Funding Recommendations

2024 Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Recommendations
Livable Communities Act

Program Goals

• Create more housing choice
• Support living wage jobs creation
• Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and conserve natural resources
• Improve connections between housing, jobs, and amenities across the region
• Create more equitable development outcomes
Pre-Development Grants

**Feasibility Analysis**
- Downtown Artist Housing, Chaska

**Project Studies**
- 98th Street Station, Bloomington

**Infrastructure Systems**
- Towerside District Stormwater System, Minneapolis

**Development Planning**
- Northstar TIF Masterplan, Fridley

**Design & Engagement**
- Downtown Longfellow, Minneapolis
Funding Availability

2024 Fund Distribution Plan

As part of the Fund Distribution Plan, the Council approved up to $2,000,000 for LCA Pre-Development grants to be awarded in two application rounds with $1,000,000 available in each funding opportunity.
Process

- **April 22:** Applications Due
- **Application Review**
- **June 3:** CDC Meeting
- **June 12:** Council Approval
Evaluation Criteria

Scoring Categories

• What: Project Outcomes (LCA & Thrive Goals)
• How: Project Process

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<th>What: Pre-Development Project Outcomes</th>
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<td>The goals and vision of the proposed project would meet one or more of the following LCA and/or Thrive goals:</td>
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<td>Add new housing types and create or preserve affordable housing. Priority for projects with deep affordability and/or serving populations who have barriers to finding housing</td>
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<td>Create or preserve long-term living wage jobs or support economic opportunity for communities of historic wealth extraction</td>
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<td>Increase or preserve (for preservation/rehab projects) density on the site and make it easier for people with mobility barriers to easily access housing, jobs, services, and amenities</td>
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<td>Minimize climate change and/or environmental impact for residents in areas most negatively impacted by environmental justice</td>
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<td>The project reflects the culture and needs of the community it is intending to serve</td>
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<td>The strength of the partnership between the applicant (City/County/HRA/EDA) and development partner(s), including the level of support and engagement the applicant has with the project</td>
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Total: 30

Applications must score at least 20 of the 30 points available
2024 Round One Funding Recommendation

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## Funding Recommendation

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Total Recommended: $1,000,000  
Total Available: $1,000,000  
Amount Remaining: $0
Gloryville

City of Saint Paul

Recommended Award: $225,000

• 100% affordable with a mix of unit sizes and affordability levels
• High Priority Homeless units and units for People with Disabilities
• Grocery store and local small business space
Rondo CLT

City of Saint Paul

Recommended Award: $75,000

- Affordable homeownership units affordable in perpetuity
- Family-sized units
- Environmentally sustainable development
PennWood Village & Community Market

City of Minneapolis

Recommended Award: $50,000

- Affordable housing units with units reserved for High Priority Homeless and People with Disabilities
- Community grocery store in federally designated food desert
New Nicollet

City of Minneapolis

Recommended Award: $75,000

- Mixed use development with affordable housing, commercial space, and community gathering space
- Environmentally sustainable development plans
City of Brooklyn Center

Recommended Award: $296,000

- Community event space, technology resource center, and childcare business incubator
- Office space for financial opportunity center and BIPOC-led nonprofits
Amber Flats Affordable Housing

City of Falcon Heights

Recommended Award: $204,000

- 100% affordable housing at 60% AMI with 3-bedroom units
Swank Eatery

City of Minneapolis

Recommended Award: $75,000

- Food hall with space for local vendors
- Creating 50 jobs, half will be living wage
- Employment for residents leaving incarceration
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