

Cully TIF District Community Leadership Committee

August 26, 2026



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Agenda

1. Roll Call & Icebreaker
2. Confirm June Minutes, Announcements
3. Public Comment
4. Refresher from Last Time
5. Community Livability Grant priorities
- BREAK**
7. Supplemental Engagement
8. Next Steps

OBJECTIVE: Discuss, revise and approve CLG grant priorities; confirm process for CLC recruitment

Roll Call

Ice Breaker

*What kinds of things do you leave
the Cully area to purchase?*



Confirm Draft June Meeting Minutes

Announcements



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Public Comment



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Refresher from Last Time

- The committee decided upon priorities for the PIP and ACT programs. Guidelines to be reviewed in one year, informed by a market study.
- The group asked for updates on implementation timelines – when some of the programs in the Action Plan will kick off.
- The committee did not have time to get to priorities for Community Livability Grants (CLGs) and will return to this topic in July.

Community Livability Grant Priorities



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Prosper Portland Grant Programs

☒	Prosperity Investment Program (PIP)	Help business and property owners make tenant improvements and small and large-scale improvements to new and existing buildings
☒	Affordable Commercial Tenanting Grant (ACT)	Helps small businesses move into affordable ground-floor storefronts by providing funds to the property owner to improve and build out the space, in exchange for lower lease rates
☐	Community Livability Grant (CLG)	Provides grants to community-based organizations (nonprofits, neighborhood/business associations, neighborhood groups) for projects that promote healthy, complete, and resilient neighborhoods



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Community Livability Grant 101



Photo credit: Friends of the Children website

- **Eligible Applicants:** Non-profits, neighborhood and business associations and neighborhood groups
- **Eligible Costs:** Physical Improvements & Associated Soft Costs
- **Grant maximum:** \$300,000 (most awards between \$10,000-\$50,000)
- **Application Window:** Once a year
- **Selection Process:** Cully CLC and Prosper Portland staff make recommendations for projects selected for award
- **Accessing Funds:** Grant funds are disbursed after work is completed. Proposed projects to be complete within 1 year.

Community Livability Grant (CLG)

Community Livability Grant awardees for Fiscal Year 2025-26

Project ▾	Description ▾	TIF District ▾	Fiscal Year ▾	Award Amount ▾
Paper Route Academy	Business and Multi Resource Hub: Focus on both structural and interior improvements to support programs.	Gateway Regional Center	2025-2026	\$91,944
TVW Inc. - Sustainable Cleaning Systems	Building Accessibility Improvements for Workforce Training Center: Install elevator to 2nd floor, ADA restroom improvements, and security art panels.	Gateway Regional Center	2025-2026	\$120,839
Billy Webb	Historic Building Restoration: Ballroom restoration includes lighting, ceiling & wall finishes, electrical, insulation, and flooring.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$50,000
Black Parent Initiative (BPI)	Soulful Sips Coffee Shop & Community Center: Kitchen build-out.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$9,006
Cascade AIDS Project	Prism Health Clinic: Security upgrades.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$27,000
POIC	Historic Albina Arts Center Build-Out: Includes replacing HVAC, security fencing, painting, restroom updates, signage.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$36,000
REACH	Albina Corner Property Rehab: Tenant improvements to activate a long vacant space for Proud Ground, a community-serving nonprofit, to expand operations in the space.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$30,000
Ethos Music Center	Community Hub: Café build-out to provide expanded music education for youth by serving as a cultural gathering space for youth, artists.	Interstate Corridor	2025-2026	\$48,280
Human Access Project	Cottonwood Bay Park: Removal of concrete debris to create new public access beach.	North Macadam	2025-2026	\$65,000
The Cottonwood School of Civics and Science	Social Justice Mural: As part of an outdoor garden classroom, this project will be a collaboration with local artists and students.	North Macadam	2025-2026	\$32,400

Community Livability Grant (CLG)

Alignment with Action Plan Criteria

- Projects that result in **publicly accessible community space for gathering**, education, after-school activities for children or other community uses.

Other ideas for consideration:

1. Projects that result in improved or new **health and wellness services, including mental health** (Cully TIF District Plan)
2. Invest in anchor nonprofits to support cultural inclusion and community (Gateway)
3. Projects that **support the growth, development and sustainability of community-based organizations that drive economic development outcomes and serve individuals that have experienced displacement or not benefited from economic opportunities.** (Interstate)

BREAK



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Supplemental Engagement

Community Request

We've heard that there is a need for additional engagement with Black-owned businesses in the district.

Actions:

- We have put together a scope of work focused on meeting this expressed need.
- We will adjust our budget to address the cost once we have an estimate based on the final scope of work.

Next Steps Feedback Loop

Next Meetings:

September – Bylaws



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PHB & Prosper Portland Implementation Updates



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