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| <u>Scranton Downtown Center Parking Lot</u> | \$3,500.00 | \$0.00 |
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Linda Aebli, Executive Director of OECD contacted the Executive Director of Downtown Senior Center to discuss the following. Will the Scranton Downtown Center have sufficient funds combined with CDBG to pave this parking lot? It was determined by the Downtown Senior Center that no additional funds would be available for this project and the conclusion was to reduce their allocation to zero (\$0.00). (See attached letter).

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| <u>Reconstruction of Roads and Handicap Curb Cuts</u> | \$838,000.00 | \$575,823.00 |
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| <u>Demolition of Hazardous Structures</u> | \$300,000.00 | \$200,000.00 |
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| <u>Administration</u> | \$592,000.00 | \$473,955.00 |
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CDBG / HUD AUDIT

OECD responded on October 6, 2011 to the findings that were received by the City of Scranton as the result of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's monitoring review for the City of Scranton's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). This monitoring was conducted from April 11, 2011 to April 15, 2011 by Mr. Steven Stein, Community Planning and Development Representative, Mr. Paul Lehmann, Regional Environmental Officer, Mr. Christopher McDonnell, and Ms. Stephanie Satiah, Financial Analysts. Mr. Michael Szupper, Regional Real Property Acquisition and Relocation Specialist conducted monitoring from April 18, 2011 to April 21, 2011.

The City of Scranton received written confirmation from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that two activities were found to be ineligible and must be repaid to HUD. One activity is included in this Substantial Amendment and will be deducted from the 2012 CDBG allocation. The **\$111,023.31** that reflects fifty percent of the Director of Licensing, Permits and Inspections salary dating back several years is reflected as the last item on the spread sheets. The City did receive credit for the amount shown on submitted salary time sheets that were submitted by the LIPS Directors; however, paperwork was not available for the five year period that included previous LIPS Directors.

OECD is still taking steps to recapture the second item in the amount of **\$49,500.00** for the construction damage to a building in the central business district. This activity did not have appropriate documentation for their eligibility to be approved by HUD.

OECD did reflect these deductions in the attached spread sheet for amendment. The Administration and Public Service cap will be based on **\$2,369,778.00.**

HOME Program

The City of Scranton HOME Program was reduced to **\$417,355.00** from the requested \$600,000.00. OECD made reductions by 30% for activities. It should be noted that the Administration is based on 10% and the Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) is 15%. The Administration is needed for the salary of the Director of Housing and health benefits and any other staff person that works on the HOME Program and other Administrative expenses incurred by the HOME Program that includes training.

Emergency Solutions Grant Program

The total funding amount for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program has been increased to \$268,307.00. City Council passed legislation based on \$150,000.00. Additional funding was allocated to the current Sub-Grantees and must be approved for the additional funding.