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Arapahoe County awards Community Development Block Grants *Thirty projects to improve health, housing, education and strengthen community*

Littleton, Colo. --- Arapahoe County recently awarded more than \$1.1 million in Community Development Block Grants for public facilities, housing and services that will benefit low-to-moderate income residents.

CDBG funds are provided to Arapahoe County's Housing and Community Development division from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grants, approved by the Board of County Commissioners Tuesday, provide funding to nonprofits and governmental agencies to promote the health, safety and betterment of low-to-moderate income persons and neighborhoods. The following list highlights some of the projects and organizations that will receive funds in 2008:

- House of Hope, a homeless shelter for women and children, will receive funding for staffing by the City of Englewood, and funding for improvements to the rear exit and structure through the City of Centennial.
- Project Angel Heart will receive funding to acquire a new building in order to prepare home delivered meals for the chronically ill.
- City of Sheridan, to install a sidewalk and drainage improvements on the south side of Dartmouth Ave between Alcott and Zuni streets.
- City of Littleton, to replace sidewalks and streets in the multi-family neighborhood to the north of Littleton High School and to the east of Broadway.
- Town of Deer Trail, to pave streets, including Second Avenue.
- Food pantry support to Covenant Cupboard and Cornerstone Food Banks, to address basic food needs of low-income residents.
- Doctor's Care through the Integrated Health Care Initiative, to provide mental health care for Littleton residents.
- Project Lifesaver, to provide active response equipment for locating wandering Alzheimer's/disabled patients.
- The Town of Littleton Cares and the Senior Hub's Rural Meals on Wheels, to provide meals for seniors and disabled residents.

- Housing rehabilitation and homeowner fix-up for low-to-moderate income homeowners, administered by Rebuilding Together and the City of Englewood.

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