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## **Commissioner Steve Bradshaw Allocates a Third Round of Funding \$69,500 to Address Housing Insecurity**

**DECATUR, Ga.**—Commissioner Steve Bradshaw has allocated to date \$434,500 of his district 4 reserve for allocation funds to support the efforts of DeKalb Community Development Homeless programming during today’s Board of Commissioners meeting.

DeKalb Community Development Department collaborates with partner organizations like CaringWorks to execute programs and services for DeKalb’s homeless to include: Emergency Solutions Grant Program, Continuum of Care HUD Grantees, Human Service Grantees, Emergency Food and Shelter Program (FEMA) and Homeless Management and Information System.

“On behalf of the team at CaringWorks and the people we serve, thank you for your generous support of the DeKalb Transitional Program,” said Carol Collard, president and CEO of CaringWorks. “The program has proven to be an effective bridge to safe, stable and sustainable housing for over 20 low-income, single head of household families in DeKalb County.”

“The homelessness issue in DeKalb County is one that I continue to focus on,” said Commissioner Bradshaw. “I am supportive of the efforts of Allen Mitchell, director of Community Development, and his dedicated staff who work this issue day in and day out. This recent allocation of \$69,500 underscores my commitment to these efforts.”

Commissioner Bradshaw’s funding allocations supported specific innovations proposed by Community Development that otherwise would not be possible using federal funds. A special feature of this innovation is the introduction of case management, support systems for clients, and improved processes to promote housing stabilization in the county. The introduction of the case management approach supports the county’s aspiration to achieve the housing stabilization goal for clients beyond providing temporary and emergency-like solutions.

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