

COMMUNITY GRANTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

MAY 15, 2025

The Community Grants Advisory Commission of the City of McKinney, Texas met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 401 E. Virginia Street, McKinney, Texas on May 15, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Board Chair Aaron Schmitz called the meeting to order at 6:35, upon determining a quorum.

Commissioners Present: Silvia Escamilla, Aaron Schmitz, Tammy Chew, Nicholas Dangerfield, Andrea Harvey-Rogers, Eniola Campbell, and Barbara Kelly.

Absent: None, all attended.

These Staff and City Council Members were present: Community Service Administrator Shirletta Best.

Members of the public only included the presenters.

25-2768 Chairman Schmitz opened the FY 2025-2026 Public Hearings, Consolidated Grants Application Process. Shirletta Best gave instructions to the presenters: each will be called in turn and have up to three minutes to present. Following each presentation, Commissioners will have time to ask questions.

Applications for Consolidated Grants proposals presented were as follows:

The Children's Advocacy Center of Collin County presented a request of \$78,200 to provide services for abused and neglected children. The Wellness Center for Older Adults provided two presentations: The first presentation was for the request of \$20,000 to assist homeless McKinney Seniors under their Neighbors-to-Neighbors program and \$20,000 to fund the Preventive Mental Health Program.

The agency, Veterans Center of Collin County, requested \$15,000 in their presentation to assist McKinney veterans under their Emergency Assistance Program. MetroRelief, Inc. made a request for \$ 28,200 to assist McKinney unsheltered residents through the street outreach

program. The organization, My Possibilities, made a request for \$20,981 to provide McKinney residents with eligible Clinical Therapy Services.

Next, the agency, One Heart McKinney requested \$ to be used for Client Navigation Services. The agency, The Samaritan Inn, Inc. provided three requests: A request of \$72,158 for INNspire Transitional Homeless Shelter Response, \$63,662 for Supportive Services and \$54,992 for the Gateway Transitional Homeless Program.

The Texas Muslim Women's Foundation requested \$12,000 for the Domestic Violence Program, Peace in the Home, to assist McKinney residents. Next, The Salvation Army of North Texas provided two requests: \$10,000 to serve McKinney residents under their food pantry and \$10,000 for Overnight Warming Stations to serve unsheltered residents this winter. And finally, Meals on Wheels of Collin County made a request of \$50,000 to serve meals to eligible McKinney Senior Citizens. The Community Grants Advisory Commission does not provide recommendations for city-administered programs; Shirletta Best presented again the three city-administered programs under the Community Support Grant (CSG): The LIFT (Landlord Individual & Family Tenant Program), will continue to assist residents, including voucher holders, to encourage ability to rent with limited security deposit assistance and encourage landlord participation. The Emergency Water Utility Assistance Program (EWUA) will continue to assist eligible low-income residents to pay fully or a portion of their utility billing to avoid household impact due to cut-offs. The Community Development Block Grant requires the city to provide program summaries on ongoing or amended programs: Mrs. Best summarized program requirements and discussed the Housing Rehabilitation Program, a city-wide program benefiting income eligible owner-occupied single-family homes with small, emergency, or major rehabilitation. The city also has the Grant

Administration program, which is used for subrecipient training, monitoring, citizen engagement and other requirements to support federal requirements. In summary, Ms. Best also presented an overview of the Consolidated Grants Application process: Under agency recommendation resources, the total anticipated funding pool is \$136,098 for the CDBG Public Services program and estimated total general fund pool of \$330,000 for the CSG program. The Community Grants Advisory Commission will deliberate in June to agree to agency funding recommendations to the City Council.

Commissioners unanimously approved the motion by Commissioner Harvey-Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Springfield, to close out the final Public Hearing to Consider McKinney Consolidated Grant Funding Requests for FY 2025-2026.

SIGNED:

AARON SCHMITZ, CGAC Chair
TAMMY CHEWE, CGAC Vice Chair