

CDBG PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE 2019 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS *Project Descriptions*

Project Name

Job Training Applications (Public Services)-subject to 15% cap

Coffee Oasis-HOPE Inc

HOPE Inc Job Training Program provides a comprehensive plan for preparing and equipping street and homeless youth ages 16-25 years old for employment opportunities in the community. Every job training internship comprises of:

1. 6 weeks of business classes (e.g. interview skills, resume writing, work ethics)
2. On the job training at a local business in the community for 100 hours
3. Aftercare support in acquiring permanent employment.

Barnacles and Bees-Nature based Preschool *not recommended for funding*

This program aims to prove a one-day-per week, nature immersion pre-school program targeting low-income families that compliments existing HeadStart programs. Program will provide free/reduced tuition for two-thirds of program participants while simultaneously laying a foundation for jobs and internship development for early learning professionals in the growing forest preschool market.

Capital OR Microenterprise Applications

Kitsap Mental Health-Scattered Site Housing

Scattered-Site Housing for 44 male and female adults age 18 and over with severe, chronic mental illnesses who are able to live independently in the community with KMHS supportive services. Clients are often vulnerable individuals who without engagement in a supportive housing program may be homeless or at risk of homelessness, or may be evicted, incarcerated or institutionalized due to deteriorating mental health. Through KMHS housing program and KMHS supportive services, clients are more able to maintain their stability and recovery process and thereby live successfully in the community.

Kitsap Community Resources-Business Education Support and Training

The Be\$T micro-enterprise program is designed specifically for low-income individuals and those with limited funds, who are interested in mastering the skills necessary to start and/or expand their own business. Grant funding will allow affordable tuition and access to all. 2019 goals for Bremerton residents include 32 businesses to be assisted and 27 new jobs to be created. BE\$T is offered four times per year and is delivered in four phases:

1. Phase 1: The 2.5 hour "Business Workshop and Orientation"
2. The eight-week 20-hour basic business training class
3. A six-session development & planning program over 90 days
4. Advanced Support Groups that meet twice per month

City of Bremerton Public Works & Utilities Curb Ramp Construction

Construction of ADA Compliant Curb ramps where no ramps currently exist. Priority for will be installing curb ramps where a safety hazard exists. Input will be pursued from the City's ADA Committee.

City of Bremerton Public Works & Utilities Sidewalk abatement

Work will be done to remove and replace sidewalks that are in disrepair and trip hazards due to lifting, settlement, tree heave, or are otherwise broken. Prioritization will be given to locations with the largest safety risk.

City of Bremerton Parks Department-Evergreen

Park Accessibility Improvements

This project will renovate Evergreen Rotary Park, making it more user-friendly for people with disabilities and other population groups with limited access to market-based recreation, including low-income families and senior citizens. Specific upgrades include: 1) New paving in parking lot drop-off area (which is used by Access Bus Service and is currently uplifted by tree roots from hazard tree prone to large branch failure); 2. Renovated tops and seats on aging, warped picnic tables (including increasing the number of accessible tables); 3. Installing a catch basin to divert runoff from pathways (which becomes unusable when inundated with water during rainy months); and 4. Upgrades to non-accessible restroom fixtures (including new grab rails, flushometers, and replacement of corroded water line).

Kitsap Community Food Coop-*Not recommended for funding*

Leasehold improvements for building at 421 Park Avenue allowing for a remodeled space providing access to healthy high quality food in a location which is lacking in healthy food choices.