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**NON-PROFIT AGENCIES**

<b>The Senior Source</b> <i>(New Applicant)</i>	Amount Requested: \$15,000	Recommended Funding: \$5,000
<p>The Senior Source is a non-profit agency that assist seniors and their families with a range of age-related issues such as: finances, transportation, and companionship. The Senior Source Ombudsman program exists as an advocacy program for elderly Mesquite residents in long-term care facilities with the goal of resolving various client concerns such as long-term care issues, resident’s rights, and abuse and neglect.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will be used to cover the salary and fringes benefits of an Ombudsman position</li> <li>• The program will assist approximately 750 individuals</li> <li>• Staff will handle an estimated 300 complaints through 168 visits (twice a week)</li> <li>• Service area will cover all seven nursing homes in Mesquite</li> </ul>		
<b>Visiting Nurse Association</b> <i>(New Applicant)</i>	Amount Requested: \$15,000	Recommended Funding: \$10,000
<p>Visiting Nurse Association provides a “Meals on Wheels” program that provides home-delivered meals five days a week to homebound or disabled seniors in Mesquite. The Visiting Nurse Association is a non-profit that provides healthcare services to the elderly and disabled individuals who are also homebound.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will assist approximately 10 clients with 5 hot meals a week</li> </ul>		
<b>Mesquite Social Services – Rental Assistance</b>	Amount Requested: \$30,000	Recommended Funding: \$0
<p>Mesquite Social Services (MSS) is a non-profit agency that provides various programs that targets the issue of poverty with the goal to establish self-sufficiency. Funds requested will be used for emergency assistance in regards to utilities, rent, and mortgage costs for Mesquite residents. Staff recommends using funds from the previous year for MSS to provide this service.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will assist approximately 360 clients</li> <li>• Up to \$300 for rent assistance</li> <li>• Up to \$200 for utility assistance ( electricity and water)</li> <li>• One month payment policy</li> </ul>		

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<b>Mesquite Social Services – GED Program</b>	Amount Requested: \$30,000	Recommended Funding: \$20,000
<p>MSS proposed a program that aims at helping Mesquite residents acquire employment by providing resources and tools needed to obtain a high school General Equivalency Diploma (GED).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will be provide financial support with computers, GED Prep course licenses, and GED vouchers for clients</li> <li>• Funding will assist 360 individuals</li> <li>• Each GED workshop will have at least 10 students in each offering</li> </ul>		

<b>Mission East Dallas</b>	Amount Requested: \$10,000	Recommended Funding: \$10,000
<p>Mission East Dallas is a non-profit agency that provides both dental and medical services to low income Mesquite residents who either no health or dental insurance or that have insufficient coverage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will assist an estimated 750 individuals, who are low income, uninsured, and under insured with medical and/or dental services.</li> <li>• Services include but are not limited to restorative fillings, extractions, root canals, dentures, oral surgery, health screenings, vaccinations, and well woman exams.</li> </ul>		

<b>Hope’s Door</b>	Amount Requested: \$50,000	Recommended Funding: \$35,000
<p>Hope’s Door is a non-profit organization that provides intervention and prevention services to individuals and families affected by domestic family violence. The requested funds will reimburse salaries of counselors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funds will assist and estimated 60 individuals with a history of family and domestic violence through counseling services</li> <li>• Counseling services include group-sessions and/or one-on-one counselling sessions.</li> </ul>		

<b>Sharing Life Community Outreach – Utility Bills</b>	Amount Requested: \$32,250	Recommended Funding: \$25,000
<p>Sharing Life Community Outreach is a non-profit organization that provides various programs and services to Mesquite’s low-income population. The requested funds will offset the organization’s utilities, which is a part of the facility operation costs. These costs are a priority for the Sharing Life and allows them to use donated funds that assist the clients in need.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharing Life will submit monthly copies of the organizations monthly utility bills.</li> </ul>		

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<b>Sharing Life Community Outreach –Rental Assistance</b>	Amount Requested: \$60,000	Recommended Funding: \$45,900
<p>Sharing Life Community Outreach is a non-profit organization that provides various programs and services to Mesquite’s low-income population. Sharing Life will use requested funds on emergency payments for past due rent, water bills and hotel payments to address homelessness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds will assist an estimated 325 individuals with rental assistance, water bills, and hotel payments</li> </ul>		

<b>Raising the Bridge</b>	Amount Requested: \$30,000	Recommended Funding: \$14,079
<p>Raising The Bridge is a non-profit organization that provides mentoring and leadership programs for local youth. This application will continue the summer youth program for the next program year. Raising the Bridge will provide training for students prior to the beginning of the internships. Staff recommends a level less that requested due to the fact that the cost of the program is less than anticipated and using unused funds from the previous year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds will be used for the salaries of one job trainer and one administrative coordinator of the program through a partnership with the City of Mesquite.</li> <li>Job training will be provided for an estimated 20 Mesquite ISD Students.</li> </ul>		

**CITY DEPARTMENTS**

<b>CDBG Housing Rehabilitation</b>	Amount Requested: \$500,000	Recommended Funding: \$500,000
<p>The Housing Rehabilitation program is administered through the CDBG staff. The Housing Rehabilitation Program is a program dedicated to rehabilitating single-residential homes for Mesquite residents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds will be used to assist approximately 16 households through Housing Rehabilitation</li> <li>These 16 household may receive a variety of services, such as full housing rehabilitation, exterior renewal, or emergency repair services</li> <li>Each project has a maximum of up to \$30,000 in Rehabilitation Assistance funding</li> </ul>		

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<b>CDBG Environmental Code Enforcement</b>	Amount Requested: \$126,668	Recommended Funding: \$44,605
<p>The City of Mesquite Environmental Code Enforcement Division will use fund to reimburse salaries of Code Enforcement Officers who identify nuisance and code violations within CDBG areas. Staff recommends funding at a level less that requested so that previous year funding is expended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds will be used to assist in the code enforcement of approximately 15,947 households and 35,458 residents in CDBG areas only.</li> </ul>		

<b>Down Payment Assistance Program</b>	Amount Requested: \$0	Recommended Funding: \$0
<p>The Down Payment Assistance Program is administered by (CDBG) Division under the Community Services Department. The Down Payment Assistance Program offers up to \$5,000 for down payment and closing costs for income eligible clients to purchase a home.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The budgeted amount will be used to assist approximately 15 residents</li> </ul>		

<b>Helping Other in Mesquite Everyday (H.O.M.E)</b>	Amount Requested: \$0	Recommended Funding: \$0
<p>Helping Others in Mesquite Everyday is a program administered by the Community Development Block Grant Division (CDBG) in partnership with the Neighborhood Vitality and Environmental Code Divisions. H.O.M.E provides assistance up \$5,000 to address the code violations of Mesquite residents who are experiencing a financial or other hardship.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funds will be used to assist approximately 15 residents</li> <li>Common repairs that CDBG funds can be used to address include: plumbing, siding, and other code and property maintenance issues</li> </ul>		

<b>Orphan Sidewalks</b>	Amount Requested: \$253,810	Recommended Funding: \$253,810
<p>The City of Mesquite Public Works Department will use funds to either rehabilitate or reconstruct sidewalks in CDBG areas, with an emphasis on sidewalks near Mesquite Independent School District schools. This project addresses orphan sidewalks, which is defined as a sidewalk in which there is partial walkway, hence the word “orphan”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction of 3,490-foot sidewalk along Scyene Road, stretching from Ridgeview Circle to East Peachtree Blvd.</li> <li>Sidewalks provide a safer path for nearby students to walk to school from home.</li> <li>Will assist approximately 400 households and 600 individuals.</li> </ul>		