



Housing and Revitalization Department

Consolidated Plan Education Series

Community Development Block Grant

Homelessness Public Service

Through HUD's CDBG program, **public services** are an eligible activity. HUD provides a list of what eligible public service activities could look like: child care, down payment assistance, education programs, services for seniors, and today's topic, services for homeless persons, can all be supported with CDBG dollars.

In our newsletter about Emergency Solution Grants (ESG), you may recall that we combine our ESG with CDBG dollars to serve homeless persons. Today, we are going to highlight COTS, one of the many nonprofits the City partners with to provide services to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Program Highlight: COTS, Peggy's Place

COTS receives CDBG funding to support their emergency shelter day to day operations.

How does the use of CDBG funds impact the City of Detroit? Peggy's Place provides residential housing for families when housing insecurity is present. Peggy's Place Family Shelter helps the city achieve its goal of "Building a Detroit that is healthy and beautiful, with a sense of security, hope and inclusion" by providing temporary shelter when its citizens are experiencing homelessness. Detroit is made better when its people are fulfilled and healthy.

What part of Detroit is being served? Although Peggy's Place is located on the west side of the City, no family referred to Peggy's Place is denied when space is available.

What gaps are being filled because of this program?

Prior to this funding, operations and providing support services were a big challenge for the organization. "The support we receive from the City of Detroit through ESG/CDBG is an absolute life changer for COTS."

-- COTS

STAY TUNED!

The final CDBG funded program we will highlight is the Neighborhood Opportunity Fund.