

City of Calistoga

Staff Report

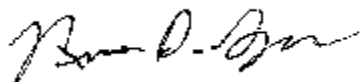
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Ken MacNab, Planning and Building Manager

DATE: February 21, 2012

SUBJECT: 2012 State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:



Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

1 **ISSUE:** Solicitation and discussion of possible applications for funding under the
2 2012 State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

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4 **RECOMMENDATION:** Take public comments on possible CDBG Grant
5 applications, discuss and provide direction to staff.

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7 **DISCUSSION:** The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) is a
8 flexible program that provides communities with grants to address a wide range of
9 unique community development needs. Activities eligible for funding through the
10 CDBG program include: homeownership assistance and housing rehabilitation
11 programs; public facility and public improvements projects (including public
12 improvements in support of new housing construction); public service programs,
13 planning studies, economic development business assistance and microenterprise
14 activities. Eligible activities paid for with State CDBG funds must meet one or more
15 of the three national objectives listed in CDBG Federal Statutes as follows: benefit to
16 low income households or persons; elimination of slums and blight; or meeting an
17 urgent community development need.

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19 The purpose of this public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their
20 comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Calistoga
21 should consider applying for under the State CDBG program. A separate public
22 hearing will be held to discuss and approve any application prior to submittal to the
23 State.
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25 At the January 17, 2012, regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council, Larry
26 Kromann, President of Calistoga Affordable Housing, Inc. (CAH), expressed an
27 interest in pursuing CDBG grant money to fund studies or programs targeted at
28 addressing the needs of our seniors, including those who live in a mobile home park.
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30 **FISCAL IMPACT:** Preparation and submittal of a CDBG grant application will
31 require some amount of limited staff time and resources.
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