



Administrative Services Committee

Meeting Date: September 9, 2025

HCD_ Homebuyer Subsidy Request

Department: HCD

Presenter: Charles Jackson and/or HCD Staff

Caption: Motion to approve Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) to provide HOME funding to assist low to moderate income homebuyer with gap financing, down payment and closing cost to purchase homes through the Homebuyer Subsidy Program in the amount of \$40K.

Background: The City of Augusta's Home Subsidy Program is a loan in the form of a second mortgage. This financial assistance is combined with a primary loan (first mortgage loan) from a participating lending institution and enables a *qualified* first-time home buyer to become a homeowner. The buyer must be a first-time home buyer and the home must become the buyer's primary residence. The program is funded by The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and administered by The City of Augusta's Housing and Community Development Department (AHCD). The program promotes neighborhood stability by assisting with the gap financing toward the purchase price and closing costs for homes located within the city limits of Augusta and in conjunction with local Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) and employees of Augusta, Georgia.

One application awaiting approval to move forward with the process of becoming homeowners:

1. Homebuyer Subsidy – 1233 Miller Street - Requesting: \$40,000 Sales Price: \$ 235,000.00

Applicants have a first mortgage from a lending institution but need the Subsidy to complete the process. Once approved, Lenders will schedule closing and the applicants will then become new homeowners in Augusta, Georgia.

Analysis: The approval of the application will enable individual to become homeowner and "Make the American Dream a Reality". Approval will also have a positive impact on the community by increasing the tax base in Augusta, Georgia.

Financial Impact: The City receives funding from the US Housing and Urban Development Department on an annual basis. This approval would be for the amount of \$40,000.00.

Alternatives: Do not approve HCD's Request

Recommendation: Motion to approve Housing and Community Development Department's (HCD's) request to provide Homebuyer Subsidy to potential homebuyer to assist in becoming a homeowner in Augusta, GA.

Funds are available in Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Funds: HOME Partnership Grant
the following accounts: 22107 3212 5225110

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