Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 9/24/2013 Reference No.: CR-091-2013

Draft No.:

Proposer(s): County Executive

Sponsor(s): Franklin, Harrison, Patterson, Davis, Turner, Toles

Item Title: A Resolution concerning the State of Maryland Neighborhood and

Community Assistance Program for the purpose of approving the project to be submitted by Legal Aid Bureau Inc., to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program

Effective Date:

Drafter: Amber Hendricks, Office of the County Executive Resource

Amber Hendricks, Office of the County Executive Personnel:

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Executive **Date Presented:** 10/8/2013 S Action:

Committee 9/10/2013 - THE

Referral:

Committee 9/19/2013 - FAV

Action:

Date 9/10/2013 **Introduced:**

Public Hearing:

Council Action

9/24/2013 - ADOPTED **(1)**

Council Votes: WC:A, DLD:A, MRF:A, AH:A, ML:A, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A

Pass/Fail:

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee

Date 9/19/2013

September 19, 2013

Committee Vote: Favorable, 3-0 (In favor: Council Members Davis, Olson and Turner)

Staff provided a summary of the resolution and referral comments that were received. CR-91-2013 concerns the State of Maryland Neighborhood and Community Assistance Program for the purpose of expressing approval of the project submitted by Legal Aid Bureau, Inc., to provide free legal assistance to low-income residents facing eviction and foreclosure in Baltimore City, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for participation in the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program.

Denise McCain, with the Legal Aid Bureau, provided testimony in support of the resolution seeking \$50,000 in tax credits to provide additional staffing and operational support for its Housing Crisis Legal Assistance Project for low income residents at risk of losing affordable housing due to eviction or foreclosure in Baltimore City, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties.

Ms. Lisa Jackson, Office of the County Executive, spoke in support of the resolution.

The Office of Law determined that CR-91-2013 was in proper legislative form and without legal impediments to its adoption.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be no adverse fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-91-2012

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

Legal Aid Bureau, Inc., a nonprofit organization based in Baltimore, Maryland, is applying to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for approval of the Housing Crisis Legal Assistance Project for participation in the Community Investment Tax Credit Program. The Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. is seeking tax credit allocations in the amount of \$50,000.00 to support its efforts to provide free legal assistance to low-income residents who are at-risk of losing their affordable housing due to eviction or foreclosure in Baltimore City, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties in targeted Priority Funding areas. The State of Maryland requires local legislative support for participation in the Program.

INCLUSION FILES.			
CODE INDEX TOPICS:			