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January 6, 2016

Dear Mayor and City Council,

On behalf of Western Communities Action Network (WeCAN), I am asking your city to support our application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Consolidated Pool fund for 2016 with a resolution and/or a letter of recommendation.

WeCAN is your community-based social service organization whose mission is to work in a personalized manner with individuals and families to enhance their stability and self-sufficiency. Our vision is that our neighbors will thrive in a vibrant community with full access to resources and support services.

WeCAN provides emergency rent/mortgage/utility assistance, family support programs, job counseling, Meals-on-Wheels and referrals for other services needed by our low-income clients. We also offer space for clients to meet Hennepin County outreach workers, WIC, CAPSH, Employment Action Center workers, and Adult Basic Education classes (GED and ELL). Our newest program, the Mobile Market, is successfully delivering food to those that cannot access a traditional food shelf, mainly seniors and those with disabilities. We also provide kid-friendly food bags to children during school breaks.

Your support for our application is vital to our organization receiving these funds.

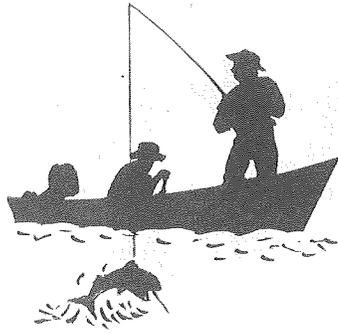
The deadline for your resolution and/or a letter of recommendation is **February 15, 2016**. I have included sample documents for you to use. Please feel free to call or email me with any questions, or to arrange a presentation for the council or staff. I look forward to our continued partnership as we make our community a better place for all.

Sincerely,

Christie Larson
Executive Director

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City of Tonka Bay

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January 27, 2016

Consolidated Pool CDBG
Application Review Committee
c/o Jim Ford
Hennepin County Housing, Community Works and Transit
417 North Fifth Street #320
Minneapolis MN 55104-1362

Dear CDBG Application Review Committee

I am writing on behalf of the City Council of the City of Tonka Bay in support of the application by WeCAN for funding through the CDBG Program.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of January 26, 2016, the Tonka Bay City Council expressed its support for the WeCAN CDBG application and directed that a letter be sent to the Consolidated Pool Committee.

WeCAN provides a variety of essential services to low income residents in western Hennepin County which includes Tonka Bay. It is important that WeCAN continue to receive financial support through the CDBG program.

Sincerely,

Lindy Crawford
City Administrator

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