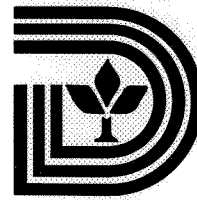


Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 3, 2009

TO Housing Committee Members: Steve Salazar, Chair, Carolyn R. Davis, Vice-Chair, Tennell Atkins, Dr. Elba Garcia, Vonciel Jones Hill, Angela Hunt, Linda Koop, Pauline Medrano

SUBJECT Dallas Sustainable Communities Initiative Weatherization and Energy Efficiency

On Monday, April 6, 2009, you will be briefed on Dallas Sustainable Communities Initiative Weatherization and Energy Efficiency. A copy of the information is attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.C. Gonzalez'.

A.C. Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager

c: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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Dallas Sustainable Communities Initiative Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Program

**A Briefing to the
Housing Committee**

Housing Department

April 6, 2009



Purpose

- To propose \$2.4M out of \$12.8M in Stimulus funds awarded to the City for the Dallas Sustainable Communities Initiative (DSCI) Weatherization and Efficiency Program to achieve energy efficiency improvements in NIP communities
- To outline next steps for DSCI Weatherization and Efficiency Program implementation

Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Program Best Practices

- Visited City of Houston's successful weatherization program for guidance
- Discussed program challenges and opportunities with numerous local, state, federal, private and non-profit agencies at sustainable communities conference hosted by Dallas
- Participated in dozens of DOE and public interest group teleconferences

Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Program

Elements:

- Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP) areas are eligible for participation
- People Helping People will administer program
- Prime contractor and prime non-profit for each NIP area will implement program
- Energy audits will be conducted free of charge for all households who agree to share energy use data
- Checklist of potential upgrades will be reviewed with participants
- Average cost of upgrades anticipated to be \$5,000 per household

Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Program

- Single-family residential homes in NIP areas
- Primary weatherization for all residents: weather stripping, window caulking, attic insulation, energy efficient light bulbs and repaired or upgraded ductwork
- Energy upgrades for low/moderate income: energy star refrigerator, ceiling fans, air conditioners and solar screens

Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Program Challenge

- Securing ongoing funding to expand program to all NIP and other low- to moderate-income neighborhoods

Next steps

steps	timeframe
Develop target neighborhood criteria	April 2009
Select 2-3 NIP neighborhoods	April 2009
Housing Committee briefing on program details and neighborhood selection	May 4, 2009
Council Action Item on program details and neighborhood selection	May 27, 2009
Develop and issue RFP for lead not-for-profit and prime contractor for each NIP selected	June '09

Next steps (cont.)

steps	timeframe
Receive EECBG funding (\$2.4M)	June '09 est.
Award contract for lead not-for-profit and prime contractor	July '09
First NIP/DSCI home complete	August '09
First NIP/DSCI neighborhood complete	February '10