

## GRANT ANALYSIS FORM OPERATING & CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

Department/Division: Department of City Development (DCD)/Housing and Neighborhood Development

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Category of Request

New Grant

Grant Continuation

Change in Previously Approved Grant

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Project/Program Title: Love Your Block 2018

Grantor Agency: Fund for Cities of Service, Inc. (Cities of Service)

Grant Application Date: 6/1/2018

Anticipated Award Date: 8/15/2018

1. **Description of Grant Project/Program (Include Target Locations and Populations):**  
The City, along with the AmeriCorps VISTA (VISTA) members, will work with trusted neighborhood partners to engage residents on blocks impacted by foreclosures in activities that will improve their blocks and their neighborhoods. Examples of possible resident volunteer opportunities include transforming vacant lots with a garden or a neighborhood art project, undertaking beautification projects on City-owned houses and working together to help market a City-owned foreclosed property to a family member or friend. In general, projects will be focused in neighborhoods hardest hit by foreclosures.
2. **Relationship to City-Wide Strategic Goals and Departmental Objectives:**  
The Love Your Block 2018 Grant will support ongoing efforts related to Strong Neighborhoods Plan initiatives around City-owned properties. The VISTA members will encourage resident engagement with the goal of identifying new/additional block-level neighborhood leaders by offering fully-funded mini-grants funded by the Love Your Block program for blight elimination efforts.
3. **Need for Grant Funds and Impact on Other Departmental Operations (Applies only to Programs):**  
No additional funds will be needed to operate the program. However, DCD may pair the Love Your Block funds with existing programs for larger impacts.
4. **Results Measurement/Progress Report (Applies only to Programs):**  
Progress reports will be submitted to Cities of Services on a regular basis; generally, every two to three months.
5. **Grant Period, Timetable and Program Phase-Out Plan:**  
The grant period is two years. The program will be set to phase-out at that time, unless it's determined that other sources of funds will be used to continue the program.
6. **Provide a list of Subgrantees:**  
Grants dollars will be paid directly to vendors or paid as reimbursements to residents or community-based organizations, similar to the Community Improvement Project grant program operated by DCD.
7. **If Possible, complete Grant Budget Form and attach to back.**  
The Grant Budget Form is attached to this Common Council File.