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APPLICANT:	FOOD Share						
PROJECT:	Solar Project						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 22,672						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	4658	2476	813	3331	8765	2629	64732

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$550,000
Percent of Total Budget	88%
Previous Year Funding	N/A
Recommended Funding	\$300,000

Project Description: Improve or construct Infrastructure

Installation of a 200kW solar energy system to provide electrical power to the warehouse and office facility. Savings are estimated to be over \$25,000 annually for the 25 year lifespan of the system.

Analysis

FOOD Share will be able to save critical funding needed to increase service each year. As electricity costs rise annually, so will the amount saved. HUD strongly encourages the use of funds for renewable, sustainable and environmentally responsible energy solutions. Solar power technology has become more reliable than in the past and requires little maintenance. This project meets a priority need to improve infrastructures benefitting low-mod income persons in the five year Consolidated Plan. Cities outside our Entitlement Area continue to support FOOD Share through other programs and activities. Recommend funding.

APPLICANT:	Turning Point						
PROJECT:	Vince Street Acquisition and Rehabilitation						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 6						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	0	0	1	1	1	3	9

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$100,000
Percent of Total Budget	8%
Previous Year Funding	N/A
Recommended Funding	\$100,000

Project Description: Housing Options for Persons with Special Needs

Funding will help defray the costs of purchasing an existing two-story commercial building and rehabilitating the building into a 10-unit single room occupancy housing facility that will provide transitional housing for persons who are homeless, mentally ill veterans.

Analysis

This project provides good leveraging. Program satisfies a high priority goal in the Consolidated Plan by promoting affordable housing for special needs populations. This also meets a high priority of the 10 Year Strategy to End Homelessness by establishing benchmarks consistent with federal guidelines for increased income, exiting to permanent housing and maintaining housing stability. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	Women's Economic Ventures (WEV)						
PROJECT:	Micro-Business Development Program						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 15					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
		2	2	4	1	4	2 n/a

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$40,000
Percent of Total Budget	9%
Previous Year Funding	\$24,545
Recommended Funding	\$40,000

Project Description: Economic Development through Training

WEV assists individuals in developing skills to start a business of their own. Its 14-week Self Employment Training course, and startup and expansion loans of up to \$50,000 through the Small Business Loan Fund help people establish a micro-enterprise business. The newest program, Thrive in Five®, matches existing business owners with a WEV case manager who provides customized long-term mentoring, expert consulting, executive coaching, and quarterly training and networking events. Thrive in Five® helps established small businesses grow and create jobs.

Analysis

Concise application citing WEV's accomplishment detail and showing the successful impact of their programs. Statistical survey data shows nearly 600 clients served during the last five years within 12-18 months of receiving services: 47% of pre-business clients have started a business; 91% of existing businesses are still in business and have increased sales by 72%; 42% have increased their annual household income by an average of 26%; 74% of poor clients have moved out of poverty. Well-leveraged funding and collaboration with SCORE and SBDC ensure a viable program. Recommend funding.

APPLICANT:	City of Ojai						
PROJECT:	Sarzotti Park BBQ Area Renovation						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 100					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
				100			

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$80,000
Percent of Total Budget	28%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$80,000

Project Description: Parks and Recreation Facilities

Funding would replace deteriorated asphalt beneath picnic areas with concrete pads, provide ADA accessible sidewalks to them, and canopies over the picnic tables to provide and shade and rain protection within Sarzotti Park. Currently, there is no ADA access from the parking lot to the BBQ area and the asphalt pads beneath the picnic tables are deteriorated, making it difficult to maneuver a wheel chair.

Analysis

Temperatures in the Ojai Valley become extremely high in the summer when outdoor activities peak. The shade structures are a much needed amenity to protect against the overexposure to heat and sun. Last year the city completed the replacement of the restroom facilities at Sarzotti Park and the remaining facilities at the park are in great need of rehabilitation. City funds and a considerable donation from Ojai Civic Association will complete the funding for this project. Limited funds for City projects make it difficult to embark upon large projects without significant outside funding that this proposal provides. It meets a high priority need of the Consolidated Plan for parks and recreation facilities. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	City of Fillmore						
PROJECT:	Fire Engine Replacement						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 15,000						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	15000						

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$58,000
Percent of Total Budget	100%
Previous Year Funding	\$58,863
Recommended Funding	\$55,719

Project Description: Public Facility

This funding will provide payment for the second year of a six-year lease for the purchase of a new fire engine which will enable the department to provide improved critical fire and emergency medical services to the Fillmore community, of which 75% are low/mod income residents.

Analysis

Fillmore qualifies as an Area Benefit community due to having a population that consists of at least 51% low-mod income residents. This project estimates serving 15,000 low-mod income residents annually. This meets a high priority need of the Consolidated Plan. The actual lease amount is \$57,291. Recommend funding amount reflects one year's lease minus the amount over-allocated during FY 2013-14.

APPLICANT:	City of Fillmore						
PROJECT:	Code Enforcement						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 75						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	75						

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$40,000
Percent of Total Budget	100%
Previous Year Funding	\$41,204
Recommended Funding	\$20,000

Project Description: Decent Housing through Code Enforcement

The Code Enforcement Program helps relieve overcrowded living conditions, corrects unsafe living conditions and property maintenance issues, provides guidance to housing construction project by ensuring proper permits are issued, inspections conducted and building codes are enforced. While making a safer environment is the most direct impact of code enforcement, it also improves the neighborhood appearance by enhancing the neighborhood standards and eliminating blight conditions.

Analysis

This program satisfies a high priority in the Consolidated Plan by addressing deteriorating housing stock in the City of Fillmore's eligible low-income block groups. CDBG funding would enable the city to continue its code enforcement duties within these areas; however the city currently does not have staffing capacity to continue the program at this time. The city has over \$40,000 in allocations remaining from prior years, so reduced funding is recommended.

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APPLICANT:	City of Port Hueneme						
PROJECT:	Code Enforcement						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 700						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
				700			

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$110,000
Percent of Total Budget	57%
Previous Year Funding	\$122,952
Recommended Funding	\$52,000

Project Description: Decent Housing through Code Enforcement

According to the 2009-2011 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates, 24.9% of occupied housing units in Port Hueneme were built between 1940 and 1959 and 50.1% were built between 1960 and 1979. This means that 75% of occupied housing units in Port Hueneme are between 33 and 72 years of age. As housing is subject to gradual deterioration over time, it is necessary to enforce the City's property maintenance ordinance, zoning regulations, and building codes to eradicate blighting influences and arrest deterioration in the city's mature neighborhoods.

Analysis

The program helps to eradicate blight and prevent deterioration in the city's mature neighborhoods. CDBG allocations for code enforcement have been made annually since FY1993-94 and have been fairly consistent over all that time. Reports are submitted on a timely basis, the program is administered well, and leveraged funds are provided from the General Fund. This program satisfies a high priority in the Consolidated Plan by addressing deteriorating housing stock in the City of Port Hueneme. The city has \$90,000 in allocations remaining from prior years, so reduced funding is recommended.

APPLICANT:	City of Santa Paula						
PROJECT:	Code Enforcement						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 125						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
					125		

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$125,000
Percent of Total Budget	38%
Previous Year Funding	\$105,953
Recommended Funding	\$32,000

Project Description: Decent Housing through Code Enforcement

The Code Enforcement Program helps relieve overcrowded living conditions, corrects unsafe living conditions and property maintenance issues and provides guidance for housing construction projects by ensuring proper permits are issued, inspections conducted and city building and municipal codes are followed. The city, which qualifies as Area Benefit, has aging housing stock and high overcrowded conditions results in residents, especially low income families, living in unsafe housing that must be addressed.

Analysis

This program has successfully opened and closed 1,200 code compliance cases cumulatively over the past six years, thus improving the lives of the city's residents. The program is administered well with expenditure reimbursements and quarterly reports submitted regularly. The program satisfies a high priority goal in the Consolidated Plan by promoting the preservation of existing housing stock. The city has \$162,000 in allocations remaining from prior years, so reduced funding is recommended.

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APPLICANT:	City of Santa Paula						
PROJECT:	Housing Rehabilitation Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 4						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
					4		

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$125,000
Percent of Total Budget	100%
Previous Year Funding	\$29,431
Recommended Funding	\$52,000

Project Description: Decent Housing through Rehabilitation

This program provides low interest loans between \$5,000 and a maximum of \$50,000 for low-income families to rehabilitate and improve their homes. The program assist homeowners and landlords with an affordable loan package, identifying housing code hazards, preparing project plans, obtaining estimates from contractors and monitoring all work through city inspections. The type of work allowed includes plumbing, electrical, re-roofing, stucco, painting, remodeling of bathrooms and kitchens as well as other housing code related items. The program also allows bedroom and bathroom additions in order to alleviate overcrowding conditions of a low income family.

Analysis

The city's loan program has been funded with CDBG grants since the early 1990's and successfully funded only 1 loan last year and 2 loans the year before to assist low-income families to make necessary improvements in their homes and correct unsafe living conditions. This grant is to ensure that the city has sufficient funding to address anticipated program demands. This program satisfies a high priority in the Consolidated Plan by addressing deteriorating housing stock. The city has \$71,000 in allocations remaining from prior years, so reduced funding is recommended.

APPLICANT:	Habitat for Humanity						
PROJECT:	Preserve a Home						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 6						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	1		1		2	2	

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$180,000
Percent of Total Budget	27%
Previous Year Funding	\$76,588
Recommended Funding	\$53,281

Project Description: Decent Housing through Rehabilitation

This program reaches out to owner occupied low and very low income families and individuals that have home rehabilitation needs and otherwise are not able to perform the work on their own or pay full cost for a general contractor. Homeowners must participate in program, providing sweat equity or other public service hours. Services include work such as paint application, landscape work and/or clean-up when coupled with other rehab activities, grab bar installation, wheelchair ramp construction, complete roof replacement and other home improvement work needed for building code compliance.

Analysis

This three-year old program has been expanded to include all areas of the Entitlement Area. Originally funded in FY 2011-12, the program has experienced a slow start, but appears poised to complete projects with expediency. Funding request is for materials, equipment rental/lease, other supplies, and permits and fees. The program provides good leveraging and applicant has been a good performer in other HUD funded programs in the County. The program satisfies a high priority goal in the Consolidated Plan by promoting the preservation of existing housing stock. Habitat has \$105,000 in allocations remaining from prior years, so reduced funding is recommended.

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APPLICANT:	Santa Paula Housing Authority (SPHA)						
PROJECT:	Oakwood Court Apartments						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 6/8					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
						6-8	

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$0
Percent of Total Budget	0%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$100,000

Project Description: Affordable Housing – Seniors

See HOME Project Summaries and Analyses

Analysis

Applicant is requesting \$570,000 in HOME funding. However, this project is also eligible for CDBG funds. Given limited availability of HOME funds coupled with desire to support this project beyond that funding source's availability, CDBG is being recommended for predevelopment costs.

APPLICANT:	Cabrillo Economic Development Corporation (CEDC)						
PROJECT:	Bridgeview Apartments						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 11					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
							11

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$0
Percent of Total Budget	0%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$100,000

Project Description: Affordable Housing – Low Income Families

See HOME Project Summaries and Analyses

Analysis

Applicant is requesting \$570,000 in HOME funding. However, this project also is eligible for CDBG funds. Given limited availability of HOME funds coupled with desire to support this project beyond that funding source's availability, CDBG is being recommended for predevelopment costs.

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APPLICANT:	Catholic Charities						
PROJECT:	Moorpark Community Service Center						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 3051						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	60	2975			8	8	185

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$18,000
Percent of Total Budget	6%
Previous Year Funding	\$12,556
Recommended Funding	\$13,000

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

The Moorpark Community Service Center, also known as Moorpark Pantry Plus, provides essential safety net services and special outreach programs to stabilize low-income households in Moorpark and the surrounding area. The center provides supplemental food, clothing, eviction prevention assistance, utility assistance and holiday programs, along with information and referrals.

Analysis

Catholic Charities provides services to low-and very-low income residents regardless of race, ethnicity, gender or religious beliefs. This request is to provide partial funding for a bi-lingual client resources coordinator to provide services to their Hispanic population. Applicant has been a good performer, prepared a strong application outlining community collaboration and requests reimbursement for program expenses on a regular basis. This program meets a high priority in the Consolidated Plan by reaching out to those at risk of becoming homeless. Recommend funding.

APPLICANT:	Ventura County Human Services Agency						
PROJECT:	Homeless Services Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 360						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	20	30	30	50	50	180	680

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$50,000
Percent of Total Budget	5%
Previous Year Funding	\$40,388
Recommended Funding	\$40,000

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

This program provides countywide outreach and case management services for homeless and at-risk of homelessness persons, assisting them to move from crisis situations into housing. The Agency's 12 service centers located throughout Ventura County are well positioned to cross refer homeless persons to a variety of financial benefits and to problem solve their particular situation.

Analysis

This regional County program serves a broad, general clientele and is an entry point for many people entering the homeless system for the first time. The program addresses a regional need and provides services crucial to success in implementing the recommendations contained in the 10 Year Strategy to End Homelessness (10YS). Program has been administered well and funds are expended in a timely manner. Application was very thorough with good evidence of collaboration. In FY 2014-15, approximately 1040 individuals are estimated to be assisted by this program, 360 from the Entitlement Area. These services satisfy a high priority need in the Consolidated Plan by helping the homeless. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	County of Ventura Human Services Agency						
PROJECT:	RAIN County Child Care Project						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 12						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	2	2	1	2	3	2	48

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$15,000
Percent of Total Budget	1%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$0

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

RAIN assists homeless families and individuals in the 30% AMI or below, with multiple barriers to self-sufficiency. The clientele belongs to vulnerable homeless populations, such as persons with substance abuse, dually diagnosed, or families in crisis. The project proposes to make available and accessible to the parents at RAIN, in-house child care services while they look for or go to work, attend job interviews and training, or receive counseling and therapy.

Analysis

RAIN received CDBG funds for operations 1994 through 2012. The program has been administered well. While this program fills a high priority need in the Consolidated Plan, child day care does not fill a high priority. Given limited public service funding availability, coupled with only modest benefit for Entitlement Area residents, recommend no funding.

APPLICANT:	Help of Ojai						
PROJECT:	Community Assistance & Valley Outreach Case Management						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 2400						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
			1400			1000	

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$25,000
Percent of Total Budget	13%
Previous Year Funding	\$25,680
Recommended Funding	\$25,000

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

This program provides assistance to low-income residents to obtain and/or maintain suitable long-term housing. This project is designed to provide bilingual case management services to clients at risk of homelessness through a process of bundling and delivering various services that allow their own limited funds to be directed to housing expenses. By working collaboratively with various agencies and programs, HELP works to address affordability options for metered utilities, necessary medical services, healthful food options and limited housing and rental assistance.

Analysis

Help of Ojai is the sole year-round provider of basic need services to low-income and homeless residents in the Ojai Valley. The organization is a good performer and demonstrates collaboration with other community agencies. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, this program estimates serving 2,400 low income clients through this program. This program satisfies a high priority need in the Consolidated Plan and the 10-Year Strategy Update. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	People's Self Help Housing						
PROJECT:	Housing the Homeless, El Patio Hotel						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries – 17					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
		3	2	2	1	2	7 33

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$10,000
Percent of Total Budget	16%
Previous Year Funding	\$10,000
Recommended Funding	\$10,000

Project Description: Public Service - Homeless

The project provides a combination of supportive services along with permanent affordable housing creating an environment where formerly homeless individuals become stable in housing and continually increase their independence and self-sufficiency. The facility offers 41 single-room, furnished efficiency studios for individuals who are disabled, chronically homeless, and/or very low-income. 16 units are dedicated to referrals from Ventura County Behavioral Health, 2 units are ADA accessible, and 28 units have project-based Section-8 vouchers through the Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura. Development of this project was supported by a contribution of \$150,000 from the County's General Fund.

Analysis

Implementing the "Housing First" model, El Patio is effective in reducing the number of homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless individuals. Since opening in 2011, 90% of the residents have remained housed. The project shows strong collaboration with many other agencies and is cost effective. This project meets a high priority need in the Consolidated Plan and the 10 Year Strategy to End Homelessness. Recommend funding.

APPLICANT:	Turning Point Foundation						
PROJECT:	Our Place Shelter						
		# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 21					
		F	M	J	PH	SP	U Non-EA
		1	2	2	4	3	9 39

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$30,000
Percent of Total Budget	6%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$20,000

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

Our Place Shelter is a clean and safe transitional shelter for homeless persons with severe mental illness. The program provides supportive services to assist in obtaining income from work or entitlement benefits, mental health services, and other social services and assistance in obtaining decent affordable permanent housing.

Analysis

Turning Point has been a recipient of HUD funds for several years and has performed well. Last year due to late notification that the County would not receive ESG funding, Turning Point did not receive operational support from the County. The project leverages significant funding and demonstrates excellent collaboration in the community. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, this program estimates serving 60 clients, county-wide. This project meets a high priority need in the Consolidated Plan and the 10 Year Strategy to End Homelessness. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	Livingston Memorial Visiting Nurse Association						
PROJECT:	Subsidized Home Health and Hospice Care Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 141						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	25	19	30	29	30	8	459

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$30,000
Percent of Total Budget	6%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$0

Project Description: Public Service – Other

Provides subsidized home health, medical hospice and family support to underinsured residents who could not otherwise afford it.

Analysis

Home health and hospice does not place as a high priority in the County's Consolidated Plan. This organization receives \$65,000, annually, from the Ventura County Tobacco Settlement Fund which is equivalent to about 30% of public service funding for all of the EA. In order to fund this program, funding would be reduced to other established programs supported by the County. Recommend no funding.

APPLICANT:	City of Port Hueneme						
PROJECT:	Senior Activities and Nutrition Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 200						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
				200			

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$25,000
Percent of Total Budget	11%
Previous Year Funding	\$18,265
Recommended Funding	\$18,000

Project Description: Public Service – Seniors

Primary services include a home-delivered meals program, limited health services, Grey Law legal assistance, visual aid counseling, professional tax advice, senior exercise programs and referrals for other senior-related issues such as Alzheimer's disease.

Analysis

Funds are leveraged with Area Agency on Aging funds for the Senior Nutrition Program and the General Fund for other program costs. The only other programs like this in the City of Port Hueneme are provided in senior housing complexes for residents only. The services offered by this program meet a high priority need of the Consolidated Plan. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	City of Santa Paula						
PROJECT:	Senior Center Coordinator						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 1150						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
					1150		

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$33,280
Percent of Total Budget	100%
Previous Year Funding	\$20,000
Recommended Funding	\$20,000

Project Description: Public Service – Seniors

The coordinator position is the main staff person for the Santa Paula Senior Center, which provides information and assistance Monday through Friday at no cost to low income, disabled or other senior citizens who walk in or call and need referrals to social services programs. Services include access to nutritious food, legal services, medical care, and social services and other benefits. Increased funding requested to expand hours of operation to a full-time basis.

Analysis

There is a high need for a Senior Center Coordinator position to assist the seniors in the Santa Paula community. The services offered by this program meet a high priority goal of the Consolidated Plan. Past CDBG funding has allowed the city to open the Senior Center part time, Monday through Friday. FY 2013-14 funding to this program was increased 200% from the prior year (from \$6,698 to \$20,000) in order to enable the city to expand hours to a full-time basis. The FY 2014-15 application shows the increased funding did not result in longer hours. Recommend funding, but not increased funding.

APPLICANT:	FOOD Share						
PROJECT:	Senior Share Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 524						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	90	41	56	84	135	118	1501

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$45,000
Percent of Total Budget	4%
Previous Year Funding	\$20,510
Recommended Funding	\$26,000

Project Description: Public Service – Seniors

FOOD Share will operate the ongoing Senior Share Program (formerly the Brown Bag Program) which provides supplemental, bi-weekly groceries to low-income seniors countywide. Hundreds of volunteers help to sort, pack, deliver and distribute food to seniors at 41 site locations throughout the County.

Analysis

This service targets a different senior population than the various senior nutrition programs throughout the County that provide congregate meals or pre-made meals to homebound seniors who cannot cook for themselves. Program has been administered well and funds are expended in a timely manner. In FY 2014-15, it is estimated that groceries will be provided for more than 524 seniors in the Entitlement Area and a total of 2025 countywide. The services offered by this program meet a high priority goal of the Consolidated Plan. Recommend funding.

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APPLICANT:	Long Term Care Services of Ventura County						
PROJECT:	Ombudsman Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 1480						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	224	88	495	247	132	294	6184

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$30,000
Percent of Total Budget	6%
Previous Year Funding	\$20,510
Recommended Funding	\$20,000

Project Description: Public Service – Seniors

The Ombudsman is the federally mandated advocate for elderly persons living in long term care facilities. He/she makes unscheduled, unannounced visits to the facilities and works with the elderly residents investigating complaints and resolving issues on their behalf. The 9,500 elderly persons living in 228 long term care facilities in Ventura County are their target population.

Analysis

For more than 30 years, Area Agency on Aging monitoring reports show that the Ombudsman program meets or exceeds its goals. In FY 2014-15, an estimated 7,664 low/mod income senior residents will be assisted by this program, county-wide. The services offered by this program meet a high priority goal of the Consolidated Plan and are not duplicated by any other services in the county. Recommend funding.

APPLICANT:	Lutheran Social Services						
PROJECT:	Homeless 2 Home						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 46						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	2	5	8	16	0	15	224

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$45,533
Percent of Total Budget	27%
Previous Year Funding	\$34,195
Recommended Funding	\$35,000

Project Description: Public Service – Homeless

This program provides direct street outreach and case management for both chronic and episodic homeless individuals who desire to change the pathway of their lives. Case management will involve a full assessment and evaluation of the individual's needs and identification of housing options. Other services include linkages to entitlement benefits, mental and physical health resources, housing search and placement assistance, and financial planning education.

Analysis

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) have formed a collaboration to address the need for rapid re-housing services in the east end of Ventura County. During the last program year, LSS housed 24 chronically homeless clients in Conejo Valley and Camarillo and Project Understanding housed 27 clients. Each of these clients has entered into an H2H Action Plan contract with a case manager to ensure success. Funds will be used for staff costs for case management, housing search and placement and housing stability case management for the H2H program. Funding is recommended for this HUD high priority, best-practice project and new guiding principle in the 10YS.

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APPLICANT:	Children's Home Society of California						
PROJECT:	Homeless Family Support Program						
	# of EA Low-Mod Beneficiaries - 251						
	F	M	J	PH	SP	U	Non-EA
	13	9	43	17	34	135	1523

Funding	
Requested Funding	\$70,000
Percent of Total Budget	64%
Previous Year Funding	\$0
Recommended Funding	\$0

Project Description: Public Service – Youth

The Children's Home Society of California (CHS) is proposing to expand its existing services to Ventura County by implementing the Homeless Family Support Program, while simultaneously conducting a community needs assessment of homeless children and families. The goal is to identify the developmental needs of homeless children to connect them with support services, while educating and empowering their parents and caregivers.

Analysis

While CHS is an established organization primarily in child care and adoption services, this is a new program that is not yet in operation and does not currently have staff in place to administer the program. The application indicates there is no direct case management or services provided beyond referrals to other service providers. The ratio of leveraged funds to the projected overall cost of the program shows that the CDBG funding requested would not be utilized as simply gap funding, as it should be. Educational needs assessment for youth are not a high priority in the consolidated plan and CHS historically has not received HUD funding and therefore has no demonstrated experience with Federal compliance requirements. No funding is recommended at this time.