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Community Development Receives Transitional Housing Grant

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Community Development Department has received \$84,134 in grant money from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Robin's Meadow Transitional Housing Program, a family housing complex located on Old Wilmington Rd.

The grant was part of a larger award totaling \$1.4 billion announced last week by HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan to keep homeless assistance programs nationwide operating in the coming year.

"Robin's Meadow is a transitional housing complex with 12 two- and three-bedroom units, and it has been in operation for 11 years," said Community Development Department Director Thanena Wilson. "These funds are necessary in order for us to continue to provide housing and supportive services to the homeless families of Robin's Meadow."

HUD's *Continuum of Care* grants provide permanent and transitional housing to homeless persons as well as services including job training, health care, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment and child care. *Continuum of Care* grants are awarded competitively to local programs to meet the needs of their homeless clients.

For more information, visit the Community Development section of the county's Web site, www.co.cumberland.nc.us, or call 910-323-6112.