



**RESOLUTION #** 8-6/22

**TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**ITEM #** 6-17

**BOARD ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 28  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 2  
Vote Req: -  
Other Action: -

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION**

Adopted:   
For: 7  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Abs/Excd: 2

**RE: APPROVAL OF EXPANSION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION ACQUISITION AND DEMOLITION GRANT PROGRAM & ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County created the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant program in 2016 (by Resolution No. 80-2-16) to encourage the redevelopment of deteriorated housing stock within target residential neighborhoods based on criteria including low valued housing stock, concentrations of poverty, and proximity to employment; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the initial program guidelines, as well as the subsequent expansion of the program in 2018 (by Resolution No. 17-7-18), the program was available for projects within the Powell-Poage-Hamilton, Washburn, and Lower Northside & Depot Neighborhoods in the City of La Crosse; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2016, the program has leveraged \$1,069,430 in grants into at least \$29,660,000 of new tax base, and 261 new housing units; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for this type of program in other neighborhoods in La Crosse County where housing stock is deteriorating; and

**WHEREAS**, La Crosse County was allocated \$22,923,224 through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which must be obligated by the end of 2024 and spent by the end of 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the La Crosse County Board has reserved \$2,000,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act funding for "Grants for Housing Redevelopment" (by Resolution No.55-1-22).

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the La Crosse County Board hereby approves expansion of the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant Program to all La Crosse County municipalities in accordance with the attached Program Guidelines; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Board allocates \$2,000,000 of American Rescue Plan Act Funds to the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant Program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Administrator, County Board Chair, Finance Director and County Clerk are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate the purpose of this resolution subject to approval as to form by the County Corporation Counsel.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if funds are not obligated to projects through the Neighborhood Revitalization Acquisition and Demolition Grant program by the end of 2023, the County Board may reallocate the remaining funds to another American Rescue Plan Act eligible use of funds.

**FISCAL NOTE:** Grants through this program shall be paid from division 295.770.3744 within the County financial system, Account 63600 Neighborhood Revitalization.

Date: 04/13/2022  
Kevin Cobble

R.T. K  
**RECORDING CLERK**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR**

	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Fin. Director	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Corp. Counsel	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Board Chair	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

Requested By: Brian Fukuda
Date Requested: March 30, 2022
Drafted By: County Administration

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 16 Day of June, 2022

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.

Ginny Dankmeyer  
Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk