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MSHDA awards \$1.4 million in Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) Grants

A detailed list of grantees from 2019 NEP funding rounds three and four

The Alliance for Economic Success (Thompsonville) \$10,000

Funding for a mural that will be placed on a municipal storage building that happens to be the gateway to the Village and the neighborhood. All traffic passes this area and it would be a source of pride with the mural and a landscaping project that is proposed as part of this project. Citizens will help with the garden and painting to create excitement and enthusiasm for the neighborhood.

Bancroft Village \$20,000

Funding for the purchase of cement to secure playground equipment being installed and safe surface materials for their playground area located at Lion's Park in Bancroft, MI. Improvements will include repairing the park pavilion, roof replacement, electrical repair, paint and/or siding of gable ends, installation of a wind barrier, picnic table repairs, updating the water fountain with a faucet, new grills, relocation of the flag pole and light at Veterans Memorial, trimming pine trees and mulching around the flag pole and light, adding lighting to tennis & basketball court, and other improvements that will result in park enhancement and neighborhood beautification.

Bay Area Housing (Bay City) \$50,000

Providing Housing Enhancement component for up to 24 homes in the Realtor Park Neighborhood within Bay City.

Capital Area United Way (CAUW) \$50,000

Funding to cover the cost of housing enhancements that will help families bring their homes up to building codes. The project is in Eaton Rapids, MI, in a low-income neighborhood that has several houses with major structural concerns that pose a significant safety and health risk to residents. Approximately six homeowners will be assisted, and additional funding will come from the City of Eaton Rapids, which is contributing 11% of the total budget to the project. CAUW and the City of Eaton Rapids anticipate the home enhancements will improve the health and stability of the community as homes will be improved and brought up to code.

City of Bessemer \$30,000

Funding for external homeowner repair of three houses, up to \$7,500 per house. Funds will also be used to purchase playground equipment to develop a small neighborhood park. The new park playground will include a basketball court, a climbing cube structure, and swings.

City of Big Rapids \$50,000

Funding for the city's east side, which is historically a low-income area, with smaller houses and fewer community amenities. Grant funds totaling \$28,000 will be used for exterior home renovation projects, such as painting, siding, roofing, window repairs, walkways, porches and accessibility projects. Linden Street Playground will receive \$19,000 of the allocation for upgrades. The park was created in 1989 and is the only playground in this area. The remaining \$3,000 will be used for administration costs.

City of Bronson \$40,000

Funding for housing enhancements to single-family owner-occupied households for all properties on Washington Street and Winona Street. This area was chosen due to the age and conditions of the homes in the neighborhood and the availability of a large number of potential applicants for these funds. This is one of the oldest neighborhoods in town with most homes having been built between 1900 and 1930. The city recently adopted its first ever rental housing ordinance as part of its larger effort to improve the quality of its aging housing stock. Preserving and improving its housing stock is a major goal of the city and these funds will help address owner occupied homes with blight.

City of Dowagiac \$50,000

Funding for housing enhancement and rehabilitation of 10 single-family owner-occupied homes. The target areas identified for this project are south and southwest of the city's center.

City of Durand \$20,000

Grant funds will be used for a direct assistance, micro-grant program for homeowners who have existing blighted conditions or potential building code violations. Awards of up to \$1,500 will be provided to serve a minimum of 12 homeowners. The city is targeting at least 12 low-to-moderate income homeowners, ideally all within the South Side neighborhood.

City of Evart \$30,000

Grants will be awarded for home improvements to approximately four homes in the Old Town Historical Plat Neighborhood. The neighborhood is very close to their downtown and walking distance to main street.

City of Grand Haven \$50,000

Grant funds will provide homeowner rehabilitation of six homes at \$7,500 each. The rehabilitation will include, but not be limited to, roof replacements, new windows and new exterior doors.

City of Lapeer \$49,995

Funding to repair/replace current homeowner-occupied residential properties through roof replacement, as well as replacing a park pavilion roof.

City of Manton \$30,000

Award will be used for exterior housing rehabilitation and beautification of a minimum of four single family homes, not to exceed \$7,500 per home.

City of Reed City \$25,000

Grants will be redistributed for five homeowner rehabilitation projects. The primary focus will be painting, new roofs and siding.

City of Three Rivers \$50,000

Award will be used for homeowner housing enhancements. The housing enhancements will be defined as exterior improvements that are visible and tangible in nature. The city will utilize \$140,146 in matching dollars for site clearance/rubbish removal. The neighborhood consists of 50 homes and the assisted homes are yet to be defined.

Community enCompass (Muskegon) \$43,587

Providing housing enhancement for up to three homes for senior citizens in the McLaughlin Neighborhood in the City of Muskegon, and enhancements to the McLaughlin Community Park.

Dansville Village \$15,000

Awards will be used for housing enhancements to two to three homes. Funds will also be used to repair the uneven cement floor in the Village Park pavilion, as well as for the installation of ADA requirements for handicapped residents or improvements to existing equipment they are already using, such as grab bars.

City of Eaton Rapids \$50,000

Providing housing enhancements to the north corridor neighborhood in the City of Eaton Rapids.

The First Free Methodist Church of Coldwater \$39,152

This nonprofit will use the grant funds to paint and repair at least four homes in the Parkhurst / Larsen neighborhood, not to exceed \$7,500 per home and the city manager of Coldwater will help select the homes. Funds will also provide a community garden that is accessible to people of all ages and ability levels. Activities will include raised garden construction, pavilion construction, fence construction, and landscaping.

GenesisHOPE (Detroit) \$50,000

Eligible residents in the Islandview Village neighborhood can receive grants for home improvement projects, such as painting homes, planting perennials, curb appeal improvement and minor home repairs.

Gogebic Health Range Foundation (City of Ironwood) \$50,000

HDF funds will be used for the construction of a non-motorized pedestrian trail connecting the Ironwood Housing Commission's apartment complex to the Little League field and the 167-acre Miners Memorial Heritage Park.

Gogebic Ontonagon Community Action Agency \$50,000

Funds will be used to spruce up a section of dilapidated homes by providing for exterior home improvements, such as siding, roofing, porches, and sidewalks.

Habitat for Humanity of Mason County (Ludington) \$40,700

Grant funds will be used for housing enhancements, such as siding, roof repair/reconstruction, windows, code enforcement and safety issues, as well as beautification.

Habitat for Humanity of Oakland (Southfield and Pontiac) \$49,500

“Rock the Block” home beautification improvement projects, such as landscape cleanup, raking, edging, trimming hedges and trees, brush clearing and lawn mowing, gutter cleaning and repair, as well as accessibility improvements in the Unity Park and Ferry Farms neighborhood in Pontiac, and the Southwest and Southeast Evergreen neighborhoods in Southfield.

Jefferson East Inc. (Detroit) \$50,000

Housing enhancement, emergency home repairs, and beautification activities in a targeted area.

LifeBUILDERS (Detroit) \$50,000

Project will focus on porch repairs, railing installations and public amenities.

NCCS Center for Nonprofit Housing (White Cloud) \$50,000

Providing housing enhancement for up to six homes in a 10-block residential area in the City of White Cloud.

City of Negaunee \$50,000

Funds will be utilized in the residential neighborhood near downtown Negaunee to focus on neighborhood aesthetics, including painting, window fixtures, shutters, awnings, front door paint and/or repair, and walkway reconstruction or cleanup.

Venture, Inc. (Pontiac) \$20, 000

The Venture Homeowner Repair Program's goal is to perform exterior, HVAC, or energy efficiency repairs to two or three low-to-moderate income owner-occupied homes in the GM Modern Housing neighborhood located in Pontiac, MI. This investment will ensure homeowners are able to remain in their homes and their homes are decent and safe for their families, but also will contribute to the beautification and aesthetic appeal of the overall neighborhood.

Village of Cassopolis \$30,000

A total of \$15,000 of the grant funds will be used for partial homeowner rehabilitation of a minimum of three single-family owner-occupied homes, specifically focusing on exterior improvements. They will fund up to \$7,500 per house. They will also use \$15,000 in grant funds to upgrade an existing alleyway into a usable and attractive space for residents by installing pavers, plantings and a mural. The Village of Cassopolis is matching the grant dollars from its general fund.

Village of Colon \$9,500

Grant funds will assist one to two homeowners with exterior improvements that increase energy efficiency, such as replacing windows or doors, and improvements that help with mobility, such as porch ramps and wide exterior doors. They will also use funds for a safety enhancement along with the creation of a pocket park at the police station half a block from the S. Swan St. & Catherine St. neighborhood. The safety enhancement is the replacement of a crumbling wooden retaining wall with a concrete wall. The public amenity project involves creating a pocket park for a place of rest and contemplation.

Village of Mancelona \$30,000

Funding will provide for six exterior home rehabilitation projects, including improvements to accessible ingress and egress, roofing, front porches, doors and windows, siding, and painting. Of the requested amount, \$1,500 is allocated toward administrative costs.

Village of Morrice \$18,969

Grant funds will be utilized for park enhancements. The park's old playground equipment and the baseball diamond fencing will be removed and replaced with new equipment and fencing. Landscaping and safe ground covering will be applied.

Village of Pinckney \$40,000

Mini grants will be awarded for improvements to 20 owner-occupied single-family homes in the Portage Dells neighborhood. The improvements will be primarily for accessibility, such as porches, handrails, or ramps.

Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency (Highland Park) \$50,000

Rebuilding or restoring porches for eligible homeowners within the Courtland Neighborhood.

Wayne County Land Bank (Highland Park) \$25,000

Eligible residents in Highland Park will receive porch repairs and accessibility features, such as wheelchair ramps (non-Cortland Neighborhoods).

WoodBridge Neighborhood Development Corporation \$50,000

Funds will provide home repairs that are considered emergencies, such as leaking roofs and rotting porches, to low-income seniors, as well as provide for clean, safe community parks.