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FROM: RON WHISENAND, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

DATE: NOVEMBER 16, 2010

Needs: For the City Council to (a) decide which applications for the City's 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds should be recommended in the *Draft* Annual Action Plan and (b) set a date for the public hearing for the 2011 CDBG Fund allocations.

Facts:

1. October 22, 2010 was the deadline for submittal of applications for 2011 CDBG funds. As of that date, the City received 17 applications (including applications from the City for "capacity-building" and administrative use of CDBG funds). The total amount of funding requested for the 17 applications comes to \$436,902.
2. On October 27, 2010, an 18th application for a grant of \$4,000 was filed by the Literacy Council. Since it was submitted after the deadline, the Council has the option of accepting or rejecting the application. This will be discussed in the Analysis Section, below.
3. Attached is a table and a narrative summary of the 18 applications (including Literacy Council's). Binders containing all of the applications will be available at the Community Development Department counter, Library Reference Desk, and in the City Council's office.
4. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is not expected to publish the amounts of available 2011 CDBG funds to be distributed to recipients until Spring 2011. The city assumes it will be entitled in 2011 to the same amount it received in 2010, which was \$300,090.
5. In addition to the annual allocation of entitlement funds, the City has on hand \$8,100 in CDBG funds repaid residential rehabilitation loans that can be added to the \$300,090. It is estimated, therefore, that there is as much as \$308,190 in CDBG funds to allocate for 2011.
6. The City receives its allocations of federal CDBG funds through the County of San Luis Obispo. The County takes the lead role in administration of the CDBG program. This includes the preparation, adoption and annual updating of a "Consolidated Plan", which HUD approves following adoption by the County Board of Supervisors. Under a cooperation agreement with the County, the City retains the right to decide how its allocation of CDBG funds will be used.

7. In December 2010 or January 2011, the County will publish a Draft “Consolidated Plan”, which will list summaries of the activities that are recommended for consideration by the city councils and Board of Supervisors at public hearings to be conducted in February, March, and/or April 2011.
8. It is proposed that, at its meeting of November 16, 2010, the City Council review all of the applications and recommend those applications to be listed in the Draft Consolidated Plan as being recommended for funding.
9. The Draft Consolidated Plan will be considered by the Council at a public hearing to be conducted in early March 2011. At that hearing, the Council may consider any of the applications filed by October 22, 2010, whether or not they are recommended for funding in the Draft Consolidated Plan.
10. Federal regulations impose several limits on the use of CDBG funds as follows:
 - a. At least 70% of all funds **must** be spent on activities that benefit low income persons, and no more than 30% **may** be spent on activities that eliminate blight;
 - b. No more than 15% of CDBG funds **may** be used for public service activities;
 - c. No more than 20% of CDBG funds **may** be used for administrative uses;
11. The \$308,190 are available to be divided among the proposed activities, as shown below:

\$203,176 for low income benefit – non-public service projects *

\$ 45,014 maximum for low income benefit – public service programs

\$ 60,000 maximum for administration and capacity-building

\$308,190 Total

* Of the \$203,176, no more than \$73,966 may be spent on projects that eliminate blight.

Analysis and

Conclusion: Non-Public Service Applications (Public Facilities, Housing, Economic Development Projects)

Non-public service applications are applications that apply for funding for activities that aid in community development actions that eliminate slums and blight, avoid the deterioration of property, neighborhood, and community facilities of importance to the welfare of the community, principally serving persons of low and moderate income. Examples of activities CDBG funds can be used for are construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation (including removal of architectural barriers to accessibility), and installation of public facilities and improvements when the primary beneficiaries of the project are of low-income.

Continuing Projects

1. Riverside Avenue/24th Street Sidewalks. This project was divided into two phases corresponding with the two streets. Construction is presently underway for the Riverside Avenue Phase. CDBG funds were spent to design 24th Street improvements, with the intention of using Redevelopment funds to accomplish most of the construction. A decision has not yet been made regarding the allocation of Redevelopment funds. It should be noted that there are federal regulations that provide that, if CDBG funds are used for design, something must be built or the funds used for design must be returned to HUD. Given the delay in making this decision it would appear to be prudent to provide some insurance against the possibility that HUD could demand reimbursement for those CDBG funds spent on design. Therefore, it is suggested that Council consider awarding 2011 CDBG funds to constructing two handicapped ramps and installing an LED-lighted crosswalk on 24th Street, at the Paso Robles Event Center's (PREC) Livestock Gate, where there is an existing crosswalk. The suggested ramps and LED-lighted crosswalk appear in the "New Projects for 2011" listed below.
2. Turtle Creek Sidewalk Project. This project was awarded \$89,700 in 2010 funds to replace an existing 2,000 foot long deteriorating asphalt sidewalk in Turtle Creek Park along Brookhill Drive. The condition of this sidewalk poses a tripping hazard, primarily to seniors who live in the adjacent Sierra Bonita neighborhood. Design of these improvements has not yet commenced.

In the process of preparing the federal environmental document for this project, it was noticed that, except for two non-ADA-compliant ramps at either end of the 2,000 foot length at Turtle Creek Drive and Airport Road, there are no ramps that would allow physically-disabled persons to access this sidewalk. An application for an additional \$65,000 in 2011 CDBG funds has been prepared to provide for the construction of 4 new ramps and to replace the two non-ADA-compliant ramps.

New Projects for 2011

1. Handicapped Ramps. The City has recognized that it has a responsibility under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to provide handicapped ramps where none exist (primarily at block corners) and to replace older ramps that do not comply with standards found to be consistent with the ADA. In 2009, the City installed 9 new ramps on Oak Street using CDBG funds. An application to install more handicapped ramps was prepared. The average cost of a ramp, including construction, design, and bidding costs is estimated at \$7,500. The application recommends that ramps be installed in order of the following priorities:
 - City Park: 4 ramps at the corners of the Park;
 - Northwest corner of 36th and Oak Streets (on the path between the First 5 Center and Georgia Brown School): 1 ramp;
 - North and south sides of 24th Street, at the Paso Robles Event Center's Livestock Gate: 2 ramps;

- West side of Spring Street at 11th Street (in front of the Paso Robles Inn at the western end of the crosswalk to the Park): 1 ramp;
 - At the 4 corners of 13th and Park Streets (this would also entail constructing bulb-outs at the corners and possibly installing pavers in the sidewalk, which would entail considerably more than \$7,500 per corner);
 - Other locations on the West Side of Paso Robles.
2. LED-Lighted Crosswalks. The City has installed several LED-lighted crosswalks in an effort to enhance pedestrian safety at locations with high volumes of pedestrian traffic. An application to install more of these systems was prepared. The average cost of an LED-lighted crosswalk system, including construction and bidding costs, and assuming that there is no need for design, is estimated to be \$30,000. The application recommends that ramps be installed in order of the following priorities:

- 34th and Oak Streets *;
- 24th Street, at the Paso Robles Event Center's Livestock Gate **;
- Spring Street at 11th Street (between City Park and the Paso Robles Inn);
- 13th and Park Streets.

* \$16,000 in 2010 CDBG funds were allocated to prepare this intersection to receive an LED lighting system. Those funds will be used to replace a damaged and non-ADA-compliant handicapped ramp on the northeast corner of 34th and Oak Streets, to build a new handicapped ramp on the west side of Oak at the west end of the crosswalk, and to build a small retaining wall to keep dirt from sloughing onto the new handicapped ramp.

** This LED crosswalk was discussed above under 24th Street Improvements.

Public Service Applications

Public services are those activities in which non-profit organizations provide services to low income clients. For several years, the City has received more requests for grants to support public services than it has CDBG funds that may be used for such purposes, and 2011 is no exception. If the \$45,014 available for public services were equally-distributed among all of the 11 applicants for these funds (including Literacy Council's application), each would receive about \$4,092.

For several years, the City has required applicants for public services funds to submit certain information to supplement their CDBG applications. Such information included estimates of the number of city residents to be served by their programs, information about their annual budgets, etc. In order that the City Council have adequate information on which to base a decision to appropriately allocate the limited public service funds, City staff intends to solicit similar information from public services applicants for 2011 CDBG applications.

The supplemental information will not be available for Council's review on November 16. Therefore, for the Draft Annual Action Plan, it is suggested that the Council confirm whether or not the City will fund public service applications at the full 15% allowed by

federal regulations (as it has done for several years now). The final decision on which public service applications would be funded, would be deferred until the public hearing in March 2011.

The City and County have jointly established a deadline for submittal of applications in order to provide order and efficiency to the annual CDBG grant process. The deadline is not required by federal regulations. On October 27, City staff spoke with Bernadette Bernardi, Executive Director for the Literacy Council, who apologized for missing the deadline. The City has awarded CDBG grants to the Literacy Council every year since 2002. Several years ago, the Council allowed a different non-profit that missed the deadline to file a late application. The Council has the discretion to allow Literacy Council's application to be considered along with all of the other applications.

Administration and Capacity Building

Administration refers to staff time and expenses directly related to managing the CDBG program and those activities funded with CDBG funds. As a condition of accepting CDBG funds, the city must ensure compliance with numerous federal regulations that govern aspects such as public hearings, environmental review, procurement, labor laws, and filing of quarterly reports on progress made and the socio-economic profile of beneficiaries served by the funded activities.

Capacity building refers to staff time and expenses to implement programs identified in the City's Housing Element of the General Plan and in its Redevelopment Implementation Plan that benefit low and moderate income persons and aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. Examples include: drafting of housing-related ordinances (e.g. Density Bonuses, Reasonable Accommodation); drafting updates to the Housing Element and Redevelopment Implementation Plan; maintenance of demographic and land use information; and providing assistance to developers of low income housing in planning applications and funding requests (e.g., Oak Park Redevelopment, Hidden Creek Village, Habitat for Humanity).

CDBG Regulations provide that no more than 20% of all entitlement and Program Income CDBG funds in any Program Year may be used for administrative and capacity-building purposes. Since becoming entitled to CDBG funds in 1994, the City has split its administrative allotment between grant administration and capacity building.

Options for Draft One Year Action Plan

There are many more applications than there will be CDBG funds to support. One potential funding option has been prepared for the Council's consideration. Some of the applications do not appear in the option; the reasons for this are discussed in the attached summary of applications.

In Option A, priority is given to:

- Constructing improvements in 24th Street (handicapped ramps and an LED-lighted crosswalk) in order to protect the investment of prior years CDBG funds in design of 24th Street improvements;
- Continuing to replace the asphalt sidewalk in Turtle Creek Park with a concrete sidewalk, adding 4 new handicapped ramps, and replacing two non-ADA-compliant ramps;
- Constructing new handicapped ramps and replacing non-ADA-compliant ramps at various locations on the West Side of the City;
- Installing LED-lighted crosswalks.

Additionally, Option A assumes that the Council will want to allocate the full 15% allowable for public service applications.

Option A provides for funding the following activities:

Turtle Creek Sidewalk	\$ 65,000
Handicapped Ramps	\$ 75,000
LED Crosswalks	\$ 63,176
Public Services Activities	\$ 45,014
Administration & Capacity Building	\$ 60,000
	<u>\$308,190</u>

Regardless of which activities are listed in the Draft Consolidated Plan as being recommended for funding, the Council will have the authority to approve any of the submitted applications for CDBG funds following a public hearing to be scheduled for early March 2011.

March Public Hearing Dates

Possible dates for the March public hearing are:

- a. Thursday, March 3 (special Council meeting);
- b. Tuesday, March 1 (regular Council meeting).

In past years, the CDBG public hearings have taken as many as 2 hours. A special meeting provides a better environment for focusing on the allotments and reduces the amount of time that the public has to wait to speak.

Policy

Reference: Federal regulations for the Community Development Block Grant Program

Fiscal

Impact: Participation in the federal CDBG Program has involved and will continue to demand a commitment of staff resources. Utilizing CDBG funds avoids adverse impacts on the City's General Fund. It should be noted that any funding request that would come from administration would have an equal adverse effect on the City's Redevelopment Low and moderate Income Housing Fund or the General Fund.

Options: Subject to public testimony, via minute action:

- A. (1) Identify the following applications to be listed in the Draft One Year Action Plan as being recommended for funding

Turtle Creek Sidewalk	\$ 65,000
Handicapped Ramps.....	\$ 75,000
LED Crosswalks	\$ 63,176
Public Services Activities	\$ 45,014
Administration & Capacity Building	<u>\$ 60,000</u>
	\$308,190

- (2) Allow the Literacy Council's application to be considered along with the other applications for public service activities.

- (3) Set Thursday, March 3, 2011 as the date for the public hearing for 2011 CDBG allocations.

- B. Amend, modify or reject the foregoing options.

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Attachments:

1. Table Summary of the Applications for 2011 CDBG Funds
2. Narrative Summary of 2011 CDBG Applications

CITY OF PASO ROBLES: 2011 CDBG APPLICATIONS

A. Public Facilities, Building Rehab, Housing, Economic Development Projects (National Objective: Low Income Benefit)

#	Applicant	Program/Project	Amount Requested
1	City of Paso Robles	Replace sidewalks on Brookhill Drive in Turtle Creek Park and install/replace 6 handicapped ramps	\$65,000
2	City of Paso Robles	Install/replace handicapped ramps at various locations on West Side of City	\$108,176
3	City of Paso Robles	Install LED-lighted crosswalks at various locations on West Side of City	\$63,176
4	Economic Vitality Corp.	Revolving Loan Fund: loan guarantees and technical assistance for start up businesses.	\$50,000
5	Mission Community Services Corp.	Women's Business Center Program	\$ 5,000
	Total Requested		\$291,352
	Total Available		\$203,176 *

* Assumes that \$45,014 is used for Category B.

B. Public Services (National Objective: Low Income Benefit)

#	Applicant	Program/Project	Amount Requested
6	Community Action Partnership of SLO County (CAPSLO)	Senior Health Screening Program	\$ 2,350
7	CAPSLO	Teen Academic Parenting Program	\$ 2,850
8	CAPSLO	40 Wonderful (Women's Health Screening) Program	\$ 2,850
9	Lifestyles Recovery Center	Drug and Alcohol Abuse Counseling	\$13,000
10	Transitional Food & Shelter	Motel/Apartment Program for the homeless	\$19,000
11	Paso Robles Fellowship Development	Meals, showers, and clothing for the homeless.	\$ 16,000
12	Big Brothers & Big Sisters	Mentoring Program for disadvantaged youth	\$ 5,000
13	El Camino Homeless Organization	Homeless shelter operating costs and motel vouchers	\$15,000
14	Boys and Girls Club of North SLO County	Project Learn (homework completion/tutoring	\$ 4,500
15	The Literacy Council	The Literacy Program	\$ 4,000
16	Senior Nutrition of SLO County	Senior Nutrition Program	\$ 5,000
	Total Requested		\$89,550
	Total Available		\$45,014

C. Administration and Capacity-Building

#	Applicant	Program/Project	Amount Requested
17	City of Paso Robles	Capacity-Building Program: activities to implement Housing Element Programs	\$30,000
18	City of Paso Robles	Administration of City's CDBG Program and all CDBG-funded activities	\$30,000
	Total Requested		\$60,000

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	Total Available		\$60,000
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Estimated Revenues

2009 HUD Entitlement	300,090.00	Amount expected to be allocated to the City from HUD
Program Income	8,100.00	Amount from repaid CDBG-funded loans (through September 30, 2010)
Total	308,190.00	

Expenditure Summary

A. Low Income Benefit- non public service	142,223	Must be at least 70% of \$203,176 (this amount calculated after deducting \$60,000 in administrative funds and \$45,014 in public service funds).
B. Blight Elimination	60,953	May not exceed 30% of \$248,190 (assuming \$60,000 spent on administrative funds).
C. Low Income Benefit - public service	45,014	May not exceed 15% of \$300,090 (this amount calculated before deducting administrative funds).
D. Administration & Capacity-Building	60,000	May not exceed 20% of \$308,090
Total	308,190	

SUMMARY OF 2011 CDBG APPLICATIONS

Public Facilities, Building Rehab, Economic Development Projects

1. Turtle Creek Sidewalks:

Applicant: City of Paso Robles

Amount Requested: \$65,000

Activity Description: Replace an existing deteriorating 40+ year old asphalt sidewalk along the north side of Brookhill Drive in Turtle Creek Park with a Portland Cement Concrete sidewalk; add 4 handicapped ramps to provide access to the sidewalk; and replace 2 existing non-ADA-compliant ramps. The 2,000 foot long asphalt walkway has been damaged by tree roots and other wear and tear. It now presents a tripping hazard, primarily to seniors who live in the adjacent Sierra Bonita Neighborhood. The requested \$65,000 will supplement \$89,700 in 2010 CDBG Funds awarded to this project.

CDBG Eligibility: Public Facility (24 CFR 570.201(c))

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit

Explanation (1) Area-wide basis (24 CFR 570.208(a)(1)): Turtle Creek Park is located in the heart of Block Group 1 of Census Tract 102.02 , and more than 51% of the households in this block group are of low or moderate income.
(2) Limited-clientele basis (24 CFR 570.208(a)(2)): Handicapped ramps serve the physically-disabled, which are considered to be a group that is principally of low and moderate income.

2. Handicapped Ramps:

Applicant: City of Paso Robles

Amount Requested: \$108,176

Activity Description: Install handicapped ramps where none presently exist and replace non-ADA-compliant ramps in various locations on the West Side. The following priorities are suggested:

- City Park (between Spring, Pine, 11th, and 12th Streets): 4 ramps at the corners of the Park;
- Northwest corner of 36th and Oak Streets (on the path between the First 5 Center and Georgia Brown School): 1 ramp;
- North and south sides of 24th Street, at the Paso Robles Event Center's Livestock Gate: 2 ramps;
- West side of Spring Street at 11th Street (in front of the Paso Robles Inn at the western end of the crosswalk to the Park): 1 ramp;
- At the 4 corners of 13th and Park Streets (this would also entail constructing bulb-outs at the corners and possibly installing pavers in the sidewalk, which would entail considerably more than \$7,500 per corner);
- Other locations on the West Side of Paso Robles.

CDBG Eligibility: Public Facility (24 CFR 570.201(c))

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit

Explanation Limited Clientele basis (24 CFR 570.208(a)(2)): Handicapped ramps serve the physically-disabled, which are considered to be a group that is principally of low and moderate income.

SUMMARY OF 2011 CDBG APPLICATIONS

3. **LED-Lighted Crosswalks:**

Applicant: City of Paso Robles

Amount Requested: \$63,176

Activity Description: Install LED-lighted crosswalks at locations with high volumes of pedestrian traffic to enhance public safety. The following priorities are suggested:

- 34th and Oak Streets *;
- 24th Street, at the Paso Robles Event Center's Livestock Gate;
- Spring Street at 11th Street (between City Park and the Paso Robles Inn);
- 13th and Park Streets.

CDBG Eligibility: Public Facility (24 CFR 570.201(c))

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit (34th and Oak Street location only)

Explanation Area-wide basis (24 CFR 570.208(a)(1)): All proposed crosswalks are located in Census Tract 101, in which 62% of the households are of low or moderate income.

National Objective: Elimination of Blight

Explanation All of the locations are within the City's Redevelopment Project Area, which is defined as a blighted area. The 2010-2014 Redevelopment Implementation Plan provides documentation that lack of safe pedestrian crossings contributes to a blighting condition.

4. **Revolving Loan Fund:**

Applicant: Economic Vitality Corporation

Amount Requested: \$50,000

Activity Description: Provide loan guarantees and technical assistance to micro-enterprises/start-up businesses.

CDBG Eligibility: Special Economic Development Activities (24 CFR 570.203)

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit

Explanation Guidelines for Economic Development Projects (24 CFR 570.209): Provide one full-time equivalent job per \$35,000 of CDBG Funds.

The City has yet to award CDBG funds for this type of activity. For this reason, this application is not suggested for inclusion in the Draft One Year Action Plan.

5. **Women's Business Center Program:**

Applicant: Mission Community Services Corp.

Amount Requested: \$5,000

Activity Description: Operate a county-wide program to provide training for small businesses operated or being started by an estimated 55 low income persons. Although the program is entitled "Women's Business", grant recipients need not be women.

CDBG Eligibility: Special Economic Development Activities (24 CFR 570.203)

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit

Explanation Guidelines for Economic Development Projects (24 CFR 570.209): Provide one full-time equivalent job per \$35,000 of CDBG Funds.

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The City has yet to award CDBG funds for this type of activity. For this reason, this application is not suggested for inclusion in the Draft One Year Action Plan.

Public Services

NOTE: Public Services to low income persons are eligible for CDBG funding under Section 24 CFR 570.201(e). The national objective achieved is benefit to low and moderate income persons in accordance with 24 CFR 570.208(a)(2). Recipients must demonstrate that 51% or more of their clients qualify as low and moderate income persons.

6. **Senior Health Screening Program:**

Applicant: Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County (CAPSLO)

Amount Requested: \$2,350

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a county-wide senior health screening program

Number of beneficiaries: ... 600 persons county-wide.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2001 and allocated \$2,300 in 2010.

7. **Teen Academic Parenting Program (TAPP):**

Applicant: Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County (CAPSLO)

Amount Requested: \$2,850

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a County-wide counseling and child care program for pregnant and parenting teen mothers and fathers

Number of beneficiaries: ... 115 persons county-wide.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2001 and allocated \$1,600 in 2010.

8. **40 Wonderful Women's Health Screening Program:**

Applicant: Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County (CAPSLO)

Amount Requested: \$2,850

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a county-wide women's health screening program

Number of beneficiaries: ... 200 persons county-wide.

The City supported this program between 2003 and 2006. It discontinued its support in 2007, when it was reported that there were no locations in Paso Robles, and possibly the North County, where women could participate, i.e., obtain a screening.

9. **Drug/Alcohol Counseling for Youth and Adults:**

Applicant: Lifestyles Recovery Center

Amount Requested: \$13,000

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a drug and alcohol counseling services for low income adults and youth in the Paso Robles area.

Number of beneficiaries: ... 300 persons (per month) in Paso Robles.

The City has supported this program most years since 2002 and allocated \$4,100 in 2010.

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10. **Motel and Apartment Program:**

Applicant: Transitional Food and Shelter

Amount Requested: \$19,000

Activity Description: Motel and apartment rental expenses for homeless persons that are too ill or disabled to stay at a shelter.

Number of beneficiaries: ... 5,000 shelter-nights (persons) per year county-wide.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2001 and allocated \$11,614 in 2010.

11. **Mentoring Program:**

Applicant: Big Brothers & Big Sisters

Amount Requested: \$5,000

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a County-wide program to provide mentoring services to “at-risk” youth.

Number of beneficiaries: ... 240 persons county-wide.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2002 and allocated \$1,600 in 2010.

12. **Emergency Shelter:**

Applicant: El Camino Homeless Organization (ECHO)

Amount Requested: \$15,000

Activity Description: Operating expenses for an emergency shelter located in Atascadero that serves the North County.

Number of beneficiaries: ... 450 persons in North County.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2005 and allocated \$5,400 in 2010.

13. **Christ Kitchen and CBS Ministry Programs:**

Applicant: Paso Robles Fellowship Development

Amount Requested: \$16,000

Activity Description: Purchase food, supplies, and operating expenses for providing meals, showers, and donated clothing to the homeless in the Paso Robles area.

Number of beneficiaries: ... 150 persons in North County.

The City has supported this program in 2001, 2007, and in 2010. In 2010, \$5,400 was granted.

14. **Project Learn:**

Applicant: Boys and Girls Club of North San Luis Obispo County

Amount Requested: \$4,500

Activity Description: Operating expenses for after-school programs for youth n in the Paso Robles area.

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Number of beneficiaries:... 285 persons in the Paso Robles area.

The City has supported Boys and Girls Club educational programs 6 times since 1996. In 2010, the City provided a grant of \$2,300.

15. **The Literacy Program:**

Applicant: Literacy Council

Amount Requested: \$4,000

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a County-wide program to provide English Language classes.

Number of beneficiaries:... 700 persons county-wide.

The City has supported this program continuously since 2002 and allocated \$1,600 in 2010.

16. **Senior Nutrition Program:**

Applicant: Senior Nutrition Program of San Luis Obispo County

Amount Requested: \$5,000

Activity Description: Operating expenses for a County-wide program to provide hot meals to seniors

Number of beneficiaries: . 30 persons county-wide.

The City supported this program in 2009 with a grant of \$1,950.

Administration and Capacity-Building

16. **CDBG Program Administration.**

Applicant: City of Paso Robles

Amount Requested: \$30,000

Activity Description: Administer the CDBG program and all of the activities that are approved.

CDBG Eligibility: Program Administration (24 CFR 570.206)

National Objective: Low and Moderate Income Benefit; Blight Elimination

Explanation Administration and Capacity Building (24 CFR 570.208(d)(4)): This section provides that administrative and capacity building activities are considered to address National Objectives.

17. **Capacity-Building:**

Applicant: City of Paso Robles

Amount Requested: \$30,000

Activity Description: City staff time to implement programs identified in the City's Housing Element of the General Plan and in its Redevelopment Implementation Plan to benefit low and moderate income persons and to aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. This activity will further the City's efforts to provide affordable housing to low and moderate income households.

CDBG Eligibility: Capacity Building Activities (24 CFR 570.205)

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National Objective:..... Low and Moderate Income Benefit; Blight Elimination

Explanation Administration and Capacity Building (24 CFR 570.208(d)(4)): This section provides that administrative and capacity building activities are considered to address National Objectives.

The City of Paso Robles has annually conducted a CDBG-funded capacity building program since 1994.