

ORDINANCE NO. 14888

FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL NO. 20 - 2011

INTRODUCED BY

APRIL 6, 2011

AN ORDINANCE

An Ordinance providing for the expenditure of certain monies received by the City of Allentown under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Subtitle B of Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, as amended; and Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended; for the purpose of undertaking programs of housing and community development within the City.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN:

SECTION ONE: That the Mayor is authorized to expend Four Million One Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-two (\$4,168,522) Dollars in Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG) funds for the July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 grant year, for housing and community development programs pursuant to the approved Consolidated Plan, appropriate Federal Law and United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations.

SECTION TWO: That the Mayor is directed to establish and maintain any and all accounts and records as are necessary and to make such transfers as may be required to expend and account for said CDBG, HOME and ESG Funds in accordance with the approved Consolidated Plan, appropriate Federal law, and HUD regulations.

SECTION THREE: That this act of the Council of the City of Allentown is undertaken pursuant to Act 292 of 1974 in accordance with the opinion of the Pennsylvania Attorney General (Opinion 72-75) which holds that CDBG, HOME, and ESG Funds are General Municipal Funds for the purpose of Act 292 of 1974.

SECTION FOUR: That, in accordance with the Action Plan, the Council of the City of Allentown authorizes the appropriation of Four Million One Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-two (\$4,168,522) Dollars in the following manner:

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND REHABILITATION (CDBG)

700-01-7701-0102	Code Enforcement (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7701-0104	Acquisition.....	\$220,000

700-01-7701-0106	Property Disposition and Management	10,000
700-01-7701-0107	Site Clearance	100,000
700-01-7701-0108	Homesteading (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7701-0109	Focus Area Rehabilitation (DPL).....	393,300
700-01-7701-0112	Hazard Elimination Program	100,000
700-01-7701-0115	Program Delivery (Includes Salaries to be Apportioned).....	<u>916,574</u>

TOTAL \$1,739,874

PUBLIC SERVICES (CDBG)

700-01-7702-0101	Allentown YMCA and YWCA	\$15,000
700-01-7702-0102	Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living	15,000
700-01-7702-0103	Adult Literacy Center	15,000
700-01-7702-0104	Lehigh County Conference of Churches – Daybreak.....	15,000
700-01-7702-0105	Grace Episcopal Church – Grace Montessori School	15,000
700-01-7702-0107	The Baum School of Art.....	7,500
700-01-7702-0109	Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley – Community Action Financial Services	15,000
700-01-7702-0110	Neighborhood Housing Services of the Lehigh Valley – Operating.....	15,000
700-01-7702-0111	Boys and Girls Club of Allentown.....	15,000
700-01-7702-0112	St. Luke’s Neighborhood Center.....	15,000
700-01-7702-0113	Mosser Village Family Center	12,000
700-01-7702-0114	Community Bike Works.....	15,000
700-01-7702-0115	Embrace Your Dreams	9,344
700-01-7703-0102	Family Answers – Ways to Work	15,000
700-01-7703-0103	Allentown Public Library.....	12,000
700-01-7703-0104	Lehigh Carbon Community College	14,591
700-01-7703-0106	Syrian Arab American Charity Association	15,000
700-01-7703-0107	Program for Women and Families	15,000
700-01-7703-0108	Allentown Economic Development Corporation – Securing Industrial/Commercial Properties.....	13,500
700-01-7703-0109	Bureau of Building Standards and Safety – Neighborhood Clean-Up	12,480
700-01-7703-0110	Bureau of Building Standards and Safety – Foreclosure Program.....	15,000
700-01-7703-0111	Bureau of Health – Alliance Summer Recreation.....	<u>15,000</u>

TOTAL \$306,415

NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION (CDBG)

700-01-7704-0101	Seventh Street Façade – Residential (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7704-0102	Seventh Street Façade – Commercial (Salaries Only)	
700-01-7704-0109	Focus Area Façade Grants – Residential	\$130,000
700-01-7704-0110	Voluntary Relocation.....	5,000
700-01-7704-0112	Neighborhood Housing Services of the Lehigh Valley – Community Partnership Program	<u>75,000</u>

TOTAL \$210,000

ADMINISTRATION, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CDBG)

700-01-7705-0102	Community Action Development Corporation of the Lehigh Valley	\$32,500
700-01-7705-0103	Allentown Economic Development Corporation – Economic Development Activity	120,000
700-01-7705-0107	Administration	387,354
700-01-7705-0108	Fair Housing	50,000
700-01-7705-0109	Community Development Planning	<u>139,000</u>
TOTAL		\$ 728,854

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

700-01-7707-0101	Focus Area Rehabilitation (DPL).....	\$48,258
700-01-7707-0102	Housing Association and Development Corporation – CHDO Activity.....	124,318
700-01-7707-0103	Housing Association and Development Corporation – CHDO Operating	25,000
700-01-7707-0104	Administration	106,212
700-01-7707-0105	Allentown Housing Authority – Cumberland Gardens Rehabilitation.....	250,000
700-01-7707-0106	Alliance for Building Communities – CHDO Activity	35,000
700-01-7707-0107	Alliance for Building Communities – CHDO Operating	5,000
700-01-7707-0108	Housing Development Corporation	433,333
700-01-7707-0109	Habitat for Humanity – Rehabilitation.....	<u>35,000</u>
TOTAL		\$1,062,121

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM (ESG)

700-01-7708-0101	Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley - Sixth Street Shelter	\$ 29,000
700-01-7708-0102	Allentown Rescue Mission.....	29,000
700-01-7708-0103	Salvation Army	29,000
700-01-7708-0104	Administration.....	5,258
700-01-7708-0105	Lehigh County Conference of Churches – Pathways	<u>29,000</u>
TOTAL		\$121,258

SECTION FIVE: That all Ordinances inconsistent with the above provisions are repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

	Yea	Nay
W. Michael Donovan	X	
Jeanette Eichenwald		X
Julio A. Guridy		X
Ray O'Connell	X	
Michael Schlossberg	X	
Peter G. Schweyer, Vice President	X	
Michael D'Amore, President	X	
TOTAL	5	2

Amendment to reduce Public Services (Community In Schools) by \$15,000 passed, 7 - 0

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by City Council on May 4th and signed by the Mayor on May 5th, 2011.



 CITY CLERK

- **What Department or bureau is Bill originating from? Where did the initiative for the bill originate?**

Consolidated Grants Program Legislation consists of three ordinances and one resolution and originates in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

The attached legislation, from the Department of Community Development serves as the template for the City of Allentown's application for federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program funds. Each piece of legislation serves a specific purpose, which when combined, contain all the recommended regulatory steps needed to apply for these federal funds. These are the same types of legislation presented to City Council every year. However, the actual dollar amounts, list of activities and funds available are different every year.

- **Summary and Facts of the Bill**

Ordinance #1

Summary: This legislation is required to establish expenditure accounts for the City budgeting system, in addition to listing all the activities/programs which will be funded for the 2011-2012 Consolidated Grants Program year. It provides the basis for the creation of the Action Plan which is submitted to HUD as the application for the CDBG, HOME and ESG program funds which the City receives every year.

- **Purpose – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **What does the Bill do – what are the specific goals/tasks the bill seek to accomplish**
 - **What are the Benefits of doing this/Down-side of doing this**
 - **How does this Bill related to the City's Vision/Mission/Priorities**

These three bills and one resolution allow the City to apply for and then access \$4,183,522 in grant funds for the July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 program year. All activities funded comply with the CDBG, HOME and ESG regulations as promulgated by HUD and allow the City to further its Community and Economic Development Initiatives. These bills provide the basis to complete the strategies of the second year of the City of Allentown's Consolidated Plan for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2015.

- **Financial Impact – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **Cost (Initial and ongoing)**
 - **Benefits (initial and ongoing)**

Ordinance #1

This ordinance provides the City the ability to expend \$4,183,522 in federal funds to complete a variety of activities including housing rehabilitation, homeownership, public services, administration of

the programs, etc. This legislation has no adverse financial impact on the City and the General Fund.

- **Funding Sources – Please include the following in your explanation:**
 - **If transferring funds, please make sure bill gives specific accounts; if appropriating funds from a grant list the agency awarding the grant.**

Ordinance #1: Federal CDBG, HOME and ESG dollars, rollover funds and anticipated program income

- **Priority status/Deadlines, if any**

These three bills and one resolution have a high priority status. Failure to submit the application to HUD by May 15, 2011 could result in the loss of this money.

Ordinance # 1 Priority Status: High, application needs to be submitted to HUD by May 15th and the Action Plan cannot be completed until City Council approves this ordinance, which approves the programs and activities to be funded during the upcoming program year. City staff then use this information to develop the actual Action Plan following HUD's very specific protocols.

Why should Council unanimously support this bill?

Ordinance #1 Why Should Council unanimously support this bill?

The City has again followed the scoring process approved by Council and used in the past to develop this budget. In addition, funding decisions were made by complying with HUD's regulations, which require the City to address concerns/needs noted in its five year Consolidated Plan