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To All Prospective CDBG and HOME Proposal Respondents

The City of Flint, through the Department of Community and Economic Development, receives annual allocations of CDBG and HOME funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds are sub-granted to eligible organizations for qualified projects through a Request for Proposal process. Only projects that satisfy federal CDBG and HOME regulations and meet minimum requirements are eligible for funding.

Proposals for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funding for the period beginning July 1, 2009 are available beginning December 23, 2008. Four different Request for Proposals (RFP) are available. You may pick up the relevant RFP for your activity at the City of Flint Department of Community and Economic Development. The Department is located at 1101 S. Saginaw Street, North Building, Room N-102, Flint, MI 48502. You must sign for your proposal.

The *Request for Proposals* process for FY2009-10 continues to target programs to specific needs.

The priorities for 2009-10 remain:

HOUSING (near downtown in Homeownership Zone, Flint River District and Carriage Town

Rehabilitation (owner- and rental-occupied)

New housing for current owners who want to upgrade, rental units with market desired quality and amenities, and age restricted units to provide housing resources for "active" adults wishing to relocate, but remain in Flint

Energy efficiency improvements, as part of all rehabilitation and new construction

Assistance for low- and moderate-income families to purchase existing, structurally sound homes.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - focus on creating and/or retaining 100 jobs per year

Business attraction

Business retention

Education, training and technical assistance programs to increase living wages

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS – to support the economic development and housing investment programs within the targeted areas of the City

- Demolition (emergency and as part of larger housing planning)
- Streets
- Sidewalks
- Utilities

Other initiatives (emergency housing repairs, priority infrastructure investments and public service programs for targeted populations) will be available outside the targeted areas to address specific identified needs.

In addition programs that address the city's foreclosure situation in the designated Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) areas are also high priority, along with the Renewal Community target area. See City's website for more information on NSP and Renewal Community geographic areas. Maps are included with the RFP packets.

The review process remains substantially unchanged. A Joint Review Committee comprised of members of DCED staff and the City Wide Advisory Committee will again review applications.

The timeline contained in the RFP provides approximate due dates for relevant activities. Proposals will be accepted until January 21, 2009, 5:00 p.m. at the office of the Department of Community and Economic Development. Proposals must be submitted in person. No proposals will be accepted by mail. Receipts for proposals will be available upon request. **All proposals must be hand delivered. Late proposals will not be accepted.**

If you have questions, please contact the Department of Community and Economic Development, at (810) 766-7426.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures