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Executive Director
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To: Mayors, Clerk-Treasurers, Town Council Presidents and City and Town Council Members

Re: Renewal of Three-Year Agreements with the Lake County Community Economic Development Department for all 16 City and Town Partners and Notification of Opportunity to Terminate Agreement

Fr: Tim Brown

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "TB", is written over the printed name "Tim Brown".

The time has arrived again to renew our relationship in using Community Development Block Grant Funds for the next three years starting in September of 2025 to end of August 2028. The purpose of this memo is to provide each of our community partners with the Renewal Agreement, Resolution and Opt-Out Letter.

The three year agreements are the same as has been used before. The CDBG funding formula is dependent upon the Federal Budget processes and timeline. For FY2024 there was a slight increase to CDBG funds that only eliminated the last four years of lower CDBG funding levels. Annually LCCEDD allots \$715,000.00 to CDBG Community and County Projects and this level of funding has remained intact for over 6 years regardless of lower federal CDBG allotments. Allotments are determined by population size and a minimum base rate for all participants.

The LCCEDD staff are here to help each of our partners succeed in helping their residents using the available grants and funds. Your Clerk/Treasurer has been given the necessary resolution and agreement to extend our partnerships thru August of 2028. We hope to see you at an upcoming meeting in July.

Lake County is considered an Urban County, one of two in the state of Indiana. The enclosed agreement is required to be sent into HUD by all participating communities in the County. If your community wishes to Terminate our relationship send in a signed Termination Letter. Partner communities wishing to terminate participation will not receive CDBG funding for the three-year renewal period.

Thank you.