

Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: July 10, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:

Sherri E. Fleming, County Executive of Travis County Health and Human

Services & Veterans Service

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Receive comments regarding the proposed Program Year 2012 Action Plan and substantial amendments to the Program Year 2011-2013 Consolidated Plan and 2006-2010 Action Plans including the proposed usage of Community Development Block Grant funds available through HUD.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Under the provisions of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 USC 5301), the Federal government sponsors a program that provides annual grants to cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons.

The 2011-2013 Consolidated Plan was completed and approved in December 2011 which acts as the application to HUD and outlines strategic direction for five years and the specific allocation of dollars for the first year's funding. An annual action plan is due each August 15th.

Travis County expects to receive an estimated \$896,341 in CDBG funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Program Year 2012 (October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013). The County develops an Annual Action Plan in response to community needs and priorities identified in the 2011-2013 Consolidated Plan and through a public participation process held annually. The Program Year 2012 is the second year of funding in a three -year cycle.

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. for the next week's meeting.

Additionally, substantial amendments are being made to the PY 2011-2013 Consolidated Plan and to the PY 2006-2010 Action Plans. The Consolidated Plan amendment reflects the Village of Webberville joining our Urban County effective October 1, 2012. The 2001-2010 Action Plan amendments are occurring to delete one project and to reprogram project savings in the amount of \$227.935.96

On 05/22/12, Travis County Commissioners Court approved the public comment period and public hearing dates and on 06/5/12, the Travis County Commissioners Court approved all proposed projects for Program Year 2012 funding. Furthermore, on June 5th, the Travis County Commissioners Court approved the reprogramming of project savings to home rehabilitation, the deletion of the PY09 Youth and Family Assessment Center and to make the changes to the PY11-13 ConPlan to add the Village of Webberville.

During the week of May 31, 2012, advertisements in English and in Spanish appeared in newspapers of general circulation announcing the dates, times, locations and purpose of the public hearings.

To comply with the Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 24 Part 91.105 and the approved Travis County Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), Travis County will hold two public hearings during a 30-day public comment period that will allow the public to comment on the proposed projects and the amendments for the upcoming year.

To be compliant with 24 CFR Part 91.105, the public hearings must provide the following information:

- a) Purpose and intent of CDBG funds,
- b) Eligible activities and the range of activities including the estimated amount that will benefit persons of low and moderate income,
- c) Amount of funds expected, and areas of Travis County eligible for CDBG funded activities.

A PowerPoint is attached to provide a concise representation of the required information.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Staff recommends conducting the hearing as advertised.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Staff have been notified that some monolingual Spanish speaking people may be attending the public hearing to provide comment; therefore, program staff have arranged to have someone available for translation.

Comment may be received in writing beginning June 18, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. through on July 17, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. Comments may be emailed to cdbg@co.travis.tx.us or send via postal mail to Travis County CDBG Program, P.O. Box 1748, Austin, TX, 78767. Two opportunities are available to receive verbal comments via public hearings: Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 9 a.m. and Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 9 a.m. at the Travis County Granger Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 314 W. 11th St., Austin, TX 78701.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

None.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

None.

TRAVIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Spring, 2012 Public Hearings: Draft of the Program Year 2012 (PY12) Action Plan & Draft of Substantial Amendments to the PY11-PY13 Consolidated Plans and PY 06-10 Action Plans

June 26/July 10, 2012



TIMELINE: DEVELOPMENT FOR

PY12 ACTION PLAN & SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS



FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
Five (5) Public H seeking inpo community ne uses of fur	ut on eds and	Evaluation of		Travis County Commissioners Court Approves Projects		Final approval of Action Plan by the Commissioners
Solicitation of Pro (deadline for sul of project pro March 31	omission posals:	Evaluation of Project Ideas		Two (2) Public Hearings and a 30-day Comment Period to comment on proposed CDBG uses		Court and Submission to HUD by the 15th

CDBG BASICS

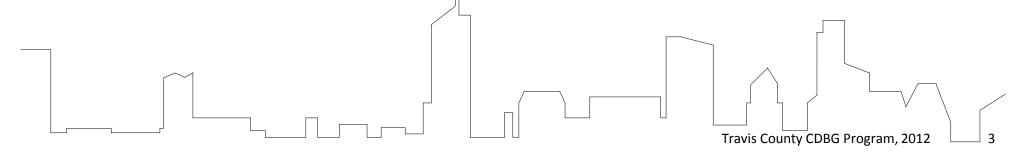


PURPOSE

- Improve affordable housing options
- Improve community facilities and services
- Revitalize neighborhoods

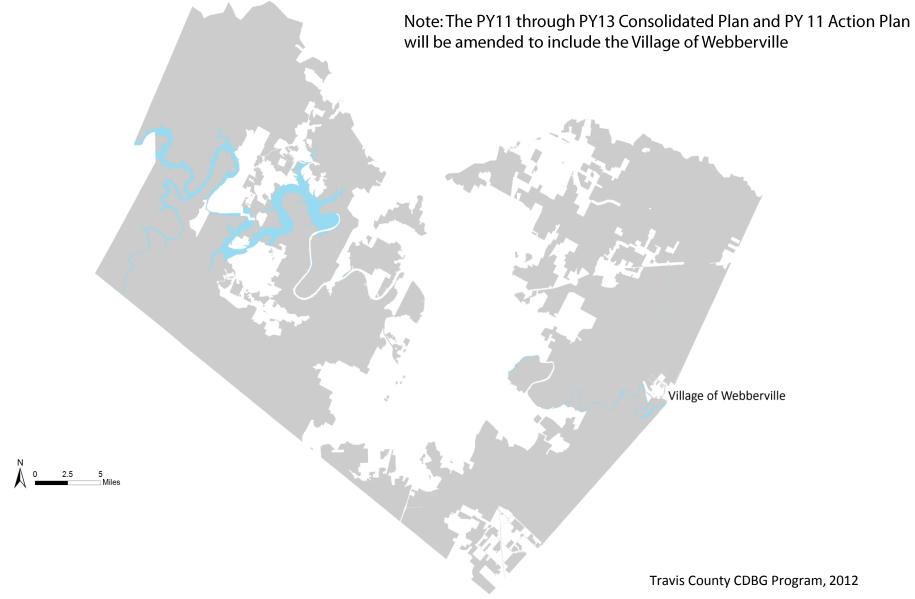
WHO BENEFITS?

 At least 70 % of the funds must benefit low- to moderateincome residents in the unincorporated areas of Travis County or the Village of Webberville.



PROJECTS MUST BE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY (GRAY AREAS) OR THE VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILLE





ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



CDBG programs implement a variety of community development activities including but not limited to:

Economic Development

Public Services

Redevelopment (Improvements)

Planning

Housing

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Generally, the following types of activities are ineligible:

- Acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of buildings for the general conduct of government
- Construction of new housing by units of general local government
- 3 Certain income payments
- 4 Political activities

CDBG PRIORITIES 2011-2013



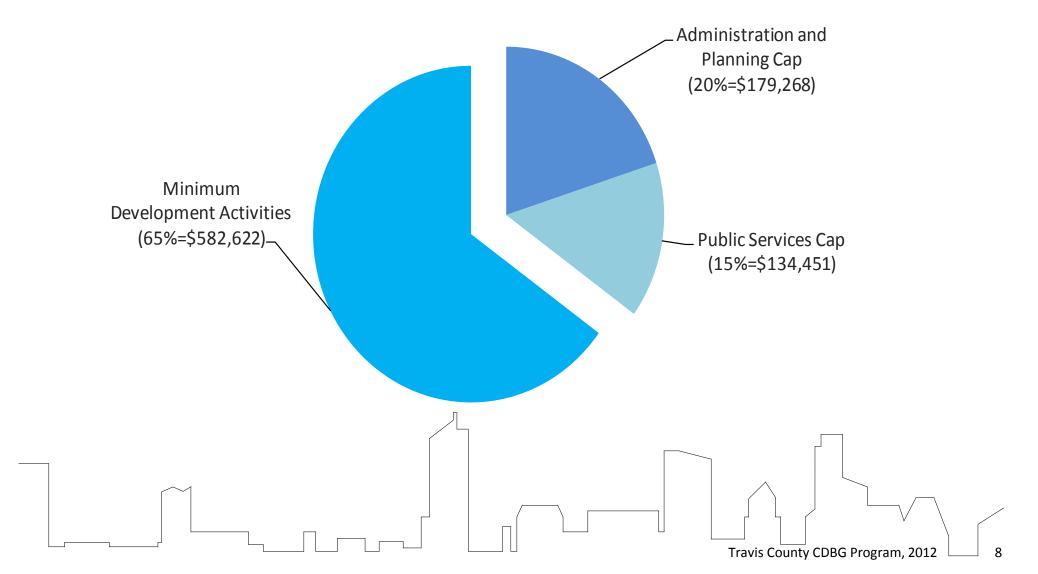
Travis County CDBG Program, 2012

CATEGORY	PRIORITY
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Infrastructure	High
Housing	High
Community Services	High
Populations with Specialized Needs/Services	Medium
Business and Jobs	Medium
Public Facilities	Medium

PROGRAM YEAR 2012 ESTIMATED GRANT: \$896,341



CDBG Activities



PROJECT SAVINGS

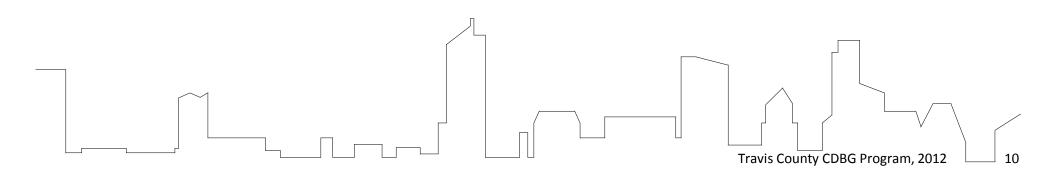


ORIGINAL PROJECT	PROJECT SAVINGS	
Lava Lane (PY06 & PY10)	\$130,108.88	
Administration & Planning (PY09 & PY10)	\$29,699.88	
PY10 Social Work Expansion	\$3,920.52	
Land Acquisition – Phase 2 (PY08 & 09)	\$32,106.68	
PY09 YFAC Expansion	\$32,100.00	
TOTAL	\$227,935.96	

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS



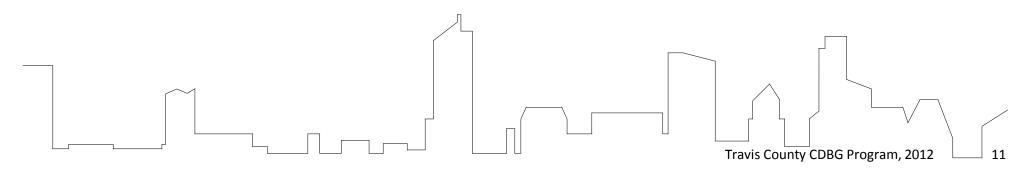
DOCUMENT BEING AMENDED	ACTION
PY 2011 - PY 2013 Consolidated Plan	Village of Webberville added to CDBG Service Area
PY 2006 – PY 2010 Action Plans	Project Savings Reallocated
PY 2009 Action Plan	Youth and Family Assessment Center Flex Fund Project Deleted and Funding Reallocated



SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED PROJECTS



PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR PY 2012	SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT ALLOCATION	PY12 ALLOCATION
Street Improvements: Lake Oak Estates		\$326,598
Home Rehabilitation	\$227,935.96	\$256,024
Public Services: Social Work Services		\$106,000
Public Services: Fair Housing Counseling		\$28,451
CDBG Administration & Planning		\$179,268
Total	\$227,935.96	\$896,341

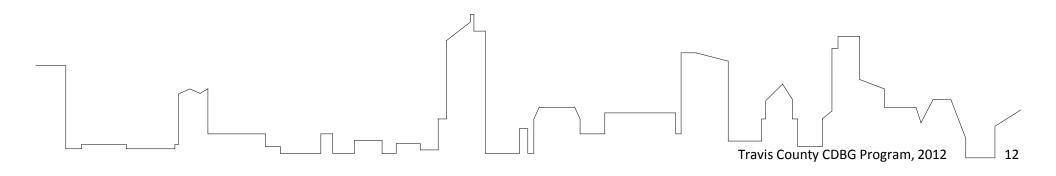


SUMMARY OF ALTERNATE PROJECTS



Alternate Projects for PY 2012	Allocation
Water Connections: Las Lomitas	Up to \$485,000
Homebuyer Assistance	Up to \$300,000
Home Repair	Up to \$200,000

Alternate Projects are defined as projects that could be considered, if necessary, to replace a slow moving project. Approving this strategy would require amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan.



NEXT STEPS



- After comment period, public comments will be reviewed and considered in the final preparation of document
- Commissioners Court will approve the final draft for submission to HUD in early August, 2012
- Final versions of the documents will be available to the public by August 15th, 2012
- HUD will provide a decision on the submission no later than September 30th, 2012

CDBG CONTACT INFORMATION



WEBSITE www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG

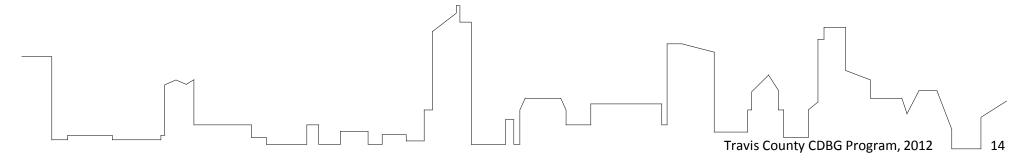
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PROGRAMA DE SUBSIDIOS GLOBALES PARA EL DESARROLLO COMUNITARIO (CDBG) DEL CONDADO DE TRAVIS

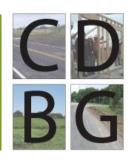
Audiencias públicas, primavera de 2012:

Versión preliminar del Plan de Acción del AP 2012 y de las Enmiendas Sustanciales a los Planes Consolidados de AP11-AP13 y Planes de Acción AP 06-10

26 de junio y 10 de julio de 2012



CRONOGRAMA: DESARROLLO DEL PLAN DE ACCION AP12 Y ENMIENDAS SUSTANCIALES



FEBRERO	MARZO	ABRIL	MAYO	JUNIO	JULIO	AGOSTO
Cinco (5) audiencias públicas para obtener aporte sobres las necesidades comunitarias y uso de los fondos		Evaluación de las ideas de		Aprobación de proyectos por la Corte de Comisionados del Condado		Aprobación final del Plan de Acción por la
Solicitud de ideas de proyectos (fecha tope para presentar propuestas: 31 de Marzo)			ectos	Dos (2) audiencias públicas y un periodo de 30 días para comentar sobre los usos propuestos del CDBG		Corte de Comisionados y presentación a HUD antes del 15

ASPECTOS BÁSICOS DEL CDBG

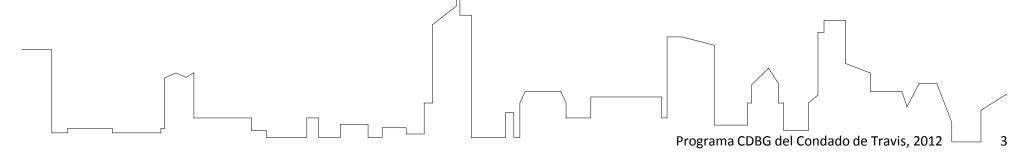


PROPÓSITO

- Mejorar las opciones de viviendas asequibles
- Mejorar los servicios e instalaciones en la comunidad
- Revitalizar vecindarios

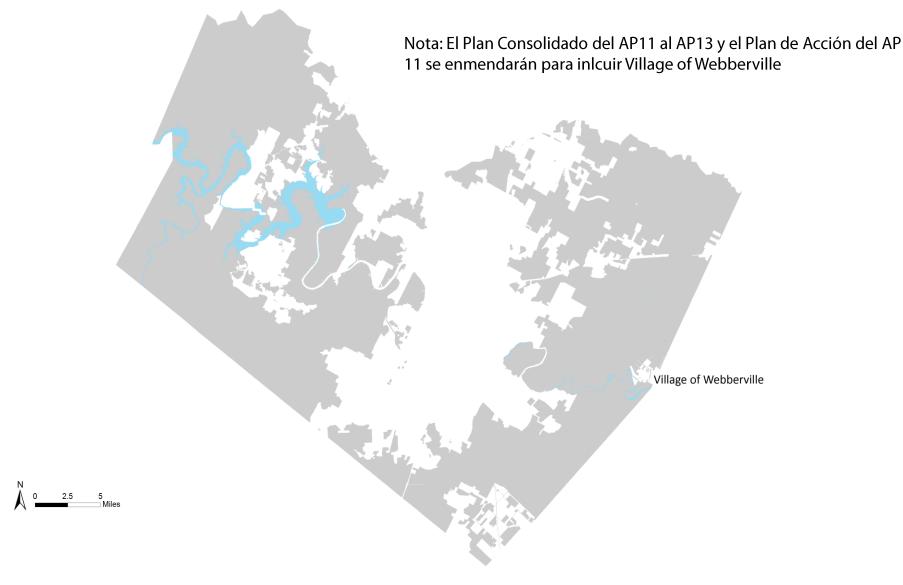
¿QUIÉNES SE BENEFICIAN?

 Por lo menos 70 % de los fondos deben beneficiar a residentes de bajos a moderados ingresos en áreas no incorporadas del Condado de Travis o Village of Webberville.



LOS PROYECTOS DEBEN ESTAR UBICADOS EN ÁREAS NO INCORPORADAS DEL CONDADO (ÁREAS GRISES) O EN VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILE





ACTIVIDADES PERMITIDAS



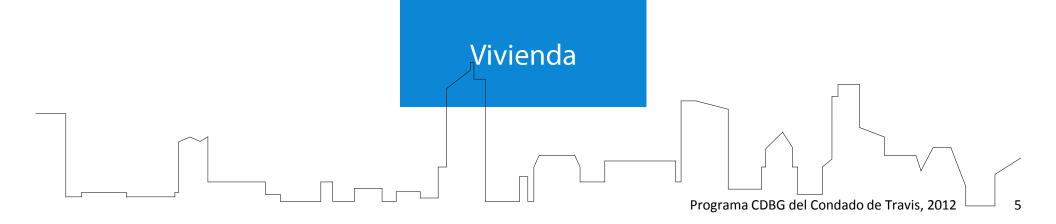
Los programas del CDBG implementan una variedad de actividades de desarrollo comunitario que incluyen pero no están limitadas a:

Desarrollo económico

Servicios públicos

Renovación de zonas urbanas (Mejoramiento)

Planificación



ACTIVIDADES NO PERMITIDAS



Generalmente, los siguientes tipos de actividades no están permitidas:

- Adquisición, construcción o reconstrucción de edificios para uso general del gobierno
- Construcción de nuevas viviendas por unidades de gobierno local general
- Pagos de ciertos ingresos
- Actividades políticas

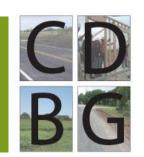
 Programa CDBG del Condado de Travis, 2012

PRIORIDADES DEL CDBG 2011-2013

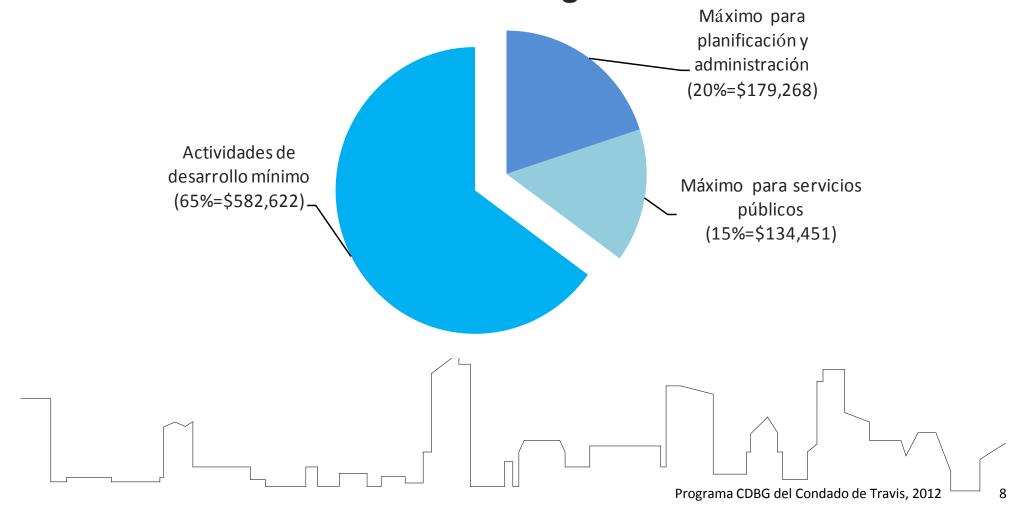


CATEGORÍA	PRIORIDAD
Infraestructura	Alta
Vivienda	Alta
Servicios comunitarios	Alta
Poblaciones con servicios y necesidades especializadas	Mediana
Empresas y empleos	Mediana
Instalaciones públicas	Mediana
Pro	grama CDBG del Condado de Travis, 2012

AÑO PROGRAMÁTICO 2012 SUBSIDIO ESTIMADO: \$896,341



Actividades del Programa CDBG



AHORRO DE LOS PROYECTOS



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ENMIENDAS SUSTANCIALES



DOCUMENTO A ENMENDAR	ACCIÓN
Plan Consolidado AP 2011 - AP 2013	Village of Webberville se agregó al área de servicio del programa CDBG
Planes de Acción AP 2006 – AP 2010	Se reasignaron los ahorros de los proyectos
Plan de Acción AP 2009	Se eliminó el Fondo Flexible del Centro de Evaluación del Joven y la Familia y se reasignaron los fondos

RESUMEN DE LOS PROYECTOS RECOMENDADOS



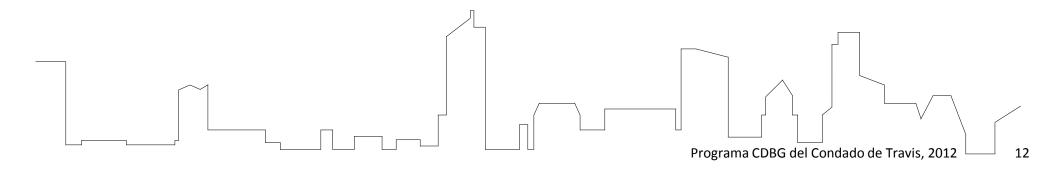
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RESUMEN DE PROYECTOS ALTERNATIVOS



Proyectos alternativos para AP 2012	Asignación
Conexiones de agua: Las Lomitas	Hasta \$485,000
Ayuda para compradores de casas	Hasta \$300,000
Reparación de viviendas	Hasta \$200,000

Los proyectos alternativos por definición son proyectos que podrían tomarse en consideración, si fuera necesario, para reemplazar un proyecto que marcha muy despacio. Para aprobar esta estrategia es necesario enmendar el Plan de Participación Ciudadana.



PRÓXIMOS PASOS



- Después del período para comentarios, se revisarán y tomarán en cuenta los comentarios del público en la preparación final de documentos
- La Corte de Comisionados aprobará la versión final para presentarla a HUD a principios de agosto de 2012
- Las versiones finales de los documentos estarán disponibles al público el 15 de agosto de 2012
- HUD dará su decisión sobre la presentación a más tardar el 30 de septiembre de, 2012

INFORMACIÓN PARA COMUNICARSE CON EL CDBG



SITIO WEB www.co.travis.tx.us/CDBG

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