

2025 Public Service Projects Descriptions

CoC/ Homelessness/Assistance

1. **Furniture Bank of Metro Atlanta, Inc. \$15,000** – The Furniture Bank plans to provide free household furniture to people in need within DeKalb County. Most of the clients impacted will be moving out of homelessness, are living with HIV/AIDS, or fleeing domestic violence.
2. **Latin American Association, Inc. \$15,000** – The program assists individuals and families to avoid homelessness by helping them take advantage of available opportunities and community resources designed to help them increase their economic, housing and family stability.
3. **The Safe Haven Transitional, Inc. \$10,000** – CDBG funds will be used in support of transitional and emergency housing plus supportive services to DeKalb County women with or without children that are victims of Domestic Violence.
4. **Salvation Army International \$45,000** – CDBG funds will be used to provide intake services, case management, and job readiness to persons experiencing homelessness in DeKalb County.
5. **Salvation Army, Red Shield \$40,000** – CDBG funds will be used for DeKalb County Emergency Shelter Program. Dedication of 5 family rooms at the RSS specifically for DeKalb County Residents.
6. **Caring Works Candler Forest – Case Management \$65,000** – CDBG funds will be used for Case Management for the HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program. The Community Development Director will have the authority to designate the agency to provide case management.
7. **CoC Coordinated Entry Case Management \$50,000** – The Homeless Access Point activity will provide intensive case management for unusually difficult cases involving households or individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. This activity is a critical component of the DeKalb Continuum of Care Centralized Access Model. CDBG funds will be used to fund a part-time position to perform case management.
8. **Street Outreach \$50,000** – The Street Outreach Case Manager provides intensive case management. Will perform street outreach activities to include engaging unsheltered homeless individuals and families, connecting them with emergency shelter, permanent housing, or critical services and referring them to urgent care,

non-facility-based care for the homeless. This activity is a critical component of the DeKalb Continuum of Care assisting those unsheltered individuals. These CDBG funds will be used to fund a part-time position to perform Street Outreach case management functions.

- 9. Community Friendship \$10,000** – This agency provides recovery-oriented programming by helping people re-establish natural roles and supports in the community, which includes employment and normalization of socialization to those at risk, either with a diagnosed mental illness, or a suspected diagnosis.
- 10. Network Cooperative Ministries \$20,000** – Funding will be used to assist the agency in the Food Pantry Program and Job Training initiatives.
- 11. Catholic Charities - \$10,000** - CDBG funds will be used for bi-lingual foreclosure prevention counseling and financial literacy education. Catholic Charities housing counseling program promotes financial well-being and ensuring that individuals living below poverty have effective tools and resources for managing their finances.
- 12. Nicholas House - \$15,000** - This agency will provide case management to families at risk of homelessness to help them stay housed through financial literacy programs, workplace initiative and education programs.
- 13. International Rescue - \$15,000** - This agency will provide low-mod income persons training in entrepreneurship and business development with financial capability.

Financial Literacy

- 14. Center for Pan Asian Communities (CPACS) \$15,000** – CDBG funds will be used for CPACS Housing Program. Staff will provide homebuyers, homeowners, homeless-at-risk, or renters with housing counseling and education services.
- 15. CASA - \$20,000** – CDBG funds will be used for financial literacy training for income-eligible clients.
- 16. New American Pathways \$20,000** - CDBG funds will be used to provide intensive basic financial literacy training for refugee women.

Fair Housing/ Foreclosure Prevention

- 17. Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc. \$70,000** – This agency is requesting funds for their HOME DEFENSE PROGRAM for predatory lending prevention, consumer education, fraudulent mortgages, and scam awareness. To prevent foreclosure and homelessness, they propose to educate consumers and provide legal representation to qualified clients.
- 18. Metro Fair Housing, Inc. \$60,000** – This agency provides fair housing services, education, and counseling; helping citizens and housing entities understand their rights and responsibilities under title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), which prohibits housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial, and handicap status. Metro Fair serves as the County's Fair Housing Partner agency, investigating tenant/landlord and fair housing complaints.

Youth/Childhood Development

- 19. Our House, Inc. \$72,000** – Our House provides free quality childcare in a safe and nurturing environment to the children of homeless families who reside in emergency shelters or transitional housing programs. This agency also provides support services and referrals for services for the children and their families (homeless) as needed, which include, employment services and permanent housing; clothing and transportation; arranging after-school care or day camp for school age children; mental health counseling; and networking with other agencies to access all other available assistance.
- 20. Youth Voucher Set-Aside \$75,000** – Funds will provide the opportunity for children from low to moderate income families to have meaningful summer experiences. These experiences shall be recreationally based, offer educational activities which build self-esteem, promote health, and build capacity.