

RESOLUTION NO. 26727

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY (MTSU) TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) OFFICE OF HEALTHY HOMES AND LEAD HAZARD CONTROL TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA WITH SUPPORT IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN PROMOTING HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVES IN RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN AND OR FUNDED BY THE CITY AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE SAME.

WHEREAS, Middle Tennessee State University desires the support of the City of Chattanooga in the submittal of an application to HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control and if funded to partner with the City of Chattanooga to provide support and technical assistance in promoting healthy homes initiatives in residential construction and rehabilitation projects undertaken and or funded by the City; and

WHEREAS, if funded, MTSU will provide:

- Trained staff to complete the healthy homes assessment including LBP risk assessment for projects undertaken by City of Chattanooga, materials needed to conduct assessments including radon test kits and lead based paint sample analysis;
- A detailed assessment report on identified hazards developed following EPA and HUD guidelines with a rating on degree of hazard to the health and safety of occupants, particularly those of vulnerable populations;
- Work write up for the individual rehab project that discusses means of control for identified hazards. This may include maintenance or action plan to be provided to the property owner for hazards identified deemed not of immediate threat;
- Interim inspections; and

- Clearance inspection for projects receiving lead hazard control and final quality inspection for projects receiving healthy home interventions;
- Free training for City staff and low cost training for those affiliated with City projects in the healthy homes for code compliance inspection training course, the Renovation, Repair and Painting training and other training as identified resulting in a healthy homes and RRP certification for employees and contractors; and

WHEREAS, the actual rehab would be completed by the City or partner agencies funded by the City, including Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprises, CHODO agencies, or direct projects using CDBG or HOME funds for the specific project. Projects that qualify for City funding shall generally qualify for OHHLHC Healthy Homes Production grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the partnership is to serve “vulnerable residents including children and the elderly” and to support improved health outcomes for projects sponsored with City funds. The value of this activity is approximately \$4,000 per unit receiving MTSU service; and

WHEREAS, CNE proposes to commit to eighteen units that will be completed by using \$500,000 in CDBG and HOME funds awarded by the City, the City proposes to commit to completing approximately ten (10) units with Healthy Home Intervention with partner entities or directly, using CDBG or HOME funds. Approximately \$500,000 will be available to complete the actual rehab.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, does hereby support the application of Middle Tennessee State University to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Control whereby to provide the City with support and technical assistance in promoting healthy

homes initiatives in residential construction and rehabilitation projects undertaken and or funded by the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administrator of the Department of Neighborhood Services and Community Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding with MTSU for the same.

ADOPTED: June 7, 2011

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