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**R2022-23: A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE MYRTLE BEACH HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY 2022/2023.**

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**Applicant/Purpose:** Staff / to adopt the proposed Housing & Community Development Annual Action Plan & FY2022/23 Budget.

**Brief:**

- Per the agreement proposed w/ Horry County in R2019-26, the Myrtle Beach CDBG allocation is expected to be \$381,039.
- CDBG regulations require funds to:
  - Primarily benefit low/moderate income persons.
  - Projects to be located in the Revitalization Area.

**Issues:**

- CDBG funding is allocated for the federal fiscal year (10/1 - 9/30).
- For FY2022/23 staff proposes the CDBG allocation be programmed for the following purposes:
  - Neighborhood infrastructure improvements = \$326,039
  - Rehabilitation of former Boys & Girls Club = \$55,000.

**Public Notification:**

- The CDBG administrative public hearing was held April 6, 2022.
- Normal City Council meeting notification.

**Alternatives:**

- Approve the Resolution.
- Modify the Resolution to include different mix of eligible projects.

**Financial Impact:** The amount of funding for the City is a decrease of \$23,975 from the 2021/22 amount.

**Manager's Recommendation:** I recommend approval.

**Attachment(s):** Proposed Resolution.

**RESOLUTION R2022-23**

**CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH  
COUNTY OF HORRY  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**TO ADOPT THE MYRTLE BEACH  
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL ACTION  
PLAN AND BUDGET FOR FY  
2022/2023**

WHEREAS, City Council has participated in the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program as an entitlement city since 1994 and has committed to participate with Horry County in the Horry County Urban CDBG Program; and,

WHEREAS, Horry County and the City of Myrtle Beach will hold a public hearing via teleconference on April 6, 2022 regarding the 2022/2023 CDBG Annual Action Plan to receive input from citizens on the needs of the community and to explain the proposed uses of CDBG funds within the City. The Horry County Citizen Participation Plan has been the guide to citizen participation and the planning process; and

WHEREAS, Horry County has provided an estimate of the amount of the 2022/2023 CDBG funds and County staff has requested that the City plan for an allocation of \$381,039. Any additional funding provided by HUD or funding shortfall shall be added or subtracted as appropriate from the Housing Acquisition line item in the budget.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:

1. The City Council hereby adopts the CDBG budget listed below for inclusion in the Horry County Urban CDBG Program for FY 2022/2023.
2. In the event that additional revenues are provided or revenues reduced by HUD, or if some activity item expenses are less or more than itemized on this budget, the City Manager has the authority to add the revenues or reduce the revenues as appropriate within the Housing Acquisition project account.
3. The City Manager shall have the authority to make any change equal to or less than 25% of the project budget amounts for the projects. Any adjustment of more than 25% of the project budget amount for projects requires approval by the City Council.
4. Any adjustment to the project budgets listed below is subject to the approval of the Horry County CDBG Office acting in their capacity as Administrators of the Horry County Urban CDBG Program.

<u>CDBG Project/Activity Number and Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<b>1. <u>Public Infrastructure</u></b>	<b>\$326,039</b>
1.1 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements:	326,039
<b>2. <u>Public Facilities</u></b>	<b>\$55,000</b>
2.1 Former Boys & Girls Club Rehabilitation:	55,000
<b>CDBG Program Total Grant Amount</b>	<b>\$381,039</b>
SIGNED AND SEALED this 24 <sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.	<b>\$381,039</b>
_____ BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR	
ATTEST:	
_____ JENNIFER ADKINS, CITY CLERK	

## PROPOSED CDBG FIVE YEAR BUDGET

**2023-2027**

	Previous Years		Proposed Budget			
City Projects	Unspent appropriation	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026	2026-2027
Boys & Girls Club Infrastructure	-	-				
Nbd. Infrastructure Imp. - Census Tract 506 & 507	846,613	326,039	381,039	381,039	381,039	381,039
Mary C. Canty Parking Lot Expansion	152,369					
Projects Contingency	-					
Planning & Admin.	-	-				
<b>Public Facilities</b>						
Former Boys & Girls Club Rehabilitation		55,000				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>998,982</b>	<b>381,039</b>	<b>381,039</b>	<b>381,039</b>	<b>381,039</b>	<b>381,039</b>

**NOTES:**

Budget dependent upon HUD's Annual Allocation. Will be revised upon notice of actual allocation.

Five year budget based on current year allocation.

Timothy McCray  
843-467-0050  
[timcray06@yahoo.com](mailto:timcray06@yahoo.com)

February 21, 2022

Dear Mayor & City Council Members,

The Joshua Empowerment Foundation, an organization that provides community service, is seeking funding from The City of Myrtle Beach from the CDBG 2022 to help with the construction of the building. This organization focuses on engagement, enrichment and empowerment for the betterment of the community.

Joshua Empowerment Foundation is also seeking grant opportunities along with public, private partnerships for this project. The idea is to have enough funding to help with day to day operations and program costs.

Enclosed you will find a brief history of the building, the mission and purpose of the community resource center along with support letters from various agencies.

Thank you for your consideration and time. I look forward to hearing from you and working together soon.

Sincerely,



Timothy McCray

## FUTURE HOME OF JOSHUA EMPOWERMENT CENTER



### Our Purpose:

“To serve and enhance the quality of life for the community through education, employment training, community service, & making a long term commitment to the people we serve on a daily bases.”

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Colbert Brown Sr., a young sergeant that served in the United States Army with General Patton's Division in the Southwest Pacific Theater preceding WWII, had a vision that would allow people to congregate and unwind, despite opposition which impeded many due to societal disparities.

Little Club Bamboo opened on March 26, 1951. The Club housed The Knotty Room - the main dining area, and The Pink Room - a private area and dance floor with a jukebox and a bar. There was also a 15-room motel in the rear of the building and housed a barber and beauty shop.

This complex served as a safe place during segregation for the underserved African American community. In addition, Little Club Bamboo served as a significant destination in the "Chitlin Circuit". It hosted dynamic, soulful singers like James Brown, Diana Ross, Otis Redding, Fats Domino and much more.

By the mid-1980's Little Club Bamboo's opportunities faded away due to a changing culture in the community. Mr. Colbert wanted a positive change in the community and with the bamboo plant's symbolism of strength, flexibility and wellness, he and his wife founded The Boys and Girls Club, which promoted community service and changed the lives of future leaders. It served many students and provided terrific opportunities for the students to enhance their self-esteem and confidence.

Expansion of what has evolved over the years is now before the Brown Family as they continue to make strides within the community while remaining authentic to The Little Club Bamboo's mission. The concept for future endeavors lies within the realm of workforce housing for those desiring to improve their financial well-being while acknowledging the task that had unfolded by keeping its identity historical in the Booker T. Washington community.



The mission of the Joshua Community Resource Center is to make a positive impact in residents' lives by connecting them to a network of services that can enhance the community. The goal of the CRC is to coordinate supportive services for individuals and families seeking information.

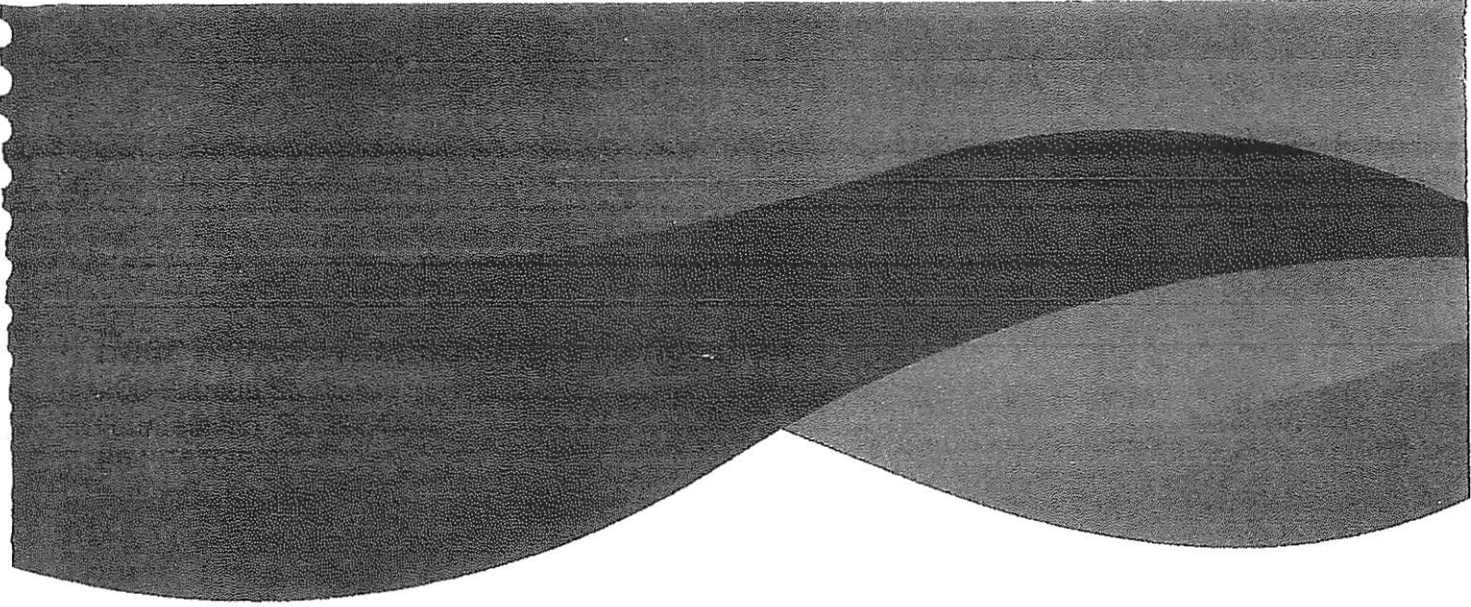
The community resource center will focus on four primary services, which will include; community health, financial literacy, economic development (small business) and workforce development.

The Community health service will focus on partnerships that offer opportunities for the community to work collaboratively with health and social services agencies on health promotion and disease prevention through community health improvement activities and programs.

The goals of the financial literacy program are to empower residents to have the knowledge and tools to make sound decisions regarding their short, and long -term financial goals and enable them to fully participate in the economy. We will be working with local banking and finance agencies in a collaborative financial literacy program for youth and families.

Economic development is the creation of wealth from which community benefits are realized, it's more than a job program . It's an investment in growing your economy and enhancing the prosperity and quality of life for residents. In regards to economic development, we will be focusing on three core values, which will include sustenance, self-esteem and freedom

With workforce development, we will assist in providing job training , employment and contract opportunities for low income residents in connections with projects and activities in their neighborhoods along with working with local businesses to be a part of the Workforce Opportunity Tax Credit program.



Myrtle Beach renovation  
1404 Carver St.  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Roof \$7200 (removal of old heat unit and vents that caused the leaks)

Floor \$8500 - leveling, installing new scratch resistant water proof luxury vinyl plank wood flooring

Sheet rock walls \$8000

Bath room \$8000 - new toilets, sink, vanity, bathroom stall, mirrors

Electrical \$7000 - rewiring the building, new lighting and additional outlets

Heat and air units x 2 \$19,500 - 2 heat and air pumps

Landscape and outside painting \$6000

Total layout - \$64,200

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RESORTS & HOTELS

February 3, 2022

Re: Support of Envision Center

To Whom it May Concern:

Our Company stands ready to replace the roof on the former Boys & Girls Club, located at 1404 Carver Street, Myrtle Beach, SC. We are very excited about the plans for this building by the owners Colbert and Lena Brown, which is being pursued in connection with the Reverend Tim McCray.

Some time ago in discussion with the Brown family about plans for their historic property, we expressed interest in handling the cost of a new roof for the premises. We are happy to stand by those discussions.

Sincerely,



J. Matthew Brittain, CEO  
Brittain Resorts & Hotels

JMB/km

# United Way of Horry County



February 18, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

In 2021 United Way of Horry County (UWHC) conducted a Community Needs Assessment to better understand the ever evolving needs and service gaps in our community. Almost 4,000 residents completed the survey, or attended in person community conversations, to share their thoughts on the issues their neighborhoods and communities were experiencing, their hopes and dreams for their communities and the barriers to achieving those ambitions.

The one concern that continued to come up in surveys and conversations, in fact 75% of respondents noted, the issue of people being aware of resources in the area and feeling our community lacked access to resource centers and guides. UWHC's mission is to unite people, ideas, and resources to advance the common good in Horry County. To hear that people are not aware of the many resources our community has to offer brings to light a concern that many of us in the nonprofit sector have known for quite some time, which is we need to do a better job in providing access to those resources that we have to offer.

UWHC provides a resource referral line, 2-1-1. This number can be called at any time by anyone to ask for information on where to get referrals on anything from housing assistance to diapers. In 2021, Horry County provided 5,654 referrals through 2-1-1 and 26% of those calls came from the 29577 zip code. Additionally, in our needs assessment for the 29577 zip code the greatest need noted was resource information.

We are aware of the work Rev. Timothy McCray is doing in the quest to turn the former Boys and Girls Club into a community resource center to serve the residents in the Booker T. Washington area and surrounding communities. The area that falls in the zip code of our highest call volume of requested resources through 2-1-1 and expressing the greatest need for resource information in our needs assessment. It is because of the information gathered through our needs assessment and our continued work in Horry County that we support the work of Rev. McCray as he looks to empower the residents of this community with the access to the resources to help them thrive and prosper.

To see the full report on our needs assessment you can find it at <https://unitedwayhorry.org/2021-community-needs-assessment-summary/>.

Sincerely,

Blakey J. Roof  
President & CEO  
United Way of Horry County



WE BUILD STRENGTH, STABILITY, SELF-RELIANCE AND SHELTER.

January 31, 2022

To whom it may concern,

Habitat for Humanity of Horry County has been working with a coalition of resident leaders within the Booker T. Washington neighborhood for a little over a year to assist in the development and implementation of a quality of life plan for the residents. In our work to date, it has become clear that a large number of residents in the neighborhood have expressed a desire for and endorse the creation of a community resource center to serve the residents of the community at large. Concurrent with our work, it is our understanding that there is considerable work underway by Reverend Timothy McCray and his Joshua Empowerment Foundation to revitalize the historic Bamboo Club and former Boys & Girls Club into a community resource center to serve the residents of the Booker T. Washington and adjacent downtown neighborhoods.

Habitat for Humanity affiliates across the country have a rich history of working with organizations to support community resource centers in order to provide a centralized location of a variety of services to improve the quality of life of people within their respective communities. In fact, within South Carolina, Habitat for Humanity of Berkeley County and the Greenwood Area Habitat for Humanity have similarly endorsed and supported the creation and operation of a community resource centers in their respective communities.

Habitat for Humanity of Horry County supports the work of Reverend McCray and his Joshua Empowerment Foundation to create a community resource center in the Booker T. Washington Neighborhood of the City of Myrtle Beach.

Sincerely,

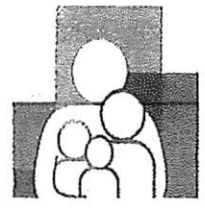
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason T. Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a horizontal line.

Jason T. Greene

Habitat for Humanity of Horry County | 165 Co-Op Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29588 | (843) 650-8815

[habitatmb.org](http://habitatmb.org)

Equal Housing Opportunity



A Father's Place

February 9, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

A Father's Place mission is to engage and empower fathers in the positive support of their children through goal-oriented programs that enable them to find stable employment, practice healthy parenting, and gain hope for the future of their family.

We strive to help fathers better themselves, their relationships, and their understanding of how important a responsible, active father is in a child's life. Building stronger families create a better South Carolina for every citizen.

When we collaborate with community partners, we empower fathers by providing solutions for the root causes of systemic problems they're working to change- including poverty, teen pregnancy, poor school performance, malnutrition, substance abuse and domestic violence.

A Father's Place fully supports the work and effort Reverend McCray, and the Joshua Empowerment Foundation are doing to create a community resource center. We believe this is a much-needed resource that will help empower the community.

Sincerely,

Wallace Evans Jr.  
Executive Director  
*A Father's Place*

cc: Jim Green



## Sandy Grove Missionary Baptist Church

*"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism"*

Est. 1902

Shawn L. Johnson, Ed. D., Pastor

February 23, 2022

Whom It May Concern:

Sandy Grove Missionary Baptist Church has been a historical pillar in the community for 119 years. Our mission is equipping the saints to be effective in ministry and lifting our voice on behalf of the voiceless.

We are an active congregation who strives to promote unity and help one another in our community.

Sandy Grove Missionary Baptist Church fully supports the work that Reverend Timothy McCray and the Joshua Empowerment Foundation is doing to create a community resource center. We believe that this community resource center will make an impact, not just in our community, but in surrounding communities as well.

Sincerely,

Shawn L. Johnson





HCCV CDC  
Horry County Coalition of Veterans  
Community Development Corporation, Inc.  
P.O. Box 51620 Myrtle Beach, SC 29579  
[www.hccv-cdc.org](http://www.hccv-cdc.org)

February 20, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

The Horry County Coalition of Veterans Community Development Corporation (HCCV-CDC) is acknowledging its support for the work and effort of Reverend Timothy McCray and the Joshua Empowerment Foundation. We are supporting these efforts because we firmly believe that through collaboration, we can build better and stronger communities.

The HCCV-CDC was started and is operated by a group of military veterans, all from Horry County, whose mission is to empower communities through education, economic and community development by focusing on the needs of veterans, seniors, young adults, and youth of all ages. We accomplish this through recognizing the contributions of the many unsung heroes within the communities we serve; by conducting informational and interactive STEM events; Health Fairs; Winter Clothing Drive for Homeless Veterans; working with the VA, local schools, medical providers, and local governments by providing help to individuals and organizations as deemed necessary.

One of our goals to have a place to steer individuals with needs to a community resource center. The one planned by Reverend McCray will be much needed resource to support the Booker T. Washington and surrounding neighborhoods within the City of Myrtle Beach.

We hope that you, the reader will recognize this dire need for a community resource center and provide any requested financial support and assistance needed.

The HCCV-CDC Board of Directors will be doing all it can as well to support the finalization of this effort.

Sincerely

Curtis Platt, President  
Horry County Coalition of Veterans CDC

Cc: Board of Directors