

City Secures \$684,000 Grant

Project will help Waynesboro rehabilitate neighborhood

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WAYNESBORO — A \$684,000 federally funded grant will help Waynesboro rehabilitate the Arch/Market Avenue neighborhood.

Gov. Tim Kaine announced Tuesday the Waynesboro project is one of 22 community development initiatives throughout the state that will benefit from the more than \$14 million is being issued through the Virginia Community Development Block Grant program, according to a press release.

Waynesboro's Arch/Market Avenue Housing Rehabilitation Project is expected to benefit 41 low-to moderate-income homeowners by repairing, flood-proofing and elevating homes in the neighborhood.

"These community improvement projects address a number of critical issues throughout the Commonwealth," Kaine in the release. "While a majority of these awards go toward creating safe and affordable housing and water for Virginians, there is also important funding for broadband and economic and downtown revitalization efforts that will help our communities grow and improve the quality of life for their citizens."

The Waynesboro City Council unanimously approved the grant request for the project during its March 23 meeting. The consent was required because the project calls for a \$10,000 match from the Waynesboro Redevelopment and Housing Authority.