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2010 STAFF REVIEW OF PROPOSALS FOR

COMMUNITY/NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT RESERVE FUNDS

(Housing Development Funds, Affordable Housing Trust Funds, Facility Acquisition/Rehab Funds, Futures

Funds)

- 1. Project Name/Title: Shelter Furnishings
- 2. Agency Name: YWCA of Madison, Inc.
- 3. Requested Amount: \$23,236
- 4. Project Type: XX New or Continuing

5. Framework Plan Objective Most Directly Addressed by Proposed Activity:

Objective M-2 Homeless Services. Stabilize of improve the housing situation of homeless individuals.

6. Product/Service Description:

The YWCA of Madison is undergoing a \$10 million renovation at their property at 101 E. Mifflin Street. Two of the floors at this building are used to provide emergency shelter to 30 homeless individuals in families. The renovation of the building will provide a safe shelter environment. The new furnishings will enable the YWCA to provide a more comfortable living situation for their shelter guests during their housing crisis. The YWCA plans to purchase 15 bunk beds, 30 mattresses, 15 dressers and 12 refrigerators for the 12 emergency shelter units. While the renovation is underway, shelter guests have been temporarily transferred to other YWCA units. It is anticipated that the renovated shelter floor will be complete by the end of March.

7. Anticipated Accomplishments (Numbers/Type/Outcome):

The furnishing would serve approximately 200 individuals in 70 households during the year.

8. Staff Review:

This project would be eligible for ESG funds. The CDBG Office currently has a balance of \$73,324 of ESG funds which can be used for operations or rehabilitation projects in emergency shelter and transitional housing as defined by HUD. ESG requires that the recipient provide one-for-one match which should not be an obstacle to this request.

The entire cost of the furniture is \$30,236, with the request to the Committee for \$23,236. This is approximately \$2,500 per shelter unit. The YWCA shelter floor served 210 individuals in 2009; it would seem reasonable that the furnishings would need replacement at fairly frequent intervals. Staff recommends that the YWCA be awarded \$20,000 for furnishings in order to significantly fund this projects as well as the other projects competing for ESG funding.

Total Cost/Total Beneficiaries Equals:\$30,236 / 200 = \$101CD Office Funds/CD-Eligible Beneficiaries Equals:\$20,000 / 200 = \$1,000CD Office Funds as Percentage of Total Budget:67%

Staff recommendation:

9. Staff recommends the Committee approve \$20,000 in the form of a grant to be expended on or before December 31, 2010.

Technical and Regulatory Issues	Project information
Within unit, capital, mortgage limits	NA
Within Subsidy layering limits/ analysis	NA
Environmental Review issues	No
Eligible project	Yes
Conflict of interest	No
Church/State issues	No
Accessibility of program	Yes
Accessibility of structure	Yes
Lead-based paint issues	None
Relocation/displacement	No
Zoning restrictions	No
Fair Labor Standards	No
Vulnerable populations	No
Matching Requirement	Yes, one for one
Period of Affordability for HOME funds	NA
Site and neighborhood Standards	No
Supplanting issues	No
Living wage issues	No
B.A.D. building process	NA
MBE goal	NA
Aldermanic/neighborhood communication	No issues
Management issues:	None known