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Mayor Bowser Awards $1.5 Million to Nonprofits to Support COVID-19 Recovery

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Up to $50,000 per Organization Will Support Housing and Community Development Nonprofits

(Washington, DC) – Today, Mayor Muriel Bowser and the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) notified more than 30 District-based nonprofit organizations that they will receive funding from the COVID-19 Nonprofit Support Grant. The grants, which total nearly $1.5 million, will support housing and community development nonprofits that have experienced an increase in administrative costs, constituent requests, or other disruptions to normal operations due to COVID-19.

"These grants are going support so many of the organizations that have been there for our community throughout every stage of this crisis," said Mayor Bowser. "These are nonprofits that represent our DC values – that are helping us reach our housing goals, supporting our most vulnerable neighbors, and are consistently there to provide a hand up to Washingtonians when they need it most."

To be eligible, organizations had to: have federal 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status or evidence of fiscal agent relationship with a 501 (c)(3) organization; serve District residents or business owners by providing affordable housing or community development services; and be registered and in good standing with all applicable District regulatory agencies.

"No one has been spared from the economic impact of the COVID-19 public health emergency," said DHCD Director Polly Donaldson. "It's usually nonprofit and community organizations that are relied upon and able to assist people in times of need, but these are unique circumstances. Our goal is to help eligible organizations by offering a small capital infusion."

The following nonprofit organizations will receive up to $50,000 in grant assistance:

ARCH Development Corporation
Bread for the City
Calvary Women's Services, Inc.
CapoeriaDC
Central American Resource Center (CARCEN)
Central Community Development Corporation
CHV Tenants Association
Columbia Heights Day Initiative/District Bridges
DC Central Kitchen
Diane's House
House of Ruth
Housing Counseling Services, Inc.
Housing Up
Manna Inc.
Marshall Heights Community Development Org.
Mi Casa, Inc.
New Endeavors by Women
Opportunities Industrialization Center of DC
Pathway to Housing DC
RAP, Inc.
Suited for Change
University Legal Services

District Alliance for Safe Housing, Inc.
East of the River Clergy Police Partnership
Friends of Rhode Island Avenue
Greater DC Diaper Bank
Habitat for Humanity of Washington DC, Inc.
Healthy Babies Project, Inc.
Homes for Hope
Vida Senior Center
Washington Area Community Investment Fund, Inc.
Washington DC Fashion Foundation
Woodley House, Inc.
Young Women's Christian Home