for CDBG funding. Program manuals and application materials were made available to all interested applicants. The submission deadline was January 15, 2026. A total of 22 pre-applications were received; 17 advanced to the full application stage, and 2 were subsequently denied for not meeting CDBG eligibility requirements.

From February 3 to February 24, 2026, the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) members individually assessed the proposals which were also presented by the proponents themselves on February 17, 2026.

On March 3, 2026, the CDAC convened to review funding priorities and voted to recommend eleven (11) of the fifteen (15) proposed projects for CDBG funding. The recommendations are based on Clark County's estimated two-year HUD CDBG allocation of \$17,101,918 for FY 2026-2028, calculated by doubling the prior year's award of \$8,550,959 to cover both program years. Prior funds totaling \$848,468 were also included for a grand total of \$17,950,386 available for allocation. CDAC acknowledges that all recommendations are contingent upon the actual HUD allocation. Should the final award differ from the estimate, County staff will adjust funding levels accordingly, considering project rankings, funding eligibility, and overall program needs.

For Public Facilities, CDAC recommended funding three projects and established a contingency plan to ensure funds remain fully utilized and compliant with federal requirements. Under that plan, if staff determined that Bridge Counseling could not meet CDBG federal requirements or was not ready to move forward on time, or if additional CDBG funds become available, they recommended staff shift funding to another eligible project, subject to Board of Commissioners' approval. Based on further analysis staff is recommending that the award to Bridge Counseling be \$0, and that remaining funding be awarded to the SNCAC. And for funding for Public Services, staff is recommending that the Just One Project receive \$0.

Table I includes CDAC recommendations for projects for FY 2026-2028 funds, as well as a final recommendation that includes the change discussed above. All projects must meet HUD requirements and priorities before a funding agreement is executed.

**Table I
Clark County, NV
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2026-2028
Funding Recommendations**

Public Facilities & Housing					
Priority	Organization	Project	Funding Request	CDAC Recommendation	Final Recommendation
1	Clark County - DFS	Southern Nevada Children's Advocacy Center	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$9,340,138
2	Affordable Housing Program, Inc.	Redevelopment of Arthur Sartini Plaza	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
3	Transition Services, Inc.	TSI Collaborative Refuge	\$2,877,000		
4	Green Our Planet	The Compassionate Gardens Site Infrastructure & Energy Resilience Project	\$250,000		
5	Bridge Counseling Associates	Bridge Adult Transitional Housing	\$8,000,000	\$3,000,000	
6	The Foundation Christian Center	The FCC Community Campus	\$783,000		
			TOTAL:	\$ 13,500,000	\$ 12,340,138

Public Services					
Priority	Organization	Project	Funding Request	CDAC Recommendation	Final Recommendation
1	Foster Kinship	Enhanced Kinship Navigator Program	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
2	Family Promise of Las Vegas	Family Bridge to Home Program	\$290,414	\$290,414	\$290,414
3	Southern Nevada Health District	SNHD's Mobile Health Van	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
4	St. Jude's Ranch for Children	Clinical Therapy for Foster Children and Homeless Youth	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
5	Solutions of Change	Behavioral Health & Family Stabilization Services for Justice-Involved Youth	\$143,000	\$143,000	\$143,000
6	Las Vegas Clark County Library District	Office-In-A-Bag	\$50,335	\$50,335	\$50,335
7	The Just One Project	Workforce Development Program	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0
8	Nevada Partners, Inc.	Community Learning Center	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
9	HELP Homeless Service Corporation	Empowering Employment for Veterans Who Have Experienced Homelessness and People with Low Incomes	\$478,000	\$0	\$0
			TOTAL:	\$ 1,163,749	\$ 1,088,749

CDBG Public Facilities & Housing	\$12,340,138
CDBG Public Service	\$1,088,749
CDBG Boulder City & Mesquite	\$1,026,116
Clark County Administration	\$3,420,383
CDBG Pending Allocation	\$75,000
TOTAL	\$17,950,386

The following is a brief summary of the discretionary project applications that were received, reviewed, and recommended for funding by CDAC:

Public Facilities and Housing

- 1. Clark County DFS - Southern Nevada Children's Advocacy Center**
Requested: \$7,500,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$7,500,000**

This project will renovate and improve a County owned facility, originally acquired in part with CDBG funds, to serve as a comprehensive, multidisciplinary one stop center for the Southern Nevada Children's Advocacy Center (SNCAC). Once updated, the facility will function as the central hub for Clark County's response to child abuse, neglect, and the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC).

- 2. Affordable Housing - Redevelopment of Arthur Sartini Plaza**
Requested: \$3,000,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$3,000,000**

Sartini Plaza entails the rehabilitation of an existing 220-unit senior public housing development located at 900 Brush Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89107. All 220 units will be affordable. All 220 units at Sartini Plaza will be available for qualifying seniors with incomes at or below 50% of area median income.

- 3. Transition Services, Inc. - TSI Collaborative Refuge**
Requested: \$2,877,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$0**

TSI proposes to construct a new multifunctional, person-centered facility on land we own directly behind the existing Cheyenne Abilities Center at 6100 W. Cheyenne Avenue. This project will significantly expand and modernize the services available to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) by creating a safe, welcoming, and home-like environment that promotes independence, wellness, community integration, and lifelong learning.

- 4. Green Our Planet - The Compassionate Gardens Site Infrastructure & Energy Resilience Project**
Requested: \$250,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$0**

The Compassionate Gardens Site Infrastructure & Energy Resilience Project is a public facility improvement project that will install solar carports, renewable energy generation, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, site lighting, and landscaping at Green Our Planet's Compassionate Gardens headquarters in Northeast Las Vegas. The improvements will reduce operating costs, increase energy resilience, improve safety and accessibility, and support long-term delivery of food access and education services to low- and moderate-income residents, meeting HUD's Low- and Moderate-Income Area Benefit National Objective.

- 5. Bridge Counseling Associates - Bridge Adult Transitional Housing**
Requested: \$8,000,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$3,000,000**
FINAL Recommendation: \$0

The request is for a capital improvement project at the Bridge McLeod Drive campus, involving the expansion of the existing outpatient treatment facility. With this funding, Bridge will develop 100 transitional beds across 50 housing units within a newly expanded facility on the four-acre campus, significantly increasing the organization's capacity to serve individuals in need of supportive housing and treatment services.

- 6. The Foundation Christian Center - The FCC Community Campus**
Requested: \$783,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$0**

The Foundation Christian Center Community Campus is seeking funding to address an identified area benefit need within the surrounding community. Residents and visitors have expressed a consistent need for additional parking as well as a safe, designated space to store bicycles and scooters while accessing on-site services and shopping. The campus currently has only eight parking spaces, four of which are reserved for individuals with disabilities, creating significant access limitations.

Public Services

- 1. Foster Kinship - Enhanced Kinship Navigator Program**
Requested: \$150,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$150,000**

The request is for funding to enhance the Kinship Navigator Program by adding on site therapeutic services. The program already provides stabilization support information, referrals, case management, basic needs, and assistance with permanency and financial resources for kinship families caring for children who have experienced abuse, neglect, or abandonment. The enhanced model would incorporate therapy to address deeper trauma and support long term healing for both caregivers and children.

- 2. Family Promise of Las Vegas - Family Bridge to Home Program**
Requested: \$290,414 **CDAC Recommended: \$290,414**

Family Promise of Las Vegas will operate a Public Service project that provides short-term, non-congregate shelter and housing-focused case management to families with children experiencing homelessness in Clark County. Eligible families will be placed in safe, scattered-site extended-stay and weekly motels, allowing families to remain together in private accommodations while addressing their immediate housing crisis.

3. Southern Nevada Health District - SNHD's Mobile Health Van

Requested: \$300,000

CDAC Recommended: \$300,000

The request is for funding to purchase a fully equipped mobile health van that will expand the Southern Nevada Health District's ability to deliver medical and public health services directly in the field. The vehicle would support the Street Medicine Program and other outreach teams by transporting staff, medical supplies, and public health materials to encampments and community locations. It would enable SNHD to provide both primary care (assessments, screenings, wound care, immunizations, preventive counseling, basic acute care) and non-primary care services (heat mitigation support, hydration resources, blood pressure checks, health education, environmental assessments, and general outreach) to unsheltered individuals and other residents who cannot easily access traditional clinics.

4. St. Jude's Ranch for Children - Clinical Therapy for Foster Children and Homeless Youth

Requested: \$80,000

CDAC Recommended: \$80,000

St. Jude's Ranch for Children (SJRC) operates two programs serving youth and young adults who have experienced significant trauma: a Residential Foster Care Program on the Boulder City campus and a Transition Age Youth Housing Program that places young adults ages 18–24 in scattered site apartments with intensive case management. All participants are Medicaid eligible and require consistent, trauma informed therapeutic support, yet access to therapists who accept Medicaid is limited. To close this service gap, SJRC is requesting funding to offer contracted therapists a rate above standard Medicaid reimbursement. This incentive will help attract and retain qualified clinicians to provide individual and group therapy at the Boulder City and Las Vegas locations, with the potential for on call or rapid response support for youth in crisis.

5. Solutions of Change - Behavioral Health & Family Stabilization Services for Justice-Involved Youth

Requested: \$143,000

CDAC Recommended: \$143,000

Solutions of Change (SOC) proposes to implement Behavioral Health & Family Stabilization Services for Justice-Involved Youth, a two-year public services project serving justice-involved and child welfare-involved youth and families throughout Clark County. This project expands SOC's existing Youth and Families Wellness Project by providing trauma-informed, culturally responsive mental and behavioral health services to both existing and new clients. The project's overarching goals are to strengthen mental health resiliency, build community-based support networks, and reduce inappropriate incarcerations, hospitalizations, institutional placements, and continued involvement in juvenile justice, child welfare, and other traditionally punitive

systems, particularly for youth diagnosed with serious emotional disturbance and those who have experienced trauma.

6. Las Vegas Clark County Library District - Office-In-A-Bag
Requested: \$50,335 **CDAC Recommended: \$50,335**

The request is to launch the Office In A Bag micro business initiative at the new West Las Vegas Library Business Center. The project will equip 10 participants in the Housing Authority's FLEX workforce program with portable business startup kits, laptops, software, Wi Fi hotspots, printers, scanners, and mobile workstations, along with mentorship, training, and a pitch competition. The goal is to help low income and public housing residents overcome digital barriers, start micro enterprises, and move toward self-sufficiency.

7. The Just One Project - Workforce Development Program
Requested: \$75,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$75,000**
FINAL Recommended: \$0

The Just One Project is seeking funding to expand its Workforce Development Program by shifting from group workshops to individualized, employment focused case management for clients facing significant barriers to work. The enhanced program will provide one on one career planning, help with removing employment obstacles such as transportation, identification, certifications, and work-related supplies, and integrate services across TJOP's Community Connect programs. Participants will also benefit from monthly onsite job readiness workshops delivered in partnership with the Nevada Division of Social Services, along with access to job fairs and onsite interviews. Services will be offered at TJOP's Decatur Boulevard headquarters and through referrals from partner sites across Clark County, ensuring broader access for low income and housing insecure individuals seeking stable employment.

8. Nevada Partners, Inc. - Community Learning Center
Requested: \$75,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$75,000**

Nevada Partners is proposing a workforce development and job creation initiative to deliver industry aligned programming through its Community Learning Center, which currently houses the STEM Center of Excellence and will support future programming aligned with the Youth Empowerment Center (YEC) vision. The project will create structured career pathways for youth ages 16–24, preparing participants for employment, continued education, and entrepreneurship in high-growth technology and creative industries.

9. HELP Homeless Service Corporation - Empowering Employment for Veterans Who Have Experienced Homelessness and People with Low Incomes
Requested: \$478,000 **CDAC Recommended: \$0**

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HELP USA is requesting CDBG funding to expand its Empowering Employment for Veterans Who Have Experienced Homelessness and People with Low Incomes project. The program will enhance supported employment services for residents of HELP's transitional housing for veterans and its affordable housing programs serving low-income individuals across Clark County. Participants will receive comprehensive wrap around support, resources, and job readiness training to help them secure and maintain stable employment.

Final Recommendation

CDAC's recommendations are advisory, and the Board of County Commissioners has final authority over the allocation of these monies, subject to Clark County meeting HUD requirements.

Prior to execution of funding agreements with selected awardees, County staff will undertake financial assessment of awardees to ensure project feasibility and award spend-down. Staff will prepare any funding agreements with all award recipients and will be responsible for monitoring projects to ensure compliance with all CDBG requirements.

Because Clark County has not yet received notice from HUD of the official CDBG award amounts for FY2026-2028, allocation of all CDBG awards is contingent upon actual receipt of federal CDBG funds.



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