

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MERION

Grants and Community Development Committee

Issue Briefing

Topic: CDBG Residential Rehabilitation Program

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I. Action to Be Considered by The Board:

Approve adding \$62,000 to the staff approved emergency project expense of \$25,000 for a total of \$87,000 including a contingency cost of \$10,000 to bring this home in Ardmore to minimum standards pursuant to CDBG regulations.

II. Why This Issue Requires Board Consideration:

The Lower Merion Township CDBG Residential Rehabilitation program requires staff to obtain approval from the Board of Commissioners when an Emergency Residential Rehabilitation project funded with CDBG funds exceeds \$25,000.

III. Current Policy or Practice (If Applicable):

Approval from the Board of Commissioners is required for Emergency Residential Rehabilitation projects exceeding the \$25,000 base threshold for expenditures.

IV. Other Relevant Background Information:

This Ardmore single family residence requires complete rehabilitation of the bathroom and kitchen, new electrical panel and additional plumbing repair.

V. Impact on Township Finances:

There is no impact to the Township's finances. All funds are federal CDBG funds.

VI. Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Board of Commissioners approve the additional funding request.