

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
BEFORE THE NEIGHBORHOOD BUILDING BLOCKS FUND BOARD**

Public Notice is hereby given in accordance with Title 29, Section 10004 of the *Delaware Code.*, as amended, 29 *Del. C.* §8705A(11) as amended, and Title 1 *Delaware Administrative Code*, Part 479 (18 DE. Reg. 464) (12/01/14) that the Neighborhood Building Blocks Fund Board (the “Board”) with the Delaware Economic Development Office, as the administrator of the Board, will conduct a public meeting on March 1, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the Carvel State Office Building, 820 North French Street, Hearing Conference Room (Third Floor, Room 398), Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

The public meeting will address the matters and applications described below for proposed grants from the Board authorized by §39 of the FY 2015 Budget Act (79 *Del. Laws* ch. 290) in connection with the proposed projects to support local neighborhood revitalization programs, law enforcement, community development or public protection, in the amount and on behalf of the applicants identified below.

The public is invited to attend and participate in the meeting. In advance of the meeting, additional information concerning the matters and applications to be considered at the meeting may be obtained from, and written comments may be submitted to, the NBBF Board in care of the Delaware Economic Development Office, 99 Kings Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901 (302) 739-4271.

The Board reserves the right to conduct a part of the meeting in one or more executive sessions closed to the public for the purpose of discussing certain confidential law enforcement, commercial or other confidential information submitted by the applicants for assistance that is not a public record within the meaning of Section 10002 of the *Delaware Code.*

The agenda for the meeting, which is subject to change, is as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review minutes of February 1, 2018 meeting
- III. Review applications

The following applications were tabled at the February 1, 2018 Board Meeting and are to be reviewed:

13. (MOVE-2018-White) **Daneen White / (M.O.V.E.)** “Girls Who Win” is a Direct Service Intervention, for girls 14-18. Review applicant allocations for funds.
Requested: \$10,000 Proposed Match: \$2,500

25. (DEJA-2018-Harris) **Delaware Juneteenth Association.** Proposes the 21st Annual Pageant & Family Enrichment Program/2nd Annual Male Talent Showcase 2018 allows youth to express innate talents and abilities while celebrating their heritage and culture. Review applicant budget and expenses.
Requested: \$10,000 Proposed Match: \$3,000

27. (DIMH-2018-Davis) **Dover Interfaith Mission for Housing.** This 501c3 organization provides shelter, meals, and assistance to homeless adults to enable them to achieve self-reliant lives. Services include employment counseling and development of small businesses that create employment

opportunities in such areas as construction, landscaping, home repair and custodial services. Review applicant proposed expenditures and sustainability of program.

Requested: \$10,000 Proposed Match: \$110,416

The follow are applications for initial review:

30. (BVCA-2018-Banks) **Brandywine Village Civic Association.** The Elliot Run Holistic Community Improvement project will provide a forum for all individuals interested in the community of Brandywine Village. Act as a conduit to help facilitate, discuss and coordinate with other groups for ongoing and new projects. To help keep our communities safe.
Request: \$10,545 Match: \$0
31. (JSC-2018-Casson) **Jefferson Street Center, Inc.** The Gymnasium Renovation Community Revitalization Project will renovate the gym located in the Hanover Church at 1801 N Jefferson Street, Wilmington.
Request: \$11,523 Match: \$16,500
32. (CCAC-2018-Avery) **Christina Cultural Arts Center, Inc.** The Future Entrepreneurs in Creative Industries Project, will prepare urban youth for personal, educational, and workforce success.
Request: \$13,000 Match: \$54,400
33. (JFSDE-2018-Silverman) **Jewish Family Services of Delaware.** The Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS) Media, Literacy and Clinical Advocacy project seeks to support and enhance our PETS workforce development program in downtown Wilmington in partnership with Blue Films Media Group/DETV; workforce development, technical skills training and individualized counseling to at-risk youth.
Request: \$16,585 Match: \$372,614
34. (HCC-2018-Finney) **Hope Center for Community Empowerment, Inc.** The West Center City Project Manhood Program will target 30 low income boys aged 11-15, throughout the community to teach the Botvin Life Skills.
Request: \$19,080 Match: \$6,360
35. (DDP-2018-Street) **Downtown Dover Partnership.** The Parking & Safety Committee, Downtown Dover Wayfinding project is looking to install new signage in order to alleviate confusing parking and directional issues in downtown Dover.
Request: \$23,100 Match: \$7,700
36. (FAME-2018-Wilson) **Forum to Advance Minorities in Engineering, Inc., F.A.M.E.** The project will prepare and motivate students in grades K-12, with a specific focus on underrepresented minorities and girls, to enter college and complete a degree and or seek a career in STEM.
Request: \$25,000 Match: \$86,292
37. (WRC-2018-Semmelroth) **Wilmington Renaissance Corporation.** The Vacant to Vibrant 7th and West project, along with the community, envision restoring 4 vacant lots to provide programmable

green spaces for the neighborhood. The program engages residents and artists to redesign these spaces for community gatherings filled with public art, performances and civic events.

Request: \$30,000 Match: \$320,000

38. (JABBFPC-2018-Lewis) **Josh Alcorn, Beau Biden Foundation for the Protection of Children.** This project will serve the children, families, staff and volunteers of the Police Athletic Leagues in DE (Wilmington, New Castle, De City and Hockessin). Will provide education for adults about child sexual abuse, interactive presentations to youth about Internet Safety and Cyber-bullying. Training in the prevention, recognition and reporting of child sexual abuse (Stewards of Children).
Request: \$30,050 Match: \$0
39. (NCALLRF-2018-Myer) **The National Council on Agricultural Life and Labor Research Fund Inc.** This project would provide a statewide program, providing housing counseling, financial coaching, foreclosure prevention, community development-lending., neighborhood revitalization and "Self Help Housing".
Request: \$31,500 Match: \$10,500
40. (NCCG-2018-Rattenni) **New Castle County Government.** The Tri-Park Community Garden project is intended to build a community garden adjoining communities that inherently experience high crime trends.
Request: \$34,122 Match: \$8,531
41. (NDI-2018-Serres) **Network Delaware Inc.** Project Community Action Teams, will reinvigorate neighborhood leadership to tackle crime and economic opportunity, by organizing neighborhood residents and facilitating leadership development training.
Request: \$35,000 Match: \$55,000
42. (DCH-2018-Kerlin) **Delaware Center for Horticulture.** The Branches To Chances Return to Work Program, will empower low to moderate income persons to achieve self-sufficiency through direct services by hiring and training for entry level positions.
Request: \$35,412 Match: \$20,000
43. (TOM-2018-Hudson) **Town of Millsboro.** Under the Town of Millsboro Downtown Master Plan, TOM wishes to craft a "Downtown Improvement Plan", a blueprint to guide growth, coordinate redevelopment, reduce crime and outline recommendations to ensure that all of Millsboro develops as a healthy and sustainable community.
Request: \$36,000 Match: \$12,000
44. (CTC-2018-Johnson) **Churches Take a Corner.** The Junior Ambassador Program will use evidence based practices for delivering violence prevention services to promote a life affirming community in school and out, and to combat the bystander and no-snitch cultures which exist in Wilmington.
Request: \$39,800 Match: \$15,000

45. (KCC-2018-White) **Kingwood Community Center.** The Northeast Wilmington Teen Community Urban Garden Project will engage teens and the community to expand the capacity of three urban farm/gardens in the Northeast to introduce them to the urban agriculture business.
Request: \$44,100 Match: \$14,200
46. (CHEC-2018-Dryden) **Community Housing and Empowerment Connections Inc.** The Youth Bowlers Striking Against Violence initiative, in collaboration with CHEC and Main Event Entertainment, using the Too Good For Violence-TGFV curriculum, will allow 50 youth/parents from Wilmington and New Castle to participate in a bowling program designed to teach resolution skills.
Request: \$50,000 Match: \$12,500
47. (BRCDC-2018-Davis) **Be Ready Community Development Corporation.** 4th Street Project Youth and Community Development, looking to stabilize a weak real-estate market by transforming the 1500 block of Fourth St. and adjacent blocks.
Request: \$50,000 Match: \$12,500
48. (PNS-2108-Turgon) **Project New Start.** The New Start reentry program reduces recidivism and combats violence by addressing the lack of economic opportunities, poverty, stressed families and high dropout rates of students.
Request: \$50,000 Match: \$12,500
49. (WNCLB-2018-Willauer) **Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank.** A green intervention project, The Delaware Center for Horticulture will plant trees and a contractor will be hired to erect fences on various vacant lots in the Northeast, West Center City, East Side and Hilltop, some of Wilmington's highest crime areas.
Request: \$50,000 Match: \$13,000
50. (BGCD-2018-Krupanski) **Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware.** Youth crime and delinquency prevention, expansion project will broaden the current effort to 3 additional site locations (Laurel, Oak Orchard & New Castle); services in youth crime/violence prevention, bullying prevention/safe haven, tutoring/drop-out prevention, drug/alcohol prevention and others.
Request: \$75,000 Match: \$15,000
51. (IBC-2018-Fullman) **Integrating Business & Community.** Inspire and guide individuals and enterprise to new levels of achievement in arts, athletic, business and life.
Request: \$50,000 Match: \$50,000

IV. Other Business

V. Public Comment

Please note:

Board reserves the right to review applications out of the order provided above. Those applications that have not come up for review by the board by 2:00 p.m. on March 1 will be placed first on the agenda of the next NBBF board meeting, date to be determined.