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State Treasurer Announces Grants for Distressed Municipalities
More than \$2.7 Million Awarded for Infrastructure and Public Safety Projects

LANSING, Mich. – State Treasurer Rachael Eubanks today announced a total of \$2.7 million is being awarded to 16 municipalities through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships (FDCVT) Grant Program.

Municipalities can participate in the FDCVT Grant Program if they are experiencing one or more conditions indicative of “probable financial stress” as defined in state law. The grants fund specific projects, services or strategies -- including infrastructure and public safety enhancements -- that move a city, village or township toward financial stability.

“This grant program helps those municipalities that have faced recent financial challenges,” State Treasurer Rachael Eubanks said. “Infrastructure and public safety projects are critical services that residents depend on every day. By proactively assisting our local units of government, we are enabling our entire state to thrive.”

For fiscal year 2021, the Michigan Legislature appropriated \$2.5 million for the program, with a \$200,000 carryover from the previous fiscal year. The FDCVT Grant Program has a \$2 million cap per municipality and grants are awarded based on applications submitted by the municipality.

The following communities will receive funding this year, with projects and amounts noted (alphabetical order):

City of Allen Park

Water system enhancement through replacement of lead service lines
\$200,000

City of Benton Harbor

Water system enhancement through replacement of fire hydrants and water valves
\$300,000

MORE

Village of Burr Oak

Water system enhancement through replacement of water meters
\$77,000

City of Ecorse

Public safety enhancement through replacement of one ambulance
\$188,000

City of Flint

Public safety enhancement through installation of surveillance cameras and purchase of police
body cameras
\$183,505

City of Gaastra

Water system enhancement through repair of water storage tank
\$298,000

City of Hamtramck

Public safety enhancement through purchase of police body cameras
\$111,146

City of Highland Park

Public safety enhancement through installation of streetlights
\$100,000

City of Inkster

Public service enhancement through infrastructure replacement of fire station building
\$214,764

City of Inkster

Water system enhancement through replacement of fire hydrants
\$100,000

City of Lansing

Public service enhancement through technology infrastructure upgrades
\$30,000

City of Lansing

Public service enhancement through technology upgrades
\$100,000

City of Melvindale

Public service enhancement through technology upgrades
\$18,075

MORE

City of Melvindale

Water system enhancement through replacement of fire hydrants
\$131,200

City of Muskegon Heights

Public safety enhancement through installation of surveillance cameras and purchase of police body cameras
\$153,000

Village of Ontonagon

Public safety enhancement through replacement of fire department rescue truck
\$227,995

City of River Rouge

Public service enhancement through renovation of dispatch center
\$198,151

City of Saginaw

Public safety enhancement through replacement of streetlights
\$37,109

City of Wayne

Public safety enhancement through repair of police building HVAC system
\$35,000