

Milwaukee Housing Trust Fund gives \$1 million for nine projects

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Nearly \$1 million from the Milwaukee Housing Trust Fund has been awarded to nine projects expected to create 133 units of affordable housing.

The projects are expected to leverage \$17 million in construction work, said Ald. Michael Murphy, chair of the fund's advisory board.

The projects received final approval from the Common Council this week.

In all, the housing trust fund received 26 proposals seeking \$4.9 million, Murphy said.

The largest grant, of \$250,000, went to Bishop's Creek Family Housing, a project that will produce 55 units of rental housing for low-income earners at a former tannery site on N. 32nd St.

A grant of \$100,000 was awarded to the MLK Economic Development Corp. for construction of 24 units of rental housing for low-income families.

Other groups that received grants include:

Dominican Center for Women Inc., \$147,000 for owner-occupied housing rehab.

Milwaukee Christian Center, \$126,000 for housing rehab in multiple locations.

Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity, \$100,000 for housing rehab.

United Community Center, \$75,000 for its new residential substance abuse treatment facility.

Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee, \$75,000 for owner-occupied housing rehab.

Milwaukee Community Service Corps, \$33,200 for energy improvements to homes.

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors, \$14,000 for renovation at four homes in foreclosure.