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Public invited to apply, offer feedback on spending plan for federal funds

Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II invites members of the public to review and offer feedback on a federal grant allocation proposal that the City of Milwaukee will be submitting to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The **Year 2016 Proposed Funding Allocation Plan** is available for review at the city's Community Development Grants Administration (CDGA) website, milwaukee.gov/CDBG. Members of the public can offer their feedback in writing, or in **two public hearings**—from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, July 7** at the James Madison Academic Campus (8135 W. Florist Ave.), and from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 8** at Bradley Tech (700 S. 4th St.).

“These proposals will help determine the city’s plan for spending millions of dollars in federal aid, and establish broader strategies to combat blight, reduce crime, improve housing and address urgent needs in the community,” said Alderman Stamper, who serves on the Common Council’s Community and Economic Development Committee. “Public input is key to making sure that these priorities adequately address the needs of our city.”

The funding allocation plan lays out specific spending strategies for a variety of federal grants in areas including community development, employment services, youth services, economic development and community organizing. Alderman Stamper said that qualifying nonprofit organizations that target high-poverty areas should contact the CDGA in order to apply for a share of the funding.

“I would encourage nonprofit leaders and members of the community who have an interest in improving neighborhoods to attend one of the meetings tonight or tomorrow,” said **Alderman Joe Davis, Sr.**, chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee. “When we band together as a community, we can create positive change.”

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