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**COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Monday, April 13, 2015, 9:30 a.m.
AGENDA**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. MINUTES – March 9, 2015
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE
- V. COMMUNICATIONS
 - A. C041315VA: Region 6 Regional Prosperity Initiative Update
- VI. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
 - A. C041315VIA: Genesee County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and 2015 Action Plan Approval
 - B. C041315VIB: Genesee County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Transfer of Funds
 - C. C041315VIC: Genesee County Habitat for Humanity Request for Additional Funds
- VII. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL BUSINESS
- IX. OTHER BUSINESS
- X. ADJOURNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Tony Brown, Chairperson
Community and Economic Development Committee

FROM: Derek Bradshaw, Director-Coordinator
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: April 13, 2015

SUBJECT: **Region 6 Regional Prosperity Initiative Update**

During March, the Region 6 Steering Committee approved two economic development focused partnership projects. The projects were 1) to develop a craft agriculture strategy for Region 6, and 2) create a multi-faceted approach to address the lack of available square footage in Region 6. The details of both projects are still being determined, but the craft agriculture strategy is likely to include enhancement of the Food and Farm Trail that the Huron EDC has developed.

Staff recently met with key representatives from the education and workforce sectors to determine the education focused partnership projects. The proposed projects are to provide funding for the transportation of students for talent tours and to map the existing assets in career and technical education throughout Region 6.

The draft Fiber Optics Report for Region 6 was presented at a March 18th Fiber Optics meeting. The report summarizes broadband and fiber availability in the region and gives successes, coverage gaps, and target areas from each county. A final report will be presented at the next Fiber Optics meeting, which will take place on April 15th at the Lapeer County Health Department.

An additional I-69 Thumb Region Steering Committee meeting was added to the schedule for April 9th at the Lapeer County Health Department. Staff anticipates requesting the Steering Committee's approval of the education partnership project at that time.



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FROM: Derek Bradshaw, Director-Coordinator
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SUBJECT: **Genesee County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and 2015 Action Plan Approval**

The Genesee County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and 2015 Annual Action Plan has been prepared. The Plans contain the community needs and goals for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) activities, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) activities.

A 30-day Public Comment period began February 17, 2015 and ended on March 19, 2015. A Public Needs Hearing was held on March 9, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. during the Genesee County Community and Economic Development Committee meeting. There were no comments received on the Plan.

Attached is the Executive Summary of the 2015-2019 Genesee County Consolidated Plan and 2015 Action Plan, however; the Plan can be viewed in its entirety by clicking the following link:

<http://gcmopc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Draft-Final-w-Cover.pdf>

In conjunction with the Plan, staff is submitting copies of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Standard Forms (SF) 424, along with applicable certifications. The Plan will be submitted to HUD on or about April 21, 2015 for review and approval.

The Genesee County Allocation Committee is recommending approval to submit the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and 2015 Annual Action Plan to HUD and approval for Commissioner Curtis to sign Standard Forms 424 and Certifications for submittal.



Genesee County Consolidated Plan

2015 - 2019

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2015 Annual Action Plan

Executive Summary



Executive Summary



Summary

Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), through its Community Development Program developed a Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan, required in order to receive U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding, is an assessment of Genesee County's five year housing and community development needs and goals to address those needs. The needs are determined by evaluating data for: housing problems, homelessness, the non-homeless special needs population and existing housing options and their condition, homeless and special needs facilities and services, barriers to affordable housing and economic development market conditions.

Demographics

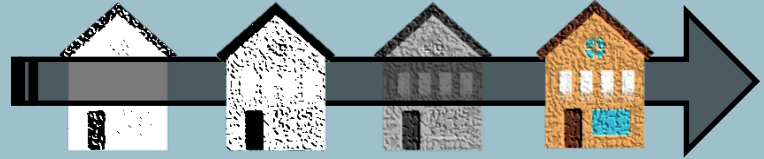


Population: 425,790

Households: 165,669

- Over 15% of Genesee County's Population is over the age of 65 and is expected to grow by 1% a year.
- 16% of Genesee County's population has a disability
- 74.7% of the County's population is White
- 20.4% of the County's population is Black or African American
- 30% of households in Genesee County are at or below 80% Area Median Income

Housing Conditions Survey*



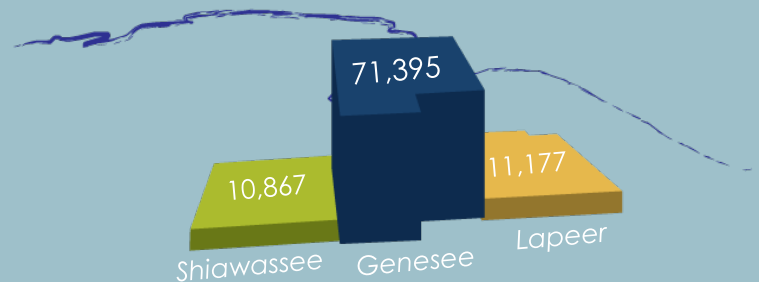
- Estimated that 25% of housing units in Genesee County (*outside the City of Flint*) need at least minor repairs based on visual inspection of the outside of the unit.

**487 houses around Genesee County surveyed for their condition; at least 10 units in each local unit were assessed*

Housing and Affordability



- Over 20% of households in Genesee County spend more than 30% of their income on housing (housing cost burdened)



Households struggling to afford basic cost of living

- 43% of households in Genesee County are ALICE
- There is a significant shortage of housing affordable to extremely low- and low-income households

Deficit of 113,000 affordable housing units



Homelessness


15,000

- An estimated 15,000 people in Genesee County will require homeless services over the next five years. *12,500 families with children. 1,000 families of veterans*
- More than 5,300 people were discharged from homelessness in 2014 (*duplicated numbers, as clients may have multiple exits from homelessness*)
- 640 unsheltered people in Genesee County (*Point in time count, 2014*)
- Black / African Americans make up almost 70% of the homeless population in Genesee County.

Future Funding and Accomplishment Estimates

- Anticipated HUD funding in Genesee County (*outside the city of Flint*) over the next 5 years - \$12.3 million
 - \$8.4 million in Community Development Block Grant
 - \$3.1 million in HOME Investment Partnerships Program
 - \$700,000 in Emergency Solutions Grant
- Over 150 owner-occupied housing units will be rehabilitated over the next 5 years

Based on the assessment of data through surveys, consultations and input from the public, local units of government and local agencies, GCMPC determined the following goals to address the needs within Genesee County:

- 1** Improve Public Facilities and Infrastructure
- 2** Increase Homeownership
- 3** Improve Housing Conditions for Homeowners/Renters
- 4** Foster Economic Development
- 5** Promote Access to Public Services and Resources
- 6** Address the Needs of Homeless and At-Risk Persons

Community Development Spending Past 5 Years (2010 – 2014)

Construction of Senior Housing	\$867,222
Demolition	\$580,056
Down Payment Assistance	\$93,774
Homeowner Housing Rehab	\$3,910,674
Mortgage Funding	\$510,960
New Construction/ Rehab for Sale	\$462,253
Other Infrastructure Improvements (<i>sidewalks, ditching, lighting, etc.</i>)	\$523,070
Senior Services/Operations	\$413,887
Street Improvements	\$570,301
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$97,047



2015 Project List

2015 Genesee County Annual Action Plan Projects Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

2015 Grant Award:	\$1,717,994
Senior Citizens Services	\$67,412
Removal of Architectural Barriers	\$37,574
Historical Preservation	\$37,592
Planning and Administration	\$343,599
Infrastructure Improvements	\$498,554
Public Facility Improvements	\$44,682
Home Improvement Program	\$583,529
Blight Removal	\$133,619
Fair Housing	\$25,000
Public Service	\$5,060

HOME Investment Partnership Program **\$617,869**

Planning and Administration	\$61,787
CHDO Reserve	\$191,082
Home Improvement Program	\$200,000
Home Improvement Program – Ramps	\$130,000
Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$35,000

Emergency Solution Grant **\$150,818**

Genesee County Planning and Administration	\$11,311
Genesee County Homeless Prevention	\$22,623
Genesee County Rapid Rehousing	\$18,852
Genesee County Emergency Shelter Operations	\$90,491
Genesee County HIMIS	\$7,541

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e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name: Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission		Division Name: Community Development Program
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:		
Prefix: <u>Mr</u>	*First Name: <u>Derek</u>	
Middle Name: _____		
*Last Name: <u>Bradshaw</u>		
Suffix: _____		
Title: <u>Director/Coordinator</u>		
Organizational Affiliation: Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission		
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***10 Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

14.218 _____

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Grants _____

***12 Funding Opportunity Number:**

*Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

Genesee County, Michigan - Townships, Cities, Villages

***15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

Provide a program that assists with developing Genesee County as a viable community by providing decent housing, and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate incomes.

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*a. Applicant: 5

*b. Program/Project: 5

17. Proposed Project:

*a. Start Date: May 1, 2015

*b. End Date: April 30, 2016

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

*a. Federal	_____	\$1,717,994
*b. Applicant	_____	
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*d. Local	_____	
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*f. Program Income	_____	
*g. TOTAL	_____	\$1,717,994

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Yes No

21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U. S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

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Authorized Representative:

Prefix: Commissioner *First Name: Jamie

Middle Name: _____

*Last Name: Curtis

Suffix: _____

*Title: Chairperson, Genesee County Board of Commissioners

*Telephone Number: 810-257-3020

Fax Number: 810-257-3008

* Email: jcurtis@co.genesee.mi.us

*Signature of Authorized Representative:

*Date Signed:

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Middle Name: _____		
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HOME Investment Partnerships Program / Participating Jurisdiction Grants _____

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CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds including section 108 guaranteed loans during program year(s) _____ , _____ (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its

jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and

2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R;

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Title

Specific HOME Certifications

The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:

The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- it is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR § 92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in § 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance -- before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

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ESG Certifications

The Emergency Solutions Grants Program Recipient certifies that:

Major rehabilitation/conversion – If an emergency shelter’s rehabilitation costs exceed 75 percent of the value of the building before rehabilitation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed rehabilitation. If the cost to convert a building into an emergency shelter exceeds 75 percent of the value of the building after conversion, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 10 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed conversion. In all other cases where ESG funds are used for renovation, the jurisdiction will maintain the building as a shelter for homeless individuals and families for a minimum of 3 years after the date the building is first occupied by a homeless individual or family after the completed renovation.

Essential Services and Operating Costs – In the case of assistance involving shelter operations or essential services related to street outreach or emergency shelter, the jurisdiction will provide services or shelter to homeless individuals and families for the period during which the ESG assistance is provided, without regard to a particular site or structure, so long the jurisdiction serves the same type of persons (e.g., families with children, unaccompanied youth, disabled individuals, or victims of domestic violence) or persons in the same geographic area.

Renovation – Any renovation carried out with ESG assistance shall be sufficient to ensure that the building involved is safe and sanitary.

Supportive Services – The jurisdiction will assist homeless individuals in obtaining permanent housing, appropriate supportive services (including medical and mental health treatment, victim services, counseling, supervision, and other services essential for achieving independent living), and other Federal State, local, and private assistance available for such individuals.

Matching Funds – The jurisdiction will obtain matching amounts required under 24 CFR 576.201.

Confidentiality – The jurisdiction has established and is implementing procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted under the ESG program, including protection against the release of the address or location of any family violence shelter project, except with the written authorization of the person responsible for the operation of that shelter.

Homeless Persons Involvement – To the maximum extent practicable, the jurisdiction will involve, through employment, volunteer services, or otherwise, homeless individuals and families in constructing, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, in providing services assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of facilities assisted under the program.

Consolidated Plan – All activities the jurisdiction undertakes with assistance under ESG are consistent with the jurisdiction’s consolidated plan.

Discharge Policy – The jurisdiction will establish and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from

publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent this discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for these persons.

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING:

A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Tony Brown, Chairperson
Community and Economic Development Committee

FROM: Derek Bradshaw, Director-Coordinator
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: April 13, 2015

SUBJECT: **Genesee County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Transfer of Funds**

The following transfers have been requested by the local units of government or are necessary to close out projects.

Amount	To Project	From Project	Comments
\$25,000.00	2015 Genesee Township Street Improvements #2133	2014 Clayton Township Removal of Architectural Barriers #2086	Transfer Requested
\$850.00	Recapture	2013 Fenton Township Demolition of Blighted Structures #2029	Project Completed
\$850.00	2014 City of Linden Senior Center Improvements #2161	Recaptured Funds	Additional Funds Requested
\$17,160.48	Recapture	2013 Fenton Township Ditching and Culvert Replacement #2121	Project Complete
\$17,160.48	2014 City of Linden Senior Center Improvements #2161	Recaptured Funds	Additional Funds Requested
\$8,999.11	2012 Genesee Township Demolitions #1950	Recaptured Funds	Additional Funds Requested

At this time, the Allocation Committee is recommending approval of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund transfers.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Tony Brown, Chairperson
Community and Economic Development Committee

FROM: Derek Bradshaw, Director-Coordinator
Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission

DATE: April 13, 2015

SUBJECT: **Genesee County Habitat for Humanity Request for Additional Funds**

In June 2014, the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC) entered into a \$368,600 contract with Genesee County Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) for a HOME funded project consisting of the rehabilitation of one property and the construction of four new homes. The homes are located in the City of Burton, City of Fenton, Mt. Morris Township and Thetford Township.

Project budgets are due to GCMPC staff with the application for funding. There can be a significant amount of time, up to a year and a half, between the estimate of project costs and the actual start of construction, and even longer before construction is completed. Construction costs can change dramatically due to changes in material costs.

Habitat had several unexpected costs that came up during construction, including a total roof replacement on the one rehabilitation project; foundations had to be raised due to higher than expected water tables on three properties; culverts specifically manufactured for two driveways due to a DEQ determination; vandalism; and, a turnaround drive to ensure the safety of homebuyers.

GCMPC and Habitat are committed to building not only affordable housing, but highly sustainable housing. With that in mind, Habitat is incorporating energy efficient elements into the homes during construction. This will raise the cost of construction, but will result in 30% lower energy costs than comparable new construction homes. These savings will make the homes more affordable to low-income homebuyers.

Habitat has requested an additional \$64,156 in order to assist with the unforeseen construction costs and energy efficiency elements. GCMPC currently has funding available for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to be utilized in the creation of affordable housing in Genesee County. The available funding must be committed to a project by July 2015.



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At this time, the Genesee County Allocation Committee is recommending approval to increase the Genesee County Habitat for Humanity HOME project contract by \$64,156 due to unexpected construction costs and energy efficiency elements being incorporated into the project construction.