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***Gov. Snyder announces grants for distressed municipalities
\$5.4 million awarded for service and quality of life projects***

Gov. Rick Snyder will award \$5.4 million to eleven municipalities to help fund various improvement projects, including water system and public safety enhancements as well as technology upgrades through the Financially Distressed Cities, Villages, and Townships (FDCVT) grant program. Snyder previously announced a \$2 million award for the City of Flint.

Municipalities are eligible to apply for a FDCVT grant if they are experiencing one or more conditions indicative of “probable financial stress,” as defined by Public Act 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act.

“The municipalities that applied for and have now been approved for this special funding are among those that have faced significant financial challenges in recent years,” Snyder said. “These grants will go a long way to ensure these cities can improve the public services their residents expect and deserve.”

Under the grant program, funding may be used to pay for specific projects, services, or strategies that move a city, village, or township toward financial stability. There was \$5 million appropriated for the program with a \$400,000 carryover from the previous fiscal year. The FDCVT program has a \$2 million cap, per local unit.

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

Local Unit	Project Description	Amount
City of Allen Park	Provide an emergency generator for public safety.	\$270,187
City of Benton Harbor	Public safety enhancement through replacement and upgrade of police camera system.	\$25,000
City of Benton Harbor	Water system enhancement through water main replacements.	\$400,000
City of Ecorse	Public safety enhancement through police body cameras.	\$30,000
City of Flint	Water system enhancement through reconnection to Detroit Water and Sewer Department.	\$2,000,000

City of Hamtramck	Public safety enhancement through replacement and upgrade of police camera system.	\$90,000
City of Highland Park	Water system enhancement through maintenance to water system.	\$1,505,000
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through deployment of a community relations police officer.	\$244,968
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through replacement and upgrade of police and fire radios.	\$318,993
City of Inkster	Public safety enhancement through fleet replacement of police vehicles.	\$218,367
City of Lincoln Park	Public safety enhancement through replacement and upgrade of fire technology.	\$21,000
City of Melvindale	Public safety enhancement through fleet replacement of police vehicles and replacement and upgrade of technology.	\$94,800
City of River Rouge	Public safety enhancement of dispatch and jail services.	\$171,833
City of Wayne	Public safety enhancement through fleet replacement of police vehicle.	\$25,389

All appropriated funding has been spent. No future rounds will occur in FY 2016.

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