Livable Communities Act
Livable Communities Demonstration Account

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Projects funded by the LCDA program support innovative development and redevelopment projects that:

- Link housing, jobs, services, and transit
- Demonstrate efficient and cost-effective use of land and infrastructure
- Catalyze additional development that support vibrant, diverse communities
Overview of Application and Evaluation Process

• All applicants are required to submit a project concept plan and meet with LCA staff prior to submitting a full application
• Applications undergo a two-step evaluation process

Step One
• Internal review conducted by Council staff

Step Two
• Review by Livable Communities Advisory Committee, an external panel of subject matter experts
2019 Calendar

February  Fund Distribution Plan; Notice of Funding Availability
Feb./April  Applicant Workshops & Design Workshops
July  Project Concept Plans Due
Aug.-Sept.  Applications Due; Step 1 Review - Staff
Sept./Oct.  Step 2 Review – Livable Communities Advisory Committee

**November 18** Community Development Committee

**December 11** Metropolitan Council
2019 Funding

- 13 LCDA Development applications with total requests over $12.5 million
- $1,818,200 available from LCDA-TOD to fully fund all eligible LCDA Development projects
- Council guidelines state that no more than 40% of available funds may be awarded to projects in Minneapolis and Saint Paul

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# LCDA Funding Recommendations

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|             | Total Request         | $12,766,616 | $7,000,000 | $8,384,266 |
|             | Total Available       | $7,000,000  | $7,000,000 | $8,818,200 |
|             | Difference ($5,766,616.00) | $0 | $433,934 |
SpringBOX: An Innovative Model

City of Saint Paul

Recommended Amount: $392,500

- Jobs-focused project with support for local artists and entrepreneurs
- Community gathering space in public plaza
- Creative site re-use and strong partnerships
Bloom Lake Flats
City of Minneapolis

Recommended Amount: $1,600,000

- All-affordable supportive housing project for residents living with HIV/AIDS
- Partnership with Clare Housing to provide supportive services to residents
- Indoor and outdoor community gathering space
Amber Apartments

City of Minneapolis

Recommended Amount: $548,500

- All affordable, 81-unit housing project that creates a sober living environment for residents recovering from drug and alcohol dependency
- Project provides easy access to the 46th Street light rail station
- Project team has a strong history of providing supportive services to residents
7200/7500 France

City of Edina

Recommended Amount: $1,895,000

• Mixed use project that includes three public plazas, a pedestrian boulevard, and residential and commercial space

• Residential units will be mixed-income, include ownership townhomes, and affordable units will be mixed throughout the development
The 927 Project
City of Minneapolis

Recommended Amount: $981,816

- Jobs-focus project with retail, shared workspace, community event space, music and gallery space, and a shared maker space
- Public plaza for community events with planned programming
- Strong partnership of local businesses and organizations
Main Street Rogers

City of Rogers

Recommended Amount: $942,500

- Mixed-use project with residential units, commercial space, and a new senior center
- Mixed-income housing with senior housing units
- Public plaza between the two buildings to provide community gathering space
Paravel/Castle Ridge

City of Eden Prairie

Recommended Amount: $885,000

- Mixed-income residential development
- Part of larger area master redevelopment plan
- Environmental sustainability efforts included in development
4100 Edina

City of Edina

Recommended Amount: **$493,950**

- All affordable housing project
- Larger unit sizes included to provide affordable housing options for families
- 8 units will be available for residents making at or below 30% of Area Median Income
Owasso Gardens

City of Roseville

Recommended Amount: $645,000

- All affordable senior housing project with 8 units set aside for formerly homeless seniors
- Universal Design principles will be included throughout the design
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