



## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

DATE: January 19, 2015

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SUBJECT: Public Hearing – Re-programming Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
Program Year 2014 funds

### Background

The City of Troy is required by the Oakland County Division of Community & Home Improvement to advertise and conduct a Public Hearing for the reprogramming of CDBG funds. The Parks-Recreation Facilities account for CDBG program year 2014 has a balance of \$107,000.00. The balance of funds from Program Year 2014 must be expended or relinquished.

The PY 2014 Parks-Recreational Facilities Project in Section 36 was a continuation of an overall project to provide recreational activities to the surrounding residents. The project was going to address the 2-5 year old age group with a play structure. During this process HUD reconfigured the eligibility area for CDBG funds.

City of Troy representatives have met with the representatives from Oakland County to determine the best use of these funds. We toured the Historic Village where Loraine Campbell detailed the ADA accessibility deficiencies throughout the Village. The funds will be used to remove identified architectural barriers and retrofit ADA compliant ramps, and entrances and exits on the Historic Village grounds. The area that will be specifically addressed with the PY2014 funds is the Niles Barnard House and 1927 Township Hall, the Historic Village's main entry. The project will retrofit current entrances and exits at both locations, plus ramps at the Niles Barnard House to ADA standards.

### Recommendation

It is recommended that after the conclusion of a Public Hearing on January 26, 2015, Troy City Council approve the reprogramming of Program Year 2014 funds in the amount of \$107,000 from the Parks-Recreation Facilities account to the Removal of Architectural Barriers account. The funds will be used to complete the removal of architectural barriers by retrofitting ADA compliant entrances and exits at the Niles Barnard House and 1927 Township Hall, the Historic Village's main entry.