

Kristin McCombe

From: Danielle <kitta.danielle.n@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 7:08 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: Response To CDBG Plan

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Good morning, Kristen.

I am writing in response to the CDBG Plan that I found out from WHSV (<https://www.wHSV.com/2021/07/19/harrisonburg-officials-solicit-feedback-how-spend-cdbg-funds/>)

I took a look at the Draft Action Plan 2021, and didn't see any mentioning of Mercy House (<http://www.themercuryhouse.org/mission--faith.html>).

I was wondering if they had been contacted about this opportunity? I have a friend who has been and is currently receiving help from this organization in order to not be homeless and have a place where her & her two elementary age children can live.

Many thanks,

Danielle Kitta

Kristin McCombe

From: rsanders97@verizon.net
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 11:17 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: \$326K Money

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Kristin:

Here are my thoughts about how this money could be used:

Add it to the Faith In Action \$700,000 fund for affordable housing

Give to GiveSolar to add solar to each new Habitat for Humanity Home being built

Give to Michael Wong for housing for poor people. He seems to manage money very well and could possible provide at least 3 new homes for the homeless with this amount of money

Institute a weatherization assistance program in order to help low income household save energy and reduce utility bills

Ramona Sanders
Homeowner at 355 Hartman Drive
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22802

Kristin McCombe

From: Kristin McCombe
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 11:01 AM
To: Scott Pruett
Cc: Amy E. Snider; Ande Banks
Subject: RE: idea for using CDBG funds

Hi Scott,

It's good to hear from you. I don't believe that the article in the DNR properly communicated that this particular source of funding is specifically for projects that are in response to COVID-19. Therefore, these funds are more limited in their flexibility. COVID-19 drew attention to and has exposed a need for emergency sheltering for those who are experiencing homelessness in Harrisonburg. We watched the system that had always been in place with Open Doors flex to try to accommodate the program when buildings for religious gatherings were no longer accessible. For this reason, the City Council has been looking specifically into options for the use of this funding along the lines of emergency sheltering at this time.

Your specific project would actually not be eligible for CDBG-CV funding as proposed because it would fall into a CDBG category that is not eligible with CDBG-CV funding. I would like to point out that your project WOULD fit within the parameters of our REGULAR CDBG funding. That is a competitive application process that takes place at the beginning of each year. I am adding you to our CDBG distribution list so that you will be in the loop as I communicate about CDBG in the future. I am also including in this correspondence Ande Banks, Deputy Assistant Manager, and Amy Snider, Assistant to the City Manager. The work that you do is so important and perhaps they will know of another source of funding that could be a fit for what you are proposing.

Thanks for reaching out,
 Kristin

From: Scott Pruett <scott@universaldesign.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 10:27 AM
To: Kristin McCombe <Kristin.McCombe@harrisonburgva.gov>
Subject: idea for using CDBG funds

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Hey Kristen,

I saw the [recent article on WHSV](#) about the city looking for ways to spend CDBG funds. If the following sounds like something the city would be interested in funding, the organization that Sarah and I run would be interested in submitting an application.

The [Universal Design Project](#) is a nonprofit headquartered in Harrisonburg focused on strategically increasing the supply of accessible and affordable housing. Our belief is that this has to start with design, which led us down a long path of exploring what it would take to create a collaborative design process that can realistically achieve these goals.

We'd like to propose a project in which we design plans for a home that meets the goals of universal accessibility that can be affordable for households who have an income under the AMI. This is particularly important because households with at least one working-age adult with a disability have an average of 37% less annual income than households

without a member with a disability, yet those same households require an average of 28% more income to obtain the same standard of living as a comparable household without a member with a disability.

In short, what this would look like is our team hiring a local architect and co-designing a set of design plans that could be shared with the greater community and ultimately utilized by local builders to better meet the needs of our neighbors. The design plans would be intended to be used for multiple homes, not just one.

Would this be of any interest? I'd be happy to meet in-person to discuss if it'd be helpful.

Thanks!

Scott

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Scott Pruett | Executive Director

The Universal Design Project

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Kristin McCombe

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 1:36 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: [REDACTED] in Harrisonburg, VA

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Hello, I read the article about the CDBG funds. If you put these funds into a homeless shelter, that will have to be funded by the city ongoing. We are already building a school that is using up vast amounts of money. If we have a homeless shelter built here, homeless people from outside the area will feel free to go to it. We have to put money into the infrastructure of this city. I suggest helping small businesses, and funding the Rec center for all kinds of classes so that they are much cheaper or free. I think that the Thermal program is working really well. Let the churches step up.

If you print this please do not use my name. TY, [REDACTED]

Kristin McCombe

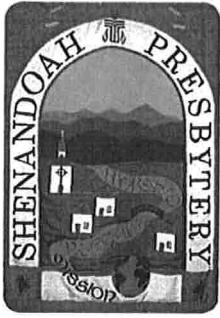
Sharon Strawderman called on 7/20/21 and left a message about their desire to make comment on the proposed amendment. Kristin McCombe called back and left a voicemail on 7/21/21 asking that they call back and leave their comments on voicemail.

They called back to state that we need to take advantage of the money that we have, but maybe not give all the money that we have for this after we take a look at who is there. They stated that there is no reason why anyone in Harrisonburg cannot have a job. They are concerned that this will attract more homelessness to the area. They feel that it will not work, and that we might as well burn the money if we use it for this.



KRISTIN MCCOMBE
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July 15, 2021

Kristin McCombe
CDBG Coordinator
Office of the City Manager
409 South Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

RE: Amendment to the 2020 Action Plan for CDBG Program

Dear Ms. McCombe,

We are writing on behalf of the Administration Committee of the Presbytery of Shenandoah, a community of 99 congregations in the Presbyterian Church, USA. The offices of the Presbytery of Shenandoah are located on 3.72 acres of land at 1111 N. Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA and we have seven active congregations within Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.

The Committee would like to express our support for the proposed amendment to the 2020 Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, specifically to allocate \$326,630 of the CARES Act round three CDBS-CA funds to the new project entitled Homeless Services Property Acquisition.


The Presbytery of Shenandoah has long been committed to meeting the basic needs of citizens in the Shenandoah Valley, including work to relieve hunger and homelessness.

Our property at 1111 N. Main Street, Harrisonburg is currently for sale and it is our intent to partner with a local nonprofit organization to make this site available for a permanent low-barrier homeless shelter, respite shelter or affordable housing options for the Harrisonburg community. The location is ideally suited for such purposes and we are currently in serious conversation with a local nonprofit that could be such a partner.

For this reason, we strongly support the proposed amendment and applaud the City for wanting to obligate funds for the purpose of construction of a homeless shelter and/or provision of services for this population. We recently met with Ande Banks, Amy Snider and Brian Shull to give them a tour of the property and express our interest to them. We find the possibility of a public/nonprofit/faith-based partnership a unique and promising one.

With appreciation,

The Rev. Bronwen Boswell
General Presbyter and Stated Clerk, Presbytery of Shenandoah
1111 N. Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Betsy Hay 
Member, Presbytery of Shenandoah Administration Committee
Resident, Harrisonburg City
681 Wyndham Woods Circle
Harrisonburg, VA 22901

The Rev. Ann Held
Member, Presbytery of Shenandoah Administration Committee
Resident, Harrisonburg City
230 New York Avenue
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The Rev. Clayton Rascoe
Member, Presbytery of Shenandoah Administration Committee
Executive Director, Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center
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Kristin McCombe

From: Hannah Williams <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 5:38 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

I am writing in support of fully funding a 24/7, year round low barrier shelter. While using the \$326,630 from the Harrisonburg Community Development Block Grant to fund this is essential for our community, fully funding a shelter by any means necessary will assure success of this program and stability for Harrisonburg's unhoused and underhoused. There are currently no permanent spaces for a low-barrier shelter and no year round, 24/7 day and night shelter exists. Harrisonburg's homeless community faces uncertainty every time they leave shelters in the morning (if they can find a bed) and often face extreme weather conditions with no safe space to go. We have an obligation as a community, as the "friendly city" to support some of our most vulnerable neighbors. I support using CDBG funds for this purpose and urge Council to locate additional funding sources to support this essential program.

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From: Emily Schneider <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 11:55 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Alice Dunn <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 9:57 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Alice Dunn
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Kristin McCombe

From: Alexander Pellegrino <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 1:26 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

Let's make it happen! I am writing in strong support of a low barrier shelter. We have a chance to keep people safe and warm. It is important to me that I live in a community that cares for one another.

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Kristin McCombe

From: Kate Kirwan <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 12:52 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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From: Ryan caricofe <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:47 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Ryan caricofe
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Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

Kristin McCombe

From: Ramona Sanders Sanders <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 8:38 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Ramona Sanders Sanders
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Kristin McCombe

From: Haley Springer <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 8:39 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Haley Springer
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Harrisonburg, Virginia 22802

Kristin McCombe

From: Ethan Morris <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:41 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Noah Martin <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 10:10 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Noah Martin
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Kristin McCombe

From: Michael Hulleman <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:29 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Kristin McCombe

From: Ashton Landes <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:27 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Kristin McCombe

From: Jake Krug <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:24 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Harrisonburg, Virginia 22807

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Kristin McCombe

From: shifletkaren <shifletkaren@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2021 8:50 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: Comment re. homelessness

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Kristin, I fully support the use of \$326,000 in reducing homelessness in our area. I would hope it could be used to provide some permanent supportive housing in the Harrisonburg area.

I am very familiar with the Open Doors program. Our church congregation has helped with meals for some years now. Our experience with the Red Front location was not as favorable as we had hoped it would be but it did provide shelter.

I wanted to voice my opinion in support of a more permanent helpful environment that could help restore their stability and defeat homelessness.

Thank you and others who are working to this end.

Karen S. Shiflet

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Kristin McCombe

From: Lynn Martin <lynnrmartin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: funding for homeless shelter

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Dear Ms. McCombe,

I am writing you to express my support for using the \$326 Community Development Block Grant to build a shelter for the homeless. I have served as a lead volunteer many times as my church, Emmanuel Episcopal, hosted the Open Doors shelter. I also have served on the Open Doors board. From my experience and my faith walk, I am convinced that the only way to truly address the needs of the homeless is by providing a permanent shelter that would operate throughout the year and be equipped to provide the services to meet the challenges of homelessness in our community.

In the early days of HARTS(the original name for Open Doors), the board and city officials attended a day-long workshop with a consultant from Richmond. At that time, we hoped to end homelessness within ten years. Although the city and community have worked together to reach that goal, we are still very far from reaching it. I believe this grant is a wonderful opportunity to bring our fellow citizens off the streets and provide them with a safe place to stay throughout the year.

Lynn Martin
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Harrisonburg, Va. 22801

Cell: 540-908-1406

Kristin McCombe

Laura Remington left a voicemail 7/19/21 saying that we need to get a homeless shelter first.
810-8948



KRISTIN MCCOMBE
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Kristin McCombe

From: Martha Barlow <mbarlow@eagles.bridgewater.edu>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 3:32 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: Homeless shelter

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Hello,

I wanted to speak to the proposal that the extra government funds be used to improve the conditions at the homeless shelter.

I've participated for a number of years with the thermal shelter that local churches provided in their own facilities. The move to Red Front has improved the situation but I think we can do better than is currently being done in Harrisonburg.

We need to understand the underlying conditions of local homelessness with the desire and resources to address those deeper issues.

I support the thoughtful, smart and careful use of the rescue funds to address these issues.

Martha S Barlow

Sent from my iPhone

Kristin McCombe

From: Nicole Young <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 11:16 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

I am aware that the majority of the city council is in favor of using the allocated money for this shelter. I believe it is of utmost importance that the homeless population of Harrisonburg gets a seat at the table. Real change and advocacy comes from empowering those who have been victims of the system. Please do your part in understanding this process is necessary for long-term change. I am so glad to see that this change is so close to beginning.

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Nicole Young
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Kristin McCombe

From: Fadia Vergara <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 11:19 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

Called on 7/21/2021

Expressed his desire to find financing to honor a basic human right for people in our community. He sees the rights of the homeless as an essential need like Fire and Police.

Michael Snellfeikema
1174 Westmoreland Dr., Harrisonburg



KRISTIN MCCOMBE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COORDINATOR

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Kristin McCombe

From: Bruce Lundeen <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 10:50 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

For over three years Occupy Harrisonburg has been working with the homeless. We are pleased with the news that the City Council is moving towards designating funds to start the process of providing our 'community neighbors' with much needed assistance.

We encourage the Harrisonburg Community Development Department and the City Council to include homeless individuals on the working committees that will be allocating funds.

I am writing in support of fully funding a 24/7, year round low barrier shelter. While using the \$326,630 from the Harrisonburg Community Development Block Grant to fund this is essential for our community, fully funding a shelter by any means necessary will assure success of this program and stability for Harrisonburg's unhoused and underhoused. There are currently no permanent spaces for a low-barrier shelter and no year round, 24/7 day and night shelter exists. Harrisonburg's homeless community faces uncertainty every time they leave shelters in the morning (if they can find a bed) and often face extreme weather conditions with no safe space to go. We have an obligation as a community, as the "friendly city" to support some of our most vulnerable neighbors. I support using CDBG funds for this purpose and urge Council to locate additional funding sources to support this essential program.

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Kristin McCombe

From: Katie Priest <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Camila Maric <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 8:16 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
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From: Mackenzie Joyce <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Will Watson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 10:15 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Patrick Pagano <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 9:54 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Gilbert Gaillard <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 9:29 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Vic Tedrow <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 9:12 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Liz Chenevey <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 7:12 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Thank you for your consideration,
Liz Chenevey

Liz Chenevey
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Harrisonburg, Virginia 22802

Kristin McCombe

From: Barbie Spitz <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 5:49 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Kristin McCombe

From: Amanda Dameron <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 4:21 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Amanda Dameron
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Kristin McCombe

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From: Stephanie Anders <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 1:58 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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As a follower of Christ and as a neighbor in this community, I truly believe it is our duty to support, love, and house our neighbors. I appreciate you taking the time to read this.

Best, Stephanie

Stephanie Anders
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Kristin McCombe

From: Alexandra Schmidt <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 1:47 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Bryce Yoder <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 1:39 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

I am writing in support of fully funding a 24/7, year round low barrier shelter. As downtown continues to expand and develop, housing is getting more and more expensive, often forcing those disadvantaged out of their previously affordable housing and onto the streets.

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Kristin McCombe

From: Paul Harmon <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

From: Carson Sullivan <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 12:06 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

Kristin McCombe

From: Eagle Brosi <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 11:06 AM
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Kristin McCombe

From: Bethany Chupp <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 3:02 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: Mental Health Professional insight on year round shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

As a local licensed mental health professional, I believe a year round shelter is crucial to the wellbeing of Harrisonburg and Rockingham residents. It allows individuals to access safe housing in times of difficulty, and allows the entire community to stand behind their values of being a "friendly" and welcoming city. Providing shelter, a basic human need and right, allows individuals to focus on further concerns like mental health and stabilizing in their environment. If we can't provide shelter for our community members, how can we expect them to have time, energy, or resources to address their overall well-being? Additionally, a year round shelter reduces the stress of the families of those struggling with housing, allowing them to also participate more fully in the success of this community. For some of the youth I work with, worrying about the safety of their unhoused family members is one of the greatest contributors to their own distress.

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Bethany Chupp
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Kristin McCombe

Laura Remington left a voicemail 7/19/21 saying that we need to get a homeless shelter first.
810-8948



KRISTIN MCCOMBE
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Kristin McCombe

From: Mother Barbara Seward <eecpriest@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 11:14 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: [BULK] CDBG Funding Comment

Importance: Low

WARNING: This email was sent from outside of your organization.

Good Morning,

I pray that you are well. I've read the article about the additional \$326K in funding. Given the homeless situation in Harrisonburg and the limitation of affordable housing, it is my hope that these funds will be used to address these two needs.

Housing is crucial to helping people establish stability in life. Please continue to give this serious thought.

Warm Regards,
The Very Rev. Barbara H. Seward+
Emmanuel, Harrisonburg

Kristin McCombe

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From: Karen Dean <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 11:50 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

As a retired nurse who cared for homeless folks in our local community I feel very strongly about the needs of this population. On a more personal note I cannot imagine night falling and having no place to go. While I realize the many and varied needs of this group, especially the dearth of mental health care in the immediate area, shelter must be addressed sooner rather than later. Therefore I am writing in support of fully funding a 24/7, year round low barrier shelter. While using the \$326,630 from the Harrisonburg Community Development Block Grant to fund this is essential for our community, fully funding a shelter by any means necessary will assure success of this program and stability for Harrisonburg's unhoused and underhoused. There are currently no permanent spaces for a low-barrier shelter and no year round, 24/7 day and night shelter exists. Harrisonburg's homeless community faces uncertainty every time they leave shelters in the morning (if they can find a bed) and often face extreme weather conditions with no safe space to go. We have an obligation as a community, as the "friendly city" to support some of our most vulnerable neighbors. I support using CDBG funds for this purpose and urge Council to locate additional funding sources to support this essential program.

Sincerely,

Karen Dean

Karen Dean

kareneyhdean@gmail.com

942 Lee Ave

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From: Michael feikema <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 12:28 PM
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Every possible avenue of financial support for fulfilling this moral and political obligation, the right to shelter, must be pursued by the city, that includes possible federal grants, and contributions from the Community Foundation and other private sources. As a property and sales tax payer in Harrisonburg I am perfectly willing to fund what needs to be done through an increase in my taxes. No one argues with the need to fund the fire department to prevent people from losing their homes. There should be no argument about the moral imperative to provide shelter to this who have lost their homes.

My hope is that this will be the first step towards a comprehensive response to homelessness, that will include supportive housing, and a navigation center in the shelter that will connect homeless individuals to the supportive programs they need to become fully reinstated participants in our community. I know that a majority on the council shares this vision and it is important that you understand that there are many Harrisonburg residents who

fully back the necessary steps you will need to take to realize that vision.

Last but not least, it is crucial that the homeless community have a voice and a presence in this process both in order to emphatically affirm their human dignity and to ground the efforts being made to address homelessness. They have the greatest and most urgent "take" in this issue. They are the "stakeholders," par excellence.

Sincerely, Michael Snell-Feikema

Michael feikema

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Kristin McCombe

From: Kathy Beery <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 1:08 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Kristin McCombe

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From: Isabel Castillo <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 1:30 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Harrisonburg , Virginia 22801

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Kristin McCombe

From: emily pace <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Ramona Sanders <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Vickie Carothers <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

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Debra Bontz called to state that she wants to see this project fully funded, and that the homeless population should be included in the process. She sees a need for transportation for homeless for people to get to work from a year round shelter that is also needed. She suggested purchasing a house on Maryland to be used as the shelter. She is happy to help be on a committee or help with planning. She is the administrator of the homeless at Asbury Church.



KRISTIN MCCOMBE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT COORDINATOR

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From: Lisa Priest <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Joshua Vana <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

From: Kathleen Temple <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

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From: Thomas Hargrove <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

From: Jacob Reeves <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 1:24 PM
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Kristin McCombe

From: Cameron Wade <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 12:17 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Jessica Schneider <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 11:14 AM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Heather Yoder <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 4:03 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Mona Williams <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 3:07 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Ms. McCombe,

Great news that you are considering this. Shelter is about more than protection against bad weather. The unhoused people I have talked to in Harrisonburg have been victims of bad luck (sometimes in the form of unfair landlords) or the kind of human weakness we have all experienced. They deserve dignity, like anyone else.

And this is an excellent use of CDBG funds. Let's use this money for our least fortunate, not just to increase the comfort of those who already have something. I am not a Harrisonburg resident, but I hope you will be able to find ways to fully fund this project.

Mona Williams

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Kristin McCombe

From: Athena Benton <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
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Kristin McCombe

From: Kiara Kelly-Smith <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

From: Katelyn Wolfgang <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Brittany Housden <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Molly Clark <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Kristin McCombe

From: Jamie Panko <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 10:12 PM
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Jamie Panko

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Kristin McCombe

From: Jennifer Murch <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 8:17 AM
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Kristin McCombe

From: Connor Herndon <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 10:46 AM
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Kristin McCombe

From: Lily Bose <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 3:35 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Program Coordinator Kristin McCombe,

Ms. McCombe,

Tonight you and I will go to sleep in a safe, clean bed with the assurance that that bed will be there for us the next day and the day after that. It is deeply unjust that there are members of our community who do not have this security or peace of mind when they are some of our most vulnerable. Just because someone has lost a job, been unable to pay rent, or had issues in their personal life does not make them less than us or mean they deserve to sleep without the security and safety you and I take for granted every single night.

As a JMU biology major, I have learned one of the basic tenants of an habitable environment for any species is that it must provide shelter. How can we be proud of our city when humans are not guaranteed this?

I fully support providing some form of consistent shelter in the form of a year round low barrier shelter to Harrisonburg's unhoused community. I support using CDBG funds for this purpose and urge Council to locate additional funding sources to support this essential program.

To claim Harrisonburg as "The Friendly City" means providing stability and security to all of its residents, no matter their income, wealth, or status.

Thank you for your time and I urge you to act to help all members of the Harrisonburg community by providing a 24/7 shelter.

Thank you,

Lily

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Kristin McCombe

From: thea catarata <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 10:33 PM
To: Kristin McCombe
Subject: I support a 24/7 low-barrier shelter

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Kristin McCombe

From: Austin Moody <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, July 18, 2021 9:43 PM
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Kristin McCombe

From: Sarah Dean <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2021 11:48 AM
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