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Everyone Group

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CDBG funds for 2012

All,

Good news! I got a call from Rick Garcia from HUD (he is Regional Director) in Denver today, and he wanted me to know that we are one of just a few cities who didn't lose CDBG funding for 2012. In fact, we will receive more than in 2011. The official amount being released to us in 2012 will be \$466,139, which is \$14,451 more than in 2011.

He said Barb will be receiving an official letter soon, but he said he wanted me to know personally. He told me he had been having a bad day delivering bad news of cuts to many other cities and looked forward to calling us to tell us we are actually getting more. He said he didn't have all the factors available for why we are getting more, but one of the factors is the demographics of having more older homes, etc.

He said only a handful of cities actually received more money.

(And hats off to Barb Garcia for her hard work.)

Have a great weekend!

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