# Community Development Block Grant

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Scottsdale Citizens Engagement Platform
A plan and purpose for the future!



#### **PLEASE NOTE**

Please Note: The findings from the report on Community Development Block
Grant are the ideas, opinions, and suggestions gathered from the members of
the Speak up Scottsdale community and are not necessarily a reflection of all
citizens of Scottsdale. This report may refer to Speak Up Scottsdale community
members as respondents, community members, participants, and/or SUS
members.



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#### **OVERVIEW**

On April 5, 2024, Speak Up Scottsdale launch a discussion asking Community members to provide their feedback on Community Development Block Grant.

- 42 community members provided their thoughts on the CDBG.
  - There are 47 comments.
    - Two members sent their thoughts to the SUS Team and are incorporated in this report.
- The questionnaire closed on May 6, 2024.

This report provides the analysis of SUS members thoughts and sentiment.

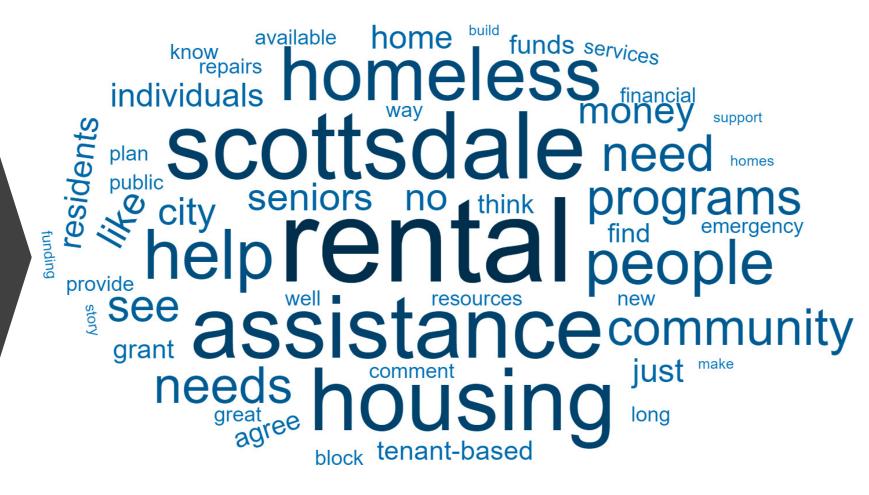








SUS Community
Feedback on the
Community
Development
Block Grant







#### **TOPICS**

# 26 categories surfaced from the SUS community.

- 1. Community Values and Spirit
- Appreciation for Advocates and Education
- 3. Economic Inequality
- 4. Housing
- 5. Supportive Services
- 6. Priority of Needs
- 7. Transparency and Fiscal Responsibility
- 8. Community Involvement
- 9. Support for CDBG Overall

- 10. Complexity of Information
- 11. Emphasis on Assisting Residents
- 12. Accountability and Transparency
- 13. Engagement and Outreach
- 14. Sustainability and Environmental Impact
- 15. Innovations in Assistance
- 16. Application and Eligibility Information
- 17. Homelessness and Volunteerism
- 18. Comments Against Persistent Reminders and Unsolicited Demands
- 19. Focused Use of Limited Funds
- 20. Agreement with dfi2020's Approach

- 21. Concern About Homelessness and Law Enforcement
- 22. Subsidized Housing for City Employees
- 23. Comprehensive Solutions and Emergency Services
- 24. Support for Specific Uses of CDBG and HOME Funds
- 25. Minimal or No Comment Due to Lack of Knowledge
- 26. Support for Various Social Initiatives



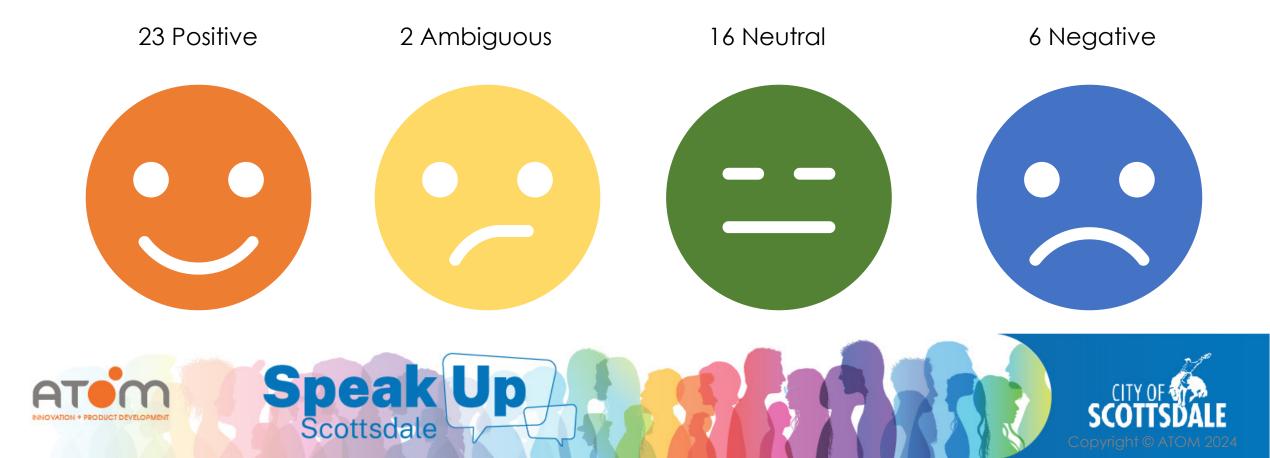






#### **DISCUSSION SENTIMENT**

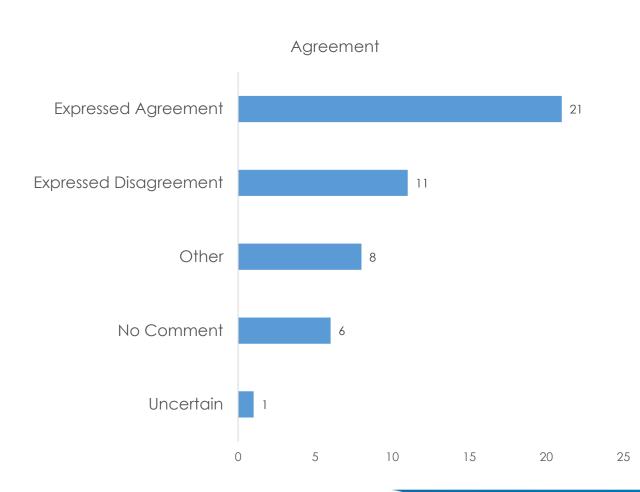
The discussion yield forty-seven comments. The analysis categorizes the comments based on their apparent sentiment toward the discussed topic, identifies whether members expressed a positive outlook, a neutral stance, or negative feedback regarding the issues or programs mentioned.



#### **TOPIC AGREEMENT**

SUS member comments were analyzed based on their agreement with CDBG:

- 21 comments expressed agreement
- 11 comments expressed disagreement
- 8 comments other solutions
- 6 comments revealed either didn't understand or did not want to participate in this activity.
- 1 comment expressed uncertainty.









#### **SUMMARY**

In summary, the SUS community expresses an overarching desire for clarity, accountability, and effectiveness in the use of the CDBG. They emphasize supporting current residents through various programs while ensuring responsible fiscal management, transparency, and community engagement in decision-making. Environmental considerations, the need for more effective communication and outreach strategies, and suggestions for innovative approaches to community support also surfaced prominently in the feedback.









## Thank you!

Let's us know if you have any questions!

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### **ATOM**

