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## **MEMORANDUM**

Date:

July 11, 2018

To:

Board of County Commissioners

From:

Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager

Jacob Stock, Community Planner

Via:

Katherine Miller, County Manager

Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager

Re:

Presentation Regarding the 2018 Community Development Block Grant

(CDBG) Economic Development Application

## **SUMMARY:**

This is a presentation on the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Develop Grant application process and a request for direction to move forward with the CDBG Economic Development Grant application to support the development of the United Way Early Learning Center.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In 2017, Santa Fe County was informed by the Community Development Bureau of the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) / Local Government Division (LGD) that the County is eligible to apply for an Economic Development project under the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program administered by DFA. The County was approached by the United Way of Santa Fe County to ask if the County would consider applying for a CDBG Economic Development Grant through DFA to support the development of the United Way Early Learning Center.

On November 14, 2017, staff received direction from the Board to further investigate options and implications of applying for a CDBG Economic Development Project through DFA to support the development of the United Way Early Learning Center. Staff have since met on multiple occasions with representatives of United Way of Santa Fe County and DFA to discuss the project's applicability and have determined that this project is appropriate and viable.

Staff requests direction to move forward with the application for a CDBG Economic Development Grant to support the development of the United Way Early Learning Center. If so directed, staff will prepare the CDBG application and return to the Board to request approval of a resolution supporting

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the submission of the application for the CDBG Economic Development Grant funds for the development of the United Way Early Learning Center.

## **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Staff requests direction from the Board to prepare an application for the CDBG Economic Development Grant through DFA to support the development of the United Way Early Learning Center.

