

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2014 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-82-2014

Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Lehman, Patterson and Franklin

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction September 2, 2014

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 State of Maryland Community Legacy Program

3 For the purpose of approving the application submitted by the Redevelopment Authority of
4 Prince George’s County to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development
5 for Community Legacy Program funds in the approximate amount of \$500,000.00.

6 WHEREAS, Prince George’s County, Maryland (the “County”) recognizes that there is a
7 significant need for the reinvestment and revitalization of communities in the County; and

8 WHEREAS, Section 6-201 through Section 6-213 of the Housing and Community
9 Development Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, established the Community Legacy Program
10 to preserve existing communities as desirable places to live and conduct business and provide
11 financial assistance to sponsors for the development of community legacy plans or community
12 legacy projects; and

13 WHEREAS, Section 6-206 (b)(1) of the Housing and Community Development Article
14 Annotated Code of Maryland, provides that the Maryland Department of Housing and
15 Community Development may not approve an application for participation in the Community
16 Legacy Program unless the application is approved by the political subdivision in which the
17 proposed project is located; and

18 WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Authority of Prince George’s County (the
19 “Redevelopment Authority”) is applying to the Maryland Department of Housing and
20 Community Development, Community Legacy Program, for funds to carry out the
21 Kentland/Palmer Park Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative (“TNI”) Revitalization Program
22 (the “Program”), as described in “Attachment A” and incorporated herein by reference; and

1 WHEREAS, the Program will provide restoration improvements to existing residential
2 properties such as: exterior paint; window and frame replacements; door and shutter
3 replacements; and landscape enhancements.

4 WHEREAS, the Program will also include purchasing vacant/abandoned properties and
5 rebuilding new homes to contribute to the reinvestment and revitalization for this area; and

6 WHEREAS, the Program, located within a designated priority funding area under Section
7 5-7B-02 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, is located
8 in a designated Sustainable Community, as identified in Section 6-205 of the Housing and
9 Community Development Article, Annotated Code of Maryland and will conform to the local
10 zoning code; and

11 WHEREAS, the County Executive, by his signature, expresses approval of the application
12 submitted by Redevelopment Authority.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Council of Prince George's
14 County, Maryland hereby expresses support and approval of the application submitted by the
15 Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County to the Maryland Department of Housing
16 and Community Development for participation in the Community Legacy Program in the
17 approximate amount of \$500,000.00.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Secretary of the
19 Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") for
20 consideration by the Department.

Adopted this 2nd day of September, 2014.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Mel Franklin
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Rushern L. Baker, III
County Executive

Note: Attachment A available as an Inclusion File in LIS

ATTACHMENT A

PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET
Kentland/Palmer Park Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative
Housing Revitalization Program

APPLICANT: Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Community Legacy Program funds are requested to support the Kentland/Palmer Park Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative ("TNI") Housing Revitalization Program (the "Program") which includes the Acquisition Rehabilitation Program and the Façade Improvement Program.

The Program's priority area borders northeast of Landover Road then follows Fire House Road toward East Inwood Street and west to Kent Village Drive. The Program's priority area and the surrounding neighborhoods have experienced the highest rate of home foreclosures not only in Prince George's County but also in the State of Maryland. The foreclosure rate was one in every 384 properties, and the number of pre-foreclosures has increased tenfold since May 2013.

Through the Acquisition Rehabilitation Program, Prince George's County will partner with the Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. ("HIP") to acquire and substantially renovate six vacant homes and sell them to first-time homebuyers earning 80 percent or less of the area median income. The Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County will administer the Façade Improvement Program to enhance the exterior appearance of 25 occupied homes.

The ultimate goal for this Program is to restore the appearance of the existing neighborhoods, combat disinvestment, and reduce the high concentration of foreclosed and abandoned properties, while improving the overall quality of life within the Program's priority area. This revitalization effort will increase property values and homeownership opportunities.

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