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Shreveport awarded \$1 million Choice Neighborhood Grant

The City of Shreveport was awarded a \$1 million grant from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to help Allendale, Ledbetter Heights, and West Edge neighborhoods.

HUD's Choice Neighborhoods initiative promotes a comprehensive approach to transforming low-income and struggling communities. Shreveport was one of 64 applications submitted for the grant. Only 10 cities across the nation will receive the grants totaling \$8 million.

"Our staff works diligently to address the needs of all the citizens in Shreveport," said Mayor Ollie S. Tyler. "Many of our citizens live in distressed communities where there is little hope of finding affordable housing for their families. This grant will make a tremendous difference in addressing some of those challenges."

Shreveport received one of the second highest amounts awarded and was the only city in the state of Louisiana selected for this funding. Bonnie Moore, Director of Community Development for the City of Shreveport, will oversee the disbursement of the funds.

"I want to thank U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy for notifying me about the award and also thank the other members of our U.S. Congressional Delegation for their support," said Mayor Tyler.

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