



## **AGENDA**

### **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**Tuesday, June 1, 2021, 9:30 A.M.**

**Government Services Center  
Lake Superior Room  
320 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Duluth, Minnesota**

**NOTE:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting is being conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes § 13D.021, which provides that members of the St. Louis County Board may attend the meeting by telephone or other electronic means. This statute also provides that, if telephone or other electronic means are used to conduct a meeting, to the extent practical, the county shall allow a person to monitor the meeting electronically from a remote locate. For information on how to view or participate in the County Board meeting, please visit the county website at [www.stlouiscountymn.gov](http://www.stlouiscountymn.gov), scroll to the County Board Meeting section, and click on the meeting date.

**FRANK JEWELL  
First District**

**PATRICK BOYLE  
Second District**

**ASHLEY GRIMM  
Third District**

**PAUL McDONALD –  
VICE-CHAIR  
Fourth District**

**KEITH MUSOLF  
Fifth District**

**KEITH NELSON  
Sixth District**

**MIKE JUGOVICH -  
CHAIR  
Seventh District**

County Auditor  
Nancy Nilsen

County Administrator  
Kevin Gray

County Attorney  
Mark Rubin

Clerk of the Board  
Phil Chapman

The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief description of each item to be considered. The Board encourages your participation. Citizens can either appear at the meeting in person or submit comments for the public comment portion or for specific Board agenda items prior to the meeting by e-mailing them to [publiccomment@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:publiccomment@stlouiscountymn.gov). Except as otherwise provided by the Standing Rules of the County Board, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing in the agenda.

Comments to individual Commissioners or staff are not permitted. The St. Louis County Board promotes adherence to civility in conducting the business of the County. Civility will provide increased opportunities for civil discourse in order to find positive resolutions to the issue before the Board. Tools of civility include: pay attention, listen, be inclusive, do not gossip, show respect, be agreeable, apologize, give constructive criticism and take responsibility [County Board Resolution No. 560, adopted on September 9, 2003]. Speakers will be limited to five (5) minutes.

**\*\*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodation for this meeting should notify the Administration Department 72 hours prior to the meeting at (218)726-2450.\*\***

All supporting documentation is available for public review in the County Auditor's Office, 100 North 5th Avenue West - Room No. 214, St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN, during regular business hours 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. Agenda is also available on our website at <http://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/GOVERNMENT/BoardofCommissioners.aspx>

**AGENDA**  
**St. Louis County Board**  
**June 1, 2021**  
**Page 2**

9:30 A.M.      Moment of Silence  
                    Pledge of Allegiance  
                    Roll Call

AT THIS TIME CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA. [Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes each.]

FOR ITEMS LISTED ON THE BOARD AGENDA OR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA, CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THE TIME A MOTION IS ON THE FLOOR.

9:35 A.M.      PUBLIC HEARING, pursuant to Resolution No. 21-295, adopted May 11, 2021, to receive citizen comments on a special allocation of CARES Act funds flowing through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) programs and amendment of the 2020 Action Plan. {21-247}

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of business submitted on the consent agenda.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**ADJOURNED:**

# BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 247

## FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE

JUNE 1, 2021 BOARD AGENDA 9:35 A.M.  
PUBLIC HEARING

**DATE:** June 1, 2021

**RE:** Submission of CARES Act  
Amendment to 2020 Action  
Plan, Execute Entitlement and  
Agency Agreements

**FROM:** Kevin Z. Gray  
County Administrator

Matthew E. Johnson, Director  
Planning and Community Development

### RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To assist communities in achieving housing, economic development, and community development objectives. Secure and administer federal, state, and other funding which implement county policies and maximize local resources.

### ACTIONS REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to:

1. Approve submission of an amendment to the St. Louis County 2020 Action Plan to allow acceptance and award of CARES Act funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and
2. Authorize the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute the HUD entitlement agreements and the agency agreements for all referenced 2020 CDBG-CV and ESG-CV Round 2 projects listed in the County Board File.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

St. Louis County received special allocations of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address the current COVID-19 pandemic. As an entitlement entity for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding, St. Louis County was notified of two rounds of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding as follows:

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act HUD Awards and Status*			
Program	Round	HUD Award	Status
CDBG-CV	One (1)	\$1,164,632	Board Awarded July 28, 2020**
ESG-CV	One (1)	\$578,797	Board Awarded July 28, 2020**
TOTAL ROUND 1		\$1,743,429	
CDBG-CV	Two (2)	\$656,745	Pending Board Approval June 1, 2021

ESG-CV	Two (2)	\$948,615	<i>Pending Board Approval June 1, 2021</i>
<b>TOTAL ROUND 2</b>		<b>\$1,605,360</b>	
<b>TOTAL ROUND 1 and 2</b>		<b>\$3,348,789</b>	

\* The City of Duluth separately received CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding.

\*\* Board approved set aside funds of CDBG-CV \$353,800 for Round 2 and/or administration funds.

Project applications were solicited through legal notice, press releases, and email releases. Project eligibility for CDBG-CV and ESG-CV is the same as typical CDBG and ESG funding, but it must also assist with preventing, preparing for, and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

HUD requires the county to conduct a public hearing to solicit citizen comments on use of proposed resources and the Advisory Committee recommendations prior to County Board approval to submit the Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan to HUD. A draft Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan was made available for public comment from May 17 through May 27, 2021. The funding sources and uses for the St. Louis County Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan are included in County Board File No. 61478.

### **CDBG-CV (ROUND 2):**

There is a total of \$1,010,545 budgeted for CDBG-CV Round 2 that includes set aside funds from CDBG-CV Round 1 as follows:

<b>Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act</b> CDBG-CV Round 2			
<b>Program</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
CDBG-CV – Set Aside	One (1)	\$353,800	Board Awarded July 28, 2020
CDBG-CV Award	Two (2)	\$656,745	<i>Pending Board Approval June 1, 2021</i>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>		<b>\$1,010,545</b>	

The CDBG Advisory Committee completed its review of 17 applications received in the categories of affordable housing, human services, community facilities, public infrastructure improvements, and economic development, with a total funding request of \$758,148. A CDBG Advisory Committee meeting was held on April 22, 2021 to review all applications and formulate a funding recommendation. The Advisory Committee recommended full funding for all applications and recommended the remaining funding of \$121,048 be held by the County for future funding.

The attached Table 1 shows the CDBG-CV Round 2 Advisory Committee project descriptions and funding recommendations, whereas the board file shows funding sources and uses for the St. Louis County Amendment to the HUD 2020 Action Plan that includes both project support and administration.

### **ESG-CV (ROUND 2):**

There is a total of \$948,615 budgeted for ESG-CV Round 2 as follows:

<b>Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act</b> ESG-CV Round 2			
<b>Program</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
CDBG-ESG Award	Two (2)	\$948,615	<i>Pending Board Approval June 1, 2021</i>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>		<b>\$948,615</b>	

St. Louis County received 6 applications requesting \$906,754, all addressing the prevention of homelessness. The Rural Housing Coalition, the Advisory Committee for the ESG Program, completed its application review and funding recommendations on May 6, 2021. The Advisory Committee recommended funding for four of the six submitted applications.

The attached Table 2 shows the ESG-CV Round 2 Advisory Committee project descriptions and funding recommendations, whereas the board file shows funding sources and uses for the St. Louis County Amendment to the HUD 2020 Action Plan that includes both project support and administration.

The total award and amendment to the HUD 2020 Action plan for this public hearing for CBDG-CV (\$1,010,545) and ESG-CV (\$948,615) is \$1,959,160

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Following scheduled public hearing, it is recommended the County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director to prepare and submit all documents associated with the Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan and further authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute the HUD entitlement agreements and the agency agreements for all referenced 2020 CDBG-CV and ESG-CV projects listed in County Board File No. 61478.

**Submission of CARES Act Amendment to 2020 Action Plan,  
Execute Entitlement and Agency Agreements**

BY COMMISSIONER\_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, establishes the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for the purpose of developing viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding community opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, Subtitle B of Title IV of McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, as amended and reauthorized under the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act, establishes homeless assistance programs including the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program for purposes of providing homeless prevention and rapid re-housing assistance to homeless families; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has notified St. Louis County of special allocations of funding to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) programs from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to address the current COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board desires to carry out activities using CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding to assist communities, agencies, and residents of St. Louis County through an Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2020 Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board provided a public review period and conducted a public hearing on June 1, 2021, at 9:35 a.m., regarding an Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan as required by HUD.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director to prepare and submit the Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan and all assurances and understanding contained therein, to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for those projects and corresponding funding levels as set forth in the Amendment as described in County Board File No. 61478 , and to act in connection with its submission and subsequent activity, and to provide such additional information as may be required.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes acceptance of the 2020 CARES Act CDBG-CV and ESG-CV entitlement grants and execution of entitlement agreements by the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney on behalf of St. Louis County, along with all the necessary forms, attachments, addendums, certifications, and subsequent forms to implement the programs and complete the agreements between St. Louis County and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Round 2 grant funds will be allocated as follows:

\$ 656,745 CDBG-CV Grant 2020 to Fund 260 or as required by the County Auditor (budget includes \$353,800 previously received in Round 1).

\$ 948,615 ESG-CV Grant 2020 to Fund 173 or as required by the County Auditor.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board allocates funding from the entitlement grants to CDBG-CV and ESG-CV projects and authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute agency agreements for these projects. Disbursements related to the CDBG-CV subrecipient agreements will be made from CDBG-CV Fund 260 and ESG-CV agreements from ESG-CV Fund 173 according to the specific 2020 projects included in the County Board File No. 61478, or as required by the County Auditor.

## Board File: Amendment to HUD 2020 Action Plan Projects

<b>2020 CARES Act COVID-19 Funding Sources – CV Round 2</b>	
1. CDBG-CV Entitlement: Round 2	656,745
2. Set Aside from Round 1	353,800
<b>Total CDBG</b>	<b>1,010,545</b>
1. ESG-CV Entitlement: Round 2	948,615
<b>Total ESG</b>	<b>948,615</b>
<b>St. Louis County CARES Act COVID-19 Funding</b>	<b>1,959,160</b>

<b>2020 CDBG Program Proposed Uses of Funding</b>				
<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Access North: Ramp Project	Decent Housing	Sustainability	Housing units	35,000
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>35,000</b>
<b>Economic Development</b>				
Entrepreneur Fund: Small Business Support	Economic Opportunities	Accessibility	People Businesses	50,000
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>50,000</b>
<b>Community Facilities</b>				
<b>Community Facilities</b>				
Aurora Food Shelf: Building Improvements	Suitable Living	Availability	Facility	91,150
City of Orr: Old City Hall Improvements	Suitable Living	Sustainability	Facility	25,000
Quad City Food Shelf: Bldg. Improvements	Suitable Living	Availability	Facility	40,000
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>156,150</b>
<b>Public Service</b>				
AEOA: Local Food Relief	Suitable Living	Availability	People	43,086
AEOA: TechConnect	Suitable Living	Accessibility	People	25,093
East Range DAC: Operations & PPE	Suitable Living	Accessibility	People	15,799
Floodwood Service & Training: Safety & PPE	Suitable Living	Sustainability	People	25,500
Hibbing HRA: Moving to Wellness Coordinator	Suitable Living	Availability	People	73,000
Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability: Garden	Suitable Living	Availability	People	18,520
Project Care Free Clinic: Medical Care	Suitable Living	Availability	People	10,000
Salvation Army Hibbing: Melting Pot Meals	Suitable Living	Availability	People	6,000
Salvation Army Virginia: Supper Club	Suitable Living	Availability	People	20,000
United Way: Buddy Backpacks Program	Suitable Living	Availability	People	50,000
United Way: Mortgage, Rent, Utility Program	Suitable Living	Availability	People	200,000
United Way: Smiles United Program	Suitable Living	Availability	People	30,000
St. Louis County: COVID Future Response	Suitable Living	Availability	People	121,048
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>638,046</b>
<b>Administration</b>				<b>131,349</b>

<b>Total FY 2020 CDBG-CV Program – Round 2</b>	
Housing	35,000
Economic Development	50,000
Community Facilities	156,150
Public Service	638,046
Administration	131,349
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,010,545</b>



## Board File: Amendment to HUD 2020 Action Plan Projects

<b>2020 ESG Program – St. Louis County</b>				
<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Indicator</b>	<b>Amount</b>
AEOA: COVID-19 Emergency Shelter Improvements	Suitable Living	Accessibility	People	365,884
Legal Aid: COVID-19 Hotline Project	Suitable Living	Affordability	People	67,150
Range Transition Housing: Homeless Prevention Assistance	Suitable Living	Accessibility	People	415,976
Institute for Community Alliances: HMIS	N/A	N/A	N/A	4,744
St. Louis County: Administration	N/A	N/A	N/A	94,861
<b>Total</b>				<b>948,615</b>

**TABLE1: FY 2020 CDBG-CV2 Advisory Committee**  
**Project Descriptions and Funding Recommendations**

<b>HOUSING</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>CDBG-CV Request</b>	<b>Advisory Committee Recommendation</b>
<b>Access North: Ramp Project</b> Access North constructs and installs ramp modules throughout St. Louis County for persons with a physical disability or mobility impairment. Before COVID-19, the majority of these activities were provided by volunteer work crews from the Sentence to Service Program (STS) and the MN Dept. of Corrections. COVID-19 has caused discontinuation of the STS Program and loss of these volunteers. Access North will use CDBG-CV funding to hire additional staff or contractors to construct and install ramps.	<b>239,386</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>35,000</b>
<b>TOTAL (1)</b>	<b>239,386</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>35,000</b>
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>CDBG-CV Request</b>	<b>Advisory Committee Recommendation</b>
<b>Entrepreneur Fund: COVID-19 Business Assistance</b> Operational support to deliver COVID-19 programs to area businesses and recovery grants of \$2,000 to eligible businesses.	<b>2,250,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>TOTAL (1)</b>	<b>2,250,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>Community Facilities</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>CDBG-CV Request</b>	<b>Advisory Committee Recommendation</b>
<b>Aurora Food Shelf-AEOA</b> The project will consist of rehab to the newly purchased site of the Aurora Food Shelf as well as the purchase and installation of essential equipment. The rehab will include enlarging a side door for food deliveries, outside concrete work, purchasing/installing a larger walk-in freezer/refrigerator unit, replacing the current heating and cooling system, and purchase and installation of shelving.	<b>98,880</b>	<b>91,150</b>	<b>91,150</b>
<b>City of Orr: City Hall Improvements</b> Health and safety improvements to the Old City Hall. Part of the Old City Hall was converted to living quarters for emergency response personnel to be used during the pandemic. The HVAC system for the facility needs replacement to provide safety and comfort for these personnel.	<b>50,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>
<b>Quad City Food Shelf-AEOA: Building Improvements</b> Funds will be used to purchase and construct a safety canopy at all entrances. Curbside services require extensive use of the side entrance. There is no covering to protect clients nor volunteers from falling rain, snow, ice, or other weather debris from the metal roof above. Due to the COVID-19 unemployment/job losses coupled with the federal eligibility changes from 200% to 300% of poverty level, the program has seen great increases in eligible households now using the services. QCFS is the largest food shelf in the area and is operated primarily with volunteers. It serves the communities of Virginia, Eveleth, Gilbert, and Mountain Iron.	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>25,000</b>
<b>TOTAL (3)</b>	<b>173,880</b>	<b>156,150</b>	<b>156,150</b>

<b>PUBLIC SERVICE</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>CDBG-CV Request</b>	<b>Advisory Committee Recommendation</b>
<b>AEOA: Local Food Relief</b> Project will consist of supplying and distributing boxes of food to low-income households that cannot afford to buy food or that do not have the means to reach one of the distribution sites. Households will also have access to personal hygiene kits, baby nutrition and care items, and cleaning supplies. To successfully deliver these resources, a driver will need to be hired and will utilize the Senior Services' delivery van.	<b>132,600</b>	<b>43,086</b>	<b>43,086</b>
<b>AEOA: TechConnect Program</b> Project will consist of supplying 50 computers along with internet access, through T-Mobile and PCs for People, to 50 people at 200% below the poverty level. This needed resource will help families and seniors with the ability to attend appointments virtually, apply for jobs online, gain or further their education, tend to their mental health, and otherwise engage with the internet like every other person to improve their lives.	<b>112,915</b>	<b>25,093</b>	<b>25,093</b>
<b>East Range DAC: Return to Work Program</b> Project will consist of providing work accommodations to meet social distancing requirements. Accommodations will involve modular workstations to increase the number of clients able to work and to allow safe distance between clients, converting open storage shelving to closed shelving to aide in general sanitizing, and an electrostatic disinfecting system to aide in sanitizing surfaces.	<b>16,299</b>	<b>15,799</b>	<b>15,799</b>
<b>Floodwood Services &amp; Training: Safety/PPE</b> Floodwood Services and Training provides day services to older adults and individuals with disabilities along with community recycling and Meals on Wheels programs. Funding will be used for ongoing increase to transportation costs; personal protective equipment; and cleaning supplies.	<b>62,500</b>	<b>25,500</b>	<b>25,500</b>
<b>Hibbing HRA: Moving to Wellness Coordinator</b> The project consists of financing the wage for the Moving to Wellness Coordinator position and other administrative responsibilities. The Coordinator will serve as the central liaison for all efforts to protect resident health. Duties will include: assist in telehealth services, manage preventative screenings and free clinics for residents, educate residents to prevent the further spread of COVID-19, meet with all work able tenants to understand employment struggles, refer them to supportive services, and empower residents to succeed.	<b>93,000</b>	<b>73,000</b>	<b>73,000</b>
<b>Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability: Garden</b> Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability operates a community food forest and garden adjacent to the largest subsidized housing site in the community. The food is available to anyone who wishes to access it and is a renewable resource. With the increased food insecurity as a result of COVID-19, it is more important than ever to invest in edible local healthy produce that reinforces a resilient local food supply into the future. The funds will be used to hire a gardener to tend to the food forest, garden plot, and to assist the public in harvesting when the fruits and vegetables are ripe. A small portion will pay for extra time promoting and advertising of the garden by the Growing Together Coordinator.	<b>19,520</b>	<b>18,520</b>	<b>18,520</b>
<b>Project Care: Medical Care</b> Funding assistance for the administrator and site coordinator salaries. The program provides healthcare access and outreach to people who are uninsured or under insured while networking with other community-based organizations to facilitate continued treatment, screenings, and education. Due to COVID-19, they have not been able to conduct their typical fundraising events. They will be coordinating with Essentia to organize buses to get patients to vaccination sites. Offices are located in Hibbing and Virginia.	<b>166,650</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>

<b>PUBLIC SERVICE (Continued)</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>CDBG-CV Request</b>	<b>Advisory Committee Recommendation</b>
<b>Salvation Army-Hibbing: Food Shelf and Melting Pot Meals Program</b> The program provides one meal per day to homeless and low-income individuals and families in the Hibbing area and operates a food shelf for families. Funds will support operating costs, food purchases and serving supplies resulting from COVID-19 impacts. The meals program is experiencing increased usage and requires use of "to-go" serving materials to accommodate curb side pick-up and take out options.	<b>81,810</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>
<b>Salvation Army-Virginia: Virginia Supper Club COVID-19 Response</b> The Salvation Army Supper Club was closed for sit down meals but has continued to serve meals five days a week during the pandemic through carry-out. Plans are in process to reopen for sit down serving along with continued carry-out meals. Meals served each day have grown from 80 to greater than 100. The special Thanksgiving and Christmas meals served 250 and 275 respectively compared with pre-COVID-19 numbers of 80 - 100. CDBG-CV2 funding will be used to purchase additional food and carry-out supplies for meals.	<b>20,000</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>20,000</b>
<b>United Way of NE MN: Buddy Backpacks Program</b> The Buddy Backpacks program provides a meal kit each Friday filled with nutritious, nonperishable, child-friendly food items to food-insecure children who would otherwise suffer from hunger over the weekends. COVID-19 has impacted the program through increased demand for services, reduced donations to the program, and rising costs for food provided.	<b>295,231</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>United Way of NE MN: COVID-19 Relief</b> Delivery of a program to provide financial assistance with mortgage, rent, and utilities payments to eligible families impacted by COVID-19. The program will be coordinated with Range Transitional Housing to enable serving homeless clients with ESG-CV resources.	<b>200,000</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>200,000</b>
<b>United Way of NE MN: Smiles United Program</b> Smiles United is a preventive and restorative dental program that provides care for uninsured and underinsured individuals of all ages. Services are normally provided through a mobile unit that travels to area schools. COVID-19 has prevented use of the mobile unit and increased demand for services because of job loss, reduced income, and loss of insurance benefits to area residents. United Way will use CDBG-CV2 funding to provide services at its Chisholm office location. Funding will be used for staffing, supplies, and space costs.	<b>51,329</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>
<b>TOTAL (12)</b>	<b>1,251,854</b>	<b>516,998</b>	<b>516,998</b>

<b>FY 2021 CDBG-CV2 Advisory Committee Final Funding Recommendation</b>				
<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Number of Applications</u></b>	<b><u>Total Project Costs</u></b>	<b><u>CDBG-CV2 Funds Requested</u></b>	<b><u>Funding Recommendation</u></b>
Housing	1	\$239,386	\$35,000	\$35,000
Economic Development	1	\$2,250,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Community Facilities	3	\$173,880	\$156,150	\$156,150
Public Service	12	\$1,251,854	\$516,998	\$516,998
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>\$3,915,120</b>	<b>\$758,148</b>	<b>\$758,148</b>

**TABLE 2: FY 2020 ESG-CV Round 2 Advisory Committee**  
Project Descriptions and Funding Recommendations

	Total Cost	ESG-CV Request	Advisory Committee Recommendation
<b>AEOA: Bill's House – Emergency Shelter Rehabilitation</b> Rehabilitation of the Bill's House shelter facility. Bill's House was originally constructed in 2000 and has been the primary shelter site in northern St. Louis County since that time. Historically, Bill's House serves approximately 125 households annually but has seen 222 households in 2020. Wear and tear on the facility over the past 20 years necessitates its improvement to continue providing shelter services.	630,994	365,884	365,884
<b>Legal Aid: COVID-19 Hotline Project</b> ESG funds will be used by Legal Aid Service of NE MN (LASNEM) to fund staffing of a hotline. Individuals/families needing legal assistance will call LASNEM to complete an intake. The individual/family will receive a call back by an attorney/paralegal. If the household only needs questions answered, the attorney will provide the advice and close the file. If the household needs ongoing representation, the local office will continue to represent the household as needed. The hotline is a means to respond quickly so that individuals/families have information and advice they can rely on to make decisions that are best for them during the pandemic and in response to issues/concerns arising from the pandemic.	256,000	67,150	67,150
<b>Salvation Army-Hibbing: Emergency Lodging and Rental Assistance</b> Direct client assistance to aid households with payment of rental arrears, prevention of eviction, and emergency lodging in hotels. Assessments will include connecting to additional Salvation Army Services.	24,000	23,000	-0-
<b>Salvation Army-Virginia: Homeless Prevention</b> Direct client assistance to aid households with payment of rental arrears and utility delinquency. Assistance would be provided once per year to a household. Clients will also be assessed for eligibility for additional services.	30,000	30,000	-0-
<b>Range Transitional Housing: COVID-19 Homeless Prevention Assistance</b> Direct financial assistance and case management services to persons impacted by COVID-19 to prevent evictions, foreclosures, and utility disconnect that will prevent homelessness. Range Transitional Housing (RTH) is partnering with United Way of NE Minnesota (UW) to serve both homeless eligible and non-homeless eligible clients. RTH will handle the homeless referrals and UW will assist the non-homeless referrals. The program covers all St. Louis County outside Duluth.	635,304	415,976	415,976
<b>Institute for Community Alliances: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)</b> Allocation of funding from the ESG-CV entitlement for homeless management information system services provided to agencies receiving ESG-CV funding. HMIS reporting is mandated by HUD to provide nation wide consistency in reporting on homelessness clients and services. ICA is the agency chosen by the state wide HMIS governance group to provide services for all agencies in Minnesota.	4,744	4,744	4,744

FY 2020 ESG-CV Advisory Committee Final Funding Recommendation				
<u>Category</u>	<u>Number of Applications</u>	<u>Total Project Costs</u>	<u>ESG-CV Funds Requested</u>	<u>Funding Recommendation</u>
ESG-CV Homelessness	6	\$1,581,042	\$906,754	\$853,754