



College Station, TX

Meeting Agenda

CDBG Public Service Agency Funding Review Committee
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May 8, 2026

10:00 AM

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- 1. Call meeting to order and consider absence requests.**
- 2. Agenda Items.**
 - 2.1. Caption Consideration, discussion, and possible action to approve meeting minutes.
Attachments: 1. April 24, 2026
 - 2.2. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding RFP 26-044 and Committee Review Process.
 - 2.3. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding proposals submitted in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding and agency site visits.
 - 2.4. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding ranking and scoring of proposals submitted in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding.
 - 2.5. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding funding recommendations for proposals in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding.
 - 2.6. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding changes to the Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding Process for next year.
- 3. Adjourn.**

Adjournment into Executive Session may occur in order to consider any item listed on the agenda if a matter is raised that is appropriate for Executive Session discussion.

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Minutes
CDBG Public Service Agency Funding Review Committee
Public Service Agency Funding for FY2026-2027
April 24, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT: Danny Wiseman, Cheletia Johnson, Jordan Faust, Anna Lowary and Carla Robinson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Shawn Dunham

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Administrator David Brower, Community Development Analyst Raney Whitwell, Community Development Analyst Frank Myers, and Staff Assistant Jocelyne Mora.

1. Call meeting to order.

Committee Member Wiseman called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

2. **Agenda Items**

- 2.1. Consideration, discussion, and possible action to approve meeting minutes:

- March 26, 2026

Committee Member Robinson moved to approve the meeting minutes from March 26, 2026, Committee Member Faust seconded the motion, the motion passed 5-0.

- 2.2. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding RFP 26-044 and Committee Review Process.

Community Development Administrator Brower explained Agenda Item 2.2 was designated for technical and mechanical discussion, as well as to address committee questions regarding the review process. He further clarified that Agenda Item 2.2 will be brought back into today's discussion for the purpose of scheduling the next committee meeting.

Committee Member Wiseman asked if this discussion would include the procedure for this year's decision-making process. Community Development Administrator Brower confirmed. Mr. Wiseman moved the meeting forward to return to Agenda Item 2.2.

2.3. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Committee Ranking, Scoring, and Funding Recommendation Process.

Community Development Administrator Brower briefly discussed how the committee members will use their ranking forms.

Committee Member Wiseman asked committee members what process they used to complete their ranking forms. Committee Members Lowary and Robinson noted that the site visit review would help in starting and completing the ranking form.

Committee Member Wiseman explained that the process of funding and ranking each applicant will occur at the next meeting. Community Development Administrator Brower displayed a spread sheet to help visualize their ranking form data, as well as last year's data for reference. Mr. Brower discussed how their data will be gathered, measured and reviewed.

Committee Member Robinson asked whether the next meeting would include proposed recommended rewards. Committee Member Wiseman suggested including this to lessen the need for multiple meetings.

Community Development Administrator Brower further discussed how funds would be allocated for their committee's recommendation and opened the floor for committee members to add their thoughts, questions and ideas about what to expect during their next meeting.

2.4. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding proposals submitted in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding and agency site visits.

Committee Member Wiseman initiated the discussion on the committee members' site visits. Community Development Administrator Brower informed them that any follow-up questions can be relayed back to the nonprofit organizations for further clarification.

Big Brothers Big Sisters - Mentoring Program

Committee Member Lowary reviewed her findings to the other committee members. Committee Member Faust added input from his interview with Program

Director Mark Taplette.

Committee Member Wiseman asked if Big Brothers Big Sisters received benefits through the National Chapter. Community Development Administrator Brower confirmed and explained how the benefits are passed to the Brazos Valley Branch. Further discussion followed regarding the Program Mentor's community outreach efforts.

Committee Member Johnson asked what approaches the organization uses to recruit more African American mentors, given that this group represents the largest share of participants. She also suggested other organizations that may serve as viable partners.

Committee Member Faust informed members of the program's other focus on the current struggles of Latino children. Community Development Administrator Brower offered to relay Committee Member Johnson's question "Since the highest percentage of program participants are African American, what is the Agency doing to recruit African American mentors? What groups have been reached out to in this regard? Have you reached out to any Panhellenic Council organizations?"

Catholic Charities – Financial Stability Program

Committee Member Johnson reviewed her findings. Committee Member Lawry shared her insight from the site visit.

Community Development Administrator Brower explained why Catholic Charities client count numbers showed that they served 28% College Station residents. Committee Member Johnson asked whether the percentage was based on an average score. Mr. Brower explained the difference between this scoring and the scoring for other organizations. Further discussion followed.

Committee Member Johnson was unsure what tool was used to track clients and their progress. Committee Member Wiseman explained that they are using the Bright Course System. He further explained that this system includes their pre- and post-test utilizing 18-minute courses.

The Salvation Army – Rent/Utilities Assistance

Committee Member Johnson reviewed her findings. Community Development Administrator Brower responded to concerns on the listed evaluation tool and confirmed that, for HUD purposes, it is a valid submittal. Committee Member

Robinson provided additional feedback.

Committee Member Johnson questioned whether The Salvation Army would be able to meet their anticipated 100 clients served before the end of the fiscal year, given that the current number served is eleven. Community Development Administrator Brower explained that the low number was due to the contract being entered recently in March 2026. Any current year public service agency CDBG funds that go unspent will be redistributed to other CDBG-eligible allocations (e.g., streets, sidewalks, housing) but cannot be carried forward for public service agency funding.

Committee Member Wiseman suggested monitoring and tracking fund usage to create data that can help calculate future funding. Community Development Administrator Brower informed the committee that this could be done.

Committee Member Johnson asked if there was a way to extend funding for the applicants since funding arrived later than anticipated. Community Development Administrator Brower explained why there was no means for extension without incurring a penalty and noted that organizations are aware of this stipulation. Discussion continued with questions, concerns, and clarifications on how the organizations planned -and could plan- to work within the time frame they had to spend allocated funds.

Twin City Mission – Family Support – LEAD

Committee Member Robinson reviewed her findings.

Committee Member Wiseman asked if Twin City Mission partners with other organizations for client referrals. Committee Member Robinson explained that the organization refers clients to additional resources for support.

Committee Member Lawry included her findings during the site visit. Community Member Johnson briefly discussed her experience working alongside Twin City Mission and asked if they are still receiving the HOME-ARP grant, and if so, how. Community Development Administrator Brower confirmed the grant was awarded and referred to Community Development Analyst Raney Whitwell, who oversees the program.

Community Development Analyst Whitwell explained that the HOME-ARP grant is a one-time grant and cannot be renewed once funds are exhausted. She explained how it is being incorporated with the requested funds. Committee Member Wiseman referred to the organization's question responses, which noted that their HOME-ARP grant funds were running out.

Committee Member Robinson asked if the HOME-ARP grant is also limited to College Station residents. Community Development Administrator Brower confirmed the limitation. Further discussion followed.

United Way of Brazos Valley – Ride2Health

Committee Member Wiseman reviewed his findings. Committee Member Robinson noted that the program is unique compared to others. Committee Member Wiseman agreed that the program meets a specific need.

Community Development Administrator Brower displayed data points showing two fiscal year program costs with Lyft. Committee Member Wiseman compared total rides and ride costs between College Station and Bryan. Further discussion followed regarding program functionality and client eligibility.

Additional discussion continued regarding how the organizations receive and utilize funds to benefit the communities they serve.

Committee Member Johnson asked why United Way of Brazos Valley does not partner with Uber as they do with Lyft. Committee Member Robinson recalled last year's explanation regarding difficulties coordinating with Uber's scheduling. Community Development Administrator Brower noted that while the Lyft contract is on the national side, Lyft does provide grants, which help subsidize ride costs.

Unlimited Potential – Case Management

Committee Member Lawry reviewed her findings.

Committee Member Wiseman asked if the organization was charging rent to participants who do not receive the full HUD voucher. Committee Member Robinson explained that participants who do not qualify for the HUD voucher would pay \$500 a month for rent and provide a \$250 deposit.

Community Development Administrator Brower informed the committee that, the goal of the money from the vouchers was also to utilize some of it as savings so that participants can leave the program with helpful assets. Committee Member Faust requested clarification on what percentage of the HUD voucher would be put in savings. Community Development Administrator Brower stated that the current idea is in the conceptual phase and will be further developed as time goes on. Discussion continued about the growth of the program and why it was created.

Committee Member Johnson asked about their application submittal about not

having duplicated clients, and whether they currently have participants. It was explained that only one participant is living on the transitional living side of this program. but have other active participants outside of this program.

Committee Member Robinson raised concerns about missing data regarding where participants are coming from of where they will go after completing the program. Committee Member Wiseman noted that, over time, data will accumulate and become available once participants exit the program and establish a foundation in College Station. Further discussion followed.

- 2.5. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding ranking and scoring of proposals submitted in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding.

Community Development Administrator Brower explained that Agenda Items 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7 were added as placeholders but will be considered in the next meeting. He informed the committee of what to expect from Agenda Item 2.7, noting that suggestions and ideas for changes to the application and RFP (such as ranking criteria) would be discussed for next year. Mr. Brower further explained in depth what those changes could entail but emphasized that the decisions are entirely up to the committee members.

- 2.6. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding funding recommendations for proposals in response to RFP 26-044 for Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency
- 2.7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding changes to the Community Development Block Grant Public Service Agency Funding Process for next year.

Committee Member Wiseman motioned to table Agenda Items 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7.

Committee Member Robinson moved to approve. Committee Member Johnson seconded the motion, the motion passed 5-0.

Community Development Administrator Brower discussed scheduling with the committee members.

Committee Member Faust moved to adjourn the meeting, Committee Member Johnson seconded the motion.

3. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Danny Wiseman, Chairperson

Jocelyne Mora, Board Secretary