
DATE: Monday, February 27, 2023
TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: 400 South Vine Street, Urbana, IL 61801

AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and Roll Call
- B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - 1. 01-09-2023 Minutes
- C. Additions to the Agenda
- D. Presentation and Public Input
- E. Council Input and Communications
- F. Reports of Standing Committees
- G. Committee of the Whole (*Council Member Shirese Hursey, Ward 3*)
 - 1. Consent Agenda
 - a. **Ordinance No. 2023-02-005:** An Ordinance Vacating an Alley (Alley North of Main Street, East of Lynn Street) - PW
 - 2. Regular Agenda
 - a. **Resolution No. 2023-02-013R:** A Resolution Adopting the City of Urbana American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Concept Plan Project List - Exec
- H. Reports of Special Committees
- I. Reports of Officers
- J. New Business
- K. Discussion
 - 1. **Considering an Ordinance on Crisis Pregnancy Centers - CMs Wilken and Bishop, Party for Socialism and Liberation (PSL)**
- L. Closed Session: Property Acquisition, Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5)
- M. Adjournment

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PUBLIC INPUT

The City of Urbana welcomes Public Input during open meetings of the City Council, the City Council's Committee of the Whole, City Boards and Commissions, and other City-sponsored meetings. Our goal is to foster respect for the meeting process, and respect for all people participating as members of the public body, city staff, and the general public. The City is required to conduct all business during public meetings. The presiding officer is responsible for conducting those meetings in an orderly and efficient manner. Public Input will be taken in the following ways:

Email Input

Public comments must be received prior to the closing of the meeting record (at the time of adjournment unless otherwise noted) at the following: citycouncil@urbanaininois.us. The subject line of the email must include the words "PUBLIC INPUT" and the meeting date. Your email will be sent to all City Council members, the Mayor, City Administrator, and City Clerk. Emailed public comments labeled as such will be incorporated into the public meeting record, with personal identifying information redacted. Copies of emails will be posted after the meeting minutes have been approved.

Written Input

Any member of the public may submit their comments addressed to the members of the public body in writing. If a person wishes their written comments to be included in the record of Public Input for the meeting, the writing should so state. Written comments must be received prior to the closing of the meeting record (at the time of adjournment unless otherwise noted).

Verbal Input

Protocol for Public Input is one of respect for the process of addressing the business of the City. Obscene or profane language, or other conduct that threatens to impede the orderly progress of the business conducted at the meeting is unacceptable.

Public comment shall be limited to no more than five (5) minutes per person. The Public Input portion of the meeting shall total no more than two (2) hours, unless otherwise shortened or extended by majority vote of the public body members present. The presiding officer or the city clerk or their designee, shall monitor each speaker's use of time and shall notify the speaker when the allotted time has expired. A person may participate and provide Public Input once during a meeting and may not cede time to another person, or split their time if Public Input is held at two (2) or more different times during a meeting. The presiding officer may give priority to those persons who indicate they wish to speak on an agenda item upon which a vote will be taken.

The presiding officer or public body members shall not enter into a dialogue with citizens. Questions from the public body members shall be for clarification purposes only. Public Input shall not be used as a time for problem solving or reacting to comments made but, rather, for hearing citizens for informational purposes only.

In order to maintain the efficient and orderly conduct and progress of the public meeting, the presiding officer of the meeting shall have the authority to raise a point of order and provide a verbal warning to a speaker who engages in the conduct or behavior proscribed under "Verbal Input". Any member of the public body participating in the meeting may also raise a point of order with the presiding officer and request that they provide a verbal warning to a speaker. If the speaker refuses to cease such conduct or behavior after being warned by the presiding officer, the presiding officer shall have the authority to mute the speaker's microphone and/or video presence at the meeting. The presiding officer will inform the speaker that they may send the remainder of their remarks via e-mail to the public body for inclusion in the

meeting record.

Accommodation

If an accommodation is needed to participate in a City meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at least 48 hours in advance so that special arrangements can be made using one of the following methods:

- Phone: 217.384.2366
- Email: CityClerk@urbanaininois.us



CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENGINEERING DIVISION

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin and Members of the City Council
FROM: Tim Cowan, Public Works Director
 Dan Rothermel, Land Surveyor
DATE: February 20, 2023
RE: Ordinance Vacating an Alley (Alley north of Main Street and east of Lynn Street)

Action Requested

Approval of “AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY (Alley north of Main Street and east of Lynn Street)”.

Background and Facts

City staff recommend vacation of the unmaintained and non-functional east/ west 12-foot-wide platted Alley right-of-way (ROW) that runs east from N. Lynn Street between E. Water Street and E. Main Street in Urbana. The 12’ alley was created via the subdivision (see Attachment A – Original Subdivision Plat (markup)) process in 1895, but there has never been an actual alley built in this right-of-way. City staff notified all of the adjacent homeowners to explain the proposed vacation and provided a vacation request petition to all adjacent owners for their consideration. All adjacent owners, except one, returned a signed petition supporting the vacation; See Attachment B for the four (4) petitions signed by the adjoining owners. The location of the proposed ROW vacation is shown in Attachment C.

Public Works Department staff have contacted the utility companies and the City department heads regarding the proposed ROW vacation. There are no objections to vacating this right-of-way, but a request for a general utility easement has been received and will be accommodated.

Financial Impact

City ROW vacation policy (Resolution 9899-R2) states that ROW abutting properties that are zoned residential may be vacated without monetary compensation but benefitting non-residential properties do have to pay the land value of the vacated ROW. However, Council may waive such compensation or give credit for other consideration flowing to the City. Staff would recommend no payment from any of the benefitting properties be collected in lieu of the financial benefits to the City in the form of reduced maintenance costs. No replatting of the benefitting lots will be performed or is required. If vacated, each of the adjoining owners will receive the half-width of the adjacent portion of the existing Alley ROW. Any

of these adjacent owners can negotiate with another if they wish to waive their rights to their portion of the vacated ROW in favor of another adjacent owner(s).

Recommendations

It is recommended that “AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY (Alley north of Main Street and east of Lynn Street)” be approved.

Attachments:

“AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY (Alley north of Main Street and east of Lynn Street)”

Attachment A – Original Subdivision Plat (markup)

Attachment B – Vacation Request Petition Form

Attachment C –Proposed Alley ROW Vacation Map

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY
(Alley north of Main Street east of Lynn Street)

WHEREAS, the plat of N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "A" at page 294 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, depicts a certain public alley 12.00' in width running east/west between Lots 10, 11, and 12 and Lots 16, 17, and 18 of the said N.W. Davis Second Addition; and

WHEREAS, on the face of the said plat, this 12.00' strip of land is labeled: "12.0' Alley" and was apparently intended to be an alley right-of-way for the convenient access through the western portion of this block; the majority of adjacent neighbors have advised that they have no objections to abandoning this alley right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, no paved surface was ever installed in the said Public Alley right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the owners of Lots 10, 12, 16, and 18 of N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "A" at page 294 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois have requested that the City release, abandon, and vacate the said Public Alley right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the relief to the public from the further burden and responsibility of maintaining the alley herein vacated is just and adequate compensation for the benefits that will accrue to the said owners; and

WHEREAS, the Urbana City Council finds that it is in the best interests of all concerned that the said Public Alley right-of-way described below should be released, abandoned, and vacated, and in accordance with statute, the title to the land over which the aforesaid alley right-of-way runs shall devolve and vest in the present owners of the land abutting thereon in the same proportion and to the same extent as though the Public Alley right-of-way had been dedicated by a common law plat (as

distinguished from a statutory plat) and as though the fee of the Public Alley right-of-way had been acquired by the owner as part of the land abutting on the Public Alley right-of-way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR, BEING THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1.

That the portion of the Public Alley right-of-way shown on the plat of N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "A" at page 294 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, depicted a certain public alley 12.00' in width running east/west between Lots 10, 11, and 12 and Lots 16, 17, and 18 of the said N.W. Davis Second Addition, being more fully described immediately below, is hereby released, abandoned, and vacated upon the recording of a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois.

Beginning at the southwest corner of Lot 10 of N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, recorded in Plat Book "A" at page 294 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Champaign County, Illinois, said point being on the east Right-of-Way line of North Lynn Street; thence East along the north Right-of-Way line of the 12.0 feet wide platted alley 180.00 feet to the southeast corner of Lot 12 of said N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, said point being on the west line of a former north/south 12.0 feet wide alley vacated by Ordinance #8384-30; thence South along the west line of said vacated alley 12.00 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 18 of said N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana; thence west along the south Right-of-Way line of the 12.0 feet wide platted alley 180.00 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 16 of said N.W. Davis Second Addition to the City of Urbana, said point being on the east Right-of-Way line of North Lynn Street; thence North along the east Right-of-Way line of North Lynn Street 12.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.050 acre, more or less, and situated in the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois.

Section 2.

That the vacation of the above-described alley shall be subject to the condition that a perpetual easement upon said east/west alley is hereby reserved for and granted to the City of Urbana, Illinois, any public utilities, and their successors and assigns to construct, install, reconstruct, repair, remove, replace, inspect, maintain, and operate their facilities in, under, across, along, over, and upon the vacated alley, together with the right of access thereto for the personnel and equipment necessary and required for such uses and purposes and the right to cut, trim, or remove trees, bushes, and roots as may be reasonably required incidental to the rights herein given.

Section 3.

That the right-of-way herein vacated shall attach to and become a part of the parcel numbers identified by PIN: 91-21-09-355-011, 91-21-09-355-012, 91-21-09-355-013, 91-21-09-355-001, 91-21-09-355-002 and 91-21-09-355-003.

Section 4.

That the plat of vacation attached hereto is incorporated in this Ordinance by reference.

Section 5.

That the City Clerk is directed to record a certified copy of this ordinance.

This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote, the “ayes” and “nays” being called, of two-thirds of the corporate authorities then holding office (6 of 8 votes) of the City of Urbana, Illinois, at a duly noticed and convened meeting of the said corporate authorities.

PASSED BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES this _____ Day of _____,
2023.

AYES:

NAYS:

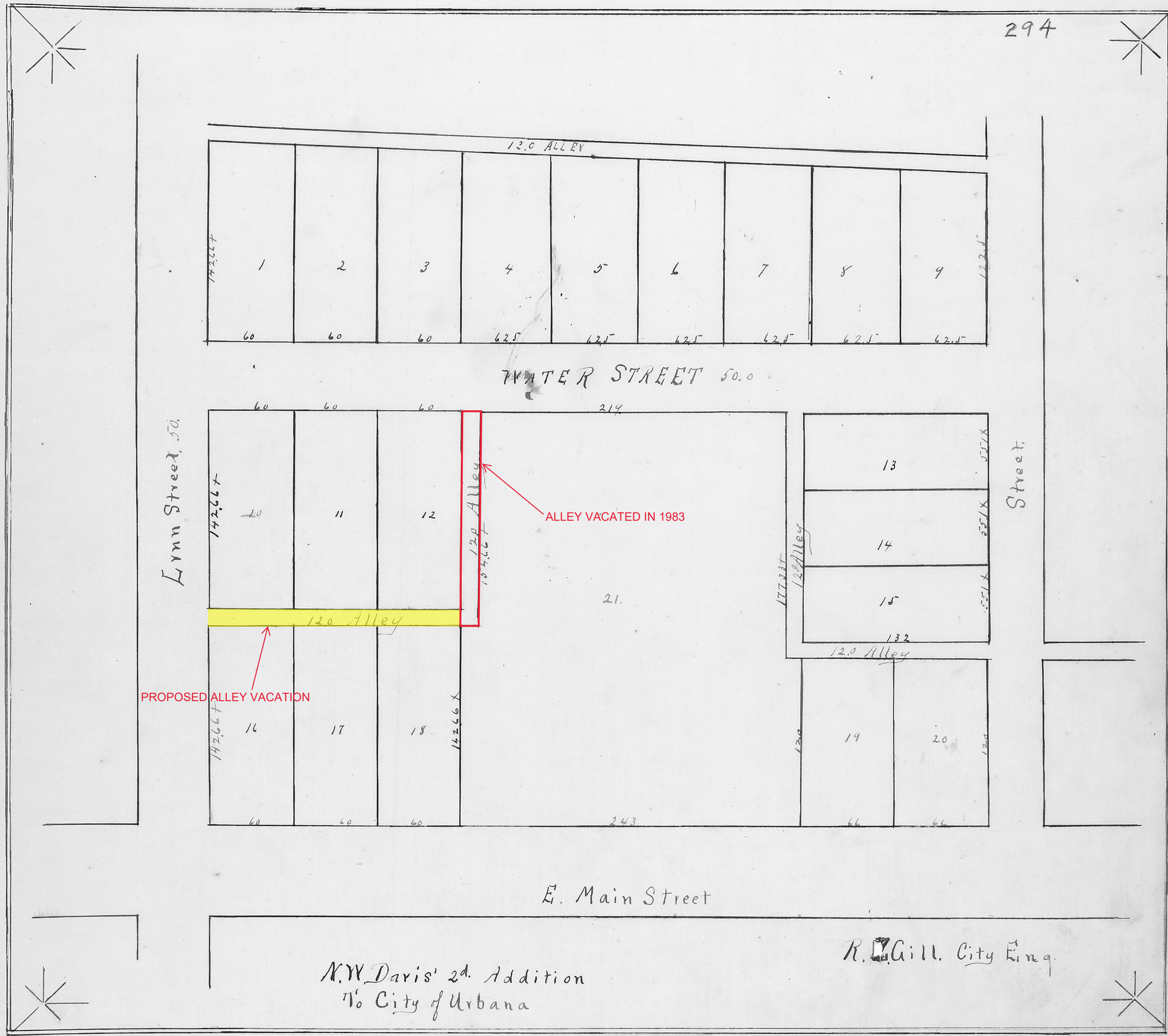
ABSTENTIONS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this _____ Day of _____, 2023.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

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N.W. Davis' 2d. Addition
to City of Urbana

R. Gill, City Eng.

For Description
See Page 292.

Urbana Ill.

Aug. 3. 1895.

I do hereby Certify that at the request of N. W. Davis, I Surveyed the plot of ground being a part of lot #8 lying South of Big 4. Railroad and East of N. W. Davis 1st Addition to City of Urbana. of a subdivision of the S. W. qd. of Sec. 9. Tp. 19. R. 9. as subdivided in partitions of Estate of Wm. P. Webber Dec. To be known as N. W. Davis 2nd Addition to the Urbana and further described as follows. Beginning at a stake at the S. W. Corner of lot on the Corner of Main and Lynn Streets and running South with Lynn Street 502 feet to the right of way of Big 4 Railroad. Thence S 87° 30' E 555 feet along the right of way of Big 4. Railroad to Street Thence South along the Street 481 1/2 feet to North Side of Main Street Thence West along Main Street 555 feet to the Beginning and subdivided it into lots, streets, and alleys of size as follows on the Plat of N. W. Davis 2d Addition to the City of Urbana.

R. J. Gill City Engineer

State of Illinois }
Champaign County }

Know all men by these presents that I Nathaniel W. Davis do hereby in conformity with the laws of the State of Illinois, lay off into lots streets and alleys the following described Real Estate viz. All that part of lot (8) Eight of a Subdivision of South West qd. of section Nine (9) Down (9) Nineteen A. R. Nine (9) East 3rd P. M. of the Estate of Wm. P. Webber de'd. according to the plat of the partitions of said Estate among the heirs of said Webber as made by the decree of the Circuit Court of said County Situated in said County according to the annexed plat and notes of the Surveyor And I the said N. W. Davis and Maud Davis his wife of the County aforesaid who joins for the purpose of relinquishing the dower do hereby release and convey to the Public forever the Streets and alleys as shown on said plat to be used as public Highways.

In Witness whereof we hereunto subscribe our names and affixed our seal this 3rd day of August A. D. 1895. Nathaniel W. Davis (seal)
Maud A. Davis (seal)

State of Illinois }
Champaign County }

I Wm. B. Webber Notary Public in and for said County do hereby certify that Nathaniel W. Davis and Maud Davis his wife personally known to me to be the persons who names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument of writing appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that they signed and delivered the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned. Given under my hand and seal this 3rd day of August 1895. W. B. Webber (seal)
Notary Public.

Approved Aug 3rd 1895.

G. W. Hubbard, Mayor.

Attest Aug. 3rd 1895.

C. B. Holmes

City Clerk.

Filed the 15th. of Aug. A. D. 1895. at 2 o'clock P. M.

W. G. Brown,

Recorder

City of Urbana, Illinois

Public Alley Vacation

We, the undersigned owners, petition to the City of Urbana and request vacation of the public alley right-of-way, as shown on the adjacent map.

We, the undersigned, also understand that an alley vacation is subject to City Council approval and would be subject to utility and public easements remaining within the subject vacated right-of-way.

NAME: Charlotte Aug Holdings
-Susan Norris
ADDRESS: 908 E. Main Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-020

PHONE _____


OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: 905 E. Water Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-003

PHONE: _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: 903 E. Water Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-002

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: 904 E. Main Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-012

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Urbana, IL 61802

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: 905 E. Water Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-003

PHONE: _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

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NAME: (No response)

ADDRESS: 903 E. Water Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-002

PHONE _____

OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

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NAME: (same)

ADDRESS: 904 E. Main Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-012

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NAME: Roberta Bennett

ADDRESS: 905 E. Water Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-003

PHONE: 309 525 1172


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ADDRESS: 904 E. Main Street

Urbana, IL 61802

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NAME: Alejandro and Simona Lleras Buetti

ADDRESS: 902 E. Main Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-011

PHONE: 217-722-0833


OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)


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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: 108 N. Lynn Street

Urbana, IL 61802

P.I.N.#: 91-21-09-355-001

PHONE: _____

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Please Return This Petition (With Signatures) To:

*Tim A. Cowan, P.E. – (217) 384-2335
Public Works Director
City of Urbana Public Works Department
706 Glover Avenue, Urbana, IL 61802-4427*

NAME: _____

NAME: JOHN & SHARYL BENZ

ADDRESS: 902 E. Main Street

ADDRESS: 108 N. Lynn Street

Urbana, IL 61802

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PHONE: _____

PHONE: (217) 721-6600

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Sharyl Benz
OWNER'S SIGNATURE(S)

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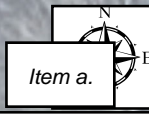
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903 E Water Street
MARTHA HILDRETH

91-21-09-355-003
905 E Water Street
ROBERTA S.B. WESTERMAN

907 E Water Street
91-21-09-355-004
AUDREY WELLS



1 inch = 30 feet

PROPOSED ALLEY VACATION
180' x 12' (2,160 SF)

N Lynn St

91-21-09-355-011
902 E Main Street
ALEJANDRO & SIMONA
LLERAS BUETTI

91-21-09-355-012
904 E Main Street
MARTHA HILDRETH

91-21-09-355-020
908 E Main Street
CHARLOTTE PUG HOLDINGS, LLC

91-21-09-355-015

- Legend**
- Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 1
 - Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 2
 - Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 3
 - Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 4
 - Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 5
 - Proposed Alley Vacation - Portion 6

E Main St

ATTACHMENT C PROPOSED ALLEY ROW VACATION MAP



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin and Members of the City Council

FROM: William A. Kolschowsky, Senior Management Analyst / Assistant to the City Administrator

DATE: February 16, 2023

RE: **A Resolution Adopting the ARPA Concept Plan Project List**

Summary

The Mayor and Urbana City Council have reviewed the applications submitted for ARPA funding. After reviewing project applications, presentations, federal regulations, and the [City of Urbana's ARPA Concept Plan](#), 25 projects have been selected to receive funds. The allocation awards \$9,949,343 in total.

The attached resolution approves a list of 25 projects for the City's ARPA funds. After the City adopts a project list, the City and sub-recipients will enter into contracts and intergovernmental agreements, with finalized dates, funding timelines, and project specific terms and conditions.

History

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the City of Urbana received \$12,970,000 through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ([SLFRF](#)). The purpose of these funds is to support state and local governments in their response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency. There are four broad categories in which these funds can be spent: 1) replace lost public sector revenue, 2) respond to the far-reaching public health and negative economic impacts of the pandemic, 3) provide premium pay for essential workers, and 4) invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

In order to solicit meaningful public input, draft a concept plan outlining desired outcomes, and monitor and report on uses of ARPA funds in a fiscally responsible, outcome-oriented manner, the City entered into a Project and Fiscal Management Agreement with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (RPC) in August of 2021. In conjunction with the City, the RPC developed the following ARPA process and timeline:

- Phase 1: Background Research and Synthesis of Priorities: Fall 2021-Spring 2022
- Phase 2: Develop a Concept Plan: Spring to Fall 2022
- Phase 3: Implementation: Fall 2022 – Spring 2027

Prompted by regulatory changes issued with the [Final Rule](#) for SLFRF funds, on [April 25, 2022](#), the City of Urbana elected to take a \$2.5 million, out of the allowable \$10 million, "Standard Allowance", to be used on governmental services.

The City of Urbana ARPA Concept Plan was adopted on [September 12, 2022](#). The Concept Plan adopted eight funding goals:

Public Health and Safety

1. Improve accessibility of public recreation space and youth programming.
2. Increase support for community violence interventions.

Adequate and Affordable Housing

3. Reduce housing costs for those that need it most.

Human Rights and Social Services

4. Increase availability and affordability of mental health services.
5. Increase availability and affordability of food.

Economic Recovery and Development

6. Increase job training and placement opportunities.
7. Provide relief and support for local businesses.

Sustainable Infrastructure

8. Invest in infrastructure to increase community health, safety, and future resilience.

Applications for projects that met the goals of the concept plan were solicited beginning on September 16, 2022 and the application period closed on November 16, 2022. A combination of City and RPC staff evaluated the proposals based of criteria set forth in the Concept Plan:

1. Does this funding application clearly address Urbana's ARPA Funding Goals, which were based on Urbana ARPA Public Input, the City Council Strategic Goals 2022-23, or other current City plans or projects?
2. Does this funding applicant address service and/or recovery gaps where funding is most needed and has the applicant demonstrated that they will not be duplicating existing services?
3. Is this funding application evidence-based and built upon best practices for the area of intervention?
4. Does this funding application prioritize historically underserved, marginalized, or disproportionately-impacted groups; sectors of the economy; or take place in a location of social vulnerability?
5. Has the applicant justified the expected costs for their project?
6. Will the awarded funds be sufficient to provide all of the described services, or does the applicant provide evidence of outside funding to meet the unmet needs from ARPA funds?
7. Is this funding application well-suited for a one-time investment that will provide measurable benefits over many years?
8. Does the funding applicant demonstrate clear capacity to provide the described services, either through internal capacity or through partnership with competent local entities?
9. Does the funding applicant demonstrate clear capacity to administer ARPA funds, either through internal capacity or through partnership with competent local entities?
10. Does this funding application demonstrate a commitment to data gathering, measurable impact, and compliance with the ongoing reporting requirements of the funding?

There were 46 applications that met the minimum qualifications; 41 from outside entities, requesting \$35.2 million and 5 projects submitted by the City, requesting \$3.8 million. After funds set aside for the RPC contract and Standard Allowance, the City has \$10,059,380 of unallocated ARPA funds. All applicants were invited to give project presentations to the City Council. City projects were presented on [December 12, 2022](#) and external agency applications presented at a special City Council meeting held over the following three days ([12/13](#), [12/14](#), and [12/15](#)).

The Mayor and City Council held a series of discussions ([12/19](#), [1/9](#), [1/17](#), [1/24](#), [2/6](#), and [2/13](#)) to review the submitted materials, reviewer scores, presentations, and how to best fulfil to goals of the Concept Plan. During these discussions, City Council first came to a general consensus on projects that most merited ARPA funding. Tentative allocation amounts for these projects were discussed until a general consensus for a funding level was achieved.

Project List and Funding Amounts

Figure 1 below shows the project name and awarded funding amount. Executive Summaries for the projects are also attached (**Attachment 2**). In total, \$9,949,343 is allocated to 25 projects. On average, each project was funded at 53% of the initial request.

Figure 1. Project List and Funding Amount

Organization & Project	Funding Amount
Urbana SD 116: Urbana School District Alternative Education	\$814,375
Urbana Park District: Urbana Park District Health & Wellness Center	\$2,000,000
City of Urbana: Sanitary Sewer Lateral Lining Pilot Program	\$1,296,000
The Urbana Free Library: Community Connections Youth Programming Specialist	\$173,596
City of Urbana: Urbana Roof Repair & Replacement Program	\$150,000
Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office: Bridge to Home: Filling Gaps in Local Homeless and Housing Services	\$658,838
Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center: Operation UNCC Boost	\$100,000
Eastern Illinois Foodbank: Electric Cargo Vans & Charging Station	\$79,000
Champaign County Health Care Consumers: Special Populations Outreach and Enrollment for Health, Food, and Housing Security	\$500,000
Champaign County Economic Development Corporation: COVID-19 Recovery: Urbana Small Business Microloan Fund (Justine PETERSEN)	\$250,000
Housing Authority of Champaign County, YouthBuild: YouthBuild: Bridging the Gap	\$350,000
University YMCA (New American Welcome Center): COVID-19 Recovery for Immigrant Communities	\$450,000
City of Urbana: Student, Family, Community Engagement Sponsorship	\$143,334
Red Herring Vegetarian Restaurant: Handmade Harvest; Healthy Meals for Families Facing Food Insecurity	\$10,000
Common Ground Food Co-op: Common Ground Food For All Food Accessibility Program	\$10,000
FirstFollowers: Urbana Community Peace Hub	\$79,000
Housing Authority of Champaign County: Steer Place Renovation Project	\$500,000
City of Champaign Township: Strides Low Barrier Shelter-70 E. Washington St. Champaign, IL 61820	\$750,000
Champaign County Environmental Stewards: Establish a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility	\$175,000
The Well Experience: Well Family Care Program	\$160,000
Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center: ACCESS IMC	\$75,000
Housing Authority of Champaign County: Affordable Housing - Single Room Occupancy Project	\$200,000
Sola Gratia Farm: Community Farm Expansion for Enhanced Sustainable Fresh Food Production, Engagement and Consumption	\$150,000
Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County: First-time home ownership counseling	\$22,500
Carle Foundation Hospital: Hope Village: A tiny homes community with intensive case management for chronically homeless and medically fragile homeless individuals	\$850,000

The selected projects address every Concept Plan goal. *Figure 2* below shows a general estimate for the amount of funding allocated to each goal. For the table below, projects could be included multiple times, if they significantly addressed multiple goals. Many of the projects addressed multiple goals, both directly and indirectly. While the type of projects, request size, and quality of applications substantially varied, the distribution of awarded funds is generally proportional to the total amount of funds requested for each goal by all projects.

Figure 2. Distribution of Funding by Concept Plan Goal *(Projects can be included more than once)*

Concept Plan Goal	Number of Projects and Funding Allocated to Projects that Significantly* Address Goal	
1. Improve accessibility of public recreation space and youth programming.	8	\$3,816,305
2. Increase support for community violence interventions.	6	\$3,546,909
3. Reduce housing costs for those that need it most.	9	\$4,083,838
4. Increase availability and affordability of mental health services.	5	\$2,339,200
5. Increase availability and affordability of food.	5	\$749,000
6. Increase job training and placement opportunities.	3	\$1,243,575
7. Provide relief and support to local businesses.	1	\$250,000
8. Invest in infrastructure to increase community health, safety, and future resilience.	6	\$5,885,375

**Significantly Address was generally defined as a major component of the ARPA request, proportional to the size of the request. Many organizations and projects included multiple goals to varying degrees, and the goals themselves have broad definitions. There is no single correct way to assign goal eligibility. Since projects could be included multiple times, the total figure exceeds \$9,949,343.*

Fiscal Impact

This resolution obligates \$9,949,343 of the City’s ARPA funds, subject to a forthcoming budget amendment. The City currently has \$10,059,380 in unallocated ARPA funds. Assuming all projects successfully enter into a contract with the City, \$110,037 ARPA funds remain unallocated.

Next Steps

After the project list is adopted, the City will enter into contracts with fund recipients. Prior to any funds being distributed, the City will need to adopt an ordinance amending the budget in the amount of the awarded funds. The budget amendment will be scheduled at the soonest practical date. Final contracts and intergovernmental agreements, with finalized dates, funding timelines, and project specific terms and conditions will be brought to City Council for approval as they are ready.

The remaining unallocated funds will need to be allocated by December 31, 2024. All ARPA funds are required to be spent by December 31, 2026. All award recipients will submit quarterly reports for the duration of their projects. RPC will monitor reports for federal and contract compliance. Any changes to project scope or reimbursement timelines will require approval, per the terms of the contracts.

Attachments

1. A Resolution Adopting the City of Urbana American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Concept Plan Project List
2. Project Executive Summaries

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF URBANA AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) CONCEPT PLAN PROJECT LIST

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana, classified as a metropolitan city with a population below 250,000, was awarded \$12.97 million in funds as part of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in March 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana entered into a Project and Fiscal Management Agreement with the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (RPC) in order to solicit meaningful public input, draft a concept plan outlining desired outcomes, and monitor and report on uses of ARPA funds in a fiscally responsible, outcome-oriented manner; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has adopted the Concept Plan, which contains eight Funding Goals for the remaining ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the Concept Plan and its Funding Goals represents the outcomes the City desires to achieve with ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana solicited for and received applications for projects that aim to achieve the Funding Goals of the Concept Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City reviewed and evaluated the applications, presentations and supplemental submittals and worked to determine the best way to achieve the Concept Plan Funding Goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, of the City of Urbana, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Urbana adopts the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Concept Plan Project List, approving the allocation of \$9,949,343 in ARPA funds to 25 projects in order to achieve the Funding Goals of the Concept Plan.

ARPA Concept Plan Project List

Organization & Project Name	Funding Amount
Urbana SD 116: Urbana School District Alternative Education	\$814,375
Urbana Park District: Urbana Park District Health & Wellness Center	\$2,000,000
City of Urbana: Sanitary Sewer Lateral Lining Pilot Program	\$1,296,000
The Urbana Free Library: Community Connections Youth Programming Specialist	\$173,596
City of Urbana: Urbana Roof Repair & Replacement Program	\$150,000
Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office: Bridge to Home: Filling Gaps in Local Homeless and Housing Services	\$658,838
Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center: Operation UNCC Boost	\$100,000
Eastern Illinois Foodbank: Electric Cargo Vans & Charging Station	\$79,000
Champaign County Health Care Consumers: Special Populations Outreach and Enrollment for Health, Food, and Housing Security	\$500,000
Champaign County Economic Development Corporation: COVID-19 Recovery: Urbana Small Business Microloan Fund (Justine PETERSEN)	\$250,000
Housing Authority of Champaign County, YouthBuild: YouthBuild: Bridging the Gap	\$350,000
University YMCA (New American Welcome Center): COVID-19 Recovery for Immigrant Communities	\$450,000
City of Urbana: Student, Family, Community Engagement Sponsorship	\$143,334
Red Herring Vegetarian Restaurant: Handmade Harvest; Healthy Meals for Families Facing Food Insecurity	\$10,000
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Carle Foundation Hospital: Hope Village: A tiny homes community with intensive case management for chronically homeless and medically fragile homeless individuals	\$850,000

Section 2. Each sub-recipient of ARPA funds shall enter into a contract with the City of Urbana that details the project dates, funding distribution timeline, performance standards, and additional

terms and conditions applicable to the individual project. All sub-recipients shall complete all reporting requirements set forth by ARPA regulations and the City of Urbana.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this Date day of Month, Year.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this Date day of Month, Year.

Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

Urbana School District Alternative Education Center (USDAC)

City of Urbana ARPA Executive Summary for Case ID 30286

Overview

Urbana School District is developing a restorative, therapeutic program alternative focusing on the whole child through an equity-centered wrap-around, social-emotional, trauma-informed service delivery model. ARPA funds will be designated for building renovations, repairs, and technology improvements to refurbish the alternative learning spaces to address the following City of Urbana ARPA Goals:

1. Improve accessibility of public recreation space and youth programming
2. Increase support for community violence interventions
3. Increase job training and placement opportunities

The Problem/Need

USD116 and the City of Urbana have seen firsthand the direct results of gun violence and its impact on our students, families, and community. This project will support our youth, deal with the root causes of gun violence, and find creative ways to repair the harm in our community. In December 2021, Urbana was identified by the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention as one of 15 Illinois municipalities with the greatest concentration of firearm violence victims. Based on shots fired maps from January 2021 to May 2022, our programming and violence prevention efforts will focus on students in the three most impacted areas: the ML King Neighborhood, Silver & Vawter/Yankee Ridge, and Lierman/Prairie/Dr. Preston Williams Jr. While our District focuses on programming for all students, ARPA-funded programming will focus on our students of color, with a greater emphasis on our African-American students who primarily make up these three neighborhoods.

The Solution

ARPA funds will support our alternative center as a pre-emptive restorative resource space for students in grades 6-12. We envision this space as a collaboration between USD116, the City, and community partners to enhance youth development and mitigate the academic and social skills lost during the pandemic through intervention and prevention. The focus is to prevent behaviors that require suspensions, both in-school and out-of-school, and future expulsions by substituting with these keys to success:

- Connections with mentors and building relationships with trusted adults
- Culturally responsive learning opportunities to develop a sense of belonging, a positive understanding of racial identity and self, and a strengthening of individual character and integrity
- Active engagement of students in Restorative Practices to grow their conflict resolution skills
- Employment training, job hiring with community businesses, financial literacy, and entrepreneurship
- Community service opportunities to build ownership, pride, and a sense of community belonging
- College and career readiness by completing interest inventories to develop successful post-high school plans and utilize non-traditional teaching methods for student success for middle and high schoolers

Funding and Sustainability

If awarded, ARPA funding will allow us to fully occupy the new alternative center space and make the building accessible and inviting to our youth. The funds requested are primarily one-time costs for renovating and remodeling the facility. The District is taking on the recurring costs of cleaning, security, utilities, maintenance, and basic upkeep of the building for years to come. We also cannot utilize other state and federal grants and other funding sources to remodel spaces not designated as actual school attendance centers (i.e., a traditional school building). The ARPA funds also ensure we have funding for future trauma intervention groups.

Once we have exhausted our ARPA fund allocations, we will assess our current success rates and evaluate the need to continue looking for other funding sources to maintain those most successful and impactful areas in improving student outcomes and refocusing students away from gun violence incidents in the community. We anticipate being able to promote many student and family success stories throughout these next three years!



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Urbana Park District Health & Wellness Center: ARPA Executive Summary

Key Project Information: The Urbana Park District’s Health & Wellness Center, located in Prairie Park on East Washington Street, aims to offer a welcoming and motivating environment that safely engages and benefits everyone in our community in their journey to better health and wellness. Essential public health and safety needs will be addressed through the construction of an indoor space including a multi-court gymnasium, elevated walking track, exercise equipment room (cardio equipment, weights, stretching space), and a community meeting and rental room. The 30,000 square foot Health & Wellness Center is projected to cost \$14.6 million and the Urbana Park District has already secured \$11.3 million in funding from a variety of sources including park district capital funds, state grants, and community donations. The donations and pledges at this time have risen to \$1.8 million, underscoring the immense support and need for this project.

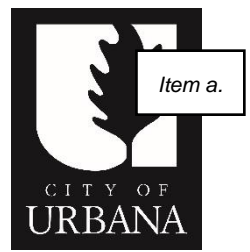
Community Need and Impact: Urbana does not have a comprehensive indoor public recreation facility which allows both programming and drop-in usage at this time. In developing the *Urbana Park District Strategic Plan 2020*, our community feedback indicated that a Health & Wellness Center was a high priority. Especially important to community members was a place with extended hours to support visits on their own time and will provide opportunities for all ages and abilities. Additionally, the 2022-2023 Mayor and City Council Strategic Goals place a high priority on funding and supporting partners working to promote the health and well-being of Urbana citizens.

Community engagement also indicated that Urbana has diverse needs and this project centers on all aspects of wellness: physical, social, intellectual, spiritual, emotional, environmental, financial, and occupational. Our current facility, Brookens Gym, already sees 60,000 visits per year without fully meeting park district or community needs. We anticipate doubling that number to over 120,000 at the new Health & Wellness Center, where we will better be able to expand our programming and better serve Urbana citizens. Furthermore, Urbana as a whole, and this neighborhood specifically, needs a safe, open, accessible, welcoming refuge for the neighborhoods negatively affected by violence. The Lierman Neighborhood contains the highest number of violent crimes in Urbana since 2010 at more than 800. The facility will also be adjacent to the largest elementary school campus and provide beneficial after school and evening programming for youth and teens, including job opportunities. The age demographics surrounding the project area are also uniquely diverse. The neighborhoods both north and south of Washington Street, have the highest percentage of population 65 and older (greater than 30%) and highest percentage of those under 18 (more than 40%) respectively. The facility will serve all ages and backgrounds.

The Health & Wellness Center will also provide important resources for other community organizations. One such partner is the Champaign-Urbana Trauma and Resiliency Initiative. Director, Karen Simms, shared the following experience in support of this project: “We believe that the facility would be used for training - trauma informed care, wellness, resilience, and equity for community members. We know that our families/survivors will use the facility. Urbana Park District has been a supportive, engaging, and proactive partner generously offering recreation and opportunities for youth & families impacted by community violence. We trust those partnerships will expand and grow as more resources are available.”

The Urbana community deserves a comprehensive Health & Wellness Center.

CITY OF URBANA
American Rescue Plan (ARPA)
Project Funding Executive Summary
Sanitary Sewer Lateral Lining Pilot Program



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

<i>Description:</i>	Provide sanitary sewer lateral lining for up to 144 sanitary sewer laterals (~1% of all laterals)		
<i>Location:</i>	Dr. Ellis Subdivision; infrastructure is age/condition appropriate and located within a Qualified Opportunity Zone and a HUD Qualifying Tract.		
<i>Budget:</i>	\$1,296,000	<i>Schedule:</i>	Completed in FY 2024 and FY 2025

BACKGROUND

Most private property owners lack a functional understanding about how the sanitary sewer collection system works and their responsibilities. The City and UCSD make public education efforts but the public generally remains uninformed. This program incentivizes making good long-term decisions for the infrastructure. Another major benefit of this program is that it would be implemented and administered by City staff with the right professional expertise to do so. The City has adopted sewer lining as a reliable, cost-effective, and proactive sewer rehabilitation method for decades and is interested in evaluating the feasibility and public support for extending this rehabilitation method into service laterals via a pilot program. By helping property owners to address issues proactively the hope is that we can help minimize costly, unplanned repairs for the private property owners while simultaneously improving the overall health of our collection system network.

BENEFITS

- Proactive rehabilitation
- Managed by staff with proper expertise
- Reduce potential for unforeseen critical failures
- Enhances connections to collector sewers
- Infiltration reduction simultaneously increasing reserve capacity
- Reduced electrical operating costs and demands on mechanical equipment at WWTP



WHAT WILL BE THE LASTING IMPACTS, AFTER THE ARPA FUNDS RUN OUT?

- Extended life & improved condition of sanitary sewer infrastructure
- Informed enhancements to existing rehabilitation/reimbursement programs
- Infiltration reduction providing permanent long-term system operation benefits

WHY WOULD THIS PROJECT BE THE BEST USE OF CITY ARPA FUNDS?

- Proven technology effectiveness
- Staff are well equipped to ensure successful implementation
- Proactively mitigates public health concerns and enhances future resilience of our sanitary sewer system
- Aligns with council infrastructure strategies from Mayor/Council Goals 2022-2023
- Pilot program of this scale may not be feasible without this funding

WHY ARE YOU CONFIDENT THAT YOU CAN USE THESE FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL GUIDELINES AND ACHIEVE DEMONSTRABLE RESULTS IN THE REQUIRED TIMELINE?

- City employs highly qualified professionals with the appropriate technical, logistical, and administrative skills to ensure its success
- Proven record of City staff implementing other programs with similar complexity and constraints
 - CDBG administration along with annual development and implementation of Capital Improvement Plan and Maintenance Programs

 **THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY**
Community Connections Youth Programming Specialist Executive Summary

Project Summary and Benefits:

The Urbana Free Library provides outreach and programming to support literacy, personal growth, and community and cultural engagement, which support lifelong success. The Library requests \$370,733 in ARPA grant funds to hire a full-time bilingual programming specialist through 2026 who will focus on youth programming and community outreach to provide long-term benefits, especially for youth who have been impacted by the pandemic. The specialist will be responsible for three to four youth programs or outreach events a week, totaling 150-200 events a year. Grant funds will pay wages and benefits. The impacted and disproportionately impacted groups that will benefit from this project are youth (birth-18), those living in areas identified as socially vulnerable, and immigrant youth who speak the same languages as the programming specialist. The programming specialist will increase the accessibility of youth programming by:

- Increasing the number of accessible youth programs. All of the Library’s programs are free and open to the public, and free programs are more accessible to the community.
- Seeking out programming and outreach opportunities in areas the City identified as socially vulnerable.
- Speaking English and either Spanish, French, or Chinese — three languages that are commonly spoken in this area. This will increase the accessibility of youth programs to non-English speakers by offering more programs in multiple languages.

Ability to Complete Project:

The Urbana Free Library has existed for almost 150 years and has provided youth programming for decades. Every year, the Library holds hundreds of programs on a wide variety of subjects attended by thousands of children, teens, and their caregivers. The Library has existing infrastructure in place to successfully create and promote youth programming, and has the ability to increase the accessibility of youth programming and outreach in multiple languages in Urbana with this project.

Measuring Success:

The project will follow federal guidelines and evaluate the project’s success by collecting data on:

- How many programs and outreach events the programming specialist runs or assists, breaking out the number held in socially vulnerable areas of Urbana.
- Event and outreach attendance.
- The number of community partners involved in those programs and outreach events.
- Satisfaction and feedback by asking attendees to fill out a program survey at least twice a year.
- The number of impacted and disproportionately impacted people reached. Attendees will be asked to fill out a self-reporting demographic survey with categories based on who the City and federal guidelines identified as impacted.

Continuing the Project After the ARPA Grant Ends:

The Library is committed to serving our community with this position. By the end of 2026, the Library will either reallocate the funds in its operating budget or obtain grants from The Foundation and/or The Friends of The Urbana Free Library to continue to fund the specialist position. The Library will also seek out grants from other sources to ensure that the position will be funded. The Library will continue to find additional funding sources until the position can be fully covered by the Library’s operating budget.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Grants Management Division

m e m o r a n d u m

TO: Mayor Diane Wolfe Marlin and City Council Members

FROM: Sheila Dodd, Manager, Interim Community Development Director

DATE: December 6, 2022

SUBJECT: Executive Summary: City of Urbana Roof Repair & Replacement ARPA Proposal

City of Urbana Community Development staff propose utilizing \$250,000 in ARPA funds to support a Roof Repair & Replacement program for low-income Urbana homeowners. The assistance provided through this proposal will greatly reduce housing costs for low-income Urbana residents and help those in need remain safely in their homes. Since 2021, staff have received more than 20 requests from Urbana residents for assistance repairing or replacing their roof. However, under current regulations, City staff are unable to use existing grant funds for larger home repair projects such as roof repairs or replacements. Furthermore, there are no roof repair or replacement assistance programs currently offered in Champaign County. As a result, this project will address a critical service gap in the community.

Based on data from previous housing rehabilitation programs, City staff estimate that the requested funding amount will support approximately 15 roof repair or replacement projects. Assistance will be targeted to low-income households at or below 80% of the area median income. City staff will verify income and assets of each client to ensure that assistance is exclusively benefitting low-income residents.

City of Urbana Community Development staff have extensive experience managing federal grant funds, including annual allocations of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. In addition, staff have successfully administered housing rehabilitation programs for many years. Staff's experience and expertise will ensure compliance will all federal requirements, and that all goals and deadlines are achieved.

This project will be the best use of City ARPA funds because it will directly reduce housing costs for low-income Urbana residents that need it most. Furthermore, this program will enable staff to meet a critical housing need that is not currently addressed by existing local services. The success of this program will be measured by the number of low-income Urbana households that receive assistance at the end of the program year.

Bridge to Home: Filling Gaps in Local Homeless & Housing Services



Cunningham Township Danielle Chynoweth, Supervisor

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Urbana ARPA request: \$1,199,452

Bridge to Home is the result of 5 years of work by CTSO to identify and fill gaps in local homelessness services. It meets the council goal of “reducing housing costs for those that need it most” by providing a continuum of housing and services for local residents experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity so they may access and maintain permanent housing.

Funds for expansion leverage 7 different funding sources and 13 partnerships to ensure CTSO can build capacity and sustain Bridge to Home long haul – saving lives and building strong, healthy families. (See Letters of Support or MOUs from USD 116, Housing Authority of Champaign County, City of Urbana, CU Public Health District, City of Champaign Township, CU at Home, Crisis Nursery, and others).

When fully funded, Bridge to Home will be provide a this continuum of successful services:

1. **Street Outreach** - to build trust with those who are still street homeless, after the opening of a 24/7 congregate shelter, and help them move to safety.
2. **School Outreach** - to ensure this program funded with COVID dollars can continue to provide a safety net for families, preventing homelessness as well as responding to it.
3. **Emergency Housing** - 12 units for literally homeless families and residents with disabilities and risk factors in congregate shelter, such as LGBTQ+ residents.
4. **Transitional Housing** - 12 units to support participants who need more time to achieve permanent stable housing – especially young parents, families with a disabled or medically fragile parent, parents re-entering from jail/prison, and immigrants.
5. **Rapid Rehousing/Rental Assistance** - providing 1-12 months of rental assistance to those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, including expanded support for families who are unstably housed to move into independent housing.
6. **Housing Navigation & Supportive Services** - to support residents from homelessness through emergency housing and, for those needing additional support (often due to trauma or disability) services to remain successfully housed.

Budget: This grant request is focused on the following. That said, we are open to working with funders on the areas that best meet their goals and funding criteria.

1. **Facilities Improvements/Costs** - \$280,874 for safety, accessibility and energy efficiency improvements.
2. **Personnel** - \$528,578 to support program expansion – we will sustain these after 4 years.
3. **Direct Financial Assistance** - \$390,000 in Rental Assistance to respond to COVID dislocations as well as support McKinney Vento homeless families with income to move into independent housing.

NOTE: Funding from ARPA \$ is important as HHI funds may not be used for short term rental assistance.



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**Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center:
Operation UNCC Boost Executive Summary**

I. What will be the lasting impact of this project, after ARPA funds run out?

Through this project, we are proposing much-needed maintenance and cosmetic upgrades or full replacement of our 3 vehicles. Our newest vehicle is a 2012 mini-bus and the oldest is a 2009 mini-bus. We also have a 13-passenger van. The oldest mini-bus operated with minimal issues for approximately 7 years, while in our possession. It is now inoperable. The van and mini-bus are in need of tune-ups, and the newer mini-bus that still operates could use a wheel alignment. Signage with our most recent logo added to the van and mini-bus would be very helpful for students and staff trying to identify us at our pick-up locations. We are also requesting funds to be utilized for the purchase and installation of an industrial fire sprinkler system. Once installed, this system would only require routine check-ups. My final request is for any remaining funds not expended on our vehicles and sprinkler system to be used for purchasing clothing, school supplies, hygiene products, and winter apparel for Mrs. Mitchell's Closet. This is a new initiative that has served upwards of 50 individuals and provided nearly 200 items between its two locations since its opening in October. Once ARPA funds run out at the commencement of the 4-year granting term, with proper inspections and maintenance, we will still be able to run an additional route to pick up more students, as we currently serve around 45, but at one time we were serving about 60 in our after-school program.

II. Why would this project be the best use of City ARPA funds?

As many of us are aware, having supervised, productive environments for youth to dwell in significantly decreases the likelihood of their gravitation towards violence, premature sexual activity, theft, and other idle or criminal activity. Granting us these funds would help us do just that.

III. Why are you confident that you can use these funds in accordance with federal guidelines and achieve demonstrable results in the required timeline?

Many of our grants do not cover transportation needs and getting outside contractors out to the center to inspect and/or repair our vehicles during the COVID shut-down was nearly an impossible task, which prolonged getting the timely attention they needed before becoming completely inoperable. Ensuring that we can provide safe, efficient transportation for youth directly from the schools to our facility aligns with federal ARPA goal- Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)-2.34. We would have another layer of protection in the areas surrounding the kitchen that would only require a 10-year inspection with likely no replacement during that timeframe. The items donated to families in Urbana are requested on nearly a day-to-day basis. Providing a child, teen, or parent with financial challenges some assistance with basic human needs helps to ensure that those other needs, such as academic achievement and development of positive self-concepts are attainable. Other considerable federal guidelines and demonstrable results we would achieve within the designated timeline are: Addressing Educational Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services 2.25 and Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care 2.11.



GRANT PROPOSAL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Proposed Initiative: Electric cargo vans and electric charging station

Statement of Need: According to Feeding America’s *Map the Meal Gap* study, at any given time, more than 100,000 people in eastern Illinois face food insecurity. Last year Eastern Illinois Foodbank (EIF) served nearly 25,000 people in Urbana alone. Overall, EIF distributed nearly 8 million pounds of food to more than 118,000 individual people serve last year to our entire service area, but we have experienced a 30% increase in the number of people seeking our services in recent months. It is imperative that we seek additional ways to meet the increased need, while also reducing our carbon footprint.

Goal: Funding from this grant would allow EIF to make transformational change to our local delivery and food rescue pickup model by adding two electric cargo vans to our fleet of vehicles, and an on-site EV charger, increasing both efficiency and sustainability.

Measurable Objectives: Two electric cargo vehicles would increase our food deliveries and pickups by 80 per week by operating in addition to our regular fleet schedule. More food being rescued and delivered to our partner agencies means more vulnerable populations in our community are getting the nutritious food they need.

Impact: Eastern Illinois Foodbank continues to strategically evolve to serve our community as efficiently as possible. The addition of two electric cargo vans to our fleet will have an immediate impact on our ability to pick up and deliver food resourcefully. As EIF strives to increase our fresh produce distribution, efficiency is critical to ensure that nutritious, perishable food does not go to waste.

Last year, EIF served 25,000 people in the City of Urbana, which represents 21% of all individuals served throughout our entire 18-county service area. The electric cargo vans will have a larger impact on our local pickup and deliveries, increasing our ability to travel into congested areas that are inaccessible by our large box trucks.

The electric cargo vans will also provide us energy independence at a time when fuel costs are high. One of our box trucks travels an average of 400 miles each week, resulting in more than \$300 in fuel expenses. Electric vehicles and an on-site electric charging station allow us to stay agile and respond to the needs of our neighbors resourcefully.

Applicant

Champaign County Health Care Consumers (CCHCC)

Title

Special Populations Outreach and Enrollment for Health, Food, and Housing Security

Problem

Not enough resources exist in Urbana to meet the needs of low-income seniors, low-income or no income people with disabilities, and immigrants. Public benefits that could significantly improve the lives of these special populations are grossly underutilized because people who could benefit from these programs do not know about them, and do not have the help they need to apply and qualify for these programs. For example, it is well documented that millions of older adults in the U.S. have trouble making ends meet, yet many do not realize that help is available through programs such as SNAP (food stamps), LIHEAP (energy assistance), Medicare Savings (which pays for Medicare premiums and co-pays), Medicare Extra Help (which pays for Part D prescription coverage), Medicaid, and SSI (disability program for low-income disabled individuals). <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/seniors-how-to-get-medicare-savings-snap-food-stamp-benefits-inflation/> Even a few hundred dollars in assistance on a monthly basis can make a huge difference for older adults living in poverty, and can reduce risk of housing insecurity.

Likewise, too many individuals with disabling conditions are unable to successfully make their way through the very difficult process of applying for disability benefits from Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Income (SSDI). These programs are notoriously difficult to apply for, and without knowledgeable and experienced assistance, many people simply give up and live in extreme poverty and/or become homeless. Many homeless individuals could successfully apply for SSI and/or SSDI with the proper assistance. Likewise, many formerly incarcerated individuals have significant disabilities and could benefit from SSI and/or SSDI. Individuals applying for SSI and/or SSDI are far more likely to successfully qualify for these programs if they can work with a knowledgeable and experienced advocate, and if they have the necessary medical documentation about their disabling conditions. As with the programs that benefit low-income older adults, SSI and SSDI are notoriously under-enrolled, with many more people who could qualify simply unable to get through the daunting application process. Sometimes, the very conditions that are causing the disability make it nearly impossible for the person to be able to get through the application process on their own.

Additionally, many immigrants in our community are low-income and cannot afford health insurance. Thankfully, the State of Illinois is in the forefront of making Medicaid coverage available to many immigrants, regardless of their immigration status. The State of Illinois has made Medicaid coverage available to children, seniors aged 65 and older, and most recently (this year!), for low-income immigrants aged 55 and over.

However, much more work is needed to reach these populations in Urbana, and specialized benefits navigators are needed to help with outreach and enrollment in public benefits for these populations.

Solution

CCHCC's proposed project for these special populations would substantially increase the human services resources available to assist these populations with enrolling in these public benefits programs. CCHCC is the only organization in the county that specializes in outreach and enrollment in a wide range of public benefit programs from health insurance enrollment, SNAP, to disability applications and more. But, while CCHCC has the experience and expertise, we do not have enough staff to meet the need in Urbana. By adding staff, we can help enroll more low-income seniors, immigrants, and people with disabling conditions in the various programs that can benefit them, and they will have health care coverage and access, food assistance, utility assistance, and monthly income in the forms of SSI and SSDI. This will improve their health and their financial lives, and help build more economic stability for these individuals, reducing the likelihood of housing insecurity and other adverse outcomes. Additionally, for people with disabilities who qualify for SSI or SSDI, new resources – including more affordable housing options – will be available to them because they will be “officially” deemed disabled.

COVID-19 Recovery: Urbana Small Business Microloan Fund (Justine PETERSEN)

Urbana ARPA Funding Goal addressed by this project: Provide relief and support for local businesses

OVERVIEW

The establishment of this Small Business Microloan Fund (via Justine PETERSEN, a U.S. Treasury-certified Community Development Financial Institution) will expand micro-enterprise and small business lending in Urbana, which will provide direct relief and support to local businesses. Justine PETERSEN is the #1 SBA microlender in Illinois, and they focus on three areas: **micro-enterprise and small business lending**, consumer lending and credit building, and housing and homeownership support. Justine PETERSEN serves existing and startup businesses and offers safe and affordable capital with the goal of graduating businesses or individuals back to mainstream finance. The establishment of this fund would be focused on supporting eligible businesses in Urbana, including home-based businesses.

THE ROLE OF A CDFI

The role of a U.S. Treasury-certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) is to expand economic opportunity in low-income and underserved communities by providing access to financial products and services for local residents and businesses, especially those not eligible for traditional lending. A CDFI does not currently exist in Champaign-Urbana, nor does a dedicated fund for microlending.

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) are lenders with a mission to provide fair, responsible financing to rural, urban, Native, and other communities that mainstream finance doesn't traditionally reach. Unlike traditional banks, CDFIs specialize in lending to individuals, organizations, and businesses in under-resourced communities, offering clients financial education, business coaching, and access to safe and affordable loans that increase economic potential and help build wealth. As borrowers repay their loans, CDFIs recycle money back into the community through new borrowers, multiplying the impact of each dollar on local economies. CDFIs are a proven model to create fair economic opportunity for all.

Justine PETERSEN provides wrap-around services to all of their borrowers to ensure they aren't only getting the capital they need but to provide counseling and support to reach their financial goals of small business capitalization, homeownership, and, ultimately, financial stability. Justine PETERSEN is committed to working with regional partners who also provide support services to small businesses. The Champaign County Economic Development Corporation and Illinois Small Business Development Center at Champaign County EDC are committed partners in this effort.

PROPOSED BUDGET

A range of funding options - \$175,000.00 to \$475,000.00 – has been submitted with this application. The suggested amounts are based on the establishment of similar programs in other markets (i.e. Springfield, IL) and what was approved by Champaign County.

Budget options and anticipated outcomes (estimated based on funding options):

- Option 1: \$475,000.00 total - 175-200 businesses served
- Option 2: \$325,000.00 total - 110-125 businesses served
- Option 3: \$250,000.00 total - 100-115 businesses served
- Option 4: \$175,000.00 total - 85-100 businesses served

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Executive Summary

Housing Authority of Champaign County YouthBuild: Bridging the Gap Project

YouthBuild is a community-based, pre-apprenticeship program designed to offer a unique second chance to young people. Our program is currently funded through the Department of Labor to serve 84 at-risk and disadvantaged youth between the ages of 16 and 24 who are high school dropouts, adjudicated youth, youth aging out of foster care, youth with disabilities, homeless youth, and other disconnected youth populations by providing basic education, occupational training, and leadership training while addressing several core issues important to low-income communities: affordable housing, education, employment, and leadership development. Students in our program earn an accredited High School diploma while also earning nationally recognized credentials in basic construction. Our program model is 50% classroom instruction and education, 40% hands-on instruction, and 10% leadership development.

During their tenure in the YouthBuild program participants also get the opportunity to earn the following certifications: Flaggers, Forklift, OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration), NCCER (National Center for Construction Education and Research), First Aid & CPR, Illinois Food Handlers Certification, Smart Money Financial Literacy Certification, Anger Management Certification, and a variety of other employment related certifications that make youth more marketable employees.

Since the inception of our program, Urbana youth have found difficulty accessing the services provided by YouthBuild due to the distance from their homes. This distance has not stopped the continued interest in the program as we have between 20-30 Urbana students on our waitlist at any given time. The proposed project is intended to expand the YouthBuild program by twenty additional youth who are exclusively Urbana residents. Under this proposal, youth will be serviced in the city of Urbana as opposed to our current location in Champaign.

We are requesting a total of \$400,000 in support of the YouthBuild Program. A proposed breakdown of services intended to be covered by this funding are below.

- **\$100,000** – We are requesting \$100,000 to secure a location in Urbana for approximately 18 months. The requested funds will go toward program site space rental/equipment, and general operations.
- **\$100,000** – The average cost of tuition for a YouthBuild student is \$10,000. The funds requested under this line item will cover a portion of tuition for 20 Urbana youth in partnership with the YouthBuild Coalition funds that were received earlier this year.
- **\$100,000** - Funding for two essential full-time staff positions (including fringe benefits) at Urbana site \$50,000 each (\$35,000 salary + \$15,000 fringe benefits).
- **\$50,000** - Supportive services for students in the program (transportation, childcare, counseling, etc.).
- **\$50,000** - post-secondary education certifications (application fees, transcripts, books, and tuition for 24- month certificates).



Executive Summary

COVID-19 Recovery for Immigrant Communities

University YMCA (New American Welcome Center)

Urbana ARPA Funding Goal: Reduce housing costs for those that need it most

Amount Requested: \$622,000 (7/1/2023 - 6/30/2026)

Contact: Gloria Yen, nawcgrants@universityymca.org, 217-790-7895

The Problem. The pandemic has had a disproportionate impact on immigrant communities in Urbana. At the University Y's New American Welcome Center, we continue to see needs fueled by lasting effects related to the pandemic, such as layoffs, reduced hours, medical debt from COVID-19 hospitalization, debilitating long-covid symptoms, and more. Around 60% of our clients earn less than \$1,000 a month, and approximately one-third (33%) of our clients are Urbana residents. They are below the poverty line, struggle with unemployment, have limited English proficiency, and reside in mobile homes and/or in crowded conditions and rental units.

Proposed Intervention. We will provide direct financial assistance for low-income residents in need of rental and utility assistance while continuing to build our capacity to increase access to affordable housing in collaboration with community partners. Through ARPA funding, the City of Urbana can meaningfully reduce housing cost burden, residential instability, and forced moves for its foreign-born residents (18.3% of population). Studies have shown the added benefits of increased food security, mental wellbeing, educational outcomes, workforce development, and safety that accompany stable housing conditions. Funding this project will further solidify the City's commitment to the implementation of the [Champaign County Welcoming Plan](#), an active framework for our shared pursuit of equitable access, civic engagement, economic opportunity, and safe and connected communities.

Immigrant-Centered Response. We provide holistic case management and service coordination for immigrants, refugees, and migrants in Urbana, and more broadly in Champaign County, regardless of legal status. Our community-responsive framework means that we effectively mobilize rapid response for emergency needs (e.g., COVID, Afghan arrivals), while simultaneously addressing ongoing needs that will continue to evolve (e.g., youth programming, housing insecurity, mental health access, small business relief, etc.). Our work is led largely by immigrants for immigrants – 8 out of 12 NAWC staff members are foreign-born. We have considerable experience – in service delivery and lived experience – in effectively administering direct assistance funds while addressing service gaps for immigrants by ensuring culturally and linguistically responsive services for our community's most vulnerable.

Administration. Funds will be jointly administered by the University Y's New American Welcome Center and The Refugee Center. Funds will support direct financial assistance (72.3%), personnel (19.3%), and administrative costs (8.4%). Both agencies are designated Illinois Welcoming Centers and have successful records of managing government and philanthropic funding at the local, state, and federal levels. Since the onset of the pandemic, the two agencies have distributed nearly 1M in direct assistance to immigrant families and have established processes for eligibility screenings and application assistance while offering a wide array of other wraparound support services.

Red Herring Vegetarian Restaurant

A food-justice program of the Channing-Murray Foundation

Handmade Harvest; Healthy Meals for Families Facing Food Insecurity

A proposal to **provide locally grown and prepared meals at no cost to food insecure residents during harvest season (summer 2023) via established food pantries and free produce markets.**

ARPA FUNDING GOALS: Increase availability and affordability of food Provide relief and support for local businesses Invest in infrastructure to increase community health, safety, and future resilience

Partnering with 3 well-established food distribution networks:

- **Friday Free Market** - Sola Gratia Farm & CUPHD
- **Mobile Market** - CU City Farms, Carle, Sola Gratia Farm, Prosperity Gardens, & CUPHD
- **Bucket Brigade Food Pantry Delivery** - Channing-Murray Foundation, Red Herring & Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office

Knowing the Need

1. **Markets:** These free produce markets (Mobile and Free Friday), distributing in low-income neighborhoods, have specifically requested ready-to-eat items to distribute alongside their free produce (thus providing food education & meal service)
2. **Food Pantry:** After running Bucket Brigade for 3 years and serving 4,677 extremely low-income recipients, 81% of families have indicated that they would like to receive fresh produce/prepared meals.

Deliverables/Metrics *Distributing 3 days a week, expecting an average of 60 meals each day, 12 weeks:*

- # of Meals Distributed
- # of People Served
- Pounds of local produce utilized
- Demographics of individuals served (Bucket Brigade) & neighborhoods served (Markets)

Budget - Total Request \$21,985 **~\$10 per meal**

- **61% Labor- \$15,360** (purchasing, preparing, and distributing)
- **32% Cost of Goods - \$8,100** (focusing on local wholesalers like Sola Gratia Farm)

Future Funding/Sustainability

ARPA funding will lay the groundwork for Red Herring to launch a pay-it-forward meal program year round; with every meal customers buy, they can buy one for their food insecure neighbor for the following summer.

**Common Ground Food Co-op Food For All Food Accessibility Program
City of Urbana ARPA Grant Application Executive Summary**

Item a.

Common Ground Food Co-op is a cooperatively-run grocery store owned by over 9,000 Champaign-Urbana neighbors. We focus on supporting the local food system, fostering conscious consumerism, and building a vibrant community. We are requesting ARPA funds to support our existing food accessibility and food discount program, Food For All, which provides a 10% discount on our entire produce section and grocery pantry staples to hundreds of local neighbors who are low-income and experiencing food insecurity. Common Ground also covers the full equity grant - a one-time \$60 investment - for Food For All members so they can receive all the additional benefits of Co-op ownership. In keeping with our mission, we want all of our customers to be able to access healthy and local food at an affordable price. We are invested in the future of our local food system and prioritize supporting regenerative agriculture practices, local farm infrastructure, and marketing local farms and businesses to our community.

We strongly believe that Food For All addresses two of the Urbana ARPA goals - to increase availability and affordability of food, and to provide relief and support for local businesses. In 2021, Common Ground sold over \$996,964 in local products which provided economic support to many small local businesses. By providing a reliable outlet for farmers to sell their produce and products, Common Ground is helping build infrastructure and increasing the availability of food grown locally, while our Food For All program increases the affordability and accessibility of this food.

In the past five years, we have seen significant increases in both the amount of new Food For All members, and the total dollar amount in discounts being used by those members. Both the equity component and the discount on produce and staple items allow individuals with limited food dollars to extend their budget and support our local food economy. The last few years have brought unprecedented challenges for both us and our customers. Climate change, supply chain disruption, and inflation have all impacted our sales. Additional funding would allow us to continue supporting and expanding Food For All without having to pull funds away from other important store needs (staffing, purchasing, maintenance, etc).

In addition to increases in Food For All membership, we have also seen a massive increase in the amount of EBT dollars being used at Common Ground. EBT usage grew 150% from 2020-2021. Many of our EBT users are already Food For All members, but additional funding would allow us to reach more people, stretching their food budget even further and encouraging them to shop with us rather than a larger chain, which in turn supports the local food economy.

Food For All is primarily supported through our Round Up For Good Program, but the money raised is not enough to keep up with the steady increase of members and discounts used in the program. We are requesting a total of \$45,000 in ARPA funding to be used over the next three years, 2023-2025. We would like to have the funds cushion the discount program because we know the need for food discounts will continue to grow, as proven by the 51.7% increase in Food For All Discount redemption in 2021 compared to 2020.

Common Ground has been an important institution in our local food economy for almost 50 years. Focusing on local and organic foods are very important facets of our mission and identity, and we want everyone to be able to afford them and experience their benefits. Food For All is the first step in that direction, and we are hopeful that we will be able to continue this program and help our neighbors purchase healthy food while keeping their dollars local.

FirstFollowers Community Peace Hub

FirstFollowers will use the ARPA funds to establish the first community peace hub in Champaign County. To be located near downtown Urbana, the hub will build off FirstFollowers' seven years of operating a wide range of programs targeted at people returning home from prison in Champaign County as well as emerging adults aged 18-24 who have had some involvement with the criminal justice system. However, we believe such services based in Urbana are long overdue. More recently, FirstFollowers has led the formation of H3, a coalition of twelve community organization who have been involved in anti-violence work in the community. The hub fits well into this anti-violence eco-system.

The hub will specialize in outreach and in reach. The outreach component will involve efforts by FirstFollowers' community navigators who will use the Hub as a base of operations to carry out education and training of impacted individuals in apartment complexes in Urbana where FirstFollowers has established a deep connection.

Operating from the hub, the navigators will contribute to bettering public health by offering workshops, peace circles and public education on issues relating to violence. We will offer economic opportunity, counseling support, and educational chances outside the classroom. The hub will also deliver reentry services targeted at women and families through our Hope for Women initiative. Built on the in-reach model and founded by two women impacted by incarceration, these service, under the title Hope for Women, will target women returning home from prison and jail and their families. Often overlooked, this cohort are potential key players in re-establishing peace in the community, as mothers, as parents and as mentors to young people, especially girls. In reach involves connecting to the women while they are still in incarcerated to lay the foundation for transition to the community. Since most people in women's prisons have parenting responsibilities, a key component of this would be provision of counseling and legal support for family reunification along with parenting skills. Upon release, these sessions would occur during drop-in hours at the hub or at times and places convenient to the participants. The Hub will distribute Welcome Home packages tailored to the needs of program participants. All packages would include some clothing provision, hygiene products (Including feminine hygiene) linens, hair products, notepads, pens. Depending on the individual, the packages could also include rental assistance, cellphones and bus passes.

The Community Peace Hub will become an Urbana-based focal point for anti-violence activities and a place for those impacted by violence to receive the support and services they need.

We request \$158,400 to establish and run this initiative for the first year and have contracted a marketing firm to build out a long-range funding strategy by tapping into our donor base and our connections with funding sources at state level. Reentry is a top priority for criminal justice funders and FirstFollowers is a leading presence in reentry work and anti-violence work in Central Illinois. Our reputation and the impact of this hub on our community will ensure us long term base of support.

Oscar Steer Place Renovation Executive Summary

Organization Overview

The Housing Authority of Champaign County (HACC) is a municipal corporation organized pursuant to the Illinois Housing Authority Act. The jurisdiction of HACC includes all incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County of Champaign, Illinois. The Housing authority is governed by a seven-member Board of Commissioners. HACC has been a champion in the affordable housing arena for over seven decades. As a Move to Work (MTW) agency, HACC employs cutting edge strategies to administer housing assistance programs, develop and/or redevelop housing communities, and engage individuals in self-sufficiency initiatives. HACC makes considerable efforts to ensure adequate housing for low income and very low-income housing families and individuals. This includes multifamily housing, single family housing, senior housing, veteran housing, housing for individuals experiencing disabilities, reentry housing, and a variety of other underserved populations.

Purpose

The primary goal we are addressing with the use of the ARPA funds is to reduce housing costs for those who need it most. HACC's nonprofit affiliate Oak Grove Development Corporation will use the funds to aid in the rehabilitation of Oscar Steer Place (Steer Place), a 108-unit, senior affordable housing project in Urbana IL. Originally constructed in 1973, Steer place needs significant improvements to remain a viable housing resource in the city of Urbana.

The rehabilitation will focus on providing structural upgrades, updating units, making the property more accessible, adding security features, improving the indoor air quality, and providing community spaces within the building to improve the quality of life existing and future tenants. The ARPA funds will ultimately preserve the affordable housing at Steer Place and protect Urbana's vulnerable Senior population. The renovation of Steer Place will not only help to sustain the development but will also reduce housing costs and increase health benefits for the tenants. A new roof will provide lower energy bills, while the removal of asbestos and a new air filtration system will decrease potential health hazards

In early 2022, the City of Champaign Township began discussions with staff at the City of Champaign as well as other local governments and nonprofits to address the overwhelming need for a 24/7 low barrier shelter in Champaign-Urbana. After extensive dialogue, the City of Champaign and City of Champaign Township entered into an intergovernmental agreement in which the City would fund, for a period of two years, the Township to operate a 24/7 low barrier shelter that would accommodate at least 50 men and 10 women.

City of Champaign Township

The City of Champaign Township has contributed significantly to the social service field and to those in need in Champaign County. The Township's general assistance, comprehensive emergency rental and mortgage assistance are just a few areas in which the Township has worked to address quality of life related issues. Additionally, the Township's CU at Work program, a nationally recognized program, provides homeless men and women an opportunity to work in the Township's Prosperity Gardens. This provided over 40 homeless men and women employment and 10 of those men and women permanent housing in the 2022 cohort alone. Additionally, the 1.5 acre urban farm provided thousands of pounds of fresh produce to the Beardsley Park neighborhood, Daily Bread, and the mobile market.

Strides Low Barrier Shelter

The Township purchased 70 E. Washington from CU at Home on December 2nd, 2022. The Township and CU at Home intend to implement a sheltering system in which CU at Home, through a mission change, will provide mid-level sheltering throughout Champaign and Urbana and the City of Champaign Township will open and operate a low barrier shelter at 70 E. Washington. The shelter will open in full operation on 12/12/2022 and will provide not only shelter but medical care, mental health care, comprehensive case management, safety personnel, as well as other services as needed. The shelter will also operate as a drop-in center and have laundry, basic need supplies, showers, and other services for those in Champaign County that need them. The shelter will be operated and staffed with a minimum of 2 case managers and 2 safety personnel as well as medical staff. Additionally, mental health services will be on site regularly to address client needs. During peak times Strides will be staffed with 3 case managers and 3 safety personnel to address higher demand. As noted, Strides fills a significant need in Champaign County to address homelessness.

The Need

The Township has hired 23 personnel to operate the shelter. Staff started on 11/21/22 and have been onboarding at the Township. The staff has been training on conflict resolution, mental health strategies, medical first aide, and usage of Narcan and other procedures. The shelter is funded in its entirety through December 31, 2024. As with all 24/7 operations, personnel costs are by far the most significant costs. The Township is pursuing additional funding from community partners such as other municipalities, nonprofits, and educational institutions, to extend operations of the shelter beyond 2024 and indefinitely. The Township's request for funding through this grant cycle, if funded in its entirety, would extend the shelter's 24/7 operations through December 31, 2026.



Champaign County Environmental Stewards

Executive Summary

CCES proposes to use the requested \$300,000 of City of Urbana ARPA funds toward capital costs to establish a household hazardous waste (HHW) collection facility in Champaign County.

A safe and secure HHW collection program at a convenient HHW collection facility, open year-round, part-time, can better protect the health and safety of our community. The CCES proposal to establish a HHW collection facility takes into consideration:

- The inherent risks of HHW in our homes and in our environment.
- Awareness that inadequate or improper management of HHW is a contamination threat to the Mahomet Aquifer, the primary source of drinking water for Champaign County.
- Why convenience is a key factor to consider in providing HHW collection option to residents.
- Results of the HHW collection survey that most residents prefer the convenience of a permanent HHW collection facility, one open part-time, and year-round.

CCES presents its funding strategy and preliminary budget for the CCES project to establish and operate a HHW collection facility. CCES plans to leverage Illinois EPA annually appropriated funds support to the new HHW collection facility to cover the transportation and processing costs of HHW collected.

To date, CCES has received \$650,000 toward capital costs to establish a HHW collection facility.

CCES is preparing to conduct a major broad-based community capital fundraising campaign that will be needed to raise the remaining funds of \$1,850K - \$2,350K for this project.

The CCES project to establish, operate, and maintain a HHW Collection Facility in Champaign County will help ensure a safe environment for our residents for years to come.

CCES History

In 2017, a task force led by Susan Monte at the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission held a series of meetings to explore a best path forward to address the long-standing need for convenient, safe, and environmentally responsible household hazardous waste (HHW) management options for residents of Champaign County and nearby counties. A key task force recommendation was to form a nonprofit organization to advance and support this effort.

The Special HHW Task Force identified the need to implement a regional solution to the problem as the most feasible, efficient, and sustainable solution.

The Champaign County Environmental Stewards formed as a nonprofit in April 2019 and received 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status in June 2019.

CCES Mission

- Support the ability of area citizens to responsibly manage materials by advancing improved local options for recycling, composting food scraps, and the safe and convenient disposal of household hazardous waste.
- Strive to facilitate local solutions for waste reduction, such as reduction of single-use plastics.
- Provide useful information and resources that assist citizens in these efforts.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Applicant: The Well Experience

Proposed Project: Well Family Care Program

In the four years The Well Experience (TWE) has been serving Urbana-Champaign communities, it has quickly become a vital support for families seeking healing and hope. TWE is 501(c)(3) community organization that provides services that heal, engage, restore and empower historically disadvantaged, marginalized, and oppressed populations in our communities, with focused support for women and children.

TWE has developed strong relationships and reputation with families in Urbana-Champaign and Rantoul communities. TWE focuses on helping, supporting, and challenging individuals of all ages to become their best selves by providing the resources, education, support, and services needed to promote sustainability, increase opportunities, and build resilience. TWE staff have been working with families who are considered to be in poverty according to the Federal Poverty Guidelines updated in 2022.

Through community partnerships and previous ARPA funding, TWE has provided services through the Well Family Care Program for the past three years. With families in Urbana already looking to TWE for support in a variety of areas, funding from the City of Urbana will allow the organization to continue and increase services, enhance the facility where we provide family services, and continue to provide financial assistance to families who need it most. The Well Experience is developing fundraising efforts and working with other funders to increase and extend funding over multiple years so family services will not end when ARPA funding has been exhausted.

Funding from the City of Urbana will assist the organization with the following:

- Increase mental health support by hiring additional mental health professionals to provide crisis management services, group and individual therapy, and wraparound support for families.
- Allow TWE to continue providing economic and financial assistance to families to help prevent homelessness and loss of utilities, provide transportation assistance, assist with food insecurities, and provide case management to help families develop plans to prevent recurrences of the same concerns.
- Enhance TWE's partnership with Urbana School District 116 to provide in-school programming and support services for students and families within the schools, and increase the number of schools where group and individual supports are provided.
- Enhance the quality of programming provided in the after-school and summer program by increasing program and mental health providers.
- Continue and enhance career development, financial literacy, and workforce readiness to families to help build sustainability.
- Enhance support for young mothers through the Moms Grow program, where mothers receive support with and for young children while learning skills to build a better life. This program includes home visiting support, transportation assistance for doctor's appointments, assistance with food, diapers, and other support as it relates to increasing the health of the mother and child.
- Improve the infrastructure to allow TWE to best serve clients in the community through enhancing the youth program facility, creating more office space within the building for group and private meetings, and enhancing youth and teen spaces for quality evening, weekend, and summer programming.

TWE has a well-established board and administrative team. Currently, TWE employs an Executive Director, Director of Operations, five Well Family Care Outreach Workers, two Parent Mentor Coordinators, 14 Youth Development Leaders, three Social Workers, two Interns, a Program Assistant, Receptionist, Bookkeeper, and Custodian. TWE has the current capacity, experience, and ability to successfully manage programs funded by the City of Urbana and other funders.

ACCESS IMC Grant Proposal

Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center
 Executive Summary, City of Urbana ARPA Grant 2022

Amount requested: \$149,930

Project Description:

ACCESS IMC will add an enclosed community meeting space with A/V technology and a kitchenette and will also fund key safety and accessibility improvements. In line with existing IMC policies, these spaces will be available for free or at cost to residents and visitors of Urbana through its easy online, phone, or in person reservation process. ACCESS IMC will prioritize space for youth programming and anticipate youth users in the design by including key features like media-sharing tools, food preparation space and access for youth with disabilities.

Demonstrated Need:

ACCESS IMC was designed in response to high community demand for event and meeting space in downtown Urbana. One IMC member and community event organizer said, “I love everything about the IMC!” but said she sometimes goes elsewhere because we have only a single accessible bathroom. Urbana Free Library staff said they would refer patrons if we had meeting space because they cannot accommodate private events, celebrations with food, events with sales, and they are often at capacity for use of their meeting and study rooms. Additionally, we can provide meeting space at affordable rates because of our unique financial model. While the Urbana Park District provides spaces for \$50-75 per hours with \$100-200 deposit, we charge \$0-40 per hour for rentals, depending on the time of day, ability to pay, and the type of event, with no deposit for most events under 20 people.

Spending Overview:

Sub-project	Description	Amount
Meeting Space w/ Kitchenette	Constructs an enclosed community meeting space with furniture, food-preparation area and accessible technology for hybrid meetings	\$36,820
Accessible Bathrooms & Entrances	Adds second accessible bathroom on main floor and widens egress for ramp entrance	\$25,100
Building Safety	Covers asbestos flooring in basement	\$20,130
Outreach	Launches community meeting space with key personnel support to get the word out	\$54,250
Administration	Supports grant management personnel time and associated costs	\$13,630
Total		\$149,930

Affordable Housing – Single Room Occupancy Project

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Overview

Established in 1943, the Housing Authority of Champaign County (HACC) has been a champion in the affordable housing arena for over seven decades. As a Move to Work (MTW) agency, HACC employs cutting edge strategies to administer housing assistance programs, develop and/or redevelop housing communities, and engage individuals in self-sufficiency initiatives.

HACC will utilize ARPA funds to reduce housing costs for those that need it most. This will be accomplished by investing in a single room occupancy project for acquisition and renovation. The project will provide 40-60 non-age restrictive long-term, safe and affordable housing units for individuals and/or families that are housing insecure.

The Problem

Although temporary housing assistance exist locally for individuals and families that are housing insecure, homeless or at-risk of homelessness, there is a need for permanent and affordable housing.

In the spring of 2022, HACC opened its waiting list for the Housing Choice Voucher program. The waiting list was opened for two weeks but drew in over 5,000 applicants, only 1200 of which were retained. This data demonstrates the community-wide need for affordable housing, especially with the cost of living on the rise since the start of the pandemic. Of those on HACC's current waiting list, almost 600 of them reside in Urbana.

HACC services all segments of the low-to-moderate income population in Champaign County and in 2021, over 2,200 households and 5,000 individuals were assisted through our various rental assistance programs. Of those households, 83% are black, 30% are disabled and 86% are extremely low-income (at or below 30% of the AMI). HACC participants are comprised of veterans, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and the working poor. HACC's participant demographics are reflective of the Urbana population most in need of affordable housing and this project will allow us to help meet that need.

The Solution

The Single Room Occupancy Project will help fill in the gap for permanent, affordable housing that is needed in our community. This project will increase the number of affordable housing units by 40-60 in Urbana providing at least 40 households with affordable, permanent and safe housing. HACC will also provide subsidies for each unit to maintain its affordability and provide long-term housing security for the individuals that need it most.

Additionally, supportive services and self-sufficiency activities will be made available to participants in this program. HACC will collaborate with the City of Urbana and the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission to execute this project.

Keys to Success

HACC's innovative approach, development experience and administrative capabilities demonstrate how our project will be effective in addressing the ARPA Funding Goal of lowering the cost of housing for those that need it most. In the past five years alone, HACC has invested \$100 million in the construction of affordable housing developments; five of which will generate 174 additional units of affordable housing. HACC currently manages 853 units of affordable housing and is responsible for the development and management of 16 local affordable housing communities.

HACC has the personnel, experience and knowledge to successfully implement the Single Room Occupancy Project and partnering with the City of Urbana and the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission will provide additional expertise and resources to ensure all metrics of the project are accomplished.



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Project Title: “Community Farm Expansion for Enhanced Sustainable Fresh Food Production, Engagement and Consumption”

Requested Amount: \$750,000

Project timeline: 1/2023 - 12/2024

Primary Contact: Traci Barkley, Director of Sola Gratia Farm

In order to continue to serve and respond to our community’s fresh food needs and participate effectively and efficiently in innovative community partnerships, Sola Gratia Farm needs to invest in the next iteration of our community farm. All 15 acres we farm are leased, with five acres at Mumford/Philo recently sold to the City of Urbana and another 6 acres at Colorado/Philo to be developed at some point. We have secured funds and contracted to purchase 29 acres of adjacent land and began development in mid-2022. Investment in this farm expansion will allow the farm to be sustainable for at least another 20 years and will address the following goals of Urbana’s ARPA Concept Plan:

- Increase availability and affordability of food. Will support sustained sales (CSA, retail and wholesale) and food donations (>15,000 lbs/yr). Will expand offerings with investment in additional crops including perennial fruits and nuts, increasing revenue stream, diversifying offerings and addressing food insecurity;
- Invest in infrastructure to increase community health, safety and future resilience. Will secure long-term financial sustainability, support lasting relationships with 25+ partners (donation, resource/skill-sharing, and educational), and support long-term ecological sustainability as proper investments allow mitigated and improved climate change resiliency.
- Increase job training and placement opportunities. We employ 15-20 people and serve as a job training/work site for at-risk youth from Cunningham Children's Home, the Youth Employment Service (YES) program, HACC YouthBuild and DREAAM, developing skills in food production, processing, sales, marketing, community service and education.
- Improve accessibility of public recreation space and youth programming. Allows expansion of educational programming including targeted demonstration, skills training and development, and onsite outreach/education and events. Our outreach/educational work engages 500-700 people yearly.

SGF is requesting support from the ARPA Program to cover approximately 30% of project infrastructure expenses. Funds secured to date are sufficient to purchase the land, install a well, prepare the site for access, parking, and utilities and construction of a storage building for our farm equipment and supplies. These investments allow us to start production on the new land in 2023. Securing the remainder of the project funds will allow for us to complete construction and furnishing of a new wash/pack facility and office building, install a greenhouse and high tunnel, invest in perennial plantings, and redevelop our original four acres to an educational/demonstration farm. Sustainability is a primary goal of this project and will allow expanded service to our food-insecure neighbors. We are requesting infrastructure funding as a one-time request, rather than on-going operational funding. Investment in the expanded blueprint of the farm will allow for strategic expansion and continuation for at least another 20 years of a proven business, service and organizational model.

Executive Summary

Introduction

Rent payments overburden those living in Champaign County with over 50% of renters paying rent so high that they cannot afford other necessities. Homeownership helps reduce this burden for low-income families and creates an environment for increased success in school, better health outcomes, less reliance on public assistance, and increased community involvement.

Issue

For many potential low-income homeowners, the dream of homeownership is out of reach. Homeownership, more specifically homeownership counseling, provides the vital piece for low-income individuals to develop the skills and knowledge needed to transform their lives through housing. Habitat focuses on individuals below 60% of the area median income with a specific emphasis on closing the racial ownership gap. In Champaign County, 62% of white families own homes but only 28% of black families own homes.

Solution

As the only HUD-certified housing counseling agency in the county, the Habitat counseling program allows us to assist low-income Urbana residents that are interested in becoming first time homebuyers. The HUD housing counseling session provided will help qualify the potential homeowner for down payment assistance that would not be available otherwise. In addition, the HUD certification that Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County maintains has allowed us to assist numerous Urbana residents who needed rental and mortgage assistance over the last year. We were able to serve over 200 residents in Champaign County that had the potential for eviction or foreclosure--demonstrating that counseling serves a preventative measure as well.

Evidence

Since 2006, Habitat has built 124 homes with two homes under construction in Urbana currently. A component of the home building program is a free financial education program focused on low-income, first-time homeownership in Champaign County. The program gives individuals access to resources like down payment assistance, and the support needed to make sound decisions to achieve and sustain financial security. It is about reaching financial goals to build financial health, build wealth, and ensure permanent housing stability. Habitat serves over one hundred families a year through the program; it is free to anyone living in Champaign County.

Cost

- We are requesting funds for the Pre and Post Purchase Housing Counseling and Affordable Home Ownership Workshops. This includes a series of ten group courses and one-on-one counseling when warranted.
- Our request does consider the partial funding for the program that we receive from the United Way, PNC foundation, and the CRG banking consortium.
- In total, we would need an additional \$50,000 to fund the program for one year. If funds are not awarded to Habitat, we would have to use private donations to fund the program, taking away from our house builds and low-income homeownership in Urbana.

ARPA Urbana Executive Summary

Title

Hope Village: A tiny homes community with intensive case management for chronically homeless and medically fragile homeless individuals

Collaborators

Champaign County Health Care Consumers, The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and Carle Foundation Hospital

Problem

Chronically homeless as well as medically fragile homeless individuals have often **exhausted their housing options bringing significant problems finding safe, reliable, and accessible housing**. These individuals have unmet needs straining social services, health care, and the criminal justice system. They also frequently have co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders, as well as trauma from homelessness and/or incarceration. These behavioral health issues make it harder to address physical health issues and to adjust to traditional residences and apartment living. Often, when transitioning into more traditional housing, individuals can experience significant anxiety and feelings of isolation. Many violate apartment living rules by failing to pay rent, being noisy, engaging in ongoing substance abuse, having too many visitors, or letting other homeless friends stay with them. Those Hope Village will support are often discriminated against because of criminal backgrounds, source of rental payment, poor credit, and poor rental history. Therefore, it is imperative to ensure that these chronically homeless and medically fragile individuals have access to housing that is equipped with the resources needed to succeed with permanent housing.

Vision

The vision of Hope Village is to improve Urbana's housing system for those suffering from both chronically and medically fragile homelessness through coordinated and intensive case management, healthcare support, and residence in a tiny homes community.

Solution

We propose to create a community-centric village of 30 homes for individuals struggling with homelessness. Hope Village ('Village') is a solution to a societal problem, designed for chronically homeless and medically fragile homeless individuals. Residents would receive: 1) non-congregate transitional or permanent supportive housing, 2) along with intensive case management provided by Champaign County Health Care Consumers staff (CCHCC), and 3) access to a network of supportive organizations to improve physical and mental health. The Village is intended for those for whom our housing safety-net system has not worked. Hope Village seeks to improve housing and create community for those who have run out of options. Qualifying individuals for Village residency would be those who have exhausted their housing options in Urbana. This model is built on a '**community and housing first**' framework by providing intensive and coordinated case management as well as a clean, safe, and supportive living environment with ease of access to kitchen space, a community center and garden, as well as a mobile medical unit.

Definitions:

"Abortion" means the termination of a pregnancy for purposes other than producing a live birth. "Abortion" includes, but is not limited to, a termination of a pregnancy using pharmacological agents.

"Advertising device" means any object, person, or animal, including but not limited to billboards, signs, notices, posters, displays, structures, or parts thereof, landscaping, or other devices, situated outdoors or indoors, that is intended to advertise, identify, display, or direct attention to an object, person, institution, organization, business, product, service, event, or location by any means, including words, letters, figures, design, symbol, fixtures, colors, illumination or projected images or any means by which an institution seeks to communicate its products or services to consumers, including but not limited to: newspapers, mail, signs, billboards, and through any online outlet in the form of apps, websites, etc.

"Client" means an individual who is inquiring about or seeking services at a pregnancy services center.

"Clinical laboratory services" means the microbiological, serological, chemical, hematological, biophysical, cytological or pathological examination of materials derived from the human body for the purpose of obtaining information for the diagnosis, prevention or treatment of disease or the assessment of a health condition.

"Crisis pregnancy center" (aka "Limited services pregnancy center", "CPC", or "LPRC") means a pregnancy services center that does not directly provide, or provide referrals for, abortions or emergency contraception.

"Emergency contraception" means one or more prescription drugs (1) used separately or in combination, (a) to prevent pregnancy, (b) when administered to or self-administered by a patient, (c) within a medically recommended amount of time after sexual intercourse; (2) dispensed for that purpose in accordance with professional standards of practice.

"Health information" means any oral or written information in any form or medium that relates to health insurance or the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of a client.

"Pregnancy-related service" means any medical or health counseling service related to pregnancy or pregnancy prevention, including, but not limited to, contraception and contraceptive counseling, pregnancy testing, pregnancy diagnosis, pregnancy options counseling, obstetric ultrasound, obstetric sonogram and prenatal care.

"Pregnancy services center" means a facility, licensed or otherwise, and including mobile facilities, the primary purpose of which is to provide services to individuals who are or who may be pregnant, that either (1) offers obstetric ultrasounds, obstetric sonograms, and/or prenatal care to pregnant individuals or (2) offers counseling regarding pregnancy-related decisions or (3) has the appearance of a medical facility. A pregnancy services center has the appearance of a medical facility if two or more of the following factors are present:

1. The facility offers pregnancy testing and/or pregnancy diagnosis;
2. The facility has staff or volunteers who wear medical attire or uniforms;
3. The facility contains one or more examination tables;
4. The facility contains a private or semi-private room or area containing supplies and/or medical instruments;

5. The facility has staff or volunteers who collect health information from clients; or
6. The facility is located on the same premises as a state-licensed medical facility or provider or shares facility space with a state-licensed medical provider.

"Premises" means land and improvements or appurtenances or any part thereof.

"Prenatal care" means services consisting of a physical examination, pelvic examination or clinical laboratory services provided to a client during pregnancy.

Operation requirements:

- A. When possessing no staff who are medically licensed, crisis pregnancy centers are required to post signage in their waiting rooms and exam rooms that the staff providing pregnancy-related services are not medically licensed.
 - a. Unlicensed limited services pregnancy facilities shall disseminate to clients on site, and in any print and digital advertising materials including Internet websites, the following notice: "This facility is not licensed as a medical facility by the state of Illinois and has no licensed medical provider who provides or directly supervises the provision of services."
 - i. The notice distributed on site shall be provided in English, Spanish, Chinese, and French. If any advertising materials are in a language other than one of these, this notice shall be provided in the same language.
 - ii. The onsite notice shall be a sign at least 11 inches by 17 inches and written in no less than 80-point type, and shall be posted conspicuously at the entrance of the facility and in at least one additional area where clients wait to receive services.
 - b. Limited services pregnancy facilities providing counseling given by individuals who are not licensed mental health professionals or social workers shall disseminate to clients on site, and in any print and digital advertising including Internet websites, the following notice: "The counselors at this facility are not licensed to practice mental health care or social work in the state of Illinois."
 - i. The notice distributed on site shall be provided in English, Spanish, Chinese, and French. If any advertising materials are in a language other than one of these, this notice shall be provided in the same language.
 - ii. The onsite notice shall be a sign at least 11 inches by 17 inches and written in no less than 80-point type, and shall be posted conspicuously at the entrance of the facility and in at least one additional area where clients wait to receive services.
 - c. When not required by HIPAA or other laws to keep client health information confidential, the facility shall disseminate to clients on site, and in any print and digital advertising including Internet websites, the following notice: "This facility is not covered by HIPAA and may share client health information with third parties."
 - i. The notice distributed on site shall be provided in English, Spanish, Chinese, and French. If any advertising materials are in a language other than one of these, this notice shall be provided in the same language.
 - ii. The onsite notice shall be a sign at least 11 inches by 17 inches and written in no less than 80-point type, and shall be posted conspicuously at the entrance of the facility and in at least one additional area where clients wait to receive services.
- B. Centers are required to provide the disclaimer outlined in Point A on any statements, concerning any pregnancy-related service or the provision of any pregnancy-related

service, that they make or disseminate to the Urbana public or to the public anywhere from the City of Urbana, in any newspaper or other publication, or any advertising device or in any other manner or means whatever, including over the Internet.

- C. No crisis pregnancy center, with intent directly or indirectly, to perform a pregnancy-related service, shall make or disseminate, or cause to be made or disseminated before the Urbana public or before the the public anywhere from the City of Urbana, in any newspaper or other publication, or any advertising device or in any other manner or means whatever, including over the Internet, any statement concerning any pregnancy-related service or the provision of any pregnancy-related service which is a) untrue or misleading, whether by statement or omission, that the center knows or which by the exercise of reasonable care should know to be untrue or misleading or b) part of a plan or scheme with the intent not to perform the services expressly or impliedly offered, as advertised.

Enforcement:

The CPC will incur an initial fine of \$500. If after ten days, the CPC is still found in violation of this ordinance, the center will incur a fine of \$1000, each day, until they operate in accordance with the ordinance. If the CPC is found to have committed a separate violation of the ordinance, they will be fined \$1000 initially and if after ten days, are still in violation of this ordinance, will incur a fine of \$1500, each day, until they correct their operations.