

CDBG COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

The CDBG held nine regular meetings, two public hearings, and two work sessions with City Council during FY 2000-2001. The public hearings were held to solicit comments on the community development needs of the city. These comments were used to guide decisions concerning the allocation of CDBG funds during the next program year. The regular meetings were held to review the Competitive Process Proposals applications and monitor progress of the CDBG and HOME Program.

The Commission provided recommendations to City Council members concerning the expenditure of \$1.22 million of CDBG funds for FY 2001-2002. The City received 26 applications for CDBG funding representing approximately \$3.4 million. The Commission reviewed all applications and recommended funding for 18 proposals. Included in the projects and programs to be funded were:

- ◆ City of Fort Collins, CDBG Administration
- ◆ City of Fort Collins, Home Buyer Assistance
- ◆ Neighbor to Neighbor, Acquisition
- ◆ Fort Collins Housing Authority, Rigden Farm Land Acquisition
- ◆ Volunteers of America, Elderly Housing
- ◆ Fort Collins Housing Corporation, Rehabilitation
- ◆ Boys and Girls Club of Larimer County
- ◆ Education & Life Training, Adult Literacy
- ◆ Project Self-Sufficiency, Supportive Youth Employment Program
- ◆ Child Care Collaborative Project
- ◆ Northern Colorado AIDS Project
- ◆ FirstCall ServiceNet
- ◆ Disabled Resource Services
- ◆ Catholic Charities Northern, The Mission
- ◆ Women's Center, Health and Dental
- ◆ Women's Center, Child Care Resource
- ◆ Neighbor to Neighbor, Housing Counseling

The HOME Program federal allocation for Fiscal Year 2001 – 2002 was \$685,000. The Commission allocated 29% of all HOME funds (\$200,000) to support the Home Buyer Assistance Program which will help a minimum of 60 low to moderate income families with down payment and closing costs on the purchase of a home in Fort Collins. The remaining funds were allocated to Elizabeth Street Senior Apartments (\$125,000), Volunteers of America (\$71,000), CARE (\$206,250 plus \$102,450 in CHDO funds and \$92,250 in reprogrammed CDBG funds).

The Commission also provided guidance and comments for the creation of the 2000-2004 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan and FY 2000 Annual Action Plan.