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RE: Southbridge Year 2 HCD Funding

Dear Ms. Dupont Phillips,

The South Wilmington Planning Network (SWPN) requests that the \$100,000 in previously awarded funds by Healthy Communities Delaware in support of the Barbara Hicks Park Revitalization Plan be reallocated to the Southbridge Community Development Corporation (CDC). The Southbridge CDC aims to use this funding to strengthen its capacity.

SWPN leadership met with the leadership of the Southbridge CDC and is confident these funds will work to empower the residents of Southbridge through the implementation of the forthcoming Southbridge Neighborhood Plan. This plan will give the CDC a blueprint of work to pursue over the years to come. The Southbridge Civic Association and SWPN Core Group agreed with this path at their August 2021 meetings.

The South Wilmington Planning Network (SWPN) is a collaborative partnership of residents and dozens of government, non-profit, and private agencies who work together to improve quality of life in the Southbridge neighborhood of Wilmington, Delaware.

Should you have any questions or concerns, contact us at: SouthWilmingtonPlanningNetwork@gmail.com.

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