

**From:** Sam Swisher [mailto:SS@framinghamma.gov]  
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**To:** laurie@leesix.com  
**Subject:** Community Development Block Grant Summaries

Laurie,

Attached are: 1) a summary of activity recommended by the Town Community Development Committee and recently adopted by the Board of Selectmen for use of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the coming fiscal year, FY' 2007 (7/1/06-6/30/07); and 2) a copy of material circulated to Annual Town Meeting last spring that contains a description of the program development process, the plan of activities for the current fiscal year, FY' 2006 (7/1/05-6/30/06), approved by Annual Town Meeting, last spring, and a summary of CDBG activities over the years that the Town has been receiving these funds.

The Town (through the Department of Planning and Economic Development) is a "funder" of public services as opposed to a direct service provider. CDBG regulations limit the total amount of funding of public service (human service) activity to an amount each year, not to exceed fifteen per cent (15%) of new annual entitlement funding (the Town's annual grant allotment) plus program income (repayments received of principal and interest on funds loaned for home repairs and improvements through the Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Program) received in the prior fiscal year. This has equated to a cap on aggregate public service funding of \$90,000 to \$110,000 per year. The Town enters into grant agreements or contracts with sponsors (generally Town Departments and private non-profits) to provide specific services subject to budget and program performance requirements.

Please let me know what more information you might need.

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