

HOUSE BILL No. 4835

May 20, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Emerson, Saunders, Hood, Kilpatrick, Clack, Gubow, DeBeaussaert, Murphy, DeMars, Byrum, Jonker, Ciaramitaro, Bennane, Hunter, Leland, Perry Bullard, Yokich, Hertel, Wallace, Dobronski and Profit and referred to the Committee on Housing and Urban Affairs.

A bill to amend Act No. 346 of the Public Acts of 1966,
entitled as amended
"State housing development authority act of 1966,"
as amended, being sections 125.1401 to 125.1499c of the Michigan
Compiled Laws, by adding sections 45a, 45b, 45c, 45d, and 45e.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 346 of the Public Acts of 1966, as
2 amended, being sections 125.1401 to 125.1499c of the Michigan
3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding sections 45a, 45b, 45c, 45d,
4 and 45e to read as follows:

5 SEC. 45A. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 45B TO
6 45E:

7 (A) "NEIGHBORHOOD" MEANS AN AREA WITH GEOGRAPHICALLY DEFINED
8 BOUNDARIES THAT IS IDENTIFIED AS A NEIGHBORHOOD BY INDIVIDUALS
9 RESIDING AND WORKING WITHIN THE AREA.

1 (B) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS PROGRAM
2 DESCRIBED IN SECTION 45B.

3 (C) "SELF-HELP" MEANS ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN A PROJECT BY
4 RESIDENTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, FROM CONCEPTION OF THE PROJECT
5 THROUGH ITS COMPLETION.

6 SEC. 45B. THE AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISH A NEIGHBORHOOD
7 GRANTS PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 45C TO 45E
8 TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION AND
9 PRESERVATION. THE AUTHORITY SHALL PROMULGATE RULES PURSUANT TO
10 THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, ACT NO. 306 OF THE
11 PUBLIC ACTS OF 1969, BEING SECTIONS 24.201 TO 24.328 OF THE
12 MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS, TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM.

13 SEC. 45C. (1) THE AUTHORITY MAY MAKE A GRANT UNDER THE PRO-
14 GRAM TO AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

15 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (2), A NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANI-
16 ZATION THAT SERVES A NEIGHBORHOOD.

17 (B) NEIGHBORHOOD-BASED IN ITS ORIENTATION.

18 (C) INCORPORATED AS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION UNDER THE NON-
19 PROFIT CORPORATION ACT, ACT NO. 162 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1982,
20 BEING SECTIONS 450.2101 TO 450.3192 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED
21 LAWS.

22 (D) ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE A RECORD OF NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT
23 ACTIVITY WITH SUBSTANTIATED SELF-HELP INVOLVEMENT BY LOCAL
24 RESIDENTS.

25 (E) ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE A HISTORY OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL
26 MANAGEMENT.

1 (2) SCHOOLS AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR
2 GRANTS, BUT SEPARATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH
3 SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, OR OTHER RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS
4 ARE ELIGIBLE IF THEY MEET THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

5 SEC. 45D. (1) THE AUTHORITY MAY MAKE GRANTS UNDER THE PRO-
6 GRAM FOR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

7 (A) GENERAL NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS INCLUDING, BUT
8 NOT LIMITED TO, NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP OR BEAUTIFICATION, MINOR
9 HOME REPAIR, ENERGY CONSERVATION, RENOVATION OF COMMUNITY CEN-
10 TERS, AND NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION.

11 (B) CRIME PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECTS INCLUDING,
12 BUT NOT LIMITED TO, NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAMS, HOME SECURITY
13 SEMINARS, INSTALLATION OF SECURITY SYSTEMS, AND LIGHTING
14 IMPROVEMENTS.

15 (C) HOUSING PROJECTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ACQUISSI-
16 TION OF HOUSES FOR REHABILITATION OR DEMOLITION, MAJOR PAINTING
17 AND REPAIR PROJECTS, REHABILITATION OF MULTIFAMILY RENTAL UNITS,
18 CREATIVE USE OF EXISTING BUILDINGS, AND REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS.

19 (D) SERVICE PROJECTS RELATING TO THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE LIVING
20 IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CHILD CARE,
21 TUTORING, AND SENIOR CITIZEN OR YOUTH SERVICES. TO BE ELIGIBLE
22 FOR A GRANT UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION, A SERVICE PROJECT MUST LEAD
23 TO INCREASED SELF-SUFFICIENCY OF THE PERSONS BEING SERVED.

24 (2) THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT MAKE GRANTS UNDER THE PROGRAM TO
25 SUPPLANT OR REPLACE EXISTING FUNDING THAT SUPPORTS NEIGHBORHOOD
26 ACTIVITIES.

1 (3) THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT MAKE GRANTS FOR ANY OF THE
2 FOLLOWING:

3 (A) PUBLIC WORKS, OPERATING COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES,
4 OR SALARIES OF GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL.

5 (B) EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS OR EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PROGRAMS.

6 (C) NONPROGRAM RELATED GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF A
7 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION.

8 (D) PLANNING AND FEASIBILITY STUDIES, UNLESS ESSENTIAL TO
9 IMPLEMENT A PROJECT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1).

10 (E) TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,
11 PURCHASE OF VEHICLES.

12 (F) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LOB-
13 BYING OR ORGANIZING.

14 (G) PROJECTS RESULTING IN PERSONAL PROFIT OR DISTRIBUTION OF
15 ASSETS TO MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OR MANAGEMENT OF THE
16 ORGANIZATION.

17 (H) PROJECTS THAT EXCLUSIVELY BENEFIT SPECIAL INTEREST POPU-
18 LATIONS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, HANDICAPPERS, DOMESTIC
19 ASSAULT VICTIMS, SUBSTANCE ABUSERS, CHILD ABUSE VICTIMS, OR THE
20 HOMELESS. PROJECTS THAT COMBINE BENEFITS FOR A SPECIAL INTEREST
21 POPULATION AND OTHER RESIDENTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ARE ELIGIBLE.

22 (I) CULTURAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, RES-
23 TINATION OF THEATERS OR MUSEUMS, ART COLLECTION ACQUISITION,
24 DANCE TROUPES, OR PERFORMANCE COSTS.

25 (J) PROJECTS THAT EXCLUSIVELY BENEFIT RELIGIOUS ORGANI-
26 ZATIONS OR SCHOOLS.

1 SEC. 45E. (1) THE AUTHORITY SHALL AWARD GRANTS UNDER THE
2 PROGRAM ON A COMPETITIVE BASIS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

3 (A) THE APPLICANT'S CAPACITY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT.

4 (B) THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PROJECT TO THE REVITALIZATION OF
5 THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

6 (C) THE EXTENT TO WHICH SELF-HELP IS A COMPONENT OF THE
7 PROJECT.

8 (D) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT.

9 (E) CONSISTENCY OF THE PROJECT WITH LOCAL PLANS FOR THE
10 AREA.

11 (F) THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE PROJECT.

12 (G) THE EXTENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE APPLICANT AND
13 OTHER LOCAL GROUPS.

14 (H) THE INCLUSION IN THE PROJECT OF IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.

15 (I) THE DEGREE OF DISTRESS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD RELATIVE TO
16 NEIGHBORHOODS SERVED BY OTHER APPLICANTS.

17 (J) THE APPLICANT'S ABILITY TO RAISE FUNDS.

18 (K) THE CLARITY OF THE APPLICATION.

19 (2) THE AUTHORITY MAY AWARD A GRANT TO AN APPLICANT THAT HAS
20 MANAGED A NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BUT THAT DOES NOT MEET
21 ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROGRAM. A GRANT AWARDED UNDER
22 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE MADE IF THE AUTHORITY DETERMINES THE
23 APPLICANT HAS POTENTIAL TO BECOME A MOVING FORCE FOR IMPROVEMENT
24 IN ITS NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THAT THE ASSISTANCE WILL ENABLE THE
25 APPLICANT TO BUILD THE HISTORY OF ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY AND
26 FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY REQUIRED FOR GRANTS UNDER THE PROGRAM.