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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

*RE: Covid-19 Response Grant Award
(Community Development Block Grant and Emergency Solutions Grant)*

Council Members:

The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (“HUD”) has awarded the City of Niagara Falls supplemental Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG-CV”) funds of \$1,403,659 and Emergency Solutions Grant (“ESG-CV”) funds of \$1,124,108 in order to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Covid-19 crisis.

To assist and aid in the fight against Covid-19, the following agencies are being recommended for the following award amounts based on submitted proposals.

Emergency Solutions Grant COVID -19 (ESG-CV) Funding

Agency	Amount	Proposed Activity
Catholic Charities	\$448,590.00	Homelessness Intervention, Rental Assistance, Utility Assistance
Community Missions	\$82,953.00	PPE, Emergency Shelter/Essential Services/Operational
Community Missions	\$176,913.00	Homelessness Intervention RRH, Rental Assistance
Community Missions	\$52,100.00	Emergency Shelter/Renovation
Pinnacle Community Service – (Passage House)	\$47,965.00	Emergency Shelter/Essential Services
Pinnacle Community Service – (Casey House)	\$61,706.00	Emergency Shelter/Essential Services
Pinnacle Community Service – (Casey House)	\$80,011.00	PPE, Outreach
Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc.	\$38,866.00	Homelessness Intervention RRH, Legal Advocacy to prevent homelessness
Heart, Love & Soul, Inc.	\$125,000.00	PPE, outreach, coordinated entry, many activities indirectly linked to by Continuum of Care (CoC)

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Community Development Block Grant COVID -19 (CDBG-CV) Funding

Agency	Amount	Proposed Activity
YWCA Carolyn's House	\$31,000.00	Playground
Niagara University – Niagara Falls Health Equity Task Force	\$152,194.00	PPE, Outreach
Pinnacle Community Services (Casey House)	\$159,028.00	Porch Project, create social distancing within shelter
Pinnacle Community Services (Passage House)	\$39,021.88	Porch Project, create social distancing within shelter
Highland Club House	\$50,000.00	Highland Clubhouse Renovation, PPE, Outreach
Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center	\$100,000.00	Know the signs suicide prevention due to Covid-19
YWCA Carolyn's House	\$51,229.00	Summer Youth Program
\$582,472.88		Total Awarded

Will the Council so approve the acceptance of this grant funding and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to implement the same, provided these documents are in form and content acceptable to the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor