

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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**Meeting Date:** 6/10/2003

**Reference No.:** CR-20-2003

**Proposer:** County Executive

**Draft No.:** 3

**Sponsors:** Shapiro, Harrington

**Item Title:** A Resolution approving and adopting the FY 2004  
Housing and Community Development Prince George's  
County Annual Action Plan

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**Drafter:** Thomas M. Thompson  
DHCD

**Resource** Mary Lou McDonough  
**Personnel:** DHCD

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Executive Action:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Committee Referral:** 4/22/2003 THE

**Effective Date:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

**Committee Action:** 6/5/2003 FAV(A)

**Date Introduced:** 4/22/2003

**Public Hearing:** 6/3/2003 7:00 P.M.

**Council Action:** 6/10/2003 ADOPTED

**Council Votes:** PS:A, MB:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A; TH:A, TK:A, DP:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

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6/10/2003 – CR-20-2003 (DR-2) was amended on the floor; DR-3 adopted.

**TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DATE: 6/5/03**

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Dean, Dernoga, Peters and Shapiro)

Staff explained the purpose of CR-20-2003 and informed the Committee of referral comments that were received at the public hearing held on June 3, 2003. The Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) explained the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) proposal submittal process that represents seven months of work by the Department, municipalities, other government agencies and non-profit public service agencies. The Plan serves as the application to Housing Urban Development (HUD) to the CDBG funds,

the Home Investment Partnership Program and the Emergency Shelter Grant Program. The Director indicated that for Program Year 29, eighty-five project proposals totaling nearly \$14.5 million were received against the \$7,678,000 available. The CDBG funding is 7% more than last year. This increase is due to calculations based for the first time on 2000 census congressional appropriations.

The Plan allocates the maximum funding allowed by law to Public Service Projects (15%) and Program Administration (20%). The remaining \$5 million is divided among Acquisition and Rehabilitation, Economic Development, Relocation and Public Facilities.

The Director of DHCD recommended providing funding in the amount of \$50,000 to the Spanish Speaking Community of Maryland. They had not been awarded funding because of an outstanding balance. It was indicated that insurance requirements became effective after the award of PY29 allocations and they were unable to get insured. It was recommended that an alternative method of funding be considered by the Director of the DHCD.

A Council Member questioned the priority status of the Glenmore and Hunter's Ridge apartments. The Director of the DHCD indicated that while the project is listed as number three (3), it has been funded 100% through bond financing. The Director anticipates that the project will move forward. The project may need additional funding which is under negotiations.

On page 3 under Public Facilities, the City of Laurel, Compton Avenue Improvements (Priority 1 of 2 projects) will receive \$75,000, and their second project (Lafayette Avenue Improvements (Phase 1) (Priority 2 of 2) shall receive \$0.

The Office of Law representative noted two (2) technical amendments on pages 6 and 7, Attachments B & C, which should read 2004 instead of 2003.

The County Executive recommended \$40,000 for the first Generation College Bound, Inc. The initial request was for \$80,263. The DHCD will consider an alternative method of fully funding this organization.

The Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee reviewed the Annual Action Plan, focusing on each of the above-mentioned categories and approved the County Executive's recommendations.

The Office of Law and the Legislative Officer find CR-20-2003 to be in proper legislative form

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

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

This resolution will approve and adopt the FY 2004 Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan covering the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs.

## **CODE INDEX TOPICS:**