



Community & Economic Development
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March 6, 2023

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard County, Inc.
Mary Ann Sterling, Executive Director
123 Barton Blvd. Suite 102
Rockledge FL 32955

RE: Response to PY2024 CDBG Appeal Letter

Dear Ms. Sterling:

The City is in receipt of your PY 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Appeal Letter. Although the City believes the services your agency provides to the residents of Palm Bay are invaluable, certain factors led the Community Development Advisory Board to not recommend funding for your agency.

- Ten agencies requested a total of \$300,930, there was only \$111,317 available for public service funding. Only five (5) of the 10 agencies were recommended for funding. Grandparents Raising Grandchildren were ranked 7th.
- Past Performance – at the time this proposal was brought before the CDAB, per the PY23 CDBG Agreement between Grandparents Raising Grandchildren and the City of Palm Bay, your agency should have expended 30% of the CDBG funds as of January 15, 2024, only 2% had been expended.

Additionally, since the CDAB is a recommending board, your agency also has the ability to speak during the Public Hearing which will be held at 6pm on March 21, 2024 in Council Chambers. You may attend the meeting and appeal the CDAB's recommendation at that time as well. Your appeal letter and this letter will be included in the Council's package.

Sincerely,

Nancy A. Bunt

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Community & Economic Development Director

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