

CITY OF WILLIAMSPORT, PA RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION# 8295

DATE 1-9-14

TITLE

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WILLIAMSPORT AUTHORIZING THE
FILING OF A PROPOSAL FOR FUNDS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DCED),
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

WHEREAS, the City of Williamsport is desirous of obtaining funds from the Department in the amount of \$500,000 for infrastructure improvements as part of the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City of Williamsport will assume the provision of the full local share of project costs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Williamsport will reimburse the Commonwealth for the state's share of any expenditures found by DCED to be ineligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of the Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Department of Community and Economic Development

James M. Frank

City Clerk

Approved

William J. Hall

President

Single Application for Assistance

Web Application Id: 8044827

Applicant: City of Williamsport

Company: City of Williamsport

Program Selected: Keystone Communities Program

Applicant Information

Applicant Entity Type: Government

Applicant Name: City of Williamsport

NAICS Code 9251

FEIN/SSN Number XXXXXXXXX

CEO: Gabriel J. Campana

CEO Title: Mayor

SAP Vendor #: XXXXXX

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City: Williamsport

State: PA

Zip Code: 17701

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Project Overview

Project Name:

City of Williamsport BNIP Infrastructure Project

Is this project related to another previously submitted project?

No

If yes, indicate previous project name:

Have you contacted anyone at DCED/Governor's Action Team about your project?

No

If yes, indicate who:

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Project Site Locations

Address: Beeber St. from Memorial Ave. to West Fourth St. Ave.

City: Williamsport

State: PA

Zip Code: 17701

County: Lycoming

Municipality: Williamsport City

PA House: Rick Mirabito (83)

PA Senate: Gene Yaw (23)

US House: Tom Marino (10)

Current Employees:

Jobs To Be Created:

Designated Areas:

Address: Oliver St. from Memorial Ave. to West Fourth St.

City: Williamsport

State: PA

Zip Code: 17701

County: Lycoming

Municipality: Williamsport City

PA House: Rick Mirabito (83)

PA Senate: Gene Yaw (23)

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Current Employees:

Jobs To Be Created:

Designated Areas:

Address: Stevens St. from West Fourth St. to Memorial Ave.

City: Williamsport

State: PA

Zip Code: 17701

County: Lycoming

Municipality: Williamsport City

PA House: Rick Mirabito (83)

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Address: Sutton Ave. from Stevens St. to Oliver St.

City: Williamsport

State: PA

Zip Code: 17701

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Project Budget

	Keystone Communities Program	Community Development Block Grant (Federal)	Lyconing County Act 13 (Local)		Total
- Acquisition	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0
Buildings	0	0	0	0	0
- General Construction	0	0	0	0	0
New Construction	0	0	0	0	0
Renovations	0	0	0	0	0
- Infrastructure / Site Preparation	492,500	200,000	200,000	0	892,500
Roads/Streets	492,500	200,000	200,000	0	892,500
Parking	0	0	0	0	0
Water/Sewer	0	0	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0	0	0
Demolition	0	0	0	0	0
Excavation/Grading	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental Cleanup	0	0	0	0	0
- Machinery & Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
New Equipment Purchase	0	0	0	0	0
Used Equipment Purchase	0	0	0	0	0
Upgrade Existing	0	0	0	0	0
Installation/Building Modification	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0
- Working Capital	0	0	0	0	0
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- Operating Costs	7,500	0	0	0	7,500
Salary/Fringe Benefits	0	0	0	0	0
Training/Technical Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Totals	500,000	300,000	200,000	0	1,000,000

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Consumable Supplies	0	0	0	0	0
Travel	0	0	0	0	0
Promotion	0	0	0	0	0
Office Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
Space Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Audit	0	0	0	0	0
Indirect Costs	7,500	0	0	0	7,500
- Related Costs	0	100,000	0	0	100,000
Professional Services/Consultants	0	0	0	0	0
Engineering	0	100,000	0	0	100,000
Inspections	0	0	0	0	0
Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Insurance	0	0	0	0	0
Environmental Assessment	0	0	0	0	0
Legal Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Closing Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Contingencies	0	0	0	0	0
- Other	0	0	0	0	0
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Basis of Cost

Provide the basis for calculating the costs that are identified in the Project Budget.

Bids/Quotations, Engineer Estimates

Budget Narrative

The narrative must specifically address each of the cost items identified in the Project Budget section. If an amount is placed in any of the OTHER categories, you must specify what the money will be used for. **NOTE:** Some programs have specific guidelines regarding the narrative necessary to qualify for that particular DCED resource. Please read the Program Guidelines for details.

\$492,500 of the DCED funds will be used for streetscape enhancements and infrastructure improvements in the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement project area. \$7,500 of the DCED funds will be reserved for the required audit.

\$100,000 of CDBG funds will be used toward the engineering costs. \$200,000 of Lycoming County Act 13 funds will be used for the streetscape enhancements and infrastructure improvements.

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Project Narrative

What do you plan to accomplish with this project?

Identify the problem(s) that need to be resolved.

The site of the former Brodart Warehouse facility is being developed to provide needed housing in the City of Williamsport. In addition, the Homes-In-Needs program is providing existing homes in the neighborhood with an home owner housing rehabilitation program. Both of these efforts are components of the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program.

The Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program also includes an investment in streetscape enhancements targeted to this neighborhood. Residents of the Brodart neighborhood met in July 2013 to discuss the considerable need for infrastructure improvements. Traffic issues and public safety concerns of the neighborhood were identified, including dangerous intersections that are difficult to navigate by vehicles and pedestrians, poor road conditions, poor drainage, no curbcuts for accessibility and poor street lighting. Public outreach and field assessments have helped to prioritize the improvements that will need to be completed.

How do you plan to accomplish it?

Include expected outcomes that are measurable, obtainable, clear and understandable, and valid. Examples of measurable outcomes include jobs created or retained, people trained, land or building acquired, housing units renovated or built, etc.

The Brodart Neighborhood Streetscape Enhancement Program will be the most significant physical improvement investment targeted to this neighborhood. Amenity upgrades include new sidewalks, curbs, accessible ramps to sidewalks, street trees, crosswalks and lighting. The following streets will targeted: Beeber St., Oliver St., Stevens St. and Sutton Ave. Efforts will be made to improve the access to Memorial Park at the intersection of Oliver St. and Beeber St. Memorial Park is adjacent to the Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program area.

How do you plan to use the DCED funds?

Should include specific use of DCED funds and reflect the budget provided with the application.

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Projected Schedule and Key Milestones and Dates

A detailed schedule of activities, including key milestones and dates, must accompany this application if applicable to the project.

Key Milestones Date

Grant award May 2014

Design and engineering October 2014

Bid letting November 2014

Construction April 2015

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Project Narrative

Construction completion October 2015



BRODART NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

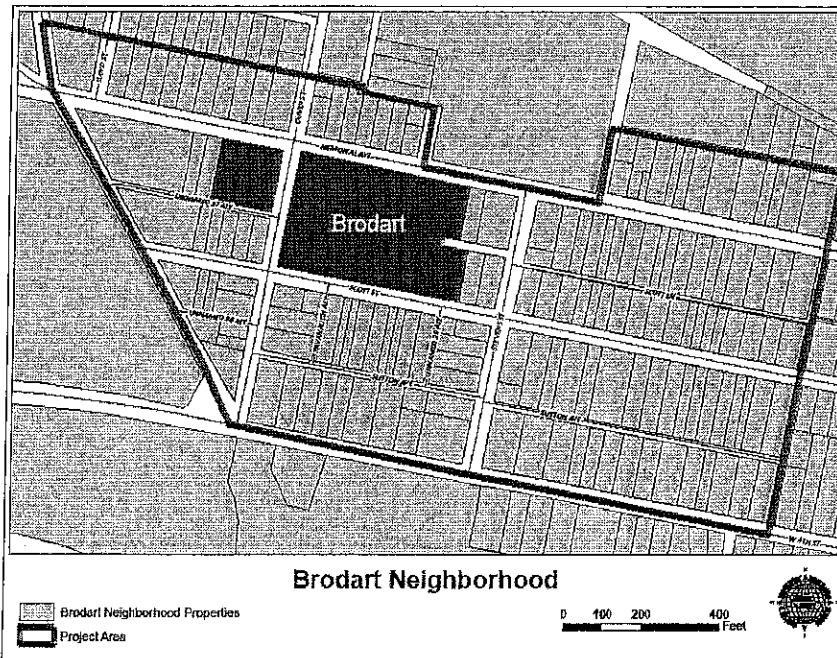
Project Summary

The *Brodart Neighborhood Improvement Program* (BNIP) is one of three components of a comprehensive project intended to address a multitude of housing needs in Lycoming County called The Williamsport Housing Strategy 2012. This Strategy includes the redevelopment of the former Brodart Warehouse aka Memorial Homes Project, the development of a senior housing project known as Grove Street Commons on Almond Street at the east end of the City, and the BNIP.

The County and the City of Williamsport have developed a partnership with area organizations to target both financial and human resources that address housing and infrastructure needs in the neighborhood immediately surrounding the former Brodart site. This is a coordinated effort that leverages a multitude of local and state resources.

Goal: To reinvest in one of the City's core neighborhoods by addressing a diversity of housing and community investment needs that will both support the redevelopment of the old Brodart Warehouse site and reinvigorate the housing market in the City of Williamsport.

Context: The immediate neighborhood blocks surrounding the former Brodart site.



Project:

- Interior and Exterior health and safety home improvements to existing homes in the Brodart neighborhood through the STEP Homes-in-Need Program;
- Housing Counseling offered through STEP's Housing Counseling and Financial Management Program;
- Streetscape enhancements to neighborhood streets surrounding former Brodart site; and
- Exterior home and property enhancement assistance through Habitat for Humanity's *A Brush With Kindness* (ABWK) program.

Funding for Neighborhood Projects collected to date:

\$200,000 for STEP's Homes-in-Need Program and Housing Counseling
\$150,000 set aside from the City's CDBG budget for streetscape enhancements

* A second grant request of \$350,000 to the PA Housing and Finance Agency for Housing Rehabilitation and Enhancement Fund (PHARE) dollars was submitted June 7th, 2013.

* Additional grants will be written to both State agencies and local foundations to enhance the financial resources for both individual property and public right-of-way improvements.

Timeline of known dates:

April 2013	Acceptance of STEP H-I-N applications begin
End July	Award of Brodart Demolition contract
Fall 2013	Intended date of demolition completion
Late Fall 2013	Begin construction of Memorial Homes development (12 months)

Partners and Contact Info:



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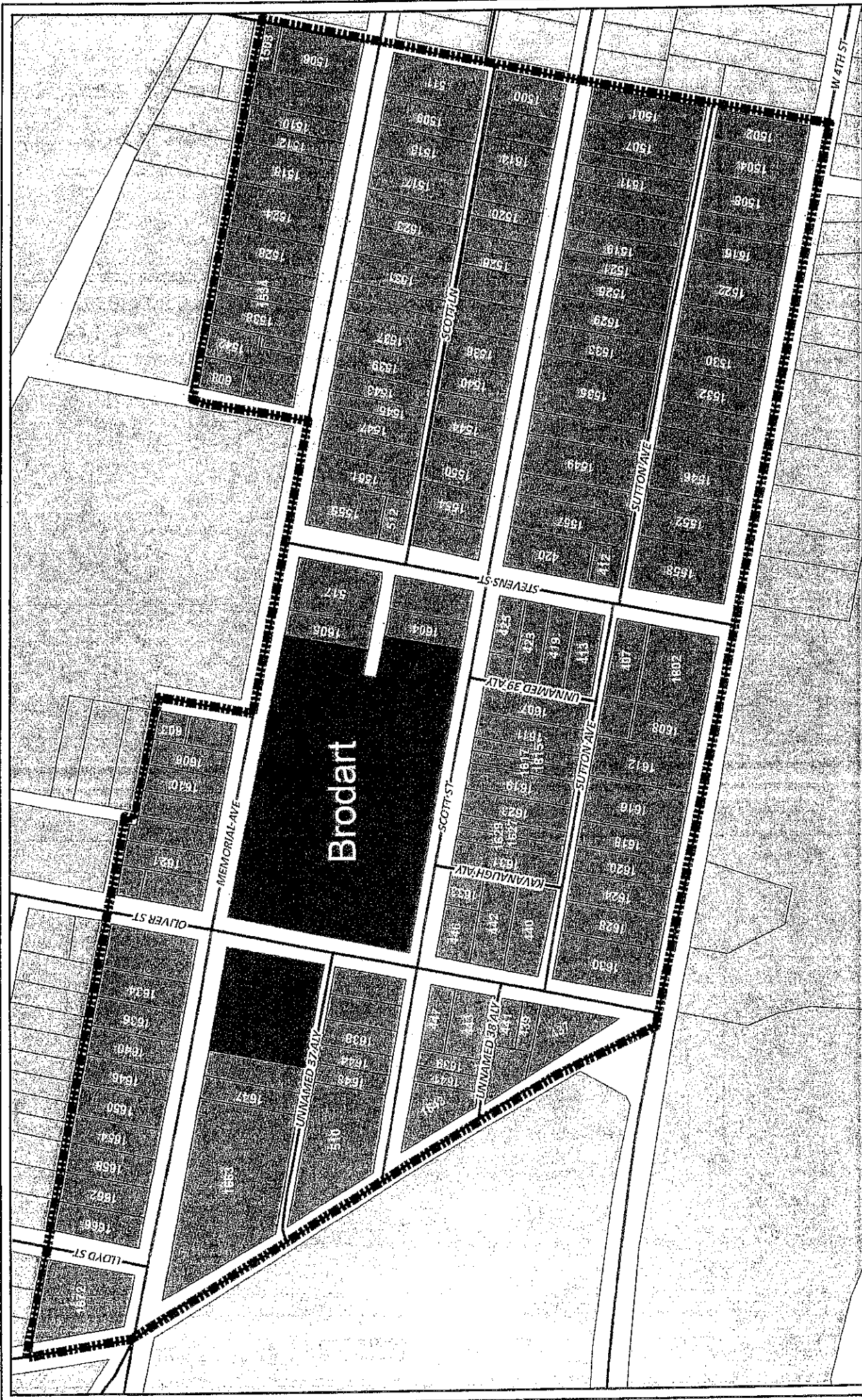
Connie Baker
601-9658



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Project Website:

www.lyco.org → Departments → Planning and Community Development → Project Logo



Brodart Neighborhood



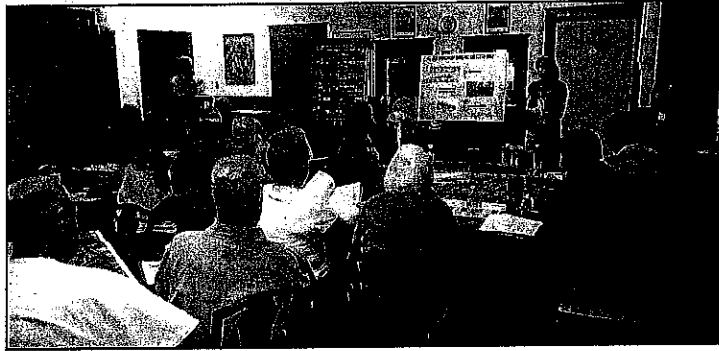

 Brodart Neighborhood Properties
 Project Area

BNIP Outreach Meeting

18 July 2013

All Saints Church

Summary of Work Group Observations & Concerns



- **Street Lighting Concerns**
 - Better street lighting needed in several locations
 - Along Un-named Alley 37
 - Entire length of Beeber street
 - Steven St between Memorial & Scott
 - Scott St between Oliver St & Berger St
 - Use decorative light posts with hanging baskets where appropriate

- **Traffic Issues**
 - Speeding—concerns on Oliver St between Memorial & Scott, and along Beeber Street
 - Dangerous intersection at 4th/Beeber/Oliver—mini “confusion corner”
 - Vehicular movements through intersection are dangerous
 - Lack of clear sight triangle
 - No safe pedestrian passage to Elm Park exists
 - Brick intersection in disrepair
 - Stormwater concerns - rainfall floods intersection
 - Dangerous intersection at Scott & Oliver—make 4-way stop
 - Dangerous intersection at 5-way intersection of Memorial/Beeber Streets – difficult to navigate by car or foot
 - Beeber St Road condition—poor drainage, flooding, pot holes
 - Potholes along Sutton Ave from Oliver to Berger Streets
 - Upgrade Andrews Court between Oliver & Demorest Streets

- **Streetscape Concepts**
 - Improve pedestrian safety by upgrading sidewalks, curbs, curb cuts for accessibility, and intersections with crosswalks

- Crosswalks (to bus stops) needed for:
 - 4th Street in front of WRAK
 - 4th Street and Stevens St
 - 4th Street and Berger St
 - Sidewalk improvements needed:
 - Along Memorial Ave between Beeber & Oliver
 - All along Beeber St
 - Along Oliver between Un-named Alley 38 & 4th St
 - Along Scott St between Beeber & Oliver
 - Cut down old large trees
 - Plant trees along several streets, including Scott St & Stevens St
 - Check if there's a City code requiring a minimum tree lawn width
- **Public Safety Concerns – Potential Code Issues**
 - Suspected drug activity along Scott St & Un-named Alley 37
 - Rodent infestation on Scott Street in vicinity of Brodart complex
 - Excessive trash along Sutton Ave between Stevens and Berger Streets and along Memorial between Beeber & Oliver
 - Former school on corner of Beeber & Memorial—building condition is deteriorating—needs attention now
 - **Textron Items**
 - Add greenery (trees) along Textron's border with Memorial & along Demorest & Day streets
 - Request Textron move explosive or hazardous materials away from Memorial Ave neighboring properties
 - **Memorial Park Initiatives**
 - Need Pedestrian gateway/access from Scott St into Memorial Park
 - Reopen the swimming pool
 - **Misc Items**
 - More frequent visits by street sweeper to entire BNIP area

