

## REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

### HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**MEETING DATE:** February 2, 2015

**SUBJECT:** 2015 HOME Grant Applications

**PRESENTER:** Amy Brantley, Assistant County Manager  
Matt Champion, Planner

**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. Excerpts of Habitat for Humanity Application  
2. Excerpts of Homeward Bound Homeless Coalition Application

#### **SUMMARY OF REQUESTS:**

Habitat for Humanity of Henderson County and Henderson County Homeward Bound Homeless Coalition are requesting application approval for HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. HOME funds are administered through the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium. All projects propose to serve County residents within a range of median household income. The median Henderson County household income in 2013 was \$47,465.

Habitat for Humanity of Henderson County is requesting \$231,750 in HOME funds in order to aid in the construction of 16 homes in phase two of the Dodd Meadows residential neighborhood off Crest Road. Habitat for Humanity plans to use the funds to pay for costs of footings and slab, HVAC, insulation, and flooring. Using the grant funds, Habitat for Humanity plans to provide affordable housing for families whose income is between 30% and 65% of the median income in Henderson County.

Homeward Bound Homeless Coalition requests \$75,000 in HOME funds to continue to provide short or medium term tenant based rental assistance to individuals of families experiencing homelessness. With these funds Henderson County Homeward Bound will assist 40 additional households move from homelessness to permanent housing.

These grants require no County matching funds. The Asheville Regional Housing Consortium requires approval by the Board of Commissioners as part of the application process. The complete applications were too lengthy to include in the agenda packet but are available upon request.

#### **BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Planning Staff recommends approval of these HOME funding applications to the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium at their full amount.

**Suggested Motion:** I move that the Board approve the HOME applications for Homeward Bound and Henderson County Habitat for Humanity.