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Land Bank Fast Track Authority

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Sarah Dvoracek, Interim City Mgt
City of Ewart
5814 100th Ave
Ewart, MI 49631

RE: Michigan Rural Community Demolition Grant

Dear Sarah Dvoracek,

Thank you for your application for a Michigan Rural Community Demolition Grant. We had \$350,000 in grant funds to distribute and we received over \$875,000 in requests. Many great projects were submitted and while we wish we could fund them all, that is not possible.

As such, we regret to inform you that the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority (MLB) is unable to fund your request as other projects ranked higher in the criteria for the grant.

In reviewing your application, the MLB wishes to discuss the opportunities for utilizing local or county brownfield redevelopment TIF dollars for part of the costs of the demolition and/or future development. Please contact Jim Tischler, MLB Development Director, at your convenience to discuss how that mechanism may help fund certain activities on this project or other projects and provide income for future projects in your brownfield area. Jim can be reached at (517) 242-4376 or tischlerj2@michigan.gov.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Linda Horak, Property Analyst, at (517) 247-6741 (horakl@michigan.gov) or Jeff Huntington, Property Manager, at (517) 335-8430 (huntingtonj@michigan.gov).

Best Wishes,



Josh Burgett
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Cc: Senator Curt VanderWall
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