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## MEMO

To: Members, Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission  
From: Bill Wanner, Senior Regional Planner  
Date: February 28, 2008  
Re: Ranking Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Projects

**Purpose:** The purpose of this memo is to provide Commissioners with background information on the CDBG program and the ranking requirement, and make recommendations for priority categories.

**Background:** The Virginia Community Development Block Grant Program supports local planning and construction projects in nine broad categories. The Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development asks each PDC to rank them in three priority groups with a higher score given to projects in the top priority. Three CDBG construction grants are being submitted this year. Two are for business district revitalization: Stanardsville and Nelson County. Albemarle County will be submitting under the housing production category.

**Recommendations:** Staff recommends putting Economic Development – Business District Revitalization, and Housing Production in the top priority.

### **PRIORITY I CATEGORY**

1. Economic Development - Business District Revitalization
2. Housing Production
3. Housing Rehabilitation

### **PRIORITY II CATEGORY**

1. Community Facilities
2. Comprehensive Community Development
3. Community Services Facilities

### **PRIORITY III CATEGORY**

1. Economic Development – Site Redevelopment
2. Economic Development - Job Creation and Retention
3. Economic Development - Development Readiness

**Action Needed:** Adoption of regional CDBG priorities.