



CITY OF OCEANSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT **HOUSING PROGRAMS UPDATE REPORT**

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OVERVIEW:

The Housing and Code Enforcement Division of the Neighborhood Services Department implements City policies and programs regarding housing assistance for low and moderate income households and is also responsible for administering the CDBG program, the Code Enforcement program, and the operation of four community resource centers (Chavez, Crown Heights, San Luis Rey Valley and Libby Lake). The following information is an overview of the Division's programs. ***Updated information is listed in bold italics at the end of each program/ project section.***

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS:

Lil Jackson Senior Community:



The City has partnered with Southern California Presbyterian Homes, a non-profit affordable housing developer, to develop an 80-unit Section 202 Senior Housing project on a 5-acre City-owned parcel located on Lake Boulevard. (Section 202 is the HUD funding program for the construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of structures which provide supportive housing for very low-income elderly persons). The developer was awarded HUD 202 funding for this project. The City has a loan of Housing Funds as gap financing loan to complete amenities and other required off-site improvements which are not funded by HUD. A groundbreaking ceremony was held on January 26, 2010. ***The project is estimated to be completed in August/September 2011. The developer is currently compiling a waiting list for prospective applicants.***

Libby Lake Village:



A Request for Proposals was sent out to developers for the development of an affordable for-sale housing project on the vacant portion of land located behind the Libby Lake Community Center. Habitat for Humanity was selected as the developer for the project. Resident meetings were held in March and April 2005. A City Housing Fund loan has been provided to the project. ***15 of the 20 approved homes have been constructed during three Habitat National Building Blitz weeks in 2008, 2009 and 2010. Construction of the final 5 homes is estimated to be completed by the end of 2011.***

Mission Cove Affordable Housing Mixed-Use Development Site:



The 14.47 acre parcel located along the 3200 block of Mission Avenue was identified in the 2004 Affordable Housing Task Force Report as a potential site for the development of future affordable housing. The site was purchased by the City in 2006 for a potential affordable housing/mixed-use development. Approval of an RFP for the site Vision and Strategic Planning process was recommended by the Housing Commission at its July 2008 meeting and approved for issuance by the City Council in September 2008. 10 proposals were received by the established RFP deadline. At its October 28, 2008 meeting, the Housing Commission recommended that a professional review panel conduct an initial review of the proposals based up the RFP and Housing Commission criteria and that the top three proposals are presented to the Commission for its review and selection of the firm. The top three proposals were presented at the December 9, 2008 Housing Commission meeting. RRM Design Group was selected as the design firm. The contract was approved by the City Council on January 21, 2009. Three community meetings facilitated by the City's consultant, RRM Design Group, were held in April, July, and September 2009 at the Best Western Marty's Valley Inn Conference Center which is located directly across Mission Avenue from the site. Input and comments from attendees were incorporated into a Vision Plan for the site. The Vision Plan was presented to the Housing Commission, the Redevelopment Advisory Committee, and was approved the City Council for in March 2010. The Vision plan is available for review at: <http://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/MAAH>. An RFQ for the selection of a Development Team was issued in July 2010. ***National Community Renaissance and Community HousingWorks have been selected as the Development Team for the site. The Development Agreements for the site will be negotiated in 2011.***

Shadow Way Apartments:



The City assisted Wasatch Advantage Group to acquire and rehabilitate Shadow Way Apartments, an existing 144 unit apartment complex located at 4707 Yuma Avenue. The City provided a Housing Funds loan for the project. The City also issued housing revenue bonds for the project. The project has been completed. A grand re-opening event was held on December 14, 2009. ***The project's affordability covenants are monitored annually by Neighborhood Services/Housing staff.***

La Mision Village:



The City partnered with Southern California Housing Development Corporation (currently National CORE), a nonprofit affordable housing developer, to develop an 80-unit mixed-use affordable housing development located on the site of the former La Mision Restaurant. The project was successful in receiving a loan from the State HCD/MHP Prop 46 program. Housing bonds were issued by the California Communities Fund for the project. A loan of City Housing Funds was provided as gap financing for the project. A grand opening event was held on July 15, 2008. Quality Children Services is the service provider for the onsite childcare program. North County Health Services leases a portion of the commercial office space for medical offices. The project has been completed. The project also received recognition as the "Housing Project of the Year/More than 50 Units" by the San Diego Housing Federation. ***The project's affordability covenants are monitored annually by Neighborhood Services/Housing staff.***

Cape Cod Villas:



The City assisted SoCal Housing with the purchase and rehabilitation of Cape Cod Villas, an existing 36-unit Senior Complex located at 1710 Maxson St. This complex was originally constructed as a Density Bonus project with age/rent restrictions that were set to expire in 2007. A loan of City Housing Funds was provided as gap financing for the project. Housing staff also assisted one displaced tenant in purchasing a city-owned home in the Oceana neighborhood. A grand re-opening event was held on March 13, 2008. The project has been completed. ***The project's affordability covenants are monitored annually by Neighborhood Services/Housing staff.***

Country Club Apartments:



The City assisted Wakeland Housing and Development Corporation with the purchase and rehabilitation of Country Club Apartments, an existing 90-unit apartment complex located at 201 Country Club Lane. A loan of City Housing Funds was provided as gap financing for the project. The City also issued housing revenue bonds for the project. The project has been completed. A grand re-opening event was held on July 9, 2009. ***The project's affordability covenants are monitored annually by Neighborhood Services/Housing staff.***

Interfaith Community Services Housing Project:

The City assisted Interfaith Community Services with the purchase of an existing 4-unit apartment complex located at 345 Garfield Street. A loan of HOME Funds was provided as gap financing for the project. The project is anticipated to be completed in June 2011.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS:

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP):

The passage of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008 (HERA), created the NSP to provide funding to states and local jurisdictions to mitigate the foreclosure crisis in neighborhoods where it is a problem. The State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) received funds to distribute to local jurisdictions by formula. Oceanside was allocated \$1.4 million by application and award to the Neighborhood Services (NS) Department. Final authorization from HCD to incur costs against the Program was received by the NS Department on December 14, 2009. The Housing Commission recommended and City Council has authorized the NS Department to expend these funds according to an eligible use mechanism contained in HERA. The NS Department will loan funds to a nonprofit developer, the Fuller Center, to acquire vacant habitable property. The property will remain affordable for 55 years through a Regulatory Agreement. Funds will also be loaned to the developer for property rehabilitation purposes. The Fuller Center will then rent to a homeless family chosen by North County Solutions for Change as likely candidates for the transitional housing opportunity offered by this unique program. Rents will be regulated according to the Federal HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) guidelines. ***4 properties have been rehabilitated and are occupied by families from North County Solutions for Change. Staff will monitor annually for occupancy compliance and bi-annually for structure compliance with HOME Regulations.***

Housing Element Preparation:

California cities are required to prepare and submit an updated Housing Element every five years to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The 2005-2010 Housing Element has been certified/approved by HCD as being in compliance with State Housing Element Law. ***Planning and Housing staff will be coordinating efforts in drafting the 2013-2020 Housing Element.***

Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program:

Housing Choice Vouchers –

Eligible families with a voucher find and lease a unit and pay a reasonable rent which ranges from 30-40% of their income. The local housing authority pays the owner the remaining rent. The Neighborhood Services Department currently administers approximately 1,500 HCV vouchers. ***The Oceanside Housing Authority HCV Program has been designated by HUD as a "high performer" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.***

Federal regulations permit housing choice vouchers to be used for project-based housing. Under this option, a specific number of vouchers are attached to a specific project, which could be single family or multifamily units. The owner signs a contract with the housing authority to receive voucher assistance in specified units. Project-basing of vouchers has been used effectively in other jurisdictions to assist persons with special needs, such as persons with disabilities and homeless, who have difficulties finding appropriate, affordable housing. Twenty-five vouchers have been designated for project-based assistance. 4 vouchers are attached to Old Grove Apartments and an additional 21 vouchers are attached to Marisol Apartment. Community HousingWorks, the non-profit owner of the two apartment complexes, entered into a ten-year Housing Assistance Payment Contract that is effective through August 31, 2018.

Housing Choice Voucher Program (continued):

Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program --

The City has received funding to employ FSS Coordinators since 1996. The FSS Program is for up to 100 Housing Choice Voucher program participants who are attending or desire to attend school or training, have a job, and are looking for work. An FSS participant must sign a Contract of Participation and make a commitment to become employed and economically independent within five years. An FSS participant continues to pay rent in accordance with normal Housing Choice Voucher program procedures. As the participant's earnings increase, the Housing Department deposits housing assistance funds into an interest-bearing savings account in the participant's name. Upon completion of the Contract and written certification to the Housing Authority that the family is not receiving other State or Federal financial assistance, the entire savings account will be made available to the family.

Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Homeownership Program --

The CDC authorized this program and appropriated \$400,000 in HOME funds to assist FSS participants become homeowners. The program authorizes up to \$40,000 in "silent second" loans to provide gap financing. This program must be used in conjunction with the HCV Homeownership Program, which provides monthly subsidy that is sent directly to the lender. Ten FSS participants have used this program to become homeowners.

Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Homeownership Program --

A homeownership program is also available to HCV participants. FSS program graduates are given first priority. This program furthers a Presidential mandate of promoting homeownership. Funds are made available through the HCV Program and are paid directly to a participating lender. The HCV homeowner also pays their portion of the mortgage directly to the lender. Sixteen HCV participants have used this program to become homeowners; ten utilized the program in conjunction with the FSS Homeownership Program.

Bond Property Monitoring:

The Department is responsible for monitoring multi-family tax-exempt bond projects totaling 1,710 units. All of these units are reserved for low-income households. Department staff inspects the physical condition and fiscal records of the properties annually to ensure compliance with requirements of the bond financing. ***Neighborhood Services staff has completed all Bond monitoring duties for January – March 2011.***

Mortgage Credit Certificates:

The Mortgage Credit Certificate Program (MCC) was authorized by Congress in the 1984 Tax Reform Act as a means of providing housing assistance to families of low and moderate income by reducing the amount of federal income tax paid, thus giving more available income to qualify for a mortgage loan and assist with house payments. The MCC is available to homebuyers who meet household income and home purchase price limits established for program. The City contracts with Affordable Housing Applications to administer the MCC program. ***One MCC certificate for approximately \$211,000 was issued this quarter. Two pending certificates will be issued next quarter.***

Fair Housing:

Lifeline Community Services is contracted to provide Fair Housing counseling services. ***34 residents received direct assistance with fair housing and/or landlord/tenant issues during the 3rd quarter of FY 10/11. Lifeline also conducted a Fair Housing training session for Housing/Section 8 staff in February 2011.***

Housing Rehabilitation Programs:

Owner-occupied -- The program assists low-income owners/occupants by providing financing to accomplish needed repairs to bring housing units up to code, as well as to complete improvements that make the units more livable and preserve the City's existing housing stock. \$350,000 in CDBG funding is available annually. ***Currently, most applicants for this program are not qualifying due to being upside down in their mortgage thus having no equity to protect the City interest in a making a rehab loan. The following information summarizes Owner-occupied rehab activities for the past quarter:***

<i>Number of inquiries received</i>	<i>98</i>
<i>Number of loans pending</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Number of loans made</i>	<i>0</i>

Rental – The Housing Commission and City Council approved a Rental Rehabilitation program for the Crown Heights Neighborhood. This program is funded by revenues received from condo conversion projects. These revenues must be used to preserve low-income rental housing. A tenant-based component was also included in this program. This will allow tenants the opportunity to initiate and participate in the rehab for their particular unit. This also provides landlords with the flexibility of not having to restrict all of the units at an affordable rate. Staff is currently marketing this program to the Crown Heights Neighborhood.

Manufactured Home Improvement (MHIP) – This program provides a grant to owner-occupants of manufactured homes in the City to fix up their residences. The qualifications for this program are:

- Owner-occupant of home renting space at one of Oceanside's mobile home parks
- Total household income must be below 80% of County Median Income
- Household income above 50% of County Median Inc. applies for a matching grant (\$1 to \$1)
- Household income below 50% of County Median Income applies for a non-matching grant.

The following information summarizes MHIP activities for the past quarter:

<i>Number of MHIP grants processed</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Number of inquiries received</i>	<i>49</i>

Cal Home Program:

The Cal HOME program provides low-interest loans to qualified low-income, first-time homebuyer households for the purchase of a principal residence. The Neighborhood Services Department has successfully applied for and has been awarded \$600,000 in Cal Home funds by the CA Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The current housing market conditions have produced a climate favorable to the private investor to outbid the Cal Home first-time homebuyer participants for properties which are affordable to our borrowers. HCD has recognized this situation and has agreed to extend funding contracts for one additional year. ***The following information summarizes Cal Home activities for the past quarter:***

<i>Number of inquiries received</i>	<i>46</i>
<i>Number of Cal Home loans pending</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Number closed</i>	<i>2</i>

Rental Rehab Compliance Monitoring:

Neighborhood Services monitors the physical condition and low-income affordability restrictions of 6 Rental Rehab units annually. ***Neighborhood Services staff has completed all Rental Rehab monitoring duties for January – March 2011.***

Laguna Vista MHP:

The City currently owns the 272 space Laguna Vista Mobile Home Park located at 276 North El Camino Real. The park is currently managed by Haven Management. ***The Oceanside Mobile Home Park Financing Authority Meeting was held on February 23, 2011 at which the annual operating and capital improvement budget was approved. The City is exploring the sale of the mobile home park.***

Mobile Home Rent Control:

The Department is responsible for collecting the annual rent control registration fees. ***The City Council previously authorized an increase in the annual registration fee to \$106.24 per regulated space effective November 12, 2010. Park owners to pay the fees in 12 equal installments. The annual inspections for the parks commenced in February 2011.***

Mobile Home Rental Assistance Program (MRAP):

The MRAP program was designed to assist low-income elderly or disabled mobile home owners with space rent for 5 years or until funding was no longer available. MRAP has assisted 71 Oceanside mobile home owners since its inception. Many of these owners have transitioned to the City's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program. ***The MRAP Program will end on June 30, 2011. It is expected that the 16 remaining MRAP households will qualify for assistance under the HCV program.***

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009:

The Congress passed and the President signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act") which provides a variety of entitlement funds to the states and local jurisdictions. The City received \$485,798 of CDBG-R funds for capital projects that maximize job creation and economic development. The City Council approved projects for Recovery Act funding. The project with North County Health Services for new diagnostic equipment has been completed and new roofs have been installed at the Women's Resource Center transitional housing facility and emergency shelter. ***Renovation of the kitchen at the Family Recovery Center was completed in December 2010 and improvements to the County Club Senior Center were completed in March 2011. The City will hold a ribbon-cutting for the new coffee and conversation room at the Country Club Senior Center in May; this event will also mark the 30th anniversary of the opening of this facility. All CDBG-R projects will be completed and funds expended by June 30, 2011.***

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP):

The City received funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 in the amount of \$742,791 for the HPRP. The program began assisting low-income Oceanside families in December 2009 and is designed to assist participants attain housing stability by providing case management services and temporary financial assistance. HPRP serves persons who are homeless or would be homeless without this assistance and can remain stably housed after the program ends. The fund cannot be used for mortgage assistance and are not intended to serve persons who need long-term or intensive supports. Household income cannot exceed fifty percent of county median income per household size; for a family of four, the maximum annual income is \$41,300. Staff is collaborating with the Homeless Services liaisons at Oceanside and Vista Unified School Districts to ensure that families receive services available through the schools. ***Approximately 59% of the available HPRP funding has been expended. 203 families have been assisted by this program.***

Alliance for Regional Solutions:

The City joins other North County cities and nonprofit social service organizations in a regional approach to winter shelters. All cities share in the costs with either direct payment to the shelter providers or to North County Community Services, fiscal agent for the winter shelter program.

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAMS:

HCD Action Plan:

The FY 2010-11 Action Plan for Housing and Community Development was approved by the City Council in May 2010 and subsequently submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for review. ***Contracts with all sub-recipients have been signed and all work is progressing. The City has prepared the draft 2011-2012 Action Plan for public review during April; this will be presented to the City Council for approval and authorization to submit to HUD no later than May 13.***

Code Enforcement:

Code Enforcement preserves, enhances, and promotes a safer, cleaner, and economically viable community through the enforcement of the City's municipal codes and ordinances. Enforcement support is also provided to the Development Services (Building, Planning and Engineering), Fire, Water Utilities (Clean Water), Public Works, and Financial Services (Business License) Departments and works with OPD and the City Attorney's Office in resolving criminal nuisance issues. ***The following information summarizes enforcement activities for the most recent quarter:***

Complaint Categories:

Totals:

• <i>Solid Waste Related Issues</i>	<i>264</i>
• <i>Zoning and Land Use Issues</i>	<i>181</i>
• <i>Health & Safety / Building Code Issues</i>	<i>151</i>
• <i>Public Nuisance Issues</i>	<i>588</i>
• <i>Total Complaints Received</i>	<i>1,184</i>

Code Enforcement staff is also involved in the implementation of the CRW Permit and Code Enforcement Tracking System. The Code Enforcement TrakiT and MobileTrak modules for the CRW system are currently in operation for tracking Code Enforcement cases. ***An approximate 20% increase in calls for service year-to-date over 2010 is a result of Code Enforcement becoming a more comprehensive and effective resource by which Oceanside residents can contact to resolve neighborhood concerns.***

SUN Project:

The annual SUN (Supporting Urban Neighborhoods) project began in 2002 as a community enhancement program aimed at improving blighted conditions in the City's older, established neighborhoods. Over 700 community volunteers participate in this event each year. Elements of the project include: house painting, fence replacement, trash and debris removal, and sidewalk and parkway improvements. SUN 2010 was completed in the Crown Heights Neighborhood on October 23, 2010 with over 1,000 volunteers participating. SUN 2011 is pending available funding/donations.

Neighborhood Groups:

The Department continues to participate in the following groups or organizations:

- Libby Lake Neighborhood Association
- Crown Heights Resident Association
- Eastside Neighborhood Association
- Oceanside Coastal Neighborhood Association
- Downtown Redevelopment/Main Street Oceanside
- Loma Alta Neighborhood Association
- Capistrano/Francine Villas Neighborhood Group
- Loma Alta Mission Park Neighborhood Group
- San Luis Rey Valley (Resource Center) Resident Group

Crown Heights / Eastside Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area:

Community outreach for the next Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) plan began in November 2007 with residents and nonprofit organizations active in the Crown Heights and Eastside Neighborhoods. The NRSA includes the Crown Heights neighborhood and the area bounded by Country Club Lane, Barnes Street, Mission Avenue and I-5 plus the Eastside commercial area bounded by Bush, Santa Barbara, and Holly Streets. The City Council approved the NRSA Plan in February, 2010, and authorized submittal of the Plan to HUD for approval. The NRSA plan has been approved by HUD and implementation of the Plan began July 1, 2010. The S.U.N. 2010 project, held on October 23, 2010 improved properties in Crown Heights. The City also loaned \$350,000 of federal HOME funds to Interfaith Community Services to acquire and rehabilitate a small apartment complex in Crown Heights for low-income households. ***The City will work with residents to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety in the neighborhoods, especially with the opening of a new entrance to Oceanside High School across from the Americanization School. This will bring more traffic to the area before and after school.***

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS:

Community Resource Centers:

The Department operates three community resource centers: Crown Heights, San Luis Rey Valley, and Libby Lake. Community Resource Center staff is responsible for the coordination of activities and special events, handling reservations for use of the facilities by community groups, maintaining the facilities, and for monitoring the programs and services delivered by non-profit agencies in the centers. North County Lifeline has critical hours after school programs operating at the San Luis Rey Valley and Crown Heights Community Resource Centers. Vista Community Clinic's Teen Reach program serves Oceanside youth at the Libby Lake Community Center. Libby Lake Community Center also leases space to Vista Community Clinic for a full service clinic and to SER for their employment training programs. All sites host and provide support for community meetings for neighborhood resident groups. All sites provide food assistance through Brother Benno's program, providing monthly food baskets to low-income families and San Luis Rey provides a site for a monthly WIC program that provides formula/food assistance for families with infants. Various support meetings are hosted at the resource centers, including Alcoholics Anonymous (Spanish and English), Al-Anon (for family members), and Narcotics Anonymous. Veterans Village of San Diego operates both the "Wounded Warriors" and "Courage to Call" programs for veterans at Libby Lake Community Center.

Additional volunteer-led services provided at the Community Resource Centers include ESL classes for adults and Ballet Folklorico Dance Classes for adults and children at Crown Heights Resource Center, Computer classes for Spanish speaking adults at the Libby Lake Community Center and Karate classes for children at the SLR Valley site.

The Oceanside SUN Project helped in building community participation at the Crown Heights Community Resource Center. Residents appreciated the project and participated well in community meetings. Community meetings continue to be held on the 3rd. Wed. of each month. The Crown Heights Community Resource Center continues to partner with the Oceanside Unified School District and Community Housing Works on a program that facilitates bus services for neighborhood students attending Lincoln Middle School. The program has been very useful in building community participation in the neighborhood, with good attendance at community meetings and monthly community cleanups attracting between 45 and 70 residents.

Community Gardens:

Community Resource Center staff oversees the maintenance of the City's two community gardens located in the Eastside and Crown Heights neighborhoods. Garden plots are available for local residents to cultivate crops and vegetables. Staff facilitates periodic meetings with participants regarding garden maintenance and improvements.

Oceanside Community Safety Partnership:

The City Council directed Neighborhood Services staff to take a leadership role in establishing the Oceanside Community Safety Partnership (OCSP), a collaborative group bringing together public and private organizations and individuals to address community safety concerns related to at-risk youth. The OCSP website is located at www.ocspdatabase.org.

OCSP Steering Committee meetings are held monthly at OPD. Community partners will continue to collaborate in applying for available funding opportunities to sustain the partnership and community programs supporting youth and families. Current OJJDP Fiscal Earmark and CalGRIP grants are achieving grant goals and helping to sustain vital services. Vista Community Clinic's OJJDP funded Step Up Mentoring Program is operating at schools in Oceanside and Vista and is getting a large number of referrals/participants and good mentor involvement. Members from Save Our Streets remain active in our neighborhoods, with community outreaches and Adopt-A-Block neighborhood cleanup activities taking place regularly at Libby Lake, Arthur Avenue and Fireside Park.

The California Emergency Management Agency CalGRIP 2010/11 grant for \$369,309 received through a collaborative application involving OPD, Neighborhood Services, and OCSP supports enforcement of gang injunctions in Eastside and Crown Heights (32 Gang Injunction Enforcement and 16 Probation Compliance Sweeps over 2 years) and sustains and expands Project REACH services at Joe Balderrama Recreation Center to serve 50 youth ages 11 to 17 annually beginning January 1, 2011. Project REACH has had active recruitment of youth into the program. Currently, there are 49 youth enrolled, and over 30 youth attending on a daily basis. North County Lifeline's Club Crown Heights youth development after school program at the Crown Heights Community Resource Center is also funded for 16 months under this grant, beginning July 1, 2011 when current funding expires. The program serves a minimum of 50 youth ages 6 to 17 annually.

Oceanside Community Safety Partnership (continued):

In March 2011, OCSP submitted a grant application through OPD for the OJJDP FY 2011 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategies and Programs Grant. This is a very competitive grant offered nationally. If funded, that grant would be effective 1-1-12 and would run for 3 years, continuing the enforcement activities funded under the current Oceanside GRIP 2011 grant, and truancy prevention sweeps and related home visits funded under the 2008 CalGRIP grant. It would also continue funding for Project REACH at Joe Balderrama Recreation Center for an additional 2 years when current funding expires on 9/30/12. In addition, the grant would fund two positions at Interfaith Community Services Transitional Youth Academy(TYA) , enabling them to provide TYA services to 44 high risk Oceanside youth annually over the 2 year grant period.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Civic Award Program:

The Neighborhood Services Department provides staff support to the Community Relations Commission, which manages the City of Oceanside – Martin Luther King, Jr. Civic Award Program.

Kay Parker was selected as the 2011 recipient of the award. Photos of award recipients are posted in the community rooms adjacent to the Oceanside Public Library.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program:

The Neighborhood Services Department provides staff support to the Community Relations Commission, which manages the City of Oceanside – Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program. Applications for the scholarship program are submitted by students representing local public, private and charter high schools. The scholarship program is open to any graduating high school senior that lives in Oceanside, regardless of which high school the student attends.

The primary fundraiser for the program is the annual garden reception which is scheduled for June 3 ,2011.