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Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2010 7:24 PM
To: Heck, Joe
Cc: DeHahn, Ray; Shakoor, Q.A.; Shakoor, Q.A.; Shields, Michael (Global); Maack, David; Bach, Greg; Coe, Jeff; Embry, Debbi; Lumpkin, Ken; Wisneski, Aron; Kaplan, Jim; Mozol, Robert; Hart, Ronald
Subject: RE: Local Option Request

Thank you for this information Mr. Heck.

Given this situation regarding the recommendation from the committee that no more public services activities be funded through local options, I am withdrawing our request for local options. I will work with Debbi Embry from the Mayors Office of Strategic Partnerships to find other potential avenues for the funding of this valuable service for the City of Racine. I received a notice from the Office of the Superintendent of the RUSD indicating that an analysis of the 2009-2010 WKCE data revealed that there is an achievement gap at every grade level for African American students compared to their white counterparts. An Empowerment Summit for Students will be held at the Julian Thomas School on Thursday, August 12th to address this issue and perhaps an opportunity to garner additional support for our effort.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Pastor Cohen:

According to CDBG regulations we have to ensure that no more than 15 percent of our annual expenditures are for public services such as the 21st Century Learning Center. We were over the limit in 2009 and preliminary projections show that we will be at, or over, that limit again in 2010. Consequently we will be recommending that no more public service activities be funded through Local Option funding in 2010. If you have questions, or need additional information, please let me know.—Joe Heck, Racine City Development

From: Abundant Life [mailto:abundantlife@wi.twcbc.com]
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Hello Mr. Heck:

I was told that there is currently no funding available in local options to cover public services for request like the 21st Century Learning Center proposal.

Can you confirm this for me as I was invited to the CD Committee meeting on tomorrow and prefer not to make an appearance if the request would not even be honored due to the availability of funding for public services projects.

Thanks for your assistance.

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