

**AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT FUNDING**  
**APPROVED FOR THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE (as of July 15, 2009)\***

Total Approved - \$12,188,813

KEY

Green = Department

Yellow = amount sought or received

Pink = proposed activity for funds

Red = current status of grant application

**DEPARTMENT & AMOUNT OF AWARD**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (\$1,276,457) two grants**

**I. CDBG-R (\$504,654)**

Type of Funding – Community Development Block Grant

This is a formula grant

Funding Agency – U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

These funds will be used to support programs that create economic opportunity and assure decent housing primarily for low and moderate income individuals.

**Activity/Program**

*Facade Improvement Program* (\$150,000) – This is a forgivable loan program providing financial assistance of up to \$50,000 to commercial property owners in lower income neighborhoods for renovation of the exterior of their buildings. There is a matching fund requirement for building owners. The program, which encourages business investment, has been highly successful in economic development in the core of the city.

*Park City Home Energy Improvement* (\$304,500) – Community Development will work with the Knox Housing Partnership to implement energy efficiency assessments and improvements to 35 homes in the Park City neighborhood. This will include a “green jobs” training program.

*Administration* (\$50,154) – For management of the CDBG-R program

**Current Status of Grant Application** - This grant is pending before the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**II. Type of Funding (\$771,803) – Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program**

Funding Agency – U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development  
This is a formula grant\*\*

These funds will be used to support existing programs, managed by the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee (CAC), designed to prevent at-risk households from becoming homeless and re-housing homeless families in addition to helping elderly and disabled residents at risk for eviction. The funds will also be used to support legal aid efforts aimed at helping individuals at risk of becoming homeless.

**Activity/Program**

*CAC Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services* (\$518,000) - to help prevent residents at risk of eviction from losing their housing, especially the elderly and disabled.

*CAC Homeward Bound Program* (\$107,213) - goal is to help residents at risk of eviction due to job loss or catastrophic event and helps re-house recently homeless families and individuals.

*Legal Aid of East Tennessee* (\$108,000) – for legal representation for low-income individuals and families at risk being evicted

*Administration* (\$38,590)

This grant has been awarded but City Council still has to approve the sub-recipient agreement. It is on Council's August 11, meeting agenda



**KNOXVILLE AREA TRANSIT (KAT) (\$5,811,349) one grant**

**I. Type of Funding: Formula Urbanized Area Transit Grant Assistance**

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation  
This is a formula grant

Funds will be used for transit center construction, renovations to KAT's Magnolia Avenue facilities and fleet maintenance.

**Activity/Program**

Preventative Maintenance (\$511,349) -

Transit Center Facility Infrastructure (\$2,941,887) – Funding will be used for enhancements in construction of the new downtown transit station at the corner of Hall of Fame Drive and Church Avenue.

Magnolia Facility Upgrade/Renovation (\$2,358,113) – This project includes general renovation, energy efficiency improvements and security projects for KAT’s administrative offices and facilities at 1135 Magnolia Avenue

**ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT (\$1,574,361) three grants**

**I. Type of Funding – Transportation Infrastructure Funding Grant**

Funding Agency – U.S. Department of Transportation  
This is a formula grant

These funds will be used for greenway development and road resurfacing projects

**Activity/Program**

Papermill Bluff Greenway (\$542,000) – Development of a new greenway from Papermill Road to Weisgarber Road

**II. Type of Funding: Transportation Infrastructure Funding Grant**

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

These funds will be used for road resurfacing projects

Resurfacing project (\$187,651) – The city will execute a contract for the resurfacing of Woodland Avenue East from North Broadway to North Central Street.

Resurfacing project (\$198,917) – The city will execute a contract for the resurfacing of Whittle Springs Road from Cecil Avenue to Mineral Springs Road.

**III. Type of Funding: Transportation Infrastructure Funding Grant**

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation  
This is a formula grant

Traffic Flow Improvements (\$666,000) – funds will be used to upgrade the timing hardware in the city’s traffic signals

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**KNOXVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT** (Total \$1,401,600) three grants

**I.** Type of Funding: Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program Grant (\$748,510)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice  
These are competitive grants

These grants supplement local law enforcement agencies in their efforts to combat internet crimes against children. The KPD is the lead Tennessee agency in the ICAC Task Force, a national network of 59 coordinated task forces. Since 2003 the Knoxville ICAC has investigated an average of 336 cases a year and referred an average of 81 cases per year to affiliate agencies for investigation and prosecution.

**Activity/Program**

Salary, Equipment and Operational funds

The KPD will use this grant to: fund a forensic examiner, pay overtime for existing specialized ICAC investigators, invest in computer equipment and software, to update training and for administrative costs.

**II.** Type of Funding: Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program (\$120,000)

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Justice, through the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs

This grant will provide funding for personnel, operating and training costs for the Knoxville Family Justice Center. It will help fund the position of Family Justice Center Program Manager, pay 25 percent of the salary of a new KPD Program Specialist position at the FJC and will also provide training, equipment and supplies for two years.

**III.** Type of Grant – Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (\$533,090)

Funding Agency – U.S. Department of Justice

This grant can be used for equipment and operational support for law enforcement agencies and can also be used to pay for overtime for officers working on multi-jurisdiction task forces. This is a joint application with Knox County.

**Activity/Program**

New equipment/operational support

Includes purchase of police cruisers, laptops and computer software, funding for Family Justice Center operations and administrative costs

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**PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT (\$112,346)**

Type of Funding: Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) grant. This is a competitive grant.

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

The Senior Service of America Inc., which is sponsored in Knoxville by the city's Parks and Recreation Department, is the sub-recipient of this grant. The program offers low-income older workers paid community service and training to assist them in obtaining employment. The funding will allow the program to serve 23 additional individuals in addition to the more than 60 people the city is already serving in this program.

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**DEPARTMENT OF POLICY & COMMUNICATIONS (\$2,012,700) one grant**

I. Type of Funding: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (\$2.012 million), this is a formula grant

Funding Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

These funds will be used to support a wide range of programs aimed at increasing energy efficiency and reducing emissions of city government facilities as well as some homes and buildings in the community.

**Activity/Program**

Recycling Program (\$700,000) – Funding to help develop a potential citywide, single stream curbside recycling program, Policy & Communications will work with the Public Service Department on this project.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Program (\$822,700) – These funds will be used to support the City of Knoxville’s pending contract to implement a comprehensive plan to make its buildings and park facilities more energy efficient. Under the plan \$300,000 would be used for incentives; \$261,518 would go toward upfront costs of the energy improvements and \$261,182 would fund a fulltime energy & sustainability program manager for three years. That individual would manage the block grant funds and additional monies the city is seeking.

Solar Power (\$250,000) – These funds are for the development of a program to install solar photo-voltaic arrays on buildings.

CAC Whole House Weatherization Program (\$200,000) – This program provides funding for energy efficiency improvements to low income residents of the city.

Training (\$40,000) – Supports workshops on International Energy Conservation Codes and/or EarthCraft House Renovation Certification for contractors and city community development staff members



\*These funds are a mix of competitive grants awarded to the city and formula grants that have been allocated to the city. The city has not received any of the money yet.

\*\*The City of Knoxville is eligible for two types of grants, formula funding and competitive grants.

Formula funds are based on various types of criteria. For example, population, location, foreclosure rates etc...

Essentially the city receives the money as long as it submits the proper plans, applications or other required documents by a specific date.

Competitive grants are awarded to cities and other entities based on the strongest applications. These grants require cities and other governments to compete with each other for a share of a pool of funding for a specific purpose, for example, energy efficiency.